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Potentate's Message

Fellow Nobles, on behalf of your Divan I extend "warm" greetings! It appears we are experiencing an Old Fashioned Winter this year that just won't let up. Lake Superior is almost 100% frozen over for the first time in many years. However, the silver lining from this is an unprecedented attention to the Apostle Island sea caves by thousands of visitors from all over the world who are now able to 'walk on water' to enjoy nature's beauty right in our own back yard.

Lady RaeAnn and I enjoyed dining and visiting with the Nobles and their Ladies of the Director's Staff at GB Schneiders and also with the Mesaba Rangers at Binster's in January. The company was great as was the food and refreshments.

So far this year we have had our Club and Units meeting regarding upcoming events for 2014 and the necessary policies and procedures that need to be followed. We have had our first Stated Meeting of the year, also. Noble Ron Pete provided a wonderful meal before the meeting. The response was overwhelming that dinner be served prior to future stated meetings. Noble Ron is looking into starting a Chef's Unit to facilitate this request as soon as the kitchen makeover is complete.

We hope you can attend the 5th Annual AAD Shrine Winter Wine Down Thursday, February 27th, 2014. The event is open to the public and starts at 5 PM. Please make an effort to attend and enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors. Country Inn Suites is offering a discount to our out of town guests who would like to stay the night.

Also, for the first time ever, AAD Shrine is sponsoring Three Shrine Circus' this year! Any help and support would be greatly appreciated. Do not forget about the 'Enchanted Tea Party' for the children that is held in conjunction with the AAD Shrine Circus. I would like to extend a special thank you to Noble Ryan Kern, The Circus Committee and Noble Ryan's Staff for their efforts in making this vital event to our AAD Shrine a success. Another, a big thank you to Noble Jim Fisher and the Range Nobles for their time and effort on making the Hibbing AAD Shrine Circus a success.

I invite you the next time you are in your Temple to check out the improvements that have been made. The hard-scape project, kitchen remodeling, new keyless entry and camera security systems. We are in the process of re-carpeting the building and installing a new sound system. If the snow ever melts we are re-seal coating the parking lot and are in the process of doing further landscaping in the spring. The kitchen needs a new double convection oven to be complete and lastly we are working on a plan and solution for a canopy over the main entrance to address the falling ice hazard. Nobles, several positive and productive projects are coming together at your AAD Shrine Temple!

Hoping to see you at the Winter Wine Down! God Bless.

Nobles, Please contact the office 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.



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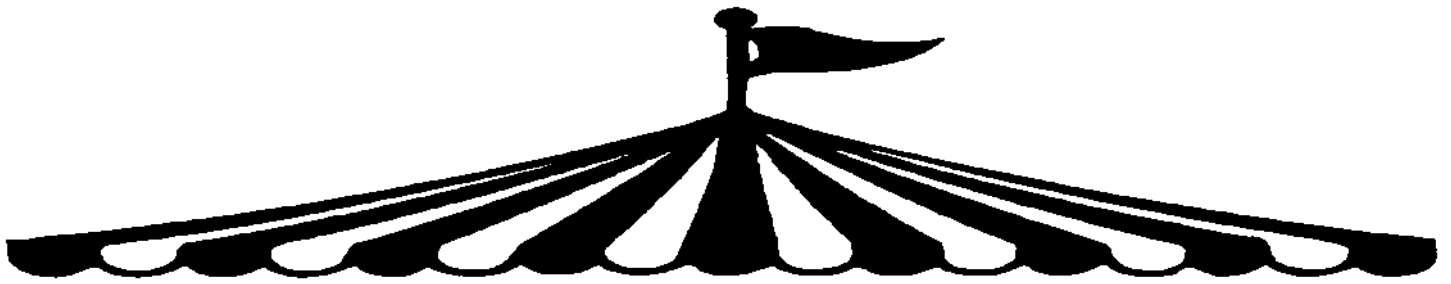
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Please consider becoming a Hospital Dad today, the dues are just \$5 per person and the rewards are never ending as we work to help children all over our great community.





BIG CHANGES ON TAP FOR 2014 SHRINE CIRCUS

Ladies and gentlemen, children of all ages . . . the greatest show on earth is coming to Duluth AND Bemidji, MN? You are hearing right. We have expanded our footprint to the Sanford Center in Bemidji and will host the Aad Shrine Circus on March 26-27! The Duluth Circus at Amsoil Arena will then take place a day later on March 28-29-30.

“It seemed like a no brainer, since our Circus passes through Bemidji in route to Duluth,” said Circus Chairman Ryan Kern. “We will run this as an experiment to see if Bemidji could support a shrine circus in the future at the brand new \$80 million dollar Sanford Center.”

This year’s Shrine Circus promises to be bigger and better than ever with seven scheduled shows over a five day period in two cities. Featuring all new high-wire aerial acts, daring motorcycle feats, and comedic clown routines; circus goers of all ages will experience wholesome entertainment geared towards the entire family. Back by popular demand is a special appearance from “Iron Man”, the iconic superhero from the new movie *Iron Man 3* released last year.

An exciting event in conjunction with the Aad Shrine Circus back again is the 3rd Annual Enchanted Tea Party held in both Bemidji (March 22) and held at the nearby Duluth Entertainment & Convention Center ballroom (March 28-29-30), this event is suited for young girls ages 2-14 and offers kids a unique opportunity to interact with real life princesses and fairies right here in our region.

This year’s event will feature five sessions which can each accommodate up to 100 people. Kern explains, “We try to include classic characters as well as new ones that both boys and girls are familiar with. Our staff does a lot of research to build an event that all kids will enjoy.”

Children arrive dressed in their favorite princess or fairylike attire, have an interactive meet-and-greet with their favorite character, and share an intimate one-on-one tea party. Each tea party lasts approximately 60 to 80 minutes and includes lunch and a free child’s ticket to the Aad Shrine Circus. The festivities conclude with an enchanted dance and a special gift from a princess.

A new promotion is being rolled out this year for elementary schools whereby kids participate in a coloring contest for both the Circus and Enchanted Tea Party. Schools participating in the promotion get free kids ticket, and the winners receive a visit by Iron Man and a Princess.

Those interested in volunteering can contact the Shrine Office at (218) 722-7488. As always the Circus is our primary fundraiser and we desperately need volunteers to help support the event.

March 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>If your Club or Unit would like your activities listed on the calendar please contact the AAD Shrine Office 218-722-7488 or shrineoffice@gmail.com</p>						1
2	3 Aadzuhman	4	5 Pipes & Drums	6	7	8
9	10 Border Shrine Club	11 Dune Buggy Big Band	12 L.S. Clowns Oddmen Pipes & Drums Provost	13	14	15
16	17 Mariners	18 Viking Shrine Club Directors Staff	19 Pipes & Drums	20	21	22
23	24 Superior Shrine Club	25 Dune Buggy Directors Staff	26 Bemidji Circus Pipes & Drums Oriental Band	27 Bemidji Circus Mesaba Rangers	28 Duluth Circus	29 Duluth Circus
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Contacts for Clubs/Units

<p>Aadzuhman Shrine Club (Brainerd, MN) Mtg. 1st Mon. 7pm, contact Pete Siekas 218-851-7719</p> <p>Band Contact John Hussey 218-729-7854 Duane Ege, Pres. 218-387-2177</p> <p>Border Shrine Club (MN/ONT) Mtg. 2nd Mon. (except July & Aug) 6pm, contact Tom Haugland 218-283-3897</p> <p>Chequamegon Shrine Club (N. WI) 1st Thursday of month 6pm, Contact Laurie Nourse Jr. 715-209-1052</p> <p>Directors Staff (Ceremonials) Ladies Night out 2nd Tues. 6pm Mtg. 4th Tues. 7pm (Shrine) Contact Gene Rands 218-349-9000</p>	<p>Drum & Bugle Corps Mtg. every Thurs. Start in March 7:00pm, Contact David Hartwick 218-341-5302 Aad Shrine Building</p> <p>Dune Buggy Patrol *NEW* Mtg. 2nd & 4th Tues. 5:30pm, Chuck Swanson 218-391-9551</p> <p>Headwaters Shrine Club Contact Dennis Depew 218-368-0458 uffda@paulbunyan.net</p> <p>Hospital Dads Contact Roger Kurrle P.P. 218-525-4414</p> <p>Lake Superior Clowns of Aad Shrine Mtg 2nd Wed AAD Shrine Bldg Contact Jim Baker 218-722-6706</p> <p>Mariners Chuck Haslerud 218-525-3418 Mtg 3rd Mon. 6:15pm</p>	<p>Mesaba Rangers (Hibbing Area) 3rd Thurs (except July, Aug, Nov, Dec) 5:30pm social 6:30 dinner Contact John Sordi 218-263-4428</p> <p>North Star Cycle Patrol Contact Brian Schmidt 218-326-6556</p> <p>North Star Shrine Club Bryan Maas 218-327-9799</p> <p>Oddmen Mtg. 2nd Wed. (Sept.-May.) Paul Reinier 218-391-6955</p> <p>Oriental Band (Brainerd) Mtg. 4th Wed. 7:30pm, Contact Don Crust 218-831-6637</p> <p>Pipes & Drums Mtg. Weds. 6:30pm, Contact Thomas Anderson 218-393-4180</p> <p>Provost Unit (golf carts) Mtg. 2nd Wed. (except July & Aug) 7pm, @ Shrine Nick Katich 218-310-7401</p>	<p>nikatich@yahoo.com Range Shrine Club (Hibbing Area) Contact Jesse Baker 218-929-2199</p> <p>Range Shrine Patrol Contact Karl Hnatko 218-262-3374</p> <p>Range Shrine Motor Patrol Contact Robert Mayry 218-231-2262</p> <p>Superior Shrine Club (Superior, WI) Mtg. 4th Mon. (Jan-May & Sept.-Nov) 6pm, Contact Kevin Baker 715-392-6575 or 218-391-3191</p> <p>Ver Saba Shrine Club (Range) Peter M Johnson 218-749-2065</p> <p>Viking Shrine (Cloquet area-fire truck) Mtg. 3rd Tues. 6pm, Contact Dick Kern PP 218-624-0971</p>
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Blue Water Big Band
at the
Shrine Auditorium

Tuesday, March 11th, 7-930pm
Cash bar
Free snacks
\$5.00 cover charge

Directors Staff

Hello The Director Staff Ladies night in Jan went really good at G B SCHNIDERS, nice turn out by the time this is out we will have again met at the Clearwater Grill the old Lakeview Castle. March Ladies night is set for March 18 at Midi in Fingers at 5 30 I hope the weather starts to warm a little I attended the Divan and Stated meeting Feb 4 the Potentate is willing to sign off on a Directors Staff Raffle for our first fund raiser this year. We need the money to get our parade units running and reach a goal of setting up a work shop to house our tools and records that are still stored at the Scottish Rite bldg. Looks like three of our nobles are headed to the SDA this year with a brand new stunt all I can say Shoot-um up and get them wet as many as possible. After April 15 Ladies night at VIP Pizza we can go back to the 2nd Tuesday of the month regular Director Staff meeting. We are set for Feb 25 7 pm and March 25 at 7 I will send out email before meeting's, hope to see a large amount of Director Staff return to the meetings. Thank you Gene Rands

Honored Ladies Duluth

The Honored Ladies will meet at Vallentini's, 14th Avenue East & London Road, on Monday, April, 28, 2014, at Noon, (12 o'clock). If you need a ride, please call Bonnie at 727-4505. Also, if you have a toy, that you forgot to bring for Christmas, now would be a good time to bring it for the children at the hospital. I hope to see all of you in April.. Let's make a good showing.
Bonnie Roth;, President
Duluth Honored Ladies

Greetings Nobles,

Give \$100 and feel like a million! **Join the Shrine's \$100 Million Dollar Club.** The \$100 Million Dollar Club is a way for Shriners and non-Shriners alike to provide a gift of hope for a child in need. It's an excellent opportunity to personally participate in the "World's Greatest Philanthropy" – Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Without this fund, Shriners Hospitals would not be able to ensure optimum, compassionate patient care. In order to meet the needs of thousands of children in need of the expert care Shriners Hospitals provide, the endowment fund must continue to grow during these times of increasing medical costs.

Since approximately 93 percent of the annual Shriners Hospitals for Children operating budget will be spent in direct support of the 22 hospitals, your gift to its endowment fund is a gift to one of the world's "purest" philanthropies.

Aad Shrine goal for new membership is of course 100! Please contact me (on my cell at 218-390-7915 or by email re@eisenmannandassociates.com) and become a new member ASAP.

Fraternally yours,

Richard "Ike" Eisenmann, PP

Donor Relations Chair

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Nobles,

Aadzuhman Shrine Club has ALREADY met the request of our Illustrious Potentate with the initiation of FIVE NEW SHRINERS on Monday, February 17. The group took a bus to the Twin Cities Hospital and the five new members were on that bus and I.S. Ron Burnard performed the fez ceremony in the absence of our current Potentate. They also have five more members and several members who have been dropped from our rolls who have indicated that they would like to come "back to the fold of Aad Shriners." My personal thanks to I.S. Ron and to Pete Siekas, both of whom were instrumental in pursuing and getting these new members.

A BIG SHRINE WELCOME to the newest members of our Nobility. Let this be a challenge to every other unit and club to fulfill the request of I.S. Ted Pavlovich. There is NO REASON that we can't either initiate or re-instate 100 nobles this year. Repeat: NO REASON!

Also, I am a firm believer that if we are to keep the interest of our current members we need to have the happenings of every club and unit posted in the Aad News each month. Somebody from EVERY club and unit needs to take the responsibility to get a "little blurb" into the office by the 15th of each month so that ALL Aad members know what's going on in Aad Land.

How many of you are aware that our Twin Cities Unit of Shriners Hospitals for Children is now partnered with the Mayo Clinic of Rochester? I would also hope that I.S. Roger Kurrle, a member of the Board of OUR hospital, will keep us up to date with the happenings at the hospital in the Aad News each month. The possibilities of what we can do for children at OUR hospital are nearly endless and we need to be "scouring" our area for candidates to become patients. We have much to offer and we have the capability of serving many more children.

I ask you to remember why you became a Shriner. The fraternity began with a group of Masons who wanted some FUN outside their Blue Lodges, but still wanted to maintain that closeness which we as Masonic Brothers share. The Shrine affords us that FUN! About 50 years after Shriners was established, we also recognized that we needed to do something to let others know about us. Thus, we established the first Shriners Hospital for Children. Now that philanthropy has grown exponentially and we have the finest system of hospitals for children anywhere in the world!

We need our Nobility to promote the FUN we can have as Shriners and we also need to make other Masons aware that not only can they find some FUN outside of their Blue Lodges, but they can make a whole world of difference in the lives of children who can benefit from our services at our hospitals.

GET MOVING! Talk to your Masonic Brothers and give them a petition to become a Shriner! This is it! The time is NOW! Don't just be a dues payer. Be an ACTIVE PARTICIPANT!

Ron Pete, Assistant Rabban and Membership Chairman

2014 Tentative Schedule

March 26-27	Bemidji Circus	July 16	Past Potes Lunch
March 28-30	Duluth Circus	Aug 5	Stated Meeting
May 6	Stated Meeting	Aug 21-23	Summer MSA
May 8	Hospital Dads Dinner	Oct 10	Oktoberfest
May 16	Hospital Visitation	Oct 22	Honored Ladies
July 6-10	Imperial (Mpls)	Nov 19	Parade to Glory

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