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April 2020

Potentate's Ball 2020 BEACH Party

Good fun, good food, good friends!

Saturday, August 15th 2020

Join us at the Beja Shrine Center ~ 1950 Bond Street - Green Bay, WI

4:30pm Drinks (cash bar)

Dinner 5:30pm Buffet Style

Beach Party Entertainment 7-9pm



RSVP By: August 5th, 2020

Cost is \$40 per person and must be paid by August 5th

(Make checks payable to Beja Shrine)

Please dress in your favorite beach attire



We have decided to
cancel Breakfast with
the Easter Bunny, Circus
along with all April Beja events and
meetings due to the COVID-19 Virus
"Safer at Home Order."

Please stay safe and healthy!

We will see you next year!



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Floyd L. Meyer*	1986	John M. Derenne *	2003
John R. Martinez*	1987	Dennis Korth	2004
Hobart De Caster *	1988	William "Bill" Wenzell *	2005
Donald C. Wiggins *	1989	Jim Slezak	2006
Bruce J. Carlton *	1990	Kent Pauli	2007
Charles Awen	1991	D. Eugene Badgley *	2008
Donald P. Doherty *	1992	Bradley Ottum	2009
Robert Squires *	1993	Edward "Rusty" Mitchell	2010
William Asmus *	1994	Gary Shriver	2011
A. Wayne Paschke *	1995	Dave Oshefsky	2012
Archie H. Mauk*	1996	John Sage	2013
Peter R. Scheinert	1997	Nick Brosig	2014
John Ottum M.D.*	1998	Kent Pauli	2015
Donald Badgley	1999	Eugene Reece	2016
Denis E. Bay*	2000	Greg Habeck	2017
G.W. "Jerry" Capelle	2001	Clint Compton	2018
Fred Beyer	2002	Mike Belanger	2019

* Deceased

THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



In the adventure of life, of our lives, we have the need to make decisions, many decisions. We know the need to make decisions about who and what we will be and do, about how we will relate to others and to the complex world where we live.

We seek guidance, for we would make wise decision so that our life adventure would be pleasant and rewarding.

And guidance (good and bad) is offered by many sources. If you have cable or satellite TV, you can find guidance for many areas of interest or concern. The inter-net is also a source of useful and useless information. This is also true in the magazines we can read. As Free and Accepted Masons our assertion is that in Masonic teaching, we are offered guidance that will make good men better.

What we want is a divine guidance for we understand in that guidance there is wisdom and purpose that seeks to guide us into the full and abundant life with rewarding purpose and meaning in our lives.

Glenn Clark offers us some insights that can help us recognize God's guidance for our life's decisions:

"Sometimes God uses our minds to bring us thoughts that we would not otherwise think, thoughts that intuitively tell us whether it would be foolish to go on, or to stay behind. Sometimes he uses our emotions, and when we are in tune with him we can accept it as guidance not to undertake a task when a great depression or abhorrence comes to us every time we consider taking it. If peace and happiness descend upon us every time we turn to another solution, we can accept that, too, as guidance. All these thoughts and all these different feelings should be listened to, as other things being equal; they are the very voice of God trying to get through to us."

*Yours in the faith,
Rev. Myron E. Christensen*

CONSIDER ADVERTISING!

Shriners! If you own a business your company should consider advertising in the Beja Bugler.

It reaches all Beja Nobles in the state and we offer very attractive rates.

If interested, contact Ann in the Beja office,
(920) 498-1985, or
email bejashrine@new.rr.com.

THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



**Es Selamu
Aleikum**



Greetings everyone, with the warm weather and snow melting it looks like an early Spring this year. We had a great attendance for our March meeting. Thanks to Julie's Café for a wonderful job cooking the corned beef and cabbage. Everyone complimented on the dinner. Thanks to my Lady Paulette for getting the cheesecake for dessert.

I want to sincerely thank everyone who attended the Spring Ceremonial on March 14th. Our Ritualistic Divan did an outstanding job and was led by Rusty Mitchell, PP. Congratulations to our new Nobles and their Ladies on becoming members of our Beja Family.

When planning Beja's year, never in my wildest dreams would I have thought we would be dealing with an infectious disease for 2020. Having to cancel and then suspend all Beja Meetings until further notice puts into perspective just how vulnerable we are to disease, even in this day and age.

As of today, I am cancelling the Potentate's Ball. I am working with Daddy D productions to see if we can have a date later this year. Please read all emails and buglers for updates.

As of now I am still planning on the Potentate's Trip to Niagara Falls September 24-29.

The Estimated cost for the Potentates trip to Niagara Falls for 5 night stay will be for transportation, hotel expense and hospitality each of the nights which is listed below. Remember that the more who attend the lower the transportation cost will be for the 55 Passenger Coach Bus. Please use the form in this Bugler edition to sign up for the trip. A deposit of \$500 per couple and \$250 per single will be required by June 30th and the deposit will be returned if the trip is cancelled.

Estimated Cost for Couples taking
the trip to Niagara Falls.

1. 12 Couples attending the cost will be \$1430 per couple
2. 22 Couples attending the cost will be \$1130 per couple

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Estimated Cost for a Single person taking the trip, the cost will be as follows:

1. 24 Couples attending, the cost for single will be \$1040
2. 44 Couples attending, the cost for single will be \$890

Everyone please stay safe and continue to social distance yourselves and use the suggested hygiene practices. I hope that at some point in the next 2 months we can continue on as usual.

*Fraternally,
Ill. Sir James F. Van De Hey
Beja Potentate 2020*

Beja Shrine
Ladies



Thank you to the Ladies who came out on Saturday Mar 14th for the Spring Ceremonial. The Craft event was fun and everybody's looked great. We had lunch at the Green Bay Distillery and then the Ladies stopped at a few thrift shops before returning to Beja for the Fezzing Ceremony. Welcome to our newest Ladies Dusty Zimdars, Jennifer Scanlon and Patty Bassett

Congratulations to Myke Christensen, as our class Honoree and his Lady RuthAnn.

Everyone please stay safe as we continue to deal with COVID-19. We aren't sure when we will be meeting next.

*Sincerely,
Lady Paulette*

**Beja Bugler Articles
Your Submissions should
be sent to: vickic93@centurytel.net
Articles are due on the 10th of each month**

The Bugler is produced monthly electronically and placed on Beja's website. The Bugler is also printed and mailed to subscribed members the first month of each calendar quarter (January, April, July and October).

Beja Connections

A single image or solitary word will do little to influence the course of history. But when groups of people advocate purposefully for a mission they believe in – all conveying one look and speaking with one voice – the impact can be powerful.

Are you using the correct logo? Although the Silent Messenger is the beloved portrayal of our mission, it is not the current logo and should not be used to represent SHC. Did you know the **Love to the Rescue** logo (the one with the heart-shaped ring) should only be used for fundraising purposes? Check to make sure you are using our philanthropy's name properly when referring to Shriners Hospitals for Children and make sure you are using the up-to-date disability terminology. These and other guidelines can be found in the One Look, One Voice Manual. You can find this manual by going to shrinersvillage.com/resources.

Fraternally,
Gary Fehl, *Public Relations*

Beja Shriners Policy # 17

Social Media

This social media policy presents and explains the rules governing social media use by Beja Shriners, including those applying to the public relations committee and the membership in general. This social media policy exists to ensure all members use their social accounts in safe and effective fashions. Although social media can benefit Beja -- especially in terms of marketing, relationship building and recruitment -- poorly-judged or -timed activity can hurt our reputation.

1. Beja Shriner's social media policy pertains to all members.

For the purposes of this policy, social media may refer to:

- Popular social networks such as Twitter and Facebook
- Photo-sharing websites such as Pinterest and Instagram
- Professional social networks such as LinkedIn
- Discussion forums such as the ones found on 4chan and Reddit
- Question and answer-based networks such as Quora and Yahoo Answers

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- Review systems such as Yelp and Google Reviews

When Beja members are posting on their personal accounts, they may be known to be a Beja Shriner and therefore are encouraged to follow basic best practice rules.

- **Think before posting.** This is the golden social media rule. Beja has spent time and resources building its reputation and good will with its customers, the public. Before you make any post consider the effect on Beja's reputation or your reputation as a Shrine Mason.

- **Correct your own mistakes.** When you make a factual error in a post, create an update to correct it. Deleting or editing the original post should come at your own discretion, depending on the situation.

- **Don't escalate issues.** Responding to other social media users, especially concerning a contentious subject, can result in a heated argument. To avoid such arguments, it may be best to avoid commenting if you feel you may spark conflict.

2. Beja Shrine social media accounts must only be used and created by authorized individuals for the purpose of meeting the defined goals of Beja Shriners.

- As Beja Shriners must explore the advantages and disadvantages of expanding its social media presence into new networks, the Beja Public Relations chairman shall approve the creation of all new Beja-related social media accounts. This includes Club and Unit groups or pages.

- The Public Relations Chairman should be an 'Administrator' on all Beja-related groups and pages.

3. Whether the social media account is personal or under the Beja Shriners name, members should not:

- Bring discredit to Shriners nor should they fit within the definition of conduct unbecoming. Conduct contrary to the accepted and customary rule of right and duty between Shrine Masons or to society in general, is improper

- Distribute material that could be interpreted as libelous or defamatory

- Share updates, images and messages that may tarnish the public image of yourself, Beja Shriners, Shriners International, or, Shriners Hospitals for Children®

- Distribute spam and chain messages

APPROVED BY BEJA TEMPLE'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ELECTED DIVAN THIS 4th DAY OF February 2020

Eugene R. Reece, Jr., P.P.
Recorder



As of this morning (Monday) due to the coronavirus situation we have been forced to cancel the May circus. We have been in communication with the Resch Center regarding possible other dates later in the year that could possibly be an alternative date but unfortunately no other dates are available. George Carden Circus has decided to shut down until July due to the unusual circumstances. Consequently the decision has been made to not have a 2020 circus. Fortunately, this all came just before we started our major advertising campaign so we did not lose any money on that part. The Resch Center is not holding us to any dollar commitment as outlined in our contract.

This brings tremendous hardship to Beja Shrine. As the number 1 fund raiser to support Beja's operations many changes will be forthcoming as we move through the year. Contact must again be made to each of our program advertisers regarding refunding these dollars. The Noble tickets each of you have invested become very important and we thank you for that. I am going to ask you to consider donating that money to the operations of Beja Shrine's budget. Should this not meet with your approval please email me at dmkorth@tds.net or text me at 920-419-1977 and we will refund your \$60.

As the old saying goes this too shall pass. In the mean time everyone stay safe and healthy.

Fraternally,
Dennis Korth P. P., Circus Chairman



Annual Sportsman's Raffle

Nobles and Ladies, our annual sportsman's raffle tickets will be available for sale in April. Last year's raffle provided \$5000 to the Beja 2020 operations fund. Tickets for the raffle are \$20 with a chance to win one of the 20 available prizes. The top prize is worth \$1000 with all prizes being a gift card to Cabela's, which the winner can use on any item they choose. We need to sell 500 tickets to break even and be able to conduct the raffle. **Your help in selling tickets will make this goal easy to achieve.**

Over the last couple of years, the Beja Sportsman's Club has become involved with the raffle hosting the raffle night. The night includes the drawing of our 20 winners for the Sportsman's raffle along with several bucket and special raffles for those in attendance. Our 2019 event was a huge success. Although attendance numbers were down, we raised more money to cover the cost of the night as well as adding an addition \$750.00 to our raffle total. Through the dedication of several Nobles and Ladies, we had 20 bucket raffle prizes and two guns donated for our event. I would like to thank all those who came out to help, donated items for our bucket raffles or showed up to have fun and fellowship.

This year's Sportsman's night will be held on Saturday, November 7th, 2020. The festivities will begin at 5:30pm with a cash bar and appetizers. Your ticket to enter is a purchased Sportsman's raffle ticket. Bucket raffle drawing and a special gun raffle for those in attendance will begin at 6:00pm. Along with the bucket raffles we will begin drawing the 20 winners for our annual Sportsman's raffle.

If you have an item you would like to donate to the bucket raffle, please contact me at beje-recorder@new.rr.com

Fraternally yours,
The Sportsman's Club

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and much more with Beja weekly emails
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**Announcing candidates for the
Board at Shriners Healthcare for
Children -Twin Cities if interested
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News from Shriners Hospital Chicago

Shriners Hospitals for Children

Exciting things are happening at SHC-Chicago!

Terri Aiello has accepted the position of Director of Patient Care Services/Nurse Executive. Terri has been with SHC-Chicago for almost 43 years and has done an outstanding job in many roles including most recently as the Director of Performance Improvement.

Dr. Gabriela Martinez has joined SHC-Chicago as a Physiatrist. She will be partnering with Dr. Sue Mukherjee to help expand the Rehabilitation program. We are also recruiting a full time Pediatric Orthopaedic surgeon, as we continue to grow by providing pediatric orthopaedic services for two new hospital partners in the Chicago area.

SHC-Chicago is working with Novartis to develop a program for patients with Spinal Muscular Atrophy to receive Zolgensma, the latest gene therapy treatment. Additionally, we are working to develop a Skeletal Dysplasia clinic by partnering with BioMarin, which provides enzymatic replacement medications and genetic testing through their partner, Invitae.

SHC-Chicago recently hosted the "Second Annual State of Research Symposium: Special Emphasis on Muscle Bone Health". Physicians, clinicians, and researchers from across the Shriners system provided updates and discussion on current and future research projects to help improve the care of children with bone and joint conditions, disorders, and diseases with the goal of creating greater collaboration on multi-center research projects.

January saw 194 new patient exams and 217 new referrals scheduled. Our doctors also treated 23 stable fractures with three of those requiring surgical intervention. This is a direct result of the work of our physician liaisons who made over 1500 face-to-face visits with area health care providers during the preceding month.

Recently, SHC-Chicago received a note from a patient's grandaunt. I'd like to share it with you:

"I am Teresita Pacris, Eulysam's grandaunt. (If you recall the elderly lady tagging along during the weekly visits, that's me.) I'm more than happy to inform you that Eulysam is back in the Philippines. He's back at school and his mom, Chrystee, is back at work. I've been told by my sister (Eulysam's grandma) that Eulysam still cries whenever he is asked about his stay at Shriners. Pictures, the toys and little throw blankets he got from the cart every week - all make him cry. Thank you, thank you, thank you. We can't thank you enough for having been so patient and very accommodating every time we had an issue or every time we needed something. You were like Chrystee's "go-to person."

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I'm very sorry I couldn't thank you in person before I flew back to New Orleans. Please extend my gratitude to Dr. Altiok, Dr. Gundeti, Dr. Mukherjee, Liz, Diana, Patti, and the nice ladies at Rehab - Kathleen, Debbie, and Alexia. Everyone was so nice that Eulysam didn't want to go home. He cried when he checked out after the inpatient rehab stint, and he cried again after his last PT session with Kathleen. On the whole, you all gave him a life-changing gift - the ability to walk. You all made him feel at home, though home was actually miles and miles away.

I hope that God will continue to bless you and your loved ones."

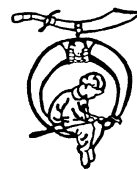
Sincerely, Teresita

Your Chicago hospital is working hard to provide the Most Amazing Care Anywhere to our kids!

Submitted by, John Sage PP, SHC-C Rep.

Gary Fehl, SHC-C Rep.

Cliff Johnson Hospital Associate Rep



GREEN BAY AUXILIARY SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN- Twin Cities

Dear Members and Friends,

Our next gathering in April will be CANCELLED due to current events.

Did you know when you give money for a memorial or honorarium to the Auxiliary, the money is used directly for the wheelchair fund, it is not part of hospitals budget.

Sincerely, Ann Mumm, Secretary

Ann Mumm, Secretary, 920-788-5604

Judith Pauli, Chairman, 920-434-5999

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The Appleton Shrine Club meets every 2nd & 4th Friday of the month at Mark's Eastside starting at 11:30am (order off the menu).

Ladies are invited either Friday but generally attend on the 4th Friday.

All Shrine Nobles and guests are invited to attend.

Mark your calendars to attend the Appleton Shrine Club Spanfarkel fundraiser held Wednesday August 5, 2020 at

The Riverside Park shelter
1029 Riverside Drive, Kaukauna WI.
Camels Milk - 5:30pm ~ Dinner - 6:30pm
Raffle - 7:30pm

Tickets: \$25.00 Each - which includes 1 (one) ticket to a special drawing. This year's event will include a bucket raffle of 25 prizes.

Fraternally,
Tom Pflugardt, President
tpflugardt@hotmail.com or 920-636-6707



The Youth ADVENTURES

I hope everyone is anticipating the spring season as I am.

Green Bay Chapter Order of DeMolay will be anticipating the election of the new State Master Council and State Sweetheart Day. They will also be looking at the new legislation for the state and starting to plan their activities for the summer.

Bethel 32 Job's Daughters would like to thank everyone who participated in their fundraising at the Beja Shrine meeting. Thank You. They are also planning their summer activities at this time.

As always if you can attend a meeting or support there fundraising events. Thank you.

Fraternally,
Charles Clarage

GREEN BAY SHRINE CLUB JIM HERMAN – PRESIDENT

The Green Bay Shrine Club meets every Friday at the Stadium View Bar and Grill, 1963 Holmgren Way in Green Bay. Social time begins at 11:30am.

A short business meeting convenes at 12:00 noon, followed by lunch (order from the menu). Membership is open to any Shriner in good standing.

Fraternally,
Greg Habeck P.P., Sec.
greglhabeck@gmail.com or 920-371-9050



PACKERLAND CLAN 181 SUMMER REUNION SATURDAY June 20 2:00PM - ???

The Hillbillies are coming... the Hillbillies are coming...not the Beverly Hillbillies, but the BEJA hillbillies. Packerland Clan #181 will be holding our SUMMER REUNION which will include the annual meeting, election and installation of officers and new members. If you are interested in joining this fantastic group of cuzzin's, having fun and helping children please plan on attending. The festivities will begin at 2:00pm at Gene and Dawn Reece's home at N4706 Kettner Rd. Shiocton. We will begin with some fellowship and some "shine", corn hole toss competition, then conduct our initiation of new members, installation of officers and then have a wonderful Hillbilly dinner consisting of Barbeque chicken, pulled pork, navy beans cooked over an open fire, corn on the cob...of course, and as a true cuzzin's party everyone is asked to bring their favorite salad or dessert dish to pass. If you are traveling from afar, and need a place to stay, please give Gene a call.

Cost of the meal is \$15 per person. For those planning on joining the clan, membership cost is \$20 individual or \$25 per couple. Yes ladies, you are an integral part of our group and will be initiated as an important cuzzin. Membership cost includes your lifetime membership fee, Hillbilly hat and corn cob pipe. Dress for the day is of course is bib overalls or your most comfortable jeans. Please RSVP to Gene at greecejr@aol.com or 920-986-3145 by June14th.

Fraternally, Packerland Clan #181



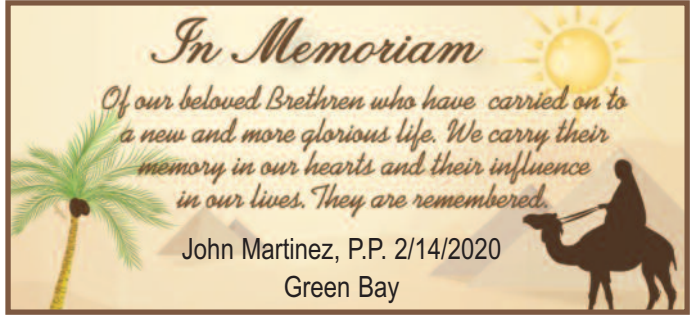
April Birthdays!!

4/2, Zaug, Frederic	4/18, Hinze, Jeffrey
4/3, Borowicz, Donald	4/20, Coleman, Harvey
4/3, Sage, Jeffrey	4/20, Wiltzius, John
4/5, Ehricke, Brian	4/21, Scanlon, Gregory
4/6, Koeller, Richard	4/23, Richardson, Arthur
4/7, Lindow, Roger	4/23, Van Lanen, John
4/7, Reilly, Harvey	4/24, Hartwig, Floyd
4/8, Cooper, Thomas	4/26, Brignall, Leonard
4/9, Hinden, Anthony	4/27, Kingstad, Richard
4/10, Atlas, Jordan	4/27, Nicholas, Torren
4/10, Ludlow, Dennis	4/27, Schafer, John
4/10, Oshefsky, Dennis	4/27, Snover, Roy
4/14, Krause, Tom	4/29, Woolsey, Roy
4/16, Vander Zanden, Roy	4/30, Fannin, Richard
4/18, Barlament, Gerald	4/30, Kussow, Lawrence

In Memoriam

Of our beloved Brethren who have carried on to a new and more glorious life. We carry their memory in our hearts and their influence in our lives. They are remembered.

John Martinez, P.P. 2/14/2020
Green Bay



John A. Martinez, P.P.

August 15, 1929 - February 14, 2020



A memorial service for John, Beja's 2nd Potentate, will be held at 11:00 on **Saturday, May 16th** at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 341 Wilson Ave, Green Bay, WI 54303. A Masonic service is being planned. Read the full obituary at



pfotenhauerfuneralhome.com/obituary/john-martinez



Whats Cooking?

APRIL MENU

**Roast Beef,
Mashed Potatoes,
Vegetable, Salad, Roll, Dessert**

Cost \$15.00 per person - RSVP by March 28th
Call Ann at Beja (920) 498-1985



Official Call of the Potentate: Nobility of Beja Shrine.

Upcoming meetings

April 1st, 2020 CANCELLED
September 2, 2020
December 2nd, 2020 - Election of Officers

James Van De Hey, Potentate
Attest: Gene Reece, PP, Recorder

Help Make A Difference In Style!!



My project for this year is for the Wheelchair Fund for Shriners Healthcare for Children, Twin Cities.

Each of us wants to make a real difference in the lives of the children who depend on Shriners Hospitals. Having a proper wheelchair can open up so many new experiences for a child.

As you may know wheelchairs are not covered by most insurance companies and the fund provides assistance to families in need of them for our Kids.

All the money from the sales of ILL Sir Jim's Challenge Coins and Ties and matching scarves will be donated to the Wheelchair Fund at our Parade to Glory during November's meeting. I will also have items to auction off at the closed meetings with the Ladies and likewise all monies made will be donated to the wheelchair fund.

Ties \$30 & Scarves \$25
Challenge Coin \$20

Thank you for your support for a great cause.
Sincerely, Lady Paulette



Potentate's Trip 2020

Cost details in
Potentate's article
inside this Bugler

Niagara Falls, New York

Join us and enjoy one of our
Nations Greatest Wonders!

September 24th - 29th



Mark Your Calendars

We will be traveling on a 55 Passenger Coach Bus
3 Nights in Niagara Falls
2 nights stay in Toledo, OH, to and from Niagara Falls

More details and cost will follow in future Buglers
Cost will include transportation, hotels, hospitality
room every night and dinner in Toledo both nights
traveling to and from Niagara Falls.

Things to do while visiting

- Maid of the Mist
- Goat Islands Cave of the Winds
- Aquarium of Niagara
- Niagara Falls State Park
- The Lewiston Harvest & Hops Festival Sept 26 & 27th
- Old Falls Street Oktoberfest Sept 26th



How Coronavirus COVID-19 Is Affecting Beja Shriners

Greetings Nobles and Ladies

I would like to take this opportunity to update all of you on the impact that the Coronavirus COVID-19 has had on Beja as a whole. Just before the Spring Ceremonial March 14th I made the difficult decision of cancelling our Breakfast with the Easter Bunny. We continued with the Spring Ceremonial knowing that attendance may be low but felt the health impact was also extremely low as well. On March 13th President Trump has declared National Emergency to combat COVID-19. As of now I have suspended all Beja Events which includes all Clubs and Units events. We are still waiting to see if the 2020 Imperial Session in Kansas City will still take place. I am hoping that we will be able to have our May or June meeting.

To help with meetings, Google online has a service called Google Meet and I offered to set up online meetings for Clubs and Units who wish to use this service, free of charge. You can use your phone or computer for this. With the high percentage of older members in our Temple, those seemingly being targeted by this virus, we must do our part to protect our own and others. I highly encouraged you to reach out to your fellow Nobles and Ladies, ensuring they are healthy and not in need. If you are worried about a fellow Noble or his family, please keep in contact with them by phone or text.

Having to cancel this years Circus will have serious financial impacts on Beja this year. The Circus is the main fundraiser for Beja, providing 70% of our operating budget. I worked with Gene Reece, PP to review and discuss opportunities with the Divan on how we may be able to reduce the impact this will have on our 2020 operating Budget. I will present my suggestion for reducing the impact of this years budget at the April Divan meeting. I would ask that all Clubs and Units consider this as you look into your gift giving at our November Parade to Glory meeting.

I want to urge all Nobles and their families to take precautions when traveling out of your own household. Remember that older people and people of all ages with severe underlying health conditions - like heart disease, lung disease and diabetes, for example seem to be at a higher risk of developing serious COVID-19 illness. Remember to regularly and thoroughly cleaning your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water. Take precautions by maintaining at least 6 feet distance between yourself and others. Restrain from touching many surfaces which you can pick up

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viruses. Once contaminated, hands can transfer the virus to your eyes, nose or mouth. From there, the virus can enter your body and make you sick. Remember to cover your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze.

Please stay up to date through local health announcements and public information through television news and online updates through the Wisconsin Department of Health Services <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov>.

*Fraternally,
Ill Sir James F. Van De Hey
Potentate, Beja Shrine*

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Dear Ladies of the Household, Nobles & Friends,

My term as Queen of Ajeb No. 156, Daughters of the Nile, ends with Sue's installation on 4/15. My sincere thanks to all who have supported me and Ajeb this year; a special thank you to those who make Ajeb a priority by attending the sessions on a regular basis.

We have a nice size group going to Supreme this June in Minnesota! Some of us for six days, others for just a couple. Ruthann is chairman of the Ladies of the Household luncheon on Thursday – the rest of us will be assisting with the set up! Again, my thanks and love to all!

Nile Love to all, Bonnie Kohn

As we have learned within the last 15 minutes, Governor Evers has issued a "Stay Home" order effective until April 24. This means our April 15 meeting and installation WILL NOT TAKE PLACE.

Your Queen Bonnie has been working on this potentiality. We have been in communication with each other, with the guidance of our Supreme Queen, Supreme Princess Royal and other ranking Supreme personnel. We have a plan. Queen Bonnie will be contacting you very shortly. Please read her email very closely and follow her directions. When she has completed her tasks as presiding officer, I will then proceed with arranging for our installation and more information will follow.

Nile Love, Susan Grosse

Shriners Healthcare for Children *TWIN CITIES*

Below are some of the highlights from your Shriners Hospitals for Children- Twin Cities for 2019. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

2019 HIGHLIGHTS: Several important achievements are noted below.

- **Model Change Completed:** The model change to a clinic was legacy completed in December 2018. Subsequent work refined the surgery process with Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare. Final service changes were completed by March with closure of the laboratory.

- Staffing was reduced from 56 FTEs at the start of the year to 51 FTEs by year-end 2019.

- 318 surgeries were completed at Gillette and 21 surgeries were performed at the University of Minnesota.

- A new name, Shriners Healthcare for Children—Twin Cities, was adopted and incorporated into digital, print and visible signage.

- **Outreach:** Agreements were reached with the following community partners to establish new outreach clinics in 2019.

- **Boys Town National Research Hospital, Boys Town NE:** This site started regular outreach clinics and telehealth services. The initial kick off event was held August 8th. A camp for kids, Camp Nebraska, was held in nearby Gretna, NE for TCC patients.

- **Bone & Joint Clink, Bismarck ND:** Outreach clinics are now offered every other month at this location.

Black Hills Orthopedic and Spine Center, Rapid City SD: A new schedule of every other month outreach was established at this site.

- **Blank Children's Hospital, Des Moines IA:** A partnership agreement has been formulated to develop the pediatric orthopaedic services at Blank using TCC employed surgeons. Service is expected to begin late in 2020. A donor appreciation event was held in Des Moines concurrent with the work at Blank Children's. This was the first experience with an out-of state donor event.

- **Donations:** \$3.6 million received in total donations exceeding the stretch goal of \$2M. A campaign to raise \$400,000 for the purchase of digital x-ray equipment was completed in 2019.

- **Over 20 Camp and Event experiences** were offered to TCC patients during 2019.

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- **Camp explore Nebraska:** A new patient camp, was conducted outside Omaha, NE in June 2019. Over twenty campers (local area patients) participated.

- **Give to the Max Day** was held in November 2019. Received donations of almost \$97,000 in a single day for the Twin Cities Clinic.

- **4th Annual Gala:** Celebrating 95 years of serving children, was held in June. Nearly 400 guests attended the event, netting over \$230,000 in support for the Twin Cities Clinic.

- **Clinical Measures:** TCC continued to meet clinical care benchmarks. Patient satisfaction was maintained well over the 90th percentile for all services against the compare group.

We have an exciting year ahead of us for 2020. Some quick highlights, the ribbon cutting for our new clinic will be on Saturday May 30th. We will begin full operations at the new site around July 1st. We will be hosting three outreach camps this year in Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota as we continue to meet our mission of seeing more kids in more places for less. Cost.

*Fraternally,
Eugene "Gene" Reece, Jr. P.P.
Vice Chairman SHC-TCC Board*



HELP WANTED

I am compiling a list of Nobles that have been in the Krazy Kops in the past to be saved in our scrap book I am assembling. Anyone you might know of please email me with their names. Dates are not important.

It is time to polish the brass buttons on the Kop uniforms and brighten the convicts stripes and practice your Irish brogue for our New Dublin Parade. it is great to be Irish if only for a day.

The Krazy Kops will do seven parades this summer:

- DePere - Cancelled
- Chilton - June 21st
- Reedsville - June 28th
- Manawa - July 4th
- Winneconne - July 18th
- Weyauwega - Sept. 19th

Our goal this year is to pass out Shrine literature at the parades. we welcome support from the Krazy Kop families at the parades.

*Fraternally, Dick Andres, Chief Kop
andresdt@att.net or 920-358-7195*

DADDY BOOK CONTRIBUTORS FOR BEJA SHRINE CIRCUS 2020

Listed below are the Nobles and Friends that have contributed to the Beja Circus 2020 by purchasing their Nobles tickets All of Beja thanks each of you for your support and effort in making the Circus a success. The list contains the contributors through March 12th, 2020. If you do not see your Brother Nobles name on this list of contributors, ask him to help Beja with a contribution by purchasing his tickets.

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The Beja Building **TASK FORCE**

Hello Everyone, The Building Task Force has come to a recommendation on how to proceed with keeping the members of the NEW Masonic Center at the Beja property. We came to our conclusion after many long hours of research and debate. I would like to commend the members of this task force on their dedication and level headedness. We all had specific groups we were representing but lets face it, we're all intertwined. Many thanks to Brad Ottum, Gary Fehl, Jake Sylvester, Jeff Andersen, Craig Laes, John VanLanen, Tom Pinney, Bob Dotson, Gene Reece, and Craig Cloutier. Yes, these are the men that should be thrown under the bus with me.

We did not take this job lightly; we looked at six different options:

1. An addition to the east side of Beja that would house the NEW Masonic Center members.
2. Remodel Unit Building #1 to house the NEW Masonic Center members along with a new storage building to house their "stuff".
3. A major remodel of the existing Beja building.
4. A cosmetic remodel of the existing Beja building.
5. Leave everything the same and hope the members of the NEW Masonic Center would accept that.
6. Have the NEW Masonic Center members move to a new location.

We considered the financial aspects along with projected membership numbers to draw our conclusion.

The Building Task Force recommendation is a cosmetic remodel in two phases. Phase 1 would remodel our cafeteria and main hallway with new flooring, paint and a folding wall for lodge meetings. Our electric sign would be reconfigured to include NEW Masonic Center members and a section of Unit Building #1 would be built out for NEW Masonic Center storage. Phase 1 may also include moving the Library and Museum into the existing conference room and Potentate's office. The Potentate would move into the Recorder's office and the Recorder would share Ann's office.

Phase Two, to be considered possibly next year, would either continue the cosmetic remodel into the office area or reconsider the major remodel option.

Ok, la de da, what's in it for Beja?

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Masonic: It's the right thing to do, we're all in this together. There is strength in numbers.

Money: Beja has been running a deficit for years. This could be the extra financial buffer Beja needs. Good renters are worth their weight in GOLD, and we are our renters.

Membership: Less than 24% of Masons in Wisconsin are Shriners. We can't help but to gain more Shriners by making Masons right here in our building.

The Task Force will ask for a yes or no vote sometime in the future on their recommendation of the Cosmetic Remodel Phase 1.

If the vote is yes, Phase 1 could happen this summer.

If no, one of three things would happen. Configure a new task force to come up with a different idea. Keep the status quo. NEW Center moves.

This is your Beja Temple, I encourage all members to attend the next closed meeting on April 1st for a deeper discussion. Remember, this is our recommendation, it's your decision.

Thank you, Mike Belanger

Peninsula Shrine Club

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Greetings Nobles and Ladies,
The Peninsula Shrine Club will be meeting April 6th at the Nightingale in Sturgeon Bay. Social time is 5:30pm and dinner at 6:00pm. Everyone is invited.

Fraternally,
Greg Habeck, PP Secretary
920-371-9050 or greglhabeck@gmail.com

OCONTO SHRINE CLUB

Nobles and Ladies,
Oconto Shrine Club will be meeting on April 9th, the location will be determined.

Fraternally Yours, Ralph Papesh, President
Vernon Vander Leest, Secy/Treas.
Marcus Vander Leest, Vice President

April 2020

Beja Shrine UPCOMING EVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Beja Closed Meeting 5:00pm	2	3 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	4
5	6 Peninsula Shrine Club Meeting 5:30pm	7 5:00pm Trustee's 6:30pm Divan Meeting	8	9 Oconto Shrine Club Meeting	10 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton with Ladies Meeting 11:30pm	11
12 <i>Easter</i>	13	14	15	16 North Woods Shrine Club Meeting	17 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	18
19	20 Vet's & Patriots Meeting 6:00pm	21	22	23 Krazy Kops/Inter City Shrine Club Meeting 6:00pm River Rail, Shiocton	24 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting at Beja Shrine Appleton with Ladies Meeting 11:30pm	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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April 1st - Beja Closed meeting CANCELLED

April 4th - Breakfast with The Easter Bunny HAS BEEN CANCELLED

May 2020

May 2nd-3rd - Beja Shrine Circus CANCELLED

May 6th - Beja Open meeting - Kentucky Derby Day

May 29th-30th - Twin Cities Gala / Clinic Ribbon Cutting

June 2020

June 3rd - Beja Open meeting - Pie Auction / Celebrate Clus& Units

June 7th - Chicago Hospital Days

June 21st - Chilton Parade

June 28th - Reedsville Parade

July 2020

July 4th-9th - Imperial Session - Kansas City, MO

July 4th - Manawa Parade

July 18th - Winneconne Parade

August 2020

August 15th - Potentate's Ball - Beach Party - NEW DATE



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