

# BEJA BUGLER

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## Fall Ceremonial And Potentate's Ball

*Let's Get Energized!*

**Saturday, September 20th**

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**See Inside For More Details!**



## Masonic Honored Ladies Luncheon

Beja Shriners will host a special Honored Ladies Luncheon on **Tuesday, September 24th at 11:30 a.m.** This event is open to **All Masonic Widows**, not just those whose husbands were Shriners. Lunch will be served, followed by a short program in recognition of their enduring place in our Masonic family.

**Please help us extend this invitation**—especially to widows whose husbands may have only been Blue Lodge Masons. If you know someone who should be included, please give them a call and pass along the details.

RSVP'S should be directed to the Beja Shrine Office at (920) 498-1985. Let's come together to honor the women who have long supported Freemasonry in our lives and communities.



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Hobart De Caster *	.1988	D. Eugene Badgley *	.2008
Donald C. Wiggins *	.1989	Bradley Ottum	.2009
Bruce J. Carlton *	.1990	Edward "Rusty" Mitchell	.2010
Charles Awen*	.1991	Gary Shriver	.2011
Donald P. Doherty *	.1992	Dave Oshefsky	.2012
Robert Squires *	.1993	John Sage	.2013
William Asmus *	.1994	Nick Brosig	.2014
A. Wayne Paschke *	.1995	Kent Pauli	.2015
Archie H. Mauk*	.1996	Eugene Reece	.2016
Peter R. Scheinert	.1997	Greg Habeck	.2017
John Ottum M.D.*	.1998	Clint Compton	.2018
Donald Badgley	.1999	Mike Belanger	.2019
Denis E. Bay*	.2000	James VanDeHey	.2020
G.W. "Jerry" Capelle	.2001	Benjamin Rodgers	.2021
Fred Beyer	.2002	John Van Lanen	.2022
John M. Derenne *	.2003	Jacob Sylvester	.2023
Dennis Korth	.2004	Thomas Pflugardt	.2024
William "Bill" Wenzell *	.2005		

\* Deceased

## Peninsula Shrine Club

*"The Club with Class"*

JAY HERBST – PRESIDENT

The Peninsula Shrine Club will be meeting on September 9th at Birmingham's, 4709 Bay Shore Dr, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235 at 5:00pm and ordering off the menu.

Everybody is welcome to join us. Let me know if you plan on attending.

Fraternally,  
Greg Habeck, Secretary / Treasurer  
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## THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



### Nobles and Friends,

The Potentate's Trip was a wonderful reminder of the fellowship that makes our Shrine so special. From the laughter and shared stories to the moments of quiet camaraderie, it was truly a joy to spend that time together. Thank you to everyone who joined us—you made it an unforgettable experience.

As we move into September, our focus turns to welcoming new members at the **Fall Ceremonial on Saturday, September 20th**. If you know a good man who would make a great Shriner, now is the time to put a petition in his hands. Let's make this a memorable day for our newest Nobles and show them the true spirit of Beja.

That same evening, we'll keep the celebration going at the **Potentate's Ball**. I look forward to an evening filled with friendship, music, and fun—and I hope you'll join me for this special occasion.

Looking ahead to December, we will be electing our **2026 officers**. If you feel called to serve and lead, please make your intentions known soon. Beja's strength has always come from the dedication of Nobles willing to step forward and guide our future.

And be sure to attend our **October meeting**, where **Chief Rabban Tim Thiers** will present his program for the coming year. It's an excellent opportunity to see what's ahead and discover how you can be part of it.

Serving as your Potentate this year has been both an honor and a privilege. Thank you for your friendship, your support, and the energy you bring to everything we do together. Beja is strong because of each and every one of you.

*Fraternally,  
Ill. Sir Scott Maxon  
Beja Shrine Potentate 2025*

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## Important Email Update

Beja Shriners has updated our official email address for the email blast and notifications


Going forward,  
you'll receive eBugler newsletters and  
Shrine communications from:  
**news@bejashriners.com**

To ensure you continue receiving messages without interruption, please add this address to your safe senders list or address book.

Thank you for staying connected!



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# MEMBERSHIP

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As summer begins to wind down, it's time to refocus on the lifeblood of our beloved fraternity—our members and those who seek to join our ranks.

2026 dues assessments have been posted. If you're able, we encourage you to pay early. Your timely support helps Beja plan ahead, fulfill obligations, and continue our mission without interruption. Every early payment is appreciated—thank you for keeping Beja strong.

We're also looking ahead to our Fall Ceremonial on Saturday, September 20. This is your opportunity to bring in that friend, Lodge Brother, or relative who's shown interest in the Shrine. Now's the time to hand them a petition and help them begin their journey. All completed petitions should be turned in to the Recorder as soon as possible so we can prepare to welcome new Nobles with full honors.

Sadly, we've recently said farewell to several of our longtime Nobles. Their loss is deeply felt and reminds us just how important it is to keep our fraternity vibrant and active—not just for ourselves, but in memory of those who paved the way.

Let's honor them by growing, participating, and showing the world what it means to be a Shriner.

*Yours in Brotherhood,  
Your Membership Team*

## GREEN BAY SHRINE CLUB

CRAIG LAES – PRESIDENT

The Green Bay Shrine Club meets every Friday at the Stadium View Bar and Grill located at 1963 Holmgren Way in Green Bay.

Social time begins at 11:30am.  
Hope to see you there!

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



L to R - Joe Ross (Abbey's father), Rodney LaBlanc P.P. Zor, Tom Pflugardt P.P. Beja, Giggles, & Gerry Arnholt P.P. Tripoli.

What a pleasure for us to golf in the 2025 Medinah Shriners Charity Golf Outing in memory of Al Daily. The net proceeds benefit Shriners Children's Chicago.

Our guest golfer was Joe Ross (Lady Vicki) whose daughter Abbey was one of the patient ambassadors.

A big thank you to Medinah Noble Joe Johnson and the rest of the Medinah staff who puts on an awesome first class golf outing each year. And, the luck of the Irish was with us again this year as we claimed a few more of the wonderful prizes donated.

We continue to support Shriners Children's Chicago Hospital 100%.

*Fraternally, Thomas Pflugardt P.P. 24  
Beja Shrine Temple*



# *Fall Ceremonial And Potentate's Ball*

## *Let's Get Energized!*



Gentlemen and Ladies,

Let's get energized for something Beja truly needs - a Fall Ceremonial followed by the Potentate's Ball, scheduled for

**Saturday, September 20th, 2025.**

Following our Fall Ceremonial earlier in the day, we'll gather right here at Beja for the 2025 Potentate's Ball. This year's menu will feature broasted chicken, tender beef tips, potato, vegetable, and a roll—plus musical entertainment from 6:00–9:00 pm.

The early end time will give our hardworking Ceremonial Team a well-deserved break after (hopefully!) traversing the sands with multiple new Nobles, while making sure no one is out too late.

To make the day even more special, we're planning an evening **Potentate Ball at Beja - Black and white theme** at Beja with dinner and entertainment Cost: \$25 per person. This year's menu will feature broasted chicken, tender beef tips, potato, vegetable, and a roll.  
Special note: Dinner is complimentary for any brand-new Noble created at the Fall Ceremonial.

**Drinks at 5:00pm dinner 6:00pm**  
**Evening ending 9:00-9:30 due to ceremonial that morning.**

Let's walk the sands proudly together as a Temple—without any “sandbagging” Nobles weighing down our laborers. Make your reservation and join us for an evening of fellowship, music, and celebration!

**RSVP to Ann at Beja  
By September 13th  
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9/3, Raymond L. White	9/16, William C. Glass
9/4, Glenn A. Costie	9/16, Bradley A. Ottum
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9/8, Shane M. Sturm	9/19, David M. Jenks
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9/12, William A. Ecke	9/22, Chris R. Biskner
9/12, Robert Vander Leest	9/22, Robert L. Hoffman
9/13, Henry J. Buchman	9/22, Ben Rodgers
9/13, Christopher L. Feutz	9/22, Thomas L. Strong
9/14, Gary L. Fehl	9/23, Eric J. Kilman
9/15, Bryon M. Hulla	9/26, Robert k. Harmon



## Parade Season 2025

**Beja Shriners Parade Season: Bringing Fun, Fezzes, and Philanthropy to the Streets** Parade season is upon us, and the Beja Shriners are gearing up to hit the streets in style!

## Join Us on the Parade Route

Our Shriners will be out in full force at the following parades this year:

- **Weyauwega Parade**  
Saturday, September 13th - Krazy Kops
- **Peshtigo Parade**  
Saturday, September 27th - Vets
- **Sturgeon Bay Christmas Parade**  
Saturday, November 15th - Vets
- **Howard Christmas Parade**  
Saturday, December 6th - Vets

**Beja Shrine  
MENU**

**SEPTEMBER  
MEETING MENU**

**STATED MEETING  
PRIME RIB DINNER**

Prime Rib cooked to your requested doneness, along with baked potato, fresh vegetables, salad, rolls, and dessert.

Please RSVP by  
August 20th was required  
to Ann at Beja  
(920) 498-1985

## ■ AVERY: THEN AND NOW ■



Born with a bilateral cleft lip and palate, Avery has undergone numerous procedures that are helping her thrive. She had her first visit to Shriners Children's Chicago at age five. Just a year later, inspired by the care she received, she raised money through a popcorn stand to support the hospital, hoping to help other children receive the most amazing care anywhere.



"The care that Shriners Children's Chicago has provided is indescribable. We are so thankful," said her dad, Richard.

Today, Avery is thriving. Her smile has continued to change through surgeries and healing, but her bubbly, vibrant spirit remains exactly the same.

# OCONTO SHRINE CLUB

Oconto County Shrine Club's next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 11th at Wouter's Front in Suamico. Drinks and attitude adjustments at 6:00pm, meeting at 6:30pm, and dinner to follow. We hope to see you there!!

*Fraternally Yours,  
Nick Brosig, President  
Vernon Vander Leest, Secy/Treas.*

## THE YOUTH CORNER



I hope as I sit and write these articles as I've stated before they are somewhat a time delay from when they need to be submitted. That being said, I hope everyone enjoyed the warm weather of summer. I hope all are looking forward to some of the changes of fall.

Green Bay Chapter Order of DeMolay will also be looking into some changes this fall. They have a new core of officers. They also have some new members that will be attending when they can. They would also like to say congratulations to all the new state officers that were elected back in the end of July at CONCLAVE or state convention as it is sometimes called by the members of the whole state. They are looking forward to some new events and possibly some fundraising this fall.

Bethel 32 Job's Daughters is still looking for help to re-organize and reinvigorate their whole organization. Please feel free to reach out to them and offer any assistance you can.

Thank you again for all the help you do in supporting the youth and their events and fundraising every little bit counts. Thank you again.

*Fraternally,  
Charles Clarage  
Youth Committee Chairman*

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## CONGRATULATIONS GARY!!



August 8, 2025

Dear Gary,

As your newly elected Imperial Potentate, I invite you to serve our fraternity during the 2025-2026 Imperial year as a Member of the Imperial Marketing and Communications Committee, representing Region 4, Midwest Shrine Association.

Appointed committees play a vital role in supporting the mission and operations of both Shriners International and Shriners Children's. I'm grateful for your continued dedication and willingness to take on this important responsibility.

Under the guidance of Imperial Sirs Larry Leib and Mark Hartz, your experience and perspective will contribute meaningfully to our ongoing marketing and communications efforts. You will serve as a resource for helping temples communicate in ways that are on-brand, effective and meaningful to their audiences.

I look forward to working with you in the year ahead and am excited about the contributions you'll bring to the future of our great fraternity and philanthropy.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Brad T. Koehn  
Imperial Potentate



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**HAPPY 95TH BIRTHDAY!**  
*Dave*



An enjoyable 2004 activity was traveling to David & Marlese Lindsay's farm near Manawa. Dave opened the eight doors of his garage to vintage cars. Dave celebrated his 95th Birthday amongst shiny vintage cars and happy friends enjoyed. Thank you Lindsay's for the great memories. *Dennis Korth P. P.*



## BACK ON THE GRIDIRON!

### Jayden overcomes injury, will play college football

Jayden, 18, a patient at Shriners Children's Chicago, suffered a complete fracture of his femur at football camp before high school. After emergency surgery out-of-state, Jayden returned home. His mother, Jacky, researched orthopedic surgeons online, which led them to Shriners Children's. From the moment she called, Jacky knew they were the right place.

"Football is Jayden's life ... I'm

not just going to go to any doctor, I'm going to find the best doctor for him because this is something that he loves," Jacky said.

Once told he may never play again, Shriners Children's orthopedic sports medicine and physical therapy treatment kept Jayden on the team. The team also helped with a later shoulder injury. This fall Jayden will play college football in the state of Wisconsin.



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**Shriners**  
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At Shriners Children's Chicago, our leadership team remains focused on delivering excellence through our strategic plan and the Kaufman Hall performance dashboard. This ongoing effort centers on four key priorities: providing the Best Care, delivering More Value, reaching More Kids, and serving in the Right Places. These pillars guide our clinical and operational goals as we continue to expand and innovate.

One area of continued growth is our Fracture Clinic, which has seen increasing patient demand. We are also broadening our outreach footprint and actively exploring opportunities to establish new Orthopaedic and Rehabilitation clinics throughout the greater Chicagoland area. These potential locations would bring our specialized pediatric care closer to the families who need it most.

Our PROMIS (Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System) compliance rates are steadily improving. As we gather more data, we will be analyzing our PROMIS outcomes in depth to identify new opportunities to enhance patient care and overall experience. This effort will help us further refine how we measure success from the patient's perspective and ensure continuous improvement in clinical outcomes.

In alignment with best practices in revenue cycle management, our physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants are receiving training and individual feedback from the coding team at Headquarters. This training is designed to strengthen our coding accuracy and improve charge capture. To further reinforce this initiative, we are coordinating additional education sessions for clinicians across the Midwest region in partnership with Karen Zupko & Associates, a nationally recognized healthcare consulting group.

On the research front, we're proud to share that Karen Kruger, PhD, will be representing Shriners Children's Chicago at the upcoming International Society of Biomechanics (ISB) conference in Stockholm, Sweden. Dr. Kruger has been invited to participate in a special workshop titled "The Pursuit of Standardization in Joint Kinematics: Towards Consensus for Knee, Shoulder, and Ankle Kinematics Output and Interpretation." In addition to this collaborative workshop, she will also be presenting four abstracts at the conference—a testament to the strength and impact of our research team.

*Continued in next column*

These efforts across clinical care, outreach, operations, and research underscore our continued commitment to providing world-class care to children and families throughout our region and beyond.

*Gary Fehrl – Board Member, SC-Chicago*

*Ben Rodgers PP – Board Member, SC-Chicago*

*Jay Andres – Associate Member, SC-Chicago*



### **From the Editor's Desk: Why Every Message Matters**

I recently read a reflection from a fellow Masonic writer who sends out a weekly message to over 5,000 readers. He admitted that even now, when someone unsubscribes, he still wonders—not about the numbers, but about whether someone is stepping away from a connection to Freemasonry and its teachings.

That hit home.

Each week, as I prepare the eBugler or a notice like the Black Camel, I'm not just sending an email—I'm reaching out to our Beja family. It's more than dates and details; it's a way to remind each of us that we belong to something larger, something meaningful. So yes, when someone unsubscribes, it stings. Not because the list got shorter, but because we might have lost a moment to inform, include, or inspire.

We may never know exactly which message will make someone feel remembered or bring them back to a meeting. But I'll keep sending them—because staying connected matters.

*– Gary Fehrl, Editor-In-Chief*

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**THANKSGIVING  
Week**

Wednesday | **November 26** | 1p-8p

Friday | **November 28** | 10a-8p

Saturday | **November 29** | 10a-8p

Sunday | **November 30** | 10a-4p

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## GET INTO THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT AS A SPONSOR

Reserve your very own 6' x 6' space to spread joy and showcase your creativity!

Design a themed artificial tree adorned with LED lights, decorations and unwrapped gifts – all of this provided courtesy of you. Your festive tree will be raffled off to brighten someone's holiday season and support a great cause!

### ALSO OFFERED:

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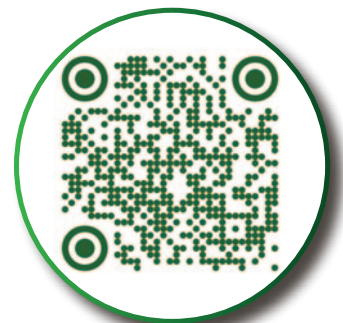
**SPONSORSHIP RECOGNITION EVENT:** Tuesday November 25th 7-10pm

- ✓ Includes up to 5 guests
- ✓ Pre-event viewing
- ✓ Opportunity to pre-purchase raffle tickets
- ✓ Beverages and Food

### TREE SET UP:

Sunday November 23rd or Monday November 24th • 10am-7pm

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**Date Received:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Assigned Tree Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Confirmation with Sponsor Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **TREE SPONSOR RULES AND GUIDELINES BASICS**

- Time and Place - Festival of Trees will be held from Wednesday 11/26 – Sunday 11/30, closed on Thursday 11/27 Thanksgiving Day
- Application Deadline - All applications must be submitted or staff notified by October 1, 2025
- Set up time - The set-up time for a sponsor to set up their tree is Sunday 11/23 or Monday 11/24 • 10am-7pm.
- Sponsorship Night - Tuesday, 11/25 • 7-10pm. Sponsors will be provided five (5) tickets to this special Event with 5 drink tickets and assorted appetizers. Raffle ticket purchases will be available.

## **TREE SPECIFICATIONS**

- Tree spaces are 6 foot by 6 foot (all trees, gifts and related items must fit in the assigned area)
- Trees must be a minimum of four (4) feet unless pre-approved by the Festival of Trees staff.
- Trees must be artificial
- Trees must have LED lighting ONLY
- Sponsors are asked to choose a theme for their tree decorations that are appropriate for the public and represents their business, organization or family. Beja Festival of Trees reserves the right to not allow any tree deemed inappropriate.
- Creative and non-traditional trees are welcome if they follow the tree rules.
- Each tree will be provided with one electrical outlet to use. Sponsors must use the assigned electrical outlet. Festival of Trees staff will be available to assist with electrical connections.
- Sponsors should provide one (1) extension cord with UL or ETL listed. It is recommended that the cord be 15-20 feet long. The cord will be given away with the tree.
- Empty tree boxes and other reusable packaging will be held by the Festival of Trees staff and provided to the tree winner

## **PRIZES**

- The winner of each tree will receive everything displayed, (including the tree, decorations and presents under the tree) unless specific items are marked and labeled. Sponsor display signs and event decorating remain the property of the Beja Festival of Trees.
- High-Value prizes will be safeguarded by the Festival of Trees staff.
- Presents related to the trees theme should be displayed under the tree and unwrapped for the guests to view.
- Cash or high-value items should not be placed on or under the tree. These items will be held by the Festival of Trees staff and issued to the tree winner at pickup. Instead, sponsors can use photos, fake money, or a letter explaining the prizes.
- Alcohol is allowed as a decoration or placed as a gift with any tree. – Tree Raffle with alcohol must be 21 to participate.

## **EVENT CONCLUSION**

- On the final day November 30th at 4pm, the prize drawing will be held in accordance with the Wisconsin raffle requirements. All raffle items must be picked up at the conclusion of the event on 11/30 from 4pm-7pm or make arrangements with the event coordinator.
- Winners will be immediately notified by the contact information on the ticket.
- Purchase ticket holders need not be present to win.
- Sponsors need not be present to take down of donated tree by winner but are welcome.
- The list of winners will be posted on the Beja Festival of Trees Facebook page and the Beja Website.
- Liability - Beja Shriners, Beja Shrine Center, Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children are not responsible for any loss or damage to any sponsored owned or furnished items during the event. Not liable for any accidents or bodily injury that may occur on the event premises.

*Thanks for your support, from the Festival of Trees staff*

**Any questions, please contact event coordinators at 920-498-1985**

Brad Ottum, Event Coordinator



Greetings Beja Nobles, Ladies and Friends,

To all the football fans: Have a Happy 2025 High School, College & NFL Football Season!

The Appleton Shrine Club meets every 2nd & 4th Friday of the month at Mark's Eastside 1405 E Wisconsin Ave. Appleton WI.

Congratulations and thank you to our own Appleton Shrine Club member Illustrious Sir Dennis Korth, P.P. 04 and Lady Gale on collecting a Appleton Shrine Club commission check again for selling advertisement in the Circus Program. One thing about our Illustrious Sir Dennis he is not a "title chaser" he is a doer!

Thank you Appleton Shrine Club Noble Ben Grisby along with fellow Mason's / Shriners for inviting us and attending the 2025 Celebrate Diversity - Fox Cities Annual Cookout. The event was done very professionally as the attendees witnessed many of the beautiful cultural dance routines, along with visiting several of the information booths that were set up.



Thank you again to all involved for your positive Masonic/Shrine involvement in the Appleton community.

In memory of Appleton Shrine Club Noble Rich Moore the Appleton Shrine Club members made a money donation to the Shriners Children's Chicago Adaptive Bike Program.

*Fraternally, Tom Pflugardt P.P., President  
Noble Lyle Buettner, VP  
Dennis Korth P.P., Secretary/Treasurer*

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The Summer Heat Wave was here and gone. Fall is just around the corner.

Our Gig Chairman, Kurvball, is looking for events for the Clowns. Gigs are where we make our money, good showings will get us asked back!

Our Gig Chairman is also working with a Clown College to get the clowns some training. All Beja and Other Clowns be on the lookout for a weekend invitation to attend a Clown Day Camp.

Our next Clown Meeting is Monday, September 22nd at 7:00PM at the Beja Shrine.

The Beja Clowns are Parading with the Krazy Kops. Please be on the watch for Parades so we can have a great showing.

*Fraternally, Kris Pillar, Beja Clown Unit  
kristoffer.pillar@gmail.com*

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# September 2025 Beja Shrine UPCOMING EVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 7:00pm Order of Demolay <b>Labor Day</b>	<b>2</b> 5:00pm Trustee's 6:00pm Divan 6:30 pm Roosevelt	<b>3</b> Beja Shrine Meeting 5:00pm	<b>4</b> 7:00 pm Washington Lodge	<b>5</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	<b>6</b> Fran Bagley Memorial Golf Outing
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 5:00pm Peninsula Shrine Club meeting	<b>10</b> 7:00pm DesPeres Lodge 85	<b>11</b> 10am NEW Daylite 7pm Warren Council 6:00pm Oconto Shrine Club Meeting	<b>12</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton Meeting 11:30pm	<b>13</b> Weyauwega Parade
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 7:00pm Order of Demolay	<b>16</b> 6:30 pm Roosevelt	<b>17</b> 5:30pm Scottish Rite	<b>18</b> 5:30pm Northwoods 7:00pm Washington	<b>19</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	<b>20</b> 10am Fall Ceremonial 5pm Potentate's Ball
<b>21</b> 1:30pm Daughters of Nile	<b>22</b> 6:00pm Vet's & Patriots <b>First Day of Fall</b>	<b>23</b> 7pm Warren Council Chapter #8	<b>24</b> 7:00pm DesPeres Lodge 85 <b>Honored Ladies Luncheon</b>	<b>25</b> 6:00pm Krazy Kops & Inter- City 7:00pm Palestine	<b>26</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton Meeting 11:30am	<b>27</b> Peshtigo Parade
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 5:00pm Trustee's 6:00pm Divan				

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### September 2025

September 3rd - Beja closed meeting / Prime Rib Dinner  
September 6th - 3rd Annual Fran Bagley Memorial Golf Outing  
September 13th - Weyauwega Parade  
September 20th - Fall Ceremonial  
September 24th - Honored Ladies Luncheon  
September 27th - Peshtigo Parade

### October 2025

October 1st - Beja open meeting / Chief Rabban 2026 Presentation

### November 2025

November 5th - Beja open meeting / Parade to Glory  
November 22nd - Sturgeon Bay Christmas Parade  
November 28th - 30th - Beja Festival of Trees

### December 2025

December 3rd - Beja Closed meeting  
December 6th - Breakfast with Santa  
December 24th - Christmas Eve Luncheon



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