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Breakfast With Santa

Nobles, family, friends and all children are invited to attend breakfast with Santa.

Beja Shrine Center
1950 Bond Street • Green Bay, WI
Join Us On
Sunday, November 30th
8:30am to 11:00am

Breakfast includes: Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Pork Sausages, Apple Sauce, Orange Juice, Coffee and Milk

Cost: \$7.00 for adult
\$4.00 for children 4-12
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Bring your camera for pictures with Santa or our photographer will take your family portrait for FREE

BEJA SHRINERS

PARADE TO GLORY

NOVEMBER 6TH, 2024 – OPEN MEETING
BENEATH THE FEZ STANDS A PROUD MAN



Join Us!!

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John R. Martinez*	1987	Jim Slezak	2006
Hobart De Caster *	1988	Kent Pauli	2007
Donald C. Wiggins *	1989	D. Eugene Badgley *	2008
Bruce J. Carlton *	1990	Bradley Ottum	2009
Charles Awen*	1991	Edward "Rusty" Mitchell	2010
Donald P. Doherty *	1992	Gary Shriver	2011
Robert Squires *	1993	Dave Oshefsky	2012
William Asmus *	1994	John Sage	2013
A. Wayne Paschke *	1995	Nick Brosig	2014
Archie H. Mauk*	1996	Kent Pauli	2015
Peter R. Scheinert	1997	Eugene Reece	2016
John Ottum M.D.*	1998	Greg Habeck	2017
Donald Badgley	1999	Clint Compton	2018
Denis E. Bay*	2000	Mike Belanger	2019
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Fred Beyer	2002	Benjamin Rodgers	2021
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Dennis Korth	2004	Jacob Sylvester	2023

* Deceased



Good evening! Again, off to a late start.

Greetings! The fall is arriving quickly, with beautiful weather. September brought the start of football games, back to school activities, lots of music and church activities for the twins and I. My oldest daughter, Katie, is in the process of taking her final surgical board exam, and she and her spouse are buying a home in the suburbs of Chicago. My second daughter, Kelsey, has also moved to the Chicago suburbs, 15 minutes from Katie. I'm so very glad they are moving to safer areas and out of the city of Chicago. The twins are juniors, playing in jazz band, pep band, the pit orchestra (for a musical), handbell choir, etc. Glad they can drive, as it's a lot of running.

I will miss the October meeting as I will be watching Katie and Trevor's baby for 10 days. Tom will be traveling with his son out west for a couple of weeks. We will be looking forward to seeing you in November at the open meeting (The Parade to Glory).

Sincerely, Elizabeth Melchert

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THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Greetings Nobles, Ladies,
Family and Friends,

Imperial Potentate Sir Richard Burke and Lady Judy 2024 - 25 Congratulations to **Imperial Potentate Sir Richard Burke and Imperial First Lady Judy Burke**. First Lady Judy has chosen to focus on Shriners Children's mission to provide life

changing care to children with burns with her program, On Angels' Wings. See the Beja e-Buglers to support Lady Judy's On Angels' Wings program.

James Herman - Jimbo the Clown

For years "**Jimbo**" **James Herman** is a Beja Noble who flies under the radar as he does his upholstery work at the Chicago Hospital and at the Twin Cities Clinic. I'm not sure if anyone can put a money amount to the savings to the Hospital / Clinic and let's remember Jim is no spring chicken but he goes about his business. **Thank you to the Beja Clubs and Units** who support / donate to the cause. **Give Jimbo a big thank you and ask him to share his stories.**

Summer MSA La Crosse - August 7 – 10, 2024

Our Shriner friends at Zor knocked it out of the park hosting the summer 2024 MSA in La Crosse WI and La Cresent MN. My friend and counterpart **Illustrious Sir Roger and Lady Tammy** and the rest of the Nobles and Ladies of Zor thank you, thank you, thank you for the fun and wonderful memories made. As my 2024 counterparts said the smiles were plenty, one could feel the love from Zor, everyone felt so welcomed. The band, the dancing and laughter was the grand slam hit highlight.

Unfortunately, after the last parade on Saturday we learned of a terrible accident. Our prayers went out to the Osman Shrine. At the time we had very few details of what happened. And now we know the passing of Ryan Colligan as our prayers continue to the family and the Osman Shrine.

Medinah Golf Event August 12, 2024

Golf Chairman Noble Don Borowicz, Illustrious Sir Dennis Korth PP, Illustrious Sir Gerry Arnholt and myself were invited down and golfed the Medinah Shriners Charity Golf Outing in Memory of Al Daily held at the Bloomingdale Golf Club. **Don, Gerry and myself** were

pretty lucky as we won some of the wonderful 25 bucket and 8 silent auction prizes. A foursome of **Medinah Shriners** also golfed in our event as those brothers of Medinah welcomed us with open arms. The welcome smiles and Shriner friendliness made us feel right at home. One of the more interesting raffles was a helicopter hovering over a green and dropping buckets of numbered golf balls that were purchased by the participants. There were 2 winners. 1 - closet to the pin and 2 - farthest from the pin. What will they think of next? That was a sight to be seen. Awesome job Medinah! **And thank you, Medinah Shrine, for all that you do, Having Fun Helping Kids!**

Bay Beach - August 17, 2024

Thank you to all who worked and attended the Bay Beach fun and fellowship outing. I didn't attend as my daughter drove from the cornfields of Nebraska to visit H.S. classmates for a surprise social visit in Racine WI. And as the father of this very beautiful and intelligent lady, I'm the last to know of her visit to the Badger state and made the necessary change in my schedule to visit her. **So, family comes first** and we ended up meeting in Wind Lake WI. So as Paul Harvey once said and now you know the rest of the story. **When you see Illustrious Sir John Sage give him a thank you for coordinating the Bay Beach event.**

Chicago Board of Governors Meeting - August 19 & 20

I'm very proud to say that as Beja's Potentate I have represented Beja at the Chicago BOG meetings. Board member **Craig McGee** highly promotes that all Shrine Temple Potentates to visit and attend the monthly meetings. I'm so grateful to former Chicago Hospital employee **Kelly Miller** who asked me to come down to a meeting for a visit and meet the board members. I never knew that option existed Thank you Kelly Miller for those communications. **Illustrious Sir Ben Rodgers PP** A very special congratulations to our own Illustrious Sir Ben Rodgers PP on his appointment to the Chicago BOG. I couldn't be prouder to have Ben representing the Beja Shrine at the Chicago BOG meetings. As we know Ben is a young highly intelligent professional, a great critical thinker, displays a positive attitude, and will be a very important asset to the Chicago Board of Governors. Thank you, Ben, for all that you did for Beja and will continue to accomplish at Chicago. Looking forward to your hospital reports! **Be sure to give Illustrious Sir Ben and Lady Stephanie a warm congratulations.**

Ajeb Temple Picnic Door County - August 19, 2024

Thank you, **AR Tim and Lady Joy Thiers**, as they did a meet and greet and represented Beja at the Door County Picnic. **AR Tim and Lady Joy** continue to represent Beja at its finest.

Beja Car Show - August 25, 2024

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The beautiful Brown County Fairgrounds located in De Pere was the setting for the Beja Shrine Temple **Vets and Pats** car show. **Thank you, Illustrious Sir Mike & Lady Linda Belanger and the rest of the Vets & Pats** for another wonderful car show. So, as I'm getting ready to walk the car show and putting on my Fez, I was greeted with a hey thank you for being a Shriner. Many of the car participants said they were there because of what we do as Shriners helping kids. **Send a note to: mikeybelanger65@gmail.com or when you see Illustrious Sir Mike & Lady Linda give them a warm thank you for all that they do.**

Beja Golf

The Beja 2024 Golf Outing final Net Profit was \$12,099.26 **There was a total of 97 golfers, 16-hole sponsors and 13 corporation sponsors.** Thank you to all the golf committee members, helpers and contact people for unselfish commitment for a successful event. And thank you to the Beja Nobles, Ladies and family members who supported us by golfing, playing the raffles or those who came out for the delicious pasta dinner. **Noble Don Borowicz and Lady Rhonda** you work so well together. Thank you again for the fun and fellowship having much success each year hosting this event. Thank you for all that you do! You truly Rock the Beja Fez! **When you see Noble Don and Lady Rhonda give them a warm thank you for all that they do or send them a warm thank you email.**

Potentates' reminder on Parade Safety Measures

To all Beja parade units:

When parading please be careful and in control of the given situation. Know of your surroundings and be sure your equipment is safe and operating correctly. In the past years Beja has had a couple of incidents during the parade and also driving to and from a parade. Again, please be safe and drive under control at all times.

Illustrious Sir Mike Belanger PP 2019 - Carpet flooring

My heart says Thank You for your determination, dedication and persistence to complete the flooring at Beja. That's a positive experience and leadership for all of Beja to note. **Thank you, Illustrious Sir Mike! Let's let Illustrious Sir Mike know how much we appreciate his time and effort. Send an email thank you note to: mikeybelanger65@gmail.com**

Beja maintenance Jeff Andersen

Jeff continues to maintain all of Beja with his heart and soul. Thank you! Let's let Noble Jeff know how much we appreciate his time and effort. Send an email thank you note to: jandersen1124@gmail.com

Retiring Circus Chairman

Once again, I would like to personally say Thank you to

our 2024 Circus Chairman Illustrious Sir Dennis Korth PP for all his years of commitment, dedication and persistence to the Beja Shrine Circus. Send a thank you note to dmkorth75@gmail.com or when you see Dennis say thank you for his years as the Beja Circus Chairman.

The Beja Bugler and e-bugler Communications

Thank you, Vicki Cravillion and Gary Fehl who continue to give all of Beja the best communication available to our members. Let Vicki and Gary know you appreciate the work that they do keeping Beja informed.

Steak Fry

Thank you, **Illustrious Sir Freddy Beyer PP**, for providing music at the September 4th steak night. Thank you, **Sarah, Nancy, Caleb from DeMolay and AR Tim, Lady Joy, new Noble Mike Havelink and Lady Judy Pauli** for asking and volunteering to help out prepping the meal. **Chief Aid Charles Clarage (24/7) Charlie** arrives early to Beja and does an awesome job of set up and having everything ready for our meetings. **When you see Charlie give him a warm thank you** for all that he does behind the scenes. Charlie, **my heart says Thank you** for all that you do keeping the Beja social experience alive.

Mad Dog & Merrill with Rocking Illustrious Sir Freddy Beyer PP

Did you know **Mad Dog & Merrill and Rocking Illustrious Sir Freddy Beyer PP** were Rocking the Fez and have a newly taped show that is featured on our local television station? If you watch you will see some smiling Shriners in the background with their Fez's on. **That is Rocking Illustrious Sir Freddy Beyer PP and Mad Dog & Merrill** promoting the Shrine. Thank you for all that you do! **When you see Illustrious Sir Freddy give him a warm thank you for Rocking the Beja Fez.**

Good News! Congratulations to our Chaplin Greg

Scanlon and Lady Jennifer Their daughter Jocelyn is embarking on an adventure filled with growth and learning as she begins her collegiate journey at the University of Denver! A graduate of Appleton East, Jocelyn earned several honors and received scholarships to aid her taking on this new chapter of her life. The University of Denver (DU) is a private research university in Denver, Colorado. Founded in 1864, it is the oldest independent private university in the Rocky Mountain Region of the United States. **When you see Chaplin Greg and Lady Jennifer give the parents a congratulations on Jocelyn success.**

Colleges

Our boys Logan and Luke are starting their Junior year at

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Xaiver High School in Appleton. And we are in the process of checking out colleges this fall. One of the colleges we will be checking on is Elizabeth's and daughter Katie's college of choice. The Big Red Bird! Ripon College!

November Parade of Glory

The Parade of Glory is right around the corner. This year the Beja Trustees are suggesting giving to the Rainy-Day Fund. Please seek out Trustee President Jay Andres to finalize your plans on giving. Jay and all of the trustees have done a wonderful job keeping us informed.

*Fraternally, Ill. Sir Tom Pflugardt
Beja Shrine Potentate 2024*



Please let us continue to give praise and blessings to the Supreme Architect of the universe for watching over our Shriners Children. May he bless each and every one of his children with his healing hands and skillful servants.

Our meeting schedule for the 2024 year:

Camels Milk at 5:30pm • Dinner/Meeting at 6:30pm

October 17th. KICKBACK GRILL
10171 WI 70, Minocqua, WI

November 14th. HILLSIDE RESORT
2474 S Shore Rd., Phelps, WI

December 12th. ERIN'S PUB N' GRUB
933 N Railroad St., Eagle River, WI

*Fraternally, Bob Smith, President
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Sun Sets on SpineScreen Mobile App



Shriners Children's has retired SpineScreen, the mobile scoliosis screening app. A thorough review found that the app was not highly utilized in comparison to other apps or to its cost.

Shriners Children's remains committed to providing a wide variety of scoliosis services.



Srikumar Pillai, M.D., is a board-certified pediatric and general surgeon at Shriners Children's Chicago. Dr. Pillai provides treatment for chest wall reconstruction, congenital malformations, the Nuss procedure and care for pectus excavatum (sunken chest) in children. He also provides general surgery services for patients such as gastrostomy feeding tubes (G-tube and Mic-Key button) and nasogastric tubes.

Tune in to his new podcast as he delves into Shriners Children's innovative treatment approach for chest wall deformities like pectus excavatum and pediatric surgery for feeding tubes. Listen at <https://bitly.co/RuZY>



MESSAGE FROM THE BEJA TRUSTEES

In case you missed the September Beja meeting, I am going to pass along some information you missed. The Trustees Rainy-Day fund is an account that was set up around the year 2000. The fund helps pay for improvements, repairs, replacements and unexpected expenses that occur to our building, contents and furnishings, as well as the rest of the property that Beja owns.

Did you know that it takes approximately \$16,000 per month to operate Beja and keep our doors open. The main source of income for our operations is our Shrine Circus. This year, our circus lost a substantial amount of money. So far this year, the Trustees have transferred \$90,000 to Operations from the Rainy Day Fund.

It is projected that the Rainy-Day Fund will have an end year balance of between \$10,000 to \$15,000. The Trustees are asking all groups and units to consider making donations to the Rainy Day Fund, or Operations at the Parade to Glory in November. We would like to build the fund back up so we can pay for projects needing to be accomplished.

We also need to keep in mind that we are competing with the NFL draft next year so we need to plan for another circus they may not be well attended. This means Operations would not have the funds to cover our expenses.

The Memory Garden still has bricks for sale. We have about \$4000 worth of bricks on hand.

The last item is very important, our building security. It is very important that the building be locked and the alarm activated when it is not occupied. You are not to leave the building unlocked when you are not in close proximity to the doors. Again, if you or your group leave the doors unlocked or the alarm system deactivated, you will be assessed a \$50 charge which covers the time and mileage necessary to check the building and secure it. Also make sure your vehicles are locked while you are in the building.

*Fraternally,
Jay Andres
Beja Trustees Chairman*

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MESSAGE FROM THE BEJA TREASURER

At the September stated meeting, Jay Andres, Trustee President, gave a brief history of the Rainy-Day Fund. As Jay mentioned, the fund was established in 2000 to keep financial reserves available in case the circus or other event forced Beja operations to not meet its budget. From 2000 to 2015, surplus from circus budget funded the account. Beginning in 2016, Beja operations has needed transfers from the account 7 years in order to "keep the lights on". Two of those years were due to the Covid pandemic, but five years were due to deficits in Beja fund raising.

On a positive note, you, the Nobility have stepped up through donations from the Clubs & Units to replenish Rainy Day funds as they were used to balance the budget. As the Divan continues to cultivate other fund raisers, we hope the 2024 Parade to Glory will once again see substantial donations to help offset the loss from the 2024 Circus. Below is a table of Rainy-Day activity since 2016 outlining the causes of Rainy-Day need.

*Fraternally,
Brad Ottum, P.P.*

Beja Shrine Operations- 2016-2024 Summary of Rainy Day Transfers & Donations

2015 Account Balance \$ 85,000.00

Transfers to Operations 2016-2024

Year	Amount Transferred	Cause
2016	\$ (25,000.00)	Circus Deficit
2017	\$ (33,000.00)	Circus Deficit
2017	\$ (52,000.00)	Monstor Madness
2018	\$ -	Circus Surplus
2019	\$ (22,500.00)	Circus Deficit
2020	\$ (38,050.00)	Circus Deficit
2021	\$ (45,000.00)	Covid
2022	\$ (20,000.00)	Covid
2023	\$ -	Circus on budget
2024	\$ (85,000.00)	Circus Deficit
	\$ (235,550.00)	Total Transfers to Operations

Rainy Day Account Donations Received 2016-2024

Year	Amount Transferred	Source
2016	\$ 33,000.00	2015 Operations Surplus
2016	\$ 15,600.00	2016 Parade to Glory
2017	\$ 22,250.00	2017 Parade to Glory
2018	\$ 4,325.00	2018 Parade to Glory
2019	\$ 5,600.00	2019 Parade to Glory
2019	\$ 35,500.00	2018 Circus Surplus
2020	\$ 17,750.00	2020 Parade to Glory
2021	\$ 27,331.00	2021 Parade to Glory
2022	\$ 23,216.00	2022 Parade to Glory
2023	\$ 12,302.00	2023 Parade to Glory
	\$ 128,374.00	Total Received from Parade to Glory
	\$ 33,000.00	Total Received from Operations Surplus
	\$ 35,500.00	Total Received from Circus Surplus
	\$ 196,874.00	Total Donations to Rainy Day Acct
2024 Account Balance	\$ 35,000.00	



WGA4KIDS **Beja Shrine Chapter**

The Beja Chapter of WGA4Kids will be working a concert at the Resch Center on Thursday October 17th. We need 8 volunteers to staff a food booth. The concert is Alabama and we are expecting to do well. Contact Gene Reece if you would like to help out.

Our chapter is collecting toys for Shriners Children's Twin Cities. Please see the newsletter which identifies needs if you are interested in bringing something to the October meeting. We will be delivering them to Woodbury at the end of October. If you have any questions about the work WGA4KIDS does, please contact Gene or Dawn Reece, John VanLanen or Ann Mumm.

Sincerely, Dawn Reece
President WGA4KIDS-Beja Chapter



Tickets for the 100th East-West Shrine Bowl are now on sale. The centennial edition of the nation's oldest college all-star football game will be held at AT&T Stadium, home of the Dallas Cowboys. The game will kick off at 7 p.m. Central Time on Thursday, January 30, 2025, and will be nationally televised in prime time on the NFL Network.

TICKET OPTIONS

Family-friendly ticket prices ranging from \$20-\$50 are available throughout the stadium. A premium seating ticket including an all-you-can-eat option in AT&T Stadium's Founders Club (50-yard line view) will go on sale later this month. All Shriners International members can save 20% on their ticket purchase using access code SHRINE20 at checkout (excludes premium ticket options).

GAME WEEK EVENTS

To celebrate the game's historic 100th year, the East-West Shrine Bowl Hall of Fame banquet will be held on Wednesday, January 29 at Globe Life Field, home of the Texas Rangers. Banquet tickets will go on sale in October. Prior to kickoff, a pre-game Fan Fest will be held at AT&T Stadium's Miller LiteHouse.

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

Peninsula Shrine Club *"The Club with Class"* **JAY HERBST – PRESIDENT**

The Peninsula Shrine Club will be meeting in October on the 10th due to a conflict with another event. We will be meeting at the Greystone Castle in Sturgeon Bay. We will meet at 4:45pm and ordering off the menu.

Fraternally,
Greg Habeck, Secretary / Treasurer
greglhabeck@gmail.com or (920) 371-9050

Beja Shriners **CHIEF RABBAN**

Greetings Nobles and friends,
As we rock the Fez in 24 we look ahead to Come alive in 25! I humbly request your attendance in our October meeting to see what we have planned for 2025.

I invite you for a Yooper dinner complete with salad, an amazing dinner pasty (pass tee) followed by a chocolate fudge pasty dessert. We will look forward to fun and fellowship with a mixture of events to hopefully invigorate everyone with some tantalizing activities. Please contact me directly or Ann at our beloved Beja with your dinner selection of traditional pasty with beef, potatoes, rutabaga and carrots or a pizza or chicken stuffed pasty.
Scott Maxon Chief Rabban Beja 2024

Fraternally, Scott Maxon
Chief Rabban 2024





10/1, Boyce, Jason	10/16, Capelle, Gerald
10/2, Lutsey, Thomas	10/16, Sage, John
10/2, Smitham, Robert	10/19, Dunn, Ryan
10/5, Karr, Allen	10/19, Papesh, Ralph
10/6, Enderby, Glenn	10/23, Pflugardt, Thomas
10/6, Leverson, Glen	10/27, Passow, Thomas
10/6, McLellan, Kenneth	10/27, Vander Leest, Matthew
10/10, Fay, Marshall	10/29, Fischer, Eric
10/12, Manny, Stuart	10/29, Van De Hey, James
10/12, Rosera, Daniel	10/30, Emmerich, George
10/14, Elste, Mark	10/30, Mueller, William



**Beja Shrine
MENU**



**OCTOBER
MEETING MENU**

Dinner will include an iconic UP pasty (pass-tee), salad, and a chocolate fudge treat.

Your choice of:

Standard pasty: (Beef rutabaga and carrot), or,
Option 1: Chicken
Option 2: Pizza

Please RSVP by September 19th directly to Scott at 920-857-8623 or Ann at the office with choice of pasty. Any late responses will be filled with the standard pasty.



Save the Date
**BEJA OPEN MEETING PARADE TO GLORY
NOVEMBER 6TH, 2024**



**ESCAPE ROOM
WISCONSIN**

An escape room is a physical adventure game in which players are placed in a room and have to use elements of the room to solve a series of puzzles and escape within a set time limit.

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Howdy from AJEB, Daughters of the Nile,
Cool, Hot, Warm, Freezing, Humid....all the September and October weather days. BUT...the ladies at AJEB in Green Bay are all Cool Ladies, with our Hot activities, and our WARM hearts!! We are always planning, thinking, and doing projects for our Shriners Kids. The enthusiasm I see in our Temple is wonderful. If asked our ladies to take a job or fill in for someone, the answer is "Yes, I would be glad to"! Great attitudes foster great success. This organization is for the Shriners Kids, and secondary to uplift other ladies. I am very proud to say this is happening every day. Thank you to all of you that are willing to sacrifice your time, talents, and finances for "our Kids".

We have completed our 2nd Annual Fran Bagley Memorial Golf Outing. A cold, windy day didn't stop anyone from attending and having a great time. So many positive comments from the participants. John Sage was our speaker of the day, and his informative speech was great!! I had a golfer that didn't know anything about our Shriners Kids, and she told me that she was so impressed with our cause! She was glad she came, and found it very educational. This golf event is fun, but the true reason for any of these "fun" events is to raise money for the Shriners Kids.

I do want to thank all the volunteers that worked so many hours putting this golf event on. Please know that it is much appreciated.

This will help send thousands of dollars to the foundation that supports "our kids". (Stay tuned for more fun events this year. Our Ways and Means committee members are planning several activities. Come join in to experience the thrill of helping our kids, while having a great time together!)

The September meeting was moved to the 25th because we were with the Anderson family's Celebration of Life for Hope. Please keep the family in your prayers. Losing a 19 year old daughter/sister/friend is so tragic, and we will be praying and being available to assist the family in whatever they need.

September was our Memorial Service. As we have our

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remembrance of those loved ones that have passed away, we are called to care for our ladies that we have with us also. We can pass out hugs and smiles for free! Sending a card, calling our homebound, taking someone out for lunch or ice cream. These are so important, but seem like such a small thing. I have been a caregiver for over 50 years, and I see the light in the eyes of those that are in need when someone reaches a little deeper to extend the hand of love. Let us all try just a bit more caring for each other, not just at Christmas or birthdays, but everyday.

Have you opened up your access to the Daughters of the Nile website? If you need assistance with this, please ask Sarah. We now can buy stepping stones from the website!! I am not "techy" at all, and I tried it, IT WORKED!! Plus, my stepping stones came within a week of ordering them!

On the website you can also see information about upcoming events such as the 2025 Supreme Session. We are hoping we will have several ladies attending the session in Las Vegas next year. Also, if you can not attend the Supreme Session, there is an opportunity for you to gift an AJEB member a "Day At Supreme"! More on that to come.

Our next Session is 1:30, October 27th. Founders Day Observance. We will have a special presentation, and I especially invite all past Queens to attend, and if you have your uniform from your year, that would be the best time to wear it.

November Session will be the 17th of November. We will be having our Holiday Brunch. Please make your reservation at the October session...hint hint...I want you at the session! 🍷 Thanks!!

December 22 Session will be our Christmas program. If you know of a lady that doesn't like to drive, please make the phone call to ask if you could pick her up for the sessions. If you are the lady that can't or won't drive, please give me a call, and I will arrange a ride for you. This organization was founded first of all "For the purpose of character building among women for social recreation and advancement." Our mission is still to be supportive with each other, and with the added bonus of being helpmates to our Shriners, helping "our Kids". Thank you to you all for your love you show to each other.

Any questions or concerns that you may have should be directed to me. One of the perks of being the Queen is to listen to the concerns of our members. It is easier to resolve a problem or a question if it is brought to my attention.

*Nile Love,
Mariellen Haen, Queen*



PACKERLAND CLAN 181 FALL REUNION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH - 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 **FALL REUNION** which will include a meeting, fellowship and initiation of 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. in Shiocton. We will begin with some fellowship and some "shine", cornhole toss competition, then conduct our initiation of new members, 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. We will also be making smores and pudgy pies over the open fire, so plan on staying for a while. 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 \$30 individual or \$40 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, bib overalls
or your most comfortable jeans.**

**Please RSVP to Gene at:
greecejr@aol.com or
920-585-0994
by October 10th**





The Youth ADVENTURES

Hello, I hope everyone is finally starting to get back into the groove of things and our regular schedules. Looking forward to some of the changes that will happen in the fall and possibly a little cooler weather that we are looking forward to.

Green Bay Chapter Order of DeMolay would like to once again thank the Shrine for the opportunity to serve dinners. They are also kicking off their annual Pastie sales. There was a little bit of confusion in the last meeting for the announcement. They will also announce it at the next meeting and then be able to turn in orders later that month and do pick up. Please see any of the members for orders. They look forward to a successful fundraiser.

Bethel 32 Jobs Daughters has some different announcements to make this month. If you have not heard it is with heavy hearts and sad news that one of their members Hope Andersen passed away. Please keep the Andersen family in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, thank you for all the help that you have offered and do continue to offer in your support of the youth groups. Thank you.

Fraternally, Charles Clarage
Youth Committee Chairman



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

Fraternally,
Greg Scanlon, President
Tom Pflugardt, Vice President
Dennis Korth, Treasurer



The 2025 dues notices have been emailed. We kindly ask that you remit your dues promptly to help save on the costs associated with mailing physical notices. Early payment ensures we can continue to manage our administrative expenses effectively. Remember, dues must be received on or before December 31st.

While the Fall Ceremonial has been cancelled this year, we are still actively seeking new candidates. Remember, Cold Sands initiations can be conducted prior to our monthly meetings, providing a flexible option for bringing in new members. If you know of any potential candidates, please encourage them to join and contact us to arrange an initiation.

****Why Shrine Membership Matters****

Being a Shriner is more than just being part of a fraternity. Our efforts support the incredible work of Shriner's Hospitals for Children, which provide life-changing medical care to kids, regardless of their ability to pay. Your ongoing commitment strengthens this mission, and growing our membership allows us to make an even bigger impact.

Let's continue to work together to grow our Shrine and enhance the positive influence we have in the community!

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Dear Fellow Nobles,

As Shriners, it is our pride and privilege to support Shriners Children's — or as we like to call it, the World's Greatest Philanthropy. We've been offering hope and healing to children for more than a century, and we intend to continue doing so for another century and beyond.

Many of you are familiar with Vision 2035, our plan to make sure we can provide Shriners Children's life-changing care to as many children as possible, far into the future. To help us ensure the successful implementation of Vision 2035, we hired Kaufman Hall as external, expert advisors. Kaufman Hall helped us devise an enhanced strategic plan, and it has been approved by the Joint Boards.

Our vision hasn't changed, but it is evolving. This month we unveiled details of Shriners Children's strategic plan. Here are some highlights.

One Mission, One Future: Vision 2035

The Vision:

Vision 2035 is evolving to position Shriners Children's as the best pediatric sub-specialty healthcare system, setting a course for prominence. How we'll get there:

Best Care: Intensive focus on excellence for patients and employees, while delivering on the tripartite mission — clinical care, research and education

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Right Places: Focus on providing our services in the right markets with the right care delivery model(s) where we can most effectively compete and win

More Value: Work not just to reduce costs but also to prioritize value, pursuing cost efficiency and quality and focusing on sustainability

We're proud that this road map sets us on a course for growth. Shriners Children's has come a long way since our founding in 1922. Your commitment and support will continue to change the lives of children around the world in new, innovative ways.

Yours in the Faith,

Richard G. Burke
Imperial Potentate
Shriners International

Leslie D. Stewart, M.D.
Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Shriners Children's

OCONTO SHRINE CLUB

Our brat fry was a great success. Thank to all that helped out at this event.

Oconto County Shrine Club's next meeting will be held on October 10th at Wouter's Front in Suamico (3171 School Lane). Drinks and attitude adjustments at 6:00pm and dinner at 7:00pm. We hope to see you there!!

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



Packerland Clan 181 Hillbillies had their summer Reunion Saturday June 22nd, 2024, at the back wood's clan cabin on the spacious Reece Estate. All were clad in Hillbilly attire and enjoyed fellowship and vittles! We held our annual election of officers and the results are as follows:

Rabban of the Clan: Blaine Goldner
Keeper of the Cob: Dave Gerlach
Guardian of the Still: John Van Lanen
Keeper of the Quill: Ross Borchardt
Director: Gene Reece

We initiated A new Hillbilly Doug Gustafson and his Hillbilly Gal Mary
We have donated to date:
Shriners Children's Chicago \$500
WGA 4 Kids \$1000
Beja Transportation Fund \$2000

We have the following upcoming events:
MSA Friday Aug 9th, Moonshine Tasting
Fall Reunion Saturday October 19th, 2024 flyer to follow

*Respectfully submitted,
Blaine Goldner, Rabban of the Clan*

**Turn your clocks back, Daylight Savings
Time Ends November 3rd, 2024**



Fraternal greetings from the Krazy Kops. We participated in our last parade in Weyawega on September 14. Special thanks to Noble Ray Hutchinson for sponsoring our participation in this parade. In the coming weeks we will be scheduling a Krazy Kop meeting to discuss plans for next year.

As always our jail ran perfectly under the oversight and guidance of our jail master Dave Gerlach. Dave keeps it running at top notch level.

The Krazy Kops could surely use some new members. It's a great family opportunity as our ladies and kids join us in the jail when we participate in civic parades.

For more information, please feel free to contact me.

*Fraternally, Eugene Reece
Asst. Chief*



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Shriners Chicago has experienced significant increases in outpatient clinic visits, surgeries, and rehabilitation services. This rise in activity is a testament to the dedication and commitment of our entire team, who continue to provide exceptional care to our patients. We extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone for their coordinated efforts in making Shriners Chicago not only a center of outstanding medical care but also a great place to work. Together, we are making a positive impact on the lives of our patients and their families.

This summer, we also had the pleasure of holding two successful and impactful meetings with our partners at Stroger Hospital of Cook County and UI Health. During our meeting with Richard Keen, MD, Chairman of Surgery, and Paul Lamberti, MD, Chief of Orthopedic Surgery at Stroger, we explored ways to enhance our services through a pediatric orthopedic clinic and call coverage. This collaboration will strengthen the care we provide to children in the Chicago area.

For our annual affiliation meeting with UI Health, we were joined by leadership from both Shriners headquarters and UI Health, including Dr. Leslie Stewart, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and John McCabe, Executive Vice President. Together, we reviewed our partnership agreement, which covers essential medical services such as anesthesia, pathology, infectious disease, and genetics, along with residency and fellowship programs. We are also excited to explore opportunities to expand our pediatric orthopedic surgery services at UI Health, further enhancing our collaboration.

On the community front, Dr. Zebracki and Dr. Gupta recently spoke at the *Higgy Con* conference in Rosemont, a national scoliosis support group that brings together families from across the country. Special thanks to Kara Miller for arranging this opportunity and to our staff, Kelsey Greiner, Kelly Rammel, and Linda Cree, for their invaluable support.

Additionally, our hospital hosted a virtual grand rounds this month on "Addressing Pain Using the Biopsychosocial Model," presented by Justine Stewart, PsyD, our Clinical Psychology Postdoctoral Fellow. It was a great success, and we are grateful to everyone involved for their hard work.

On the medical staff front, we are excited to welcome

Continued in next column

Cathy Alvarez, NP, to our Plastic Surgery program. Cathy brings nearly 20 years of experience as a pediatric nurse practitioner, and we are thrilled to have her on board. We are also in the process of recruiting a hospitalist and a part-time orthopedic hand surgeon to further strengthen our medical team.

In other news, our Radiology department passed the Illinois Emergency Management Agency's annual state radiation survey with full compliance on August 8, 2024. We expect the official report in the next 30 to 45 days.

Looking ahead, Shriners Chicago is expanding its presence in central Illinois with a new clinic in partnership with Carle Health in Champaign, IL. We are planning four orthopedic clinics per year, beginning in 2025, with Dr. Capello and Dr. Miller leading the efforts. This expansion will increase referrals and access to our services, helping us reach even more children in need.

John Sage PP - Member, SC-Chicago Board
Gary Fehl - Member, SC-Chicago Board
Ben Rodgers PP - Associate Member, SC-Chicago



Volunteer to Decorate Shriners Children's Rose Parade Float

Shriners Children's is excited to invite Shriners, ladies, friends and family members to join us in Irwindale, California, to help decorate our Rose Parade float!

Our float depicts a tropical paradise, complete with a working waterfall, brightly-colored parrots and "underwater" fish and coral. Our float's theme, Hope Shines On, captures the transformative power of care we provide at Shriners Children's, inspiring our patients to dream of a bright, joyful future full of endless opportunities.

Dry decorating days are the first three weeks of December, and all floral decoration takes place every day from December 26-30. All skill levels, ages and abilities are welcome! From cutting petals to applying live flowers to the float, there's a job for everyone.

October 2024

Beja Shrine UPCOMING EVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 5:00pm Trustee's 6:00pm Divan 6:30 pm Roosevelt	2 Beja Shrine Meeting 5:00pm	3 7:00 pm Washington Lodge	4 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	5
6 1:00pm Job's Daughters	7 7:00pm Order of Demolay	8 5:00pm Peninsula Shrine Club meeting	9 7:00pm DesPeres Lodge 85	10 10am NEW Daylite 7pm Warren Council Oconto SC Meeting	11 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton Meeting 11:30pm	12 <i>Beja Fall Ceremonial</i>
13	14 <i>Columbus Day</i>	15 6:30 pm Roosevelt	16 5:30pm Scottish Rite	17 5:30pm Northwoods 7:00pm Washington	18 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	19 <i>Sweetest Day</i>
20 2:00pm Job's Daughters	21 7:00pm Order of Demolay	22 7pm Warren Council Chapter #8	23 7:00pm DesPeres Lodge 85	24 6:00pm Krazy Kops & Inter- City meeting 7:00pm Palestine	25 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton Meeting 11:30am	26
27 1:00pm Job's Daughters Session	28 6:00pm Vet's & Patriots	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>		

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October 2024

Oct 2nd - Beja Open Meeting
Chief Rabban 2025 presentation
Oct 12th - Beja Fall Ceremonial
Oct TBD - Divan Tailgate at Beja

November 2024

Nov 6th - Beja Open Meeting - Thanksgiving Theme
Parade to Glory

December 2024

Dec 4th - Beja closed meeting / Elections-
Ladies' Dinner at 1951West
Dec 8th - Breakfast with Santa

January 2025

Jan 8th - Beja closed meeting / Installation
Ladies dinner with Lady Elizabeth an 1951 West



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