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## Beja Shriners

# CAR SHOW

Sunday, August 25th, 2019  
8:00AM - 2:30PM (Rain or Shine)

SEE INSIDE  
FOR MORE  
DETAILS!

Brown County Fairgrounds  
1500 Fort Howard Ave, DePere, WI

**REGISTRATION: 8:00AM-11:00AM**

Fee: \$10.00 - Also enters you into drawing for a 1.5 ton aluminum floor jack (purchase additional ticket for \$1.00 each).

**SHOW HOURS: 11:00AM - 2:30PM**

**Fun, Food & Music on the Grounds**

26 Classes, Sports Cars, Classic Cars, Muscle Cars.  
(Three trophies per class) Shriners' Car Show is a charity event to keep local Shriners in the business of helping children survive thrive with life-changing illnesses or injuries.

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*Fantasy XVIII*

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September 14th, 2019  
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10:30am  
At Beja Shrine Temple

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**Models:**

Ladies of Beja Shrine &  
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**September 29th, 2019  
10am - 5pm**

**MODELS, MONSTERS & MOTORS  
CAR SHOW**

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### PAST POTENTATES

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		* Deceased

# THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



In the middle of May 2019, this good word came to us, proclaimed by PP Roger J. Robinson, Chairman, Board of Governors, Shriners Healthcare for Children – Twin Cities:

"We officially have a new home."

After a lot of planning and searching the resulting accomplishments mean that as Nobles and Ladies of the Shrine we can continue to be "Shriners having fun helping kids"; "Love to the rescue."

Officially we are: "Shriners Healthcare for Children – Twin Cities."

We have a new facility in a new location in Woodbury. We have new and developing relationships with area medical care providers.

What struck me. However, was the continuation of the "old."

We will still be offering the best medical care available for the conditions we treat. The care will continue to be provided no matter of the family's ability to pay so no child will be left behind.

There will continue to be children who need the love and medical care we offer.

As the Nobles and Ladies of the Shrine we still need to find these children who can benefit from the love and medical care we offer and get them involved in our care.

There will still be need for Shrine Drivers to provide the necessary transportation for patients and their families.

We still need to keep Beja Shrine strong. This includes increasing our membership by getting Master Masons who have a compassion moving them to want to help children. We would hope they would join us in the fun events we have and do that help us generate the funds needed for our local facilities, and the funds to send on to make our healthcare system work.

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

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## THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



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Hello Everyone, the 145th Imperial Session in Nashville was very successful with many important issues resolved or in position to be resolved. Nashville is loud and very drinky.

Probably the biggest resolution that passed that everyone can relate to was a process would be adopted to start restoring the fraternal

relationship between Shriners International and the Grand Lodge of Arkansas. Arkansas Shriners and the Arkansas Grand Lodge are committed to coming back together under one roof. Very pleasing news.

Beja received three awards at this year's Imperial Session. Beja was one of fourteen temples to receive an award for donating to the Imperial Emergency Transportation Fund. Thank you to Roger Lindow for looking after our transportation fund and for releasing the needed funds to the Imperial Emergency Transportation Fund. We received a Bronze Award for membership; you all have a hand in that one. Beja was one of two to receive a Dromedary Award for Email Communications, thank you to Gary Fehl. For a small Temple we sure kicked some tail.

Congratulations to John Sage for receiving the Beja Shriner of the Month award for July. Thanks for your input asked for or not.

Summer MSA in Aberdeen South Dakota is July 31-August 3, I'm sure it will be a straight laced-no shenanigans type affair.

Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder will be visiting Bejaland for the Shrine Packer game. This year's Shrine game is Thursday August 8th against the Texans. We have the same party house as the previous couple of years so I hope to see you there.

The Shriners Car Show at the Brown County Fairgrounds is August 25. No rain dancing that day please.

Lets finish the summer with a bang while keeping all our fingers.

Details on the Potentate's Trip in October are hopefully in this Bugler and I would imagine Gary will have it out in our email blasts.

Thank you to Gene, Charlie and Ann for all you do!

Thank you for allowing me to serve you, Mike

*Fraternally,  
Ill. Sir Mike Belanger  
Beja Potentate 2019*



Imperial Potentate Jim Cain presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to Illustrious Sir Mike Belanger recognizing Beja's donation to the International Emergency Transportation Fund.

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The Appleton Shrine Club continues to meet the 2nd and 4th Fridays at Mark's Eastside starting at 11:30am.

Ladies are invited either Friday but generally come on the 4th Friday. All Shrine Nobles in the Appleton area are invited to attend.

*Fraternally,*  
*Dennis Korth, Treasurer*

**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

*Peninsula Shrine Club*  
*"The Club with Class"*  
**RICK ROGERS – PRESIDENT**

Our meetings are open to all. The social hour starts at 5:00pm with dinner following at 6:00pm

**2019 Dinner Schedule:**  
**We meet first Monday of each month at 5:00pm**

August .....No Meeting (Dark)  
September.....The Log Den  
October .....The Graystone  
November .....Old Mexico  
December .....The Nightingale

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

Have A Wonderful Save Summer!

**AJEB TEMPLE NO. 156**  
**DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE**



*Bonnie Kohn, Queen*  
920-746-9362 - blkohn33@gmail.com

*Ruthann Chrstensen, PQ*  
Princess Recorder 715-787-3762

*Sharon Livermore, PQ*  
Princess Banker 920-468-0978

Dear Ladies of the Household and Shrine Friends,

ATTENTION ALL! In July we are collecting NEW Beanie Babies or other small stuffed toys for the hospital (tags to remain on). Ann has agreed to collect them in the office, or they may be brought to our July 17th meeting.

At our July meeting we will also be voting on changes to our by-laws.

By the time you read this, five of us will have attended Supreme Session in Reno, NV. What fun!

We are looking forward to the visit of our Supreme Queen Dale Obernolte who is from Fresno, CA on August 30th! Ladies, it is important that you attend this event, so be sure to have it marked on your calendar.

As usual, we are reminding EVERYONE to put Fashion Fantasy XVII on their calendar, and begin inviting friends and neighbors to join you! And don't forget to donate items for our raffles!

Thanks to all for supporting us!

*Nile Love to all, Bonnie Kohn*



**GREEN BAY AUXILIARY**  
**SHRINERS HOSPITALS**  
**FOR CHILDREN- Twin Cities**

Dear Members and Friends,

Are next meeting will be August 2, 2019 at the Bay Family Restaurant, 1301 S. Military Avenue, Green Bay. For easy access to the private dining room, use the Motel entrance and the south parking lot. Guests are always welcome.

As always, we are accepting shorts in x-large to xxx-large, books for ages 11-18 and pop tabs.

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

Please come and join us!

*Sincerely, Ann Mumm, Secretary*  
Ann Mumm, Secretary, 920-788-5604  
Judith Pauli, Chairman, 920-434-5999

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**RESERVATION FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: Beja Fashion Show  
Reservations and Remittance by September 5th  
RSVP: Bonnie Kohn

6866 Cabots Point Rd ~ Sturgeon Bay WI 54235

Please list names of people included in your reservations (8 people at a table)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR. SORRY, NO REFUNDS

**SPANFARKEL**



*Nobles and Ladies*

Appleton Shrine Club will be holding our Annual Spanfarkel on

Wednesday, August 14th, 2019

At Riverside Park

1029 Riverside Drive, Kaukauna, WI

Camels Milk: 5:30 PM

Dinner at 6:30pm

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Cedar Creek Meat Market & Catering will once again be providing the main course & all the fixings for us.

Reservations are a MUST by  
August 5th, 2019

Please call for reservations:

Tony Hinden 920-574-3678

or

Dennis Korth at 920-419-1977

Make checks to:

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Vendor & Swap Meet Area- FREE - Questions?

Contact Mike Belanger (920) 883-9554 or [mikebelanger@yahoo.com](mailto:mikebelanger@yahoo.com) for more Info



Visit us at Facebook at Shriners Car Show

26 Classes (Three trophies per class)

Dash Plaques to first 150 cars registered

Car Classes: Participant Voting

A. Stock 1900-1948

B. Stock 1979-1960

C. Stock 1961-1972

D. Stock 1973-1980

E. Stock 1981-present

F. Street Rod 1900-1932

G. Street Rod 1933-1948

H. Street Machine 1949-1970

I. Street Machine 1971-1990

J. Van-tastic

K. Truck Stock 1900-1960

L. Truck Stock 1961-present

M. Truck Custom-All Years

N. Customs- All Years

O. Two Door American Sport Cars

P. 55,56, and 57

Q. Convertibles

R. 4 Door & Station Wagon- All Years

S. Classic Muscle Cars 1964-1974

T. Modern Muscle Cars 2005-present

U. Modified American Muscle Cars

V. Foreign

W. Foreign Motorcycles

X. American Motorcycles

Y. Traditional Hot Rod - Pre 65

Z. Rat Rod

Kid's Choice Trophy ~ Kids Model Car Classes: 8-11 yrs old & 12-14 yrs old

Shriners Car Show is a charity event to keep local Shriners in the business of helping children survive with life-changing illnesses or injuries.

Neither the producer, the sponsor, nor any officer, director or shareholder thereof, or the owner of the building at which the show is produced, shall be responsible or liable for any loss or damage to all or any part of the Exhibitor's display and/or vehicle, and Exhibitor shall and does hereby waive any and all rights he/she may have against them or any of them for such loss or damage



## August Birthdays!!

8/1, Hinshaw, David	8/17, Burnsworth, Allen
8/1, Korth, Jay	8/17, Hill, Gregory
8/2, Oshefsky, David	8/19, De Hart, Timothy
8/3, Pillar, Kristoffer	8/20, Mason, Jeffrey
8/4, Spurlock, Michael	8/21, Johnson, Clifford
8/5, Carey, Frank	8/22, Mitchell, Joseph
8/5, Homburg, Thomas	8/24, Andres, Jay
8/5, Robinette, Burke	8/24, Vallrath, Thomas
8/7, Lindsay, David	8/25, Szafranski, Daniel
8/10, Sealy, Richard	8/26, Maas, Janathan
8/12, Bray, Joshua	8/27, Huda, Muhammed
8/12, Campbell, James	8/28, Herrild, Orlin
8/13, Atchison, Robert	8/28, Magoon, Roger
8/14, Patterson, Larry	8/28, Szafranski, Daniel
8/14, Smith, Robert	8/29, Hays, James
8/15, Martinez, John	8/29, Janka, Elmer
8/16, Lawrenz, Jesse	8/31, Compton, Clinton

# JUST ONE

At Imperial Session in Nashville, we saw the unveiling of new Imperial Potentate Jeff Sowder's "Just One" campaign to increase Shriner membership. A simple but powerful idea drives this initiative: If every current Shriner commits to recruiting or restoring "just one" noble to his temple, the ranks of our brotherhood will swell tremendously.

In order to build enthusiasm for the Just One initiative and keep it going, we are instituting a multi-level program for recognizing and rewarding top-line signers in the creation/restoration process for their successful efforts bringing in new members or restoring suspended members. These are:

- **Level 1** – Upon creation or restoration of one member, the top-line signer will receive a postcard and Just One pin from Imperial Potentate Jeff Sowder.
- **Level 2** – Upon bringing in two members, the top-line signer will be listed in the Shriner Magazine.
- **Level 3** – With three new creations or restorations, the top-line signer will receive a certificate of appreciation and a letter of commendation from Imperial Sir Sowder.
- **Level 4** – After five creations or restorations, the top-line signer will receive a personal phone call from the Imperial Potentate.
- **Level 5** – Top-line signers responsible for 10 additional Shriner brothers will receive a special invitation to attend a Just One VIP reception with the Imperial Divan at the 2020 Imperial Session.

If you have any questions about the Just One program, please contact the Membership Office at Shriners International by email at [membership@shrinersnet.org](mailto:membership@shrinersnet.org) or call (813) 281-0300.



## Whats Cooking?

### SEPTEMBER MENU

**Closed Meeting  
Steak Fry**

RSVP by August 31st  
 Call Ann (920) 498-1985

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Nobles, make sure the contact information we have on file is correct by logging into WebFez ([webfez.shrinenet.org/](http://webfez.shrinenet.org/)) and make any needed changes. First-time users will have to register, just follow the simple instructions.

The 2020 Dues Assessment will occur on August 1st, 2019. Within a few days of the assessment, a copy of the Dues Notice will be e-mailed to all Nobles with an email address. The hardcopy mailing will follow in mid to late August, however, the hardcopy will have a statement to disregard the notice if dues have already been paid.

If you wish to dimit from the Shrine, now is the time make that request. Your account must be current to be granted a dimit.

New this year, you are able to pay your dues online at [webfez.shrinenet.org](http://webfez.shrinenet.org). If you have a balance a button to 'Pay My Bill' will appear. You may safely follow that link to pay your dues and your Shrine record will be immediately updated.

There are still a few Nobles who have not remitted their dues for 2018 and/or 2019. This will appear on the dues notice. If you believe this to be in error, or you are experiencing financial difficulties, health problems or other issues, please contact the Beja Recorder, Gene Reece, at (920) 498-1985. There is a program in place, the Gilbert Fund, to help out those Nobles who may need assistance.

Have you considered Life Membership? Lifetime Dues or Permanent Contributing Member (PCM) are always an option in the Shriners International organization, our hospitals as well as within Beja Shriners.

**How are my annual Shriners dues divided?**

Each Shrine Center's dues may vary. Typically, a portion of your dues is paid to the Imperial Council as a per capita tax (currently is \$30/noble). A \$5 assessment goes to Shriners Hospitals for Children, unless you have purchased a PCM (Lifetime member with just the Hospital), which relieves you from paying the annual assessment. The balance is used for your own Shrine Center operations.

*Continued in the next column*

Beja Shrine dues are broken into 3 portions –

- Shriners International per capita -- \$30
- Shriners Hospital for Children -- \$5
- Beja Dues -- \$49
- Bugler Subscription -- \$5

Grand Total: \$89 -- annual dues

What is the cost to be a Lifetime / Permanent Contributing Member of any of these 3 portions of your annual dues?

- Shriners International per capita is \$900 (calculated by: \$30 x 30 years)
- Shriners Hospital for Children is \$150 (calculated by: \$5 x 30 years)
- Beja Shriners is \$980 (calculated by: \$49 x 20 years)
- Bugler Subscription is \$100 (calculated by: \$5 x 20 years)

Contact the Beja Office at [bejashrine@new.rr.com](mailto:bejashrine@new.rr.com) or at 920-498-1985 if you are interested in being a Lifetime Member for any or all portions of your annual dues.

*Gary Fehl,*  
*Beja Membership Committee Chairman*



**[ You Say Jump...  
We Say How High? ]**

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## Announcing the Winners of the 2019 Dromedary Awards!

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Green Bay, Wisconsin

Beja eBugler

• Good design and layout • Nice promotion of Foreigner and Kechi videos • Thoughtful section about nobles needing prayers and well-wishes • Links to social media sites and Masonic organization news

If you are not receiving the eBugler you can sign-up on the Beja website, [www.BejaShriners.com](http://www.BejaShriners.com), or send an email to [beja-pr@new.rr.com](mailto:beja-pr@new.rr.com) to be added to the list.

The eBugler is sent out every Sunday morning and lists the events and birthdays of the week, coming events, as well as interesting articles from Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

You will find links to Beja's other social media sites and links to Wisconsin Masonic bodies.

Sign-up today and start getting the news.

*Yours in the faith, Gary Fehl*

## The Most Amazing Care Anywhere

National Patient Acquisition Campaign

In June of 2019, the Marketing and Communications Department launched, for the first time in the history of Shriners Hospitals for Children, a nationwide marketing campaign to attract new patients to our locations. Previously, hospital locations were responsible for their own patient acquisition marketing, with limited resources and budgets. This project is aimed at supporting and enhancing the efforts of our local Shriners Hospitals for Children teams.

This six-month pilot campaign has launched in 14 Shriners Hospitals markets, and features a strong, focus-group-researched message about the high-quality care we offer. The "Most Amazing Care Anywhere" campaign uses a diverse mix of media, including three stunning new 30-second commercials, engaging digital elements, and beautifully photographed patients on outdoor billboards. The campaign targets "millennial moms" with the message that Shriners Hospitals for Children is an outstanding choice for their child's orthopaedic care.

# OCONTO SHRINE CLUB

Our next meeting will be held on August 15th at Brothers Three in Oconto. We have changed the meeting date to accommodate the Midwest Shrine game.

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

Join Us on  
August 8th for the  
Midwest Shrine Game

RSVP As Soon As Possible  
Call Ann (920) 498-1985



## The Youth ADVENTURES

I hope everyone's had a chance to get out and enjoy the weather and attend some summer activities. I would also like to invite you to attend a youth event.

Green Bay Chapter Order of DeMolay has continued to meet over the summer. It was somewhat difficult with the change in building. We look forward to working with the other organizations and Beja Shrine in this time of flux.

Bethel 32 Job's Daughters has also been busy this summer with meetings, and with the change in building. They look forward to welcome new members and guests.

Thank you again for all your support for the youth. I look forward to working with you all in this time of change in our organizations.

*Fraternally, Charles Clarage*

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# John Ottum Golf Outing 2019



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Adolescents of today have the challenge of navigating two worlds- the physical and the virtual. Virtual reality, and specifically, social media, is an uncharted territory, continuously expanding and evolving. During adolescence, a developmental period characterized by numerous biological, psychological, cognitive, and social changes, establishing one's self-identity and social network are of paramount importance. Technology and social media platforms have transformed the processes, expectations, and experiences of this new generation of youth. Interactive media has broken the barrier of physical distances and created opportunities for adolescents to expand their communities from local schools and neighborhoods to the world at large. Research suggests that these technological advancements have both beneficial and detrimental effects on the developing youth.<sup>1</sup> Studies, in this emerging area, however, have primarily focused on the general adolescent population and do not address the specific needs of adolescents with developmental, cognitive, and physical disabilities.

There is notable value to social media. Usage may promote socialization and engagement in adolescents with disabilities. As adolescents seek out peers and experiences to cultivate their personal identities, the virtual world may help them connect to others with similar disabilities overcoming barriers of inaccessibility and geographical distance. For example, support groups and forums provide venues for adolescents to share knowledge and experiences, obtain emotional support, and gain a sense of belongingness that may otherwise may not have been possible due to physical distance or other barriers, such as transportation or funding. Increases in social support and establishment of social networks may also lead to gains in self-esteem and confidence as well as increased participation in the physical world. Social media raises awareness of disability issues, provides a wealth of education, and makes resources relevant to the current needs of youth more attainable. Social media platforms may also deliver interventions to promote health and well-being and address psychological disorders, such as computerized cognitive behavioral therapy for depression. Moreover, social media can be a great equalizer between those with and without disabilities.

On the other hand, adolescents with disabilities may also be at greater risk for the negative effects of social media. During adolescence, there is an increased focus on peer status, social comparison, and peer approval. The virtual world transforms these already potentially stressful peer interactions by quantifying friendships (e.g., number of "likes" or followers), amplifying vulnerability and loneliness (e.g., if no comments are made to posts), and widely and rapidly publicizing undesirable photos or private information. While development of social identity is a distinctive aspect of adolescence, new age adolescents often construct two identities, the "real life" identity and the virtual one, which may consist of altered and exaggerated body images and experiences. Adolescents, who are at increased risk for depression and anxiety, may maladaptively construe these images as further validation for their own social isolation, low sense of worth, or distorted body image. Moreover, those already experiencing depression or anxiety are more likely to endorse a fear of missing out (FOMO), which has been associated with problematic and potentially addictive social media usage, particularly in adolescent females.<sup>2</sup>

During adolescence, the formation of complex thinking including metacognition occurs, with individuals progressing at varying degrees. Emotional changes are additionally occurring, which may present as unpredictable, rapid, and extreme fluctuations in mood. Combined with adolescents' impulsiveness, these normative developmental characteristics may interfere with logical thinking, negatively impact decision-making ability, and lead to poor judgement. In the virtual world, these behaviors may translate to oversharing private information, intensifying problematic behavior, and accessing inappropriate content and contact. There is also the potential for group think- normalizing risk taking behaviors, such as substance use, self-injury, and sexual behaviors- due to the perceived prevalence and visibility of the behaviors. One of the most concerning corollaries of social media is cyber-bullying. Whereas traditional bullying is limited to in-person contact, cyber-bullying may occur across various media platforms and at any time. Due to the perceived sense of anonymity and lack of personal contact, the intensity of the online harassment can quickly amplify and widely disseminate as well as translate to in-person conflict. Adolescents with physical, developmental, and cognitive disabilities have increased odds of being a victim of cyber-bullying. Monitoring and addressing cyber-bullying is critical due to its detrimental impact of mental health, particularly increased risks of depression, suicide, anxiety, and substance abuse.

While social media platforms may change, social media is embedded in the daily life and development of adolescents. In 2014-15, 73% of adolescents reported access to a smart phone, whereas today, the rate is 95%. During this same time period, the rates of being online on a near-constant basis have almost doubled from 24% to 45%.<sup>4</sup> Adolescence historically is a tumultuous period, with challenges and stressors heightened in those with disabilities. As practitioners, researchers, educators, and parents, we have a task to make meaning of the intersecting physical and virtual worlds and to provide appropriate guidance and monitoring during this time of exponential growth. A key component is to encourage open communication with adolescents regarding social media usage and integration with one's values and expectations. As adolescents with disabilities are more vulnerable to the detrimental effects of social media, we need to provide education and have forthright discussions on internet safety and the publicness and permanency of social media. Monitoring usage is important; however, serving as a mentor and role model is critical. Adults establishing expectations with adolescents with regards to frequency of usage and boundaries in how social media is used should adhere to similar guidelines. Encourage unplugged areas of the day and home (e.g., meal times and bedroom) and real world social interaction (i.e., phones off with friends) for all members of the household. Requesting permission prior to posting photos of family members and friends demonstrates respect and awareness of privacy. As adolescents age and new technology is introduced, guidelines for social media will need to transform accordingly. We live in a world of two realities, both fraught with opportunities and adversities, and our challenge is to provide individualized mentorship to our adolescents to facilitate the successful navigation of this developmental period and promote positive health and well-being.

# Potentate's Trip

## Baraboo, WI

Friday October 11th - 13th 2019

### Friday, October 11th:

#### Circus World Museum

550 Water St., Baraboo, WI 53913

Cost: Adult \$9.95 or 65 + \$8.95

Lunch: Somewhere special

Dinner: Cracker Barrel

1295 Wisconsin Dells Parkway

South Baraboo, WI 53913



### Saturday, October 12th:

#### House On The Rock

5754 WI-23, Spring Green, WI 53588

Cost: Adult \$29.95 or 62+ \$26.95

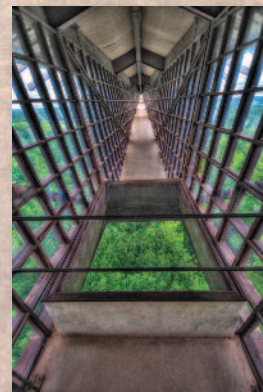
Lunch: Gordons Drive In

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Tour and Dinner: Driftless Glen Distillery: 300 Water St  
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### Sunday, October 13th:

#### Wisconsin Dells Antique Mall

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# Shriners Healthcare for Children *TWIN CITIES*

Here is an update from your Shriners Healthcare for Children - Twin Cities. I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your representative of the Board of Governors.

➡ **Future Site** – Lease agreements are signed to build out a 20,000 square foot clinic located in a 40,000 square foot building in the CityPlace development at 215 Radio Drive in Woodbury MN.

➡ This property is located 8 miles east of downtown St. Paul. The current site is 8 miles west of downtown St. Paul. SHC will occupy the entire lower floor and an unknown tenant will eventually occupy the second floor.

- Clinic staff members are presently engaged in developing the interior space design.

- Construction is expected to start shortly after July 1 (plans are currently under review with the City of Woodbury).

- Anticipated completion of construction is May/June 2020.

- The new building will include a driver lounge, Editorial without words Statue, and other elements that are well known at Shriner sites.

➡ **Sale of the Current Site** – Bids proposals from interested buyers were received by May 1. These proposals are under review at the Shrine home office.

➡ **Expanded Service Across the Upper Midwest.** We seek to develop service sites across our service area. Service access will include periodic on-site clinics, telehealth clinics, POPS clinics (orthotics/prosthetics) with the potential for remote site camps for kids. Here's an update on our progress to date.

## • Outreach Clinic Schedule and Telehealth

- **New Outreach format:** This fall we will begin to transition our historically large, Saturday outreach clinics to smaller (one physician), more frequent (monthly or every other month), weekday clinics that will span across the entire year rather than once or twice each year.

- **Telehealth** connections have been established and utilized between the Twin Cities site and other SHC sites. We have conducted patient or physician contact with SHC Shreveport, SHC Honolulu, SHC Philadelphia, and SHC--Cincinnati and soon SHC Chicago.

## • Boys Town NE at Boys Town National Research Hospital:

- POPS clinics are now being held a regular basis (4 held this year). On-site physician outreach clinics are expected to begin in fall, 2019 (Sept 25 and Nov 6).

- Our first out of state summer camp for SHC patients is scheduled for July 5-7 just outside Omaha. Over 20 kids have signed up to participate.

- A celebration event to highlight the important relationship between SHC and BTNRH is being planned for August.

- Des Moines IA: We are continuing to develop a comprehensive plan for the development of service in this area. We are bound by confidentiality agreements at this time.

- Rapid City SD: Fall outreach clinics are being scheduled at Black Hills Orthopedics (Sept 5 and Oct 3). We expect to offer periodic on-site clinics and regular telehealth clinics at this site.

- Bismarck ND: Fall outreach clinics (Sept 12 and Oct 17) are being scheduled at Bone and Joint Clinic. We expect to offer periodic on-site clinics and regular telehealth clinics at this site.

- Sioux Falls SD: We are in the early stages of developing a service plan for this location.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

*Eugene "Gene" Reece, PP*  
*Vice Chairman*



Beja attending the 2019 Imperial Session

*Continued in the next column*

# August 2019

# Beja Shrine UPCOMING EVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 5:00pm Trustee's 6:00pm Divan Meeting	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <i>Midwest Shrine Game</i>	<b>9</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton with Ladies Meeting 11:30pm	<b>10</b> <i>Imperial Reception</i>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <i>Appleton Spanfarkel</i>	<b>15</b> Oconto Shrine Club Meeting 5:00pm North Woods Shrine Club 5:30pm Eagle River	<b>16</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton with Ladies Meeting 11:30pm	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> <i>Beja Car Show</i>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

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## UPCOMING 2019 ACTIVITIES

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### August 2019

August 8th - GB Packers Midwest Shrine Game Tailgate Party  
August 25th - Shriners Car Show - Brown Co. Fair Grounds  
August 30th - Ajeb Official visit of Supreme Queen

### September 2019

September 4th - Beja Closed meeting – Steak Fry  
September 14th - Ladies of Beja Fashion Fantasy Show  
September 21st - Weyauwega Parade  
September 25th - Honored Ladies Luncheon  
September 28th - Beja Bicycle Show  
September 29th - Models, Monsters and Motors

### October 2019

October 2nd - Beja open meeting - Chief Raban 2020 presentation  
October 10-13th - Potnetate's Trip  
October 26th - Fall Ceremonial  
October weekends - Green Bay Fear



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