

March 2016



AAD NEWS

Thanks for all the hard work and to all of the supporters that made our new sign a reality.

AAD Shriner's Divan



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Aadzuhman Shrine Club
(Brainerd, MN)
Meeting 3rd Mon., 6pm
Justin Knippel, 218-330-5591

Band
Contact John Hussey,
218-729-7854
Duane Ege, Pres., 218-387-2177

Border Shrine Club (MN/ONT)
Meeting 2nd Mon. (except Jul/
Aug) 6pm

Tom Haugland, 218-283-3897
Chequamegon Shrine Club
(Northern WI) 2nd Thurs. 6pm

Ted Callahan 715-372-4412
Director's Staff (Ceremonials)
Ladies Night Out, 4th Tues.
5:30pm

Meeting 1st and 3rd Tues., 7pm
David Hartwick 218-349-5302

Drum & Bugle Corps
Meeting every Thurs. start in
March, 7pm

David Hartwick, 218-341-5302
Aad Shrine Building

Dune Buggy Patrol
Meeting 2nd and 4th Tues., 5:30pm
Chuck Swanson, 218-391-9551

Fun Razors Club
Meetings Quarterly
Jack McNally, President
218-348-3856

Headwaters Shrine Club
Dick Labraaten 218-556-2881

labraat@paulbunyan.net
Meeting 3rd Monday of Month
Hospital Dads

Ike Eisenmann 218-390-7915

**Lake Superior Clowns
of Aad Shrine**
Meeting 2nd Weds., Aad Shrine
Bldg.

Dan Johnson 218-349-5927

Mariners
Meeting 3rd Mon., 6:15pm
Chuck Haslerud, 218-525-3418

Mesaba Rangers
4th Tuesday (except Jul, Aug,
Nov, Dec)

5:30pm social, 6:30pm dinner
John Sordi, 218-263-4428

North Star Cycle Patrol
Brian Schmidt, 218-259-5345
Meeting Tuesday's (May-Oct)
6:30pm

North Star Shrine Club
Earl Machart 218-654-3336

Oddmen
Meeting 2nd Weds. (Sept -
May)

Paul Reinier, 218-391-6955

Oriental Band (Brainerd)
Meeting 4th Weds., 7:30pm
Jeff Harmon 218-825-7205

Pipes & Drums
Meeting Weds., 6:30pm
Chuck Bergquist, 218-390-9971

Provost Unit (Golf Carts)
Meeting 2nd Weds. (except Jul
& Aug)

Nick Katich, 218-310-7401
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**Range Shrine Club (Hibbing
Area)**

Jesse Baker, 218-929-2199

Range Shrine Patrol
Karl Hnatko, 218-262-3374

Range Shrine Motor Patrol
Robert Mayry, 218-231-2262

Ritual Divan
Dick Sellman, 218-929-1624

Superior Shrine Club (WI)
Meeting 4th Mon., 6pm
(Jan-May, Sept-Nov)

Jack Byrd 218-428-7136

**Ver Saba Shrine Club
(Rangers)**
Lauren B. Jallen, 218-865-6139

**Vikings Shrine
(Cloquet Area-Fire Truck)**

Meeting 3rd Tues., 6pm
Dick Kern, P.P., 218-624-0971

Potentates Message

Fraternity and Philanthropy

Greetings Nobles,

We are already into our second month as your newly installed Divan and I believe you have elected wisely. This group of men is truly dedicated and each one has a vision of where our Shrine should be headed to ensure that we are onboard and in line for the future.

For those who were able to attend our installation on January 16, you heard me say that one of my goals for this year is to build or begin the necessary legwork for a new post on slab storage building where we can store our paraphernalia, the dune buggies, golf carts and other equipment owned by the various units and clubs. I will soon visit with the "powers that be" in Hermantown to find out exactly the proper way to begin. We never had so much cooperation and participation as when we were in debt for the new building and hardscape. It seems that we enjoy working together when we have a goal such as retiring a mortgage. Interest rates are low and there will be no better time to do this than NOW!

I wish to congratulate all the Nobles who helped us beat our goal for referrals to the Twin Cities Hospital in 2015. Past Potentate Roger Kurrle, and ALL those who are responsible are to be highly commended. Roger has now retired after serving nine years on the Hospital Board and Past Potentate Richard Eisenmann has replaced him in that position. This does bring up a point that you will continue to hear from me as the year passes. Those of us who are privileged to attend the Imperial Session each year hear the same message: We now accept insurance payments from those families who have health insurance and the endowment investments cover the balance of the hospital expenses. The hospitals are in excellent shape, but we need more kids - more patients.

This brings up the subject of fraternity. In our hay day, Shriners International boasted nearly 1 million members. We now stand at 300,000. You saw that an increase in per capita was levied this year when you received your dues notice. It is rumored that unless we get more members, that will have to happen again in a few years. The expenses of Imperial do not seem to decrease and we all know where the money has to come from to cover these expenses. When I was your Chief of Staff in 2011, we had 27 new Nobles who crossed the Hot Sands. Past Potentate Eisenmann of 2011, has challenged me to beat that number. I turn to you, my Masonic brothers and Nobles to assist me in beating his challenge. When was the last time you visited your own Blue Lodge or any Blue Lodge? Our members must come from there. Take time to find a new Noble. Remember, if you sign two petitions for membership for new Nobles, your dues for next year are remitted and you don't have to pay them. If you know a former Noble who was dropped from membership for non-payment of dues, tell him that by paying his 2016 dues, he will be fully reinstated to membership in this once in a lifetime offer.

PLEASE let me know of the meeting dates, times and places of your clubs and units. I want to make every effort to attend as many as I can during this year. My cell is 218.590.2754 and my direct email is: CreekCoveRA@aol.com

Don't forget our stated meeting on March 8. Social hour at 5, dinner at 6 and the meeting at 7 p.m.

In Constant Faith,
Ron Pete, Potentate
AAD Shriners



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Twin Cities Hospital
\$140.00

Shrine Websites

www.aadshrine.org

Info about AAD Shriners

www.shrinersvillage.com

Membership number required

www.beashriner.com

For potential new members

AAD Shriner's Office phone:

218-722-7488

*Articles for the next AAD News are
due in the office no later than the
15th of each month*

Chiefs Corner

Greetings Nobles of Aad Shrine. I feel as though we have made it over the winter hump. The sun is higher in the sky and the Winter MSA is behind us. Now is the time to start planning ahead for the Summer MSA. Mark your calendars for August 3-6 and put in for the vacation time off at work (some of us have not reached that magic retirement age yet!). Marquette is a beautiful area to visit and the community is very excited to host Shriners, AND THEIR FAMILIES! Make this a part of your family's summer getaway plan! Start the discussions in your clubs and units now about attending and what you will be bringing. The website www.msa2016.com will be updated throughout the year with important information about the event. To quote Illustrious Sir, Ron Pete, "Remember why you joined." Come have fun at the circus, the MSA, and everything in between. I will see you there.

Nick Katich
Chief of Staff, Aad Shriners

Aadzuhman Shrine Club

I was recently asked, "What has the Aadzuhman Shrine Club been up too?" The answer is easy, raising money and support for our one great philanthropy, the Shriners Hospital for Children! We started out the New Year by requesting Erin Jurkovich from Shriners Hospital to come to Brainerd and speak with us about the latest and greatest updates in terms of treatment, facility upgrades and most importantly provide us mentorship to speak on behalf of the hospital to gain community support. If I could recommend anything to my fellow nobles, it is to know what you are supporting. Being able to speak on behalf of an organization that you are a part of is key in its mission success. If you have not been on a trip to the hospital, maybe it is time you take one so you can see for yourself what we are doing to help these kids. We have all read through the brochures from the hospital, but that is not designed to be our tool to inform our communities. It takes knowing about the history behind that Shriners and the hospital, reviewing the patient videos on DVD and YouTube, and speaking to the experts that work at the hospital. It is because of our willingness to take that next step that we as a club have brought in \$6500 this year already by speaking to organizations that we engage through our fundraising efforts. People want to know where their money goes, so "we" have to be the ones to educate them.

Fraternally, Justin

Justin Knippel
President, Aadzuhman Shrine Club
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A Note from you AAD Shriner's Office

A couple of reminders to Clubs and Units Officers: If you have not received your 2015 year-end financial packet, please contact the office immediately, so I can re-send. If there are any questions, don't hesitate to call. Thank you to the Treasurers who have already returned the paperwork.

Also, if I could get the updated officers list and contact and meeting information for 2016 as soon as possible, that will assist in making sure information from the Divan or office is getting to the right Nobles. Don't worry about the form, an email works just fine.

One final thing, please be sure to complete the Activities and/or the Fund - Raising Approval Form for any events your Club or Unit has planned. Potentate approval is required for all activities. Scott or I are always available to lend a hand. Just give us a call, or send an email. We will do whatever we can to help.

Thanks, as always, for your cooperation and continued support.

Yolanda Eliason, Office Secretary
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**HOSPITAL DADS DINNER
THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2016
AAD SHRINE CENTER
5152 MILLER TRUNK HIGHWAY
HERMANTOWN, MN 55811**

All Shrine Nobles, Masons, their spouses, and any interested others are invited to attend the Spring Hospital Dads and Moms Dinner. A social hour will start at 5:30 pm, with dinner at 6:30 pm, followed by a meeting at 7:00 pm. A traditional St. Patrick's Day dinner of corned beef and cabbage will be provided by Eddie's Supper Club of Superior, Wisconsin for only \$15.00. Please make your dinner reservations today by contacting the Aad Shrine office at 218-722-7488 by March 7th. All Shriners are encouraged to join the Hospital Dads Unit. Your \$5.00 annual membership fee allows us to support the Shriners Hospitals for Children, and offer outreach programs, such as fire safety coloring books to local elementary schools, and screening clinics to offer information to the public regarding the services at SHC.

Thank you for your continued support, from your 2016 Hospital Dads officers,
Richard "Ike" Eisenmann, President, Jack Byrd, Vice-President,
Ray Dolsen, Secretary, and Don Miller, Treasurer

Nobles and Friends of AAD Shriners

Enclosed in the February AAD News mailing was a sheet with advertising donations that will be available in the March 2016 Edition of the AAD News. Our goal is to receive enough support from our Shriners as well as any member of the local business community to proudly display an ad to promote their businesses as well to help provide AAD Shriners Nobles and friends to enjoy every issue with a full color and larger format so we can include every article, every month. Please consider this new opportunity and contact the Editor or AAD Shriners Office with any questions. pvizan@aol.com or aadshrine.org

2016 Officers Directory

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What's on the Horizon

- Jan 16 Annual/Installation meeting**
- Feb 4-6 Winter MSA**
- Feb 25 Winter Wine Down**
- Mar 8 Divan/Stated meeting**
- Apr 7 Bemidji Circus**
- Apr 8-10 Duluth Circus**
- Apr 30 Hot Sands Ceremonial**
- May 10 Divan/Stated meeting**

Dues Update

Our monthly payment plan is now up and running. Call the Shrine Office to sign up now for this new and exciting way to pay your annual dues and your Circus tickets too. Only \$10.00 monthly for the dues or \$15.00 to pay for both. This is for the 2017 year but if you pay \$15.00 the Shrine will include your 2016 Circus tickets. You can call Chief Rabban Don Ewald @ 218 324 3248 with any questions about this new and exciting program. This makes it easy to pay your Dues and Circus Tickets and benefits your AAD Shriners.

Nobles,
Please contact the office at 218-722-7488
if you know of any brothers that are either
homebound or residing in an assisted care facility.
Brotherhood is what binds us together,
so help us stay informed.

MINNEAPOLIS – Shriners Hospitals for Children – Twin Cities has announced its new leadership and members of the Board of Governors for 2016.

Five new members were appointed to the board:

- Richard “Ike” Eisenmann is a member of Aad Shrine (Duluth, MN) and served as Potentate in 2011. He is a Past President of the Superior Shrine Club. Mr. Eisenmann is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Superior and is a financial adviser with Eisenmann and Associates in Superior, WI.



**AAD SHRINER'S
ARCTIC CAT RAFFLE**

Drawing will be held
Thursday, May 26th, 7:00 pm
Aad Shriners' Center

1ST PRIZE
2016 Arctic Cat 500 EFI 4X4

2ND PRIZE
\$300 Cash

3RD PRIZE
\$200 Cash

Door open at 5:00 pm
Free apps/cash bar and prizes

Winner is Responsible for Tax and Licening
Proceeds are non tax-deductable
Need not be present to win



MEMORIALS

In Memory of:
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Beverly J. Lindevig

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Jim Fisher, P.P
Richard & Shirley Kern, P.P

Victor Anderson

Dudley & Jackie Elliott, P.P
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Summer MSA, Marquette, MI. August 4th through 6th

Hello Nobles, I am writing to you about the upcoming Summer Midwest Shrine event in Marquette, MI on August 4-6 2016. We on the Divan hope to see all the nobles, clubs, and units participate in this year's event. The City of Marquette is basically closing down and opening it up to Shriners and their families, with access to the university and its pool and city campgrounds. AAD Shrine will be based out of the Settle INN (1275 US-41, Marquette, MI 49855) which is approximately .5 from the headquarters hotel. I have reserved 60 rooms under AAD Shrine with a rate around \$128 dollars a night with military, senior, or any other special discounts that will lessen the price. Please call Yolanda @ (218)722-7488 so we can track how many nobles and their families plus clubs and units will be there to represent AAD in the parades and to make sure we have enough rooms. You will then have to call the Settle Inn and reserve your own rooms (906)228-8100 before June 1, 2016.

Oriental Guide Justin Stokke

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Help Kids, Train Doctors and New Research

