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Welcome
Beja Shrine 2021 Divan





Greetings Nobles and Ladies,
A new year is upon us and I
don't think I'm alone in saying
"good riddance" to 2020.

Last year at Beja we saw a
number of challenges needing
work in 2021: A cancelled
circus hampered us financially,
we moved many meetings
online and cancelled others
eliminating part of the
camaraderie we all love, and

multiple Nobles fought a deadly virus.

Illustrious Sir Jim and Lady Paulette did a wonderful job
adapting to something no one could have ever anticipated.
I commend them for their efforts to keep Beja operating in
some sense of normalcy. It was an extremely trying year,
but their strong leadership, along with the efforts of people
caring enough to make a difference, helped keep us
afloat.

Today however, I'm writing about something different
which requires renewed attention and even more
dedication in 2021. Beja is in desperate need of new
members. The numbers aren't pretty and they can be
found in this copy of the Bugler.

If you are reading this, you have a special place in your
heart for everything about Shrinedom, and now is the time
to act to save it.

We have the greatest health care network in the greatest
country in the world, and we support it by having fun
together. But take out the fun together part and the
Hospitals will still continue, with or without the fraternity we
have all given many years to. We need to strengthen our
fraternity locally, or it could be lost.

Let's start 2021 off on the right foot, with a focus on
membership, which is no easy task. Try to think of one
man who would make a good Noble and talk with them.
Give them a call and test the waters.

If you know someone who lapsed on their dues, give them
a call and find out why. Let the Divan know what needs to
change to bring people back.

We also need to remain energized. This is just as
important as recruiting new members I know how hard it
can be, but now is a great time to refine our attitude toward
recruiting new members and engaging the ones we
already have.

Continued in next column

If you have ideas about membership, community events,
fundraisers, anything to help get the word out about Beja,
talk to me or anyone on the Divan and we will bring them
to the table.

We need a dramatic about-face in the way we approach
membership, and there is no simple solution.

But looking at the membership numbers, in this edition of
the Bugler, and every edition moving forward in 2021, it's
clear something has to change.

Together we can tackle this problem and secure the future
of Beja Shrine for many more years.

*Fraternally, Ill. Sir Ben Rodgers
Beja Potentate 2021*

THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



The year 2021 is upon us. A new
year!

The New Year brings with it
these gifts: some concerns and
opportunities from 2020 that will
continue. And, we know, there
will be new concerns and
opportunities waiting for us in
2021.

As we turn the calendar page and take up these gifts for
2021, I offer these thoughts for us to ponder (to weigh
mentally; think deeply about; consider carefully) as we
make our responses to the gifts of 2021.

"When life itself seems, lunatic who know where the
madness lies. To be practical may be madness. To seek
treasure where there is only trash may be madness. But
maddest of all is to see life as it is and not as it ought to
be."

[Miguel Cervantes, From Man of La Mancha]

"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything,
but still I can do something. I will not refuse to do
something I can do."

[Helen Keller]

Shrine Nobles and Ladies:

Are love to the rescue!

Having fun and helping kids!

[Shriners]

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

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John R. Martinez*	1987	William "Bill" Wenzell *	2005
Hobart De Caster *	1988	Jim Slezak	2006
Donald C. Wiggins *	1989	Kent Pauli	2007
Bruce J. Carlton *	1990	D. Eugene Badgley *	2008
Charles Awen	1991	Bradley Ottum	2009
Donald P. Doherty *	1992	Edward "Rusty" Mitchell	2010
Robert Squires *	1993	Gary Shriver	2011
William Asmus *	1994	Dave Oshefsky	2012
A. Wayne Paschke *	1995	John Sage	2013
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Peter R. Scheinert	1997	Kent Pauli	2015
John Ottum M.D.*	1998	Eugene Reece	2016
Donald Badgley	1999	Greg Habeck	2017
Denis E. Bay*	2000	Clint Compton	2018
G.W. "Jerry" Capelle	2001	Mike Belanger	2019
Fred Beyer	2002	James VanDeHey	2020
John M. Derenne *	2003		

* Deceased



GREEN BAY AUXILIARY SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN- Twin Cities

Dear Members and Friends,

Hope this Bugler finds you all well and safe.

All meetings are CANCELLED until further notice do to current events. Please feel free to reach out to members to check on them.

Did you know when you give money for a memorial or honorarium to the Auxiliary, the money is used directly for the wheelchair fund, it is not part of hospitals budget. Patients out grow there wheelchairs before insurance will provide a new or revised chair so it is great that the Auxiliary can provide upgrades and repairs as needed.

Sincerely, Ann Mumm, Secretary

Ann Mumm, Secretary, 920-788-5604

Judith Pauli, Chairman, 920-434-5999



Welcome Vets & Pats!

Let's hope that 2021 is a better year than 2020. Hope to see everyone soon!

Thank you, Dennis Clark, Vice Commander
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be sent to: vickic93@centurytel.net
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The Youth ADVENTURES

Hello everyone and welcome to a brand new year. Hopefully this year will be better than the last. With the changes in the year there are changes in the youth group. All of them are facing interesting dynamics with the social situations we are facing at this time.

Green Bay Chapter Order of DeMolay would like to welcome everyone to a brand new year and look forward to a better one. As of this writing DeMolay has chosen to go with virtual meetings until a decision is made later in January. Which doesn't mean you cannot attend a meeting. You just need to contact a member or advisor to be sent an invite for a zoom meeting.

Bethel 32 Job's Daughters is also facing some interesting challenges at this time. They too are holding online meetings. They would like to thank everyone who helped support them in some of their fundraising of candy at Beja Shrine.

I as always would like to thank you all for supporting the youth. Be it at a fundraiser, or however you support them. Thank you!

Fraternally, Charles Clarage



Greetings Nobles and Ladies welcome to 2021.

Due to the coronavirus our monthly Friday meetings are canceled until further notice.

The installation of officers will be postpone and be held at a later date.

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

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

All Shrine Nobles and guests are invited to attend.

Let us all stay safe and soon we will be back to our fun and fellowship!

Fraternally,
Tom Pflugardt, President
tpflugardt@hotmail.com or 920-636-6707
Greg Scanlon, Vice President
Dennis Korth, Treasurer



ESCAPE ROOM

WISCONSIN

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News from Shriners Hospital Chicago

Shriners Hospitals for Children

The COVID situation remains an issue to deal with on a day-to-day basis. SHC-Chicago continues to screen all who enter the building, test surgical patients prior to their procedure, and rehab inpatients. Masking and social distancing are required of all individuals in the hospital.

A reminder to hospital drivers. All occupants of the vehicle must wear a mask during the entire duration of the trip. No mask – no transportation. Children under 2 years of age are not required to be masked.

SHC-Chicago is currently running two ORs per day because of staff shortages due to COVID, but surgical minutes are up due to the complexity of surgeries becoming completed. Outpatient visit numbers are down slightly, but Fast Track Video Visits are up.

The Business Development department is regularly contacting local physicians and clinics via email and video visits to spread the word of what Shriners Chicago can provide to them and their patients. This program has shown success with an increased number of referrals.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is serving more kids in more places and providing the most amazing care anywhere. If you know of a child who could benefit from our services, ask the family to call SHC-Chicago at (773) 385-KIDS (5437), or call the national number, (800) 237-5055.

We are thankful for the opportunity to serve you as Beja's representatives to the Board of Governors of SHC-Chicago.

Submitted by,

John Sage PP - Member, SHC-Chicago Board

Gary Fehl - Member, SHC-Chicago Board

Cliff Johnson - Associate Member SHC-Chicago Board

Peninsula Shrine Club

"The Club with Class"

RICK ROGERS – PRESIDENT

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

The Peninsula Shrine Club will not be meeting in January.

Stay safe, hope to see everyone soon.

Fraternally, Greg Habeck, PP Secretary

920-371-9050 or greglhabeck@gmail.com



ORIENTAL GUIDE

Happy New Year's Nobles and Ladies,

Do you like receiving or giving high fives? How about some friendly laughter and some good time smack talking? Did you ever underhand toss a softball 30 feet? It doesn't matter come and toss a bean bag filled with corn in our very first ever Cornhole league. Get off that chair bring your lady or noble friend and join the Beja cornhole league for some fun and fellowship.

Did you know the winning team from Beja will win transportation and hotel expenses paid to the 2021 Imperial session in Houston Texas? Plus, you earn the bragging rights of being the Beja cornhole champions! Sounds like we will need a traveling trophy? No experience needed to participate!!!

Hey how about that hard-working building task force led by "I will not throw you under the bus" our very own PP Mike "Bus" Belanger and his pit crew of Jeff Anderson, Craig Laes, Brad Ottum and Gene Reece putting in hours, days, weeks of work to bring us all together.

Thank you, Nobles.

Nobles let us all remember our awesome, beautiful and helpful Ladies for all that they do for us. Thank you, Ladies. Elizabeth Melchert a very big "Thank you" for supporting me!

I was delighted to serve as the Beja 2020 Oriental Guide. Thank you! During the year as I reached out to our clubs and units it was sad to hear of the cancellations of the scheduled fund raisers, it actually got quite depressing to hear. Such as the Appleton Shrine Club - Spanfarkel, Inter-city - burger and brat fry's, Hillbilly's - brat and burger fry's, Krazy Kops -missed parades and the Supertryke Unit - missed parades.

Thanks to all clubs and units who found some places that were not shut down, such as our very talented Vets & Patriots who were able to find some parades to participate in and the Oconto Club that served up some Wisconsin brats and burgers. Thanks Nobles!

A big "shot" out to Charlie for his keen eye to detail, keeping the bar well stocked and our glasses full. Thanks Charlie for all that you do for Beja! I'll have a Korbel and coke please!

How about that December catered dinner? It was absolutely yummy tummy delicious!

To the Nobles who ventured out and attended our December meeting a big Thank you for being vigilant on wearing the mask as much as possible. Stay safe stay well!

Proud to be a Shriner

Fraternally yours,

Tom Pflugardt, Oriental Guide

GREEN BAY SHRINE CLUB

JIM HERMAN – PRESIDENT

All meetings have been cancelled due to Covid-19. 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.

When we are able to return to our normal meeting schedule 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.
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OCONTO SHRINE CLUB

Nobles and Ladies,
 Oconto Shrine Club will not be meeting due to Covid-19 Virus. Hope to see everyone soon.

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



The Beja Krazy Kops would like to extend congratulations to the Elected and appointed Divan for the coming 2021 year. Your service and dedication to the job you received is greatly appreciated. Hopefully the coming year will be a better year so you can enjoy your year.

The Kops would also want to thank our Potentate Jim for his efforts to keep Beja afloat during a difficult year. His leadership along with the other Divan members can only be measured as great. I could go on mentioning individuals but this article would be too long.

We will say a big thank you to those who helped in any way. To those who did not help you have missed what being a Shriner is all about.

The Krazy Kops wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Fraternally, Dick Andres, Chief Kop
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Cornhole LEAGUE

Join us for
Beja's first Ever Cornhole League



***The winning team will be flown to Houston, TX
next year to compete in the 2021
Imperial Cornhole Tournament***

10 Teams minimum needed to play a 9 week league

***League will be starting in late 2020
on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month,
doors open at 6:00pm, League starts at 6:30pm.***

Two person teams can be husband and wife or two Nobles. The winning team will win transportation and hotel expenses paid to the 2021 Imperial Session and compete in the Imperial 2021 Cornhole Tournament. The cost is \$100 per team and we will provide snacks and have our cash bar open during League Play.

**Please contact
Jim Van De Hey
if you are intrested
in joining the league
(920) 676-1471 or
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BEJA 10 TEAM CORN HOLE LEAGUE RULES

THE GAME

Play alternates between players on a side until they've tossed all bags. Players may only throw one bag at a time and must stay behind the front edge of the board. Scoring is assessed at the end of the frame based on cancellation where opposing teams will cancel their points (net scoring): The first team to score 21 points wins the game. Boards will be placed 27 feet (front to front) from each other. This distance is paced out by the league manager. Cornhole boards and bags will be provided. Each lane consists of 2 boards and 8 bags.

BEGINNING OF THE GAME

Begin the game with a coin flip between the two captains. The winner determines one of two options: which side of the board their team will throw on or first throw. The losing team will get this choice to start the second game. If the match reaches a third game, another coin flip is played to determine side/shooting preference. In the playoffs, the higher seeded team will have this option in game one. Each team must stand on the same side of the board.

POSITION OF PLAYERS DURING PITCHING

1. The pitcher must be within the pitcher's box or behind the foul line at the time of release.

2. A player must pitch all four bags from their designated pitcher's box.

3. Players must pitch the bag with an under-hand release.

PLAY OF THE GAME

Every match is broken down into innings of play. During an inning of play, each player must pitch all four of his/her bags. An inning is never completed until all players pitch all four of his/her bags.

1. Each team will stay in their designated lane for the whole game.

2. Players at the headboard will alternate pitching bags until each player has pitched all four of his/her bags.

3. Players at the footboard will take score and resume pitching back to the other board.

4. The top of an inning is completed when both players pitching from the headboard pitch all four bags; the bottom of the inning is completed when the remaining players pitching from the footboard pitch all four bags.

VALUE OF THE BAG

The approved method of scoring for the sport of cornhole is "cancellation" scoring. In cancellation scoring, the points of one player cancel out the points of their opponent. Using this method, only one player/team can score in each inning.

Bag In-The-Count (Woody) : Any bag which comes to rest anywhere on top of the board. Each is worth one (1) point.

Bag In-The-Hole (Cornhole) : Any bag which is thrown through the hole or knocked through the hole by another bag. Each is worth three (3) points.

Foul Bags – Refers to any bag that has not been determined as Bag In-The-Count or Bag In-The Hole or was designated a foul bag as the result of rules violation.

PITCHING ROTATION DURING THE GAME

The player or team who scored in the preceding inning has honor pitching first in the next inning. If neither player or team scores, the player or team who pitched first in the preceding frame shall retain first pitch in the next frame.

FOUL BAGS

1. The following are rule violations that must be spotted and called by a player or assigned judge. The penalty is to declare the bag a foul bag, which requires the bags to be removed from the court prior to resuming play.

A foul bag is defined as:

(a) Any bag pitched when the player has (1) made contact with or crossed over the foul line, or (2) started or stepped completely outside the pitcher's box before the bag is released

(b) Any bag not delivered within the 20-second time limit

(c) A bag pitched from a different pitcher's box than the first bag

(d) Any bag that contacted the court or the ground before coming to rest on the board

(e) Any bag that struck a previously defined object such as a tree limb, wire, indoor court ceiling, etc.

(f) Any bag on the board that is also touching the ground

(g) Any bag removed from the board before scoring has been agreed upon for that bag

i. The offending team (who touches the bags) forfeits all remaining bags and tallies the score of just the bags thrown before the foul was reported.

ii. The non-offending team tallies twelve (12) points as if they had thrown four Bag In-The-Holes (Cornholes) during the inning.

2. A bag that leaves a player's hand once the final forward swing of the delivery process has started shall count as a pitched bag.

3. A bag that is accidentally dropped by a player before the final forward swing has started shall not be considered foul and may be picked up and pitched.

4. A bag hanging off the edge of the board has value unless it is touching the ground.

Protest –If a player desires to make a protest, the protest shall be made to the judge or official at the time the problem occurs. The judge shall make the final ruling on all protests.

TEAM SIZE

A minimum of 2 players per team must be present to play each week. While 2 players are the minimum you may have as many players on your team as you choose. You can always sub people in each night too! Substitutions can happen after a frame. If a player arrives during play, they may only join their team after a frame.

LENGTH OF GAMES

A regulation match lasts 40 minutes from the designated start time or until one team reaches 21 points in each game. Games are played first to 21 points; a team does not need to win by 2 or more points. A team does not need to score exactly 21 points and can go over 21. Each match will be played to the best out of three games against your scheduled opponent.

PLAYOFFS

The playoffs will take place in the 10th and final week. The number of teams competing in the playoffs will be determined by the total number of teams in the league and will consist of a single elimination tournament. No substitutes will be allowed during playoffs and all players must have already played in at least one regular season game and be on the team roster.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Players on the roster are eligible for the regular season and playoffs. Any player protests in the playoffs must be done before a game.

FORFEIT POLICY

If your team forfeits a game during the season, the following rules apply:

First Offense: Loss of game. Score marked: 2-0.

Second Offense: Loss of game and lost ability to make playoffs.

Third Offense: Removal from the league.

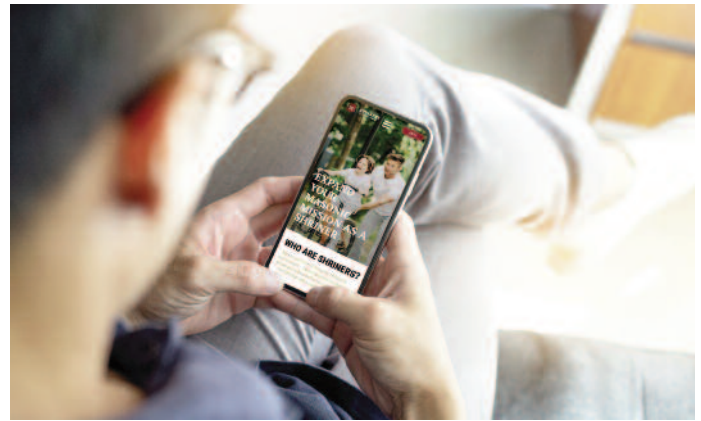
If you know in advance that your team is going to forfeit a game, we encourage you contact us so we can inform your opponent. Since each team will play 2 games a night if you end up missing one week you are immediately ineligible for playoffs so please do your best to have enough players to avoid any forfeits.

Teams have until five minutes past the designated start time to field a full squad (or the league minimum of players required according to rules). If at that time a team is unable to field a legal team, they forfeit the game. The teams may utilize the playing field during their allotted time to play an unofficial game. The official score will be marked as a loss with the respective forfeit score.



January Birthdays!!

1/3 Gofoe, Elton	1/18 Johnson, Gary
1/3 Lantinen, Thomas	1/19 Wood, Wilhelm
1/3 Snover, Michael	1/20 Philpot, Christopher
1/6 Oscarson, Deen	1/22 Howland, Woodward
1/7 Rosenow, Thomas	1/22 Menning, Richard
1/8 Turner, Thomas	1/22 Von Hoff, Stanley
1/13 Berggren, John	1/24 Loch, Richard
1/13 Rogers, Richard	1/25 Evjen, Robert
1/14 Hayes, Larry	1/26 Compton, Lukas
1/17 Pernak, Frank	1/29 Forsythe, David
1/17 Shriver, Gary	1/31 Martinez, Marty



Visit and Promote the All-New BeAShrinerNow.com

The new BeAShrinerNow.com website is a remarkable tool to attract and inform Masons and Non-Masons about Shriners International, making it easier than ever to join our great fraternity.

What's new?

- The new site is mobile-ready, so the content and assets are accessible, usable, and legible on all devices.
- The membership petition is now online! This stream-lined web form integrates directly with WebFez and allows the membership department to verify Master Masons before they are sent to the chapter for follow-up.
- The completely redesigned site features new graphics and images that speak to the next generation of Shriners. The modernized layout is simple, uncluttered, and easy to navigate.
- The refreshed content and copy welcomes Masons while also providing important information for Non-Masons.



Beja December 2020 Meeting

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AJEB TEMPLE NO. 156 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

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Happy New Year Nobles, Ladies, and Members of our Ajeb Household:

WOW! Is it 2021? We didn't get to do 2020. Is there a "do over"???? Well, I suppose not. So, I guess we need to move onward – and upward.

As I write this, Ajeb is having a very small holiday event on our December meeting date. This will have been our last chance to install 2020 officers and we, again hopefully, will have welcomed a new member via our Obligation only initiation. By the time I write for February, I'll be able to report more details.

We are "dark" in January and February. That makes our next meeting on Wednesday March 17th. This will be the last meeting of this term. We will be holding elections and will hear more of our Pr. Royal's ideas for her term. Yes, we are moving onward and advancing our line officers. For your planning, the 2021 Installation is planned for Wednesday April 7. The visit of our next Supreme Queen is set for Tuesday August 31. Please mark your calendars NOW. Once we have a vaccine, I can imagine many people will be out and about with vacations and travel. Please save these dates, as well as our regular meeting dates (3rd. Wednesdays) for Ajeb.

I would like to extend the very best wishes of all Ajeb members to the incoming Potentate and Nobles of Beja Shrine. You are all our rock in the on-going stream of service to Shrine Hospitals (oops, Medical Centers!). What a fun way to start the new year – Installation, AND a vaccine!

Comments, concerns, business matters, and news – during January and February please send to me at susanjgrosse@gmail.com.

A champagne toast to one and all!!!!

Nile Love, Susan Grosse

Beja Connections

Happy New Year!

May COVID be just a bad memory and your best days are yet to come.

With the New Year comes New Year's Resolutions!

Resolve to sign up for Beja's weekly newsletter, the eBugler. Do not miss out on important time-sensitive information regarding temple operations and events. The eBugler is sent out every Sunday morning and lists the events of the coming week, upcoming events, birthdays, news about our Nobles and Hospitals, and other useful information. You can find the signup form on the home page of Beja's website, bejashriners.com.

Resolve to attend as many Beja meetings and events as possible if you are able. Bring a friend to the open meetings which are always FUN events. When you become active, you get more out of your membership. Join in the festivities, you will not be disappointed. Potentate Ben Rodgers and Lady Stephanie have a FUN year planned; help make it successful.

Resolve to register for WebFez. On WebFez you can verify or change your address, phone number, email address, etc., to ensure that you receive all the important information sent out by Beja and Shriners International. You can also pay your dues on WebFez. webfez.shrinenet.org

Resolve to sign up for Shriners Village. Shriners Village is a web community for Shriners and Shrine Ladies providing fraternity, Shriners Hospitals for Children® and membership information and resources. First-time visitors must register using your membership number. Ladies register using their Noble's membership number. shrinersvillage.com

And, most importantly, resolve to be a strong advocate for Beja Shriners and Shriners International at every opportunity. Be ready to share the good news about Shriners and the FUN and FELLOWSHIP Shriners have while supporting our philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children®.

Yours in the faith, Gary Fehl

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Beja Membership Scoreboard

Beginning Membership - Jan 1, 2021	354*
Creations (Goal: 18-??)	
Affiliations	
Restorations (Goal: 07)	
Total Gains	0
Demits	
Suspensions (Goal: 0)	
Expired (Black Camel)	
Expulsions	
Resigned	
Total Losses	0
Gain/Loss	0
Current Membership	354
Gain/Loss %	

Good riddance to 2020!

With the new year comes renewed energy to make Beja a Gold temple in membership. To attain gold status the temple must show no loss or a net gain in membership. Beja has not had a gain in membership since 1987, our second year as a Temple. More recently, Beja had a net zero (no loss, no gain) in 2012.

Your membership team has set a goal of eighteen (18) creations for 2021. The stretch goal is twenty-five (25) creations. More is better!

The Beja Spring Ceremonial is scheduled for April 10, 2021. Other temples are experiencing terrific growth. For example, Amran Shriners (Raleigh NC) recently initiated 29 new Nobles, and Zamora Shriners (Birmingham AL) brought in 23 new Nobles in one class. There is no reason why Beja cannot do the same. The challenge has been made.

Membership growth is not an impossible task, but it takes commitment. Your membership team is committed to the task, but we need the help of every Beja Noble and Lady. When you are together with your friends talk about the FUN Shriners have, whether they are Master Masons or not. After all, the Blue Lodges need members, too. Invite your friends to the FUN temple events that Potentate Ben Rodgers has planned. Shriners Having FUN Helping Kids is not just a slogan, it is reality.

If you and your lady are looking to plan an event, have an idea to help increase membership in the Temple, or just want the opportunity to help support our ultimate mission of having FUN and helping kids, please reach out to the committee. We welcome all ideas to help grow our Temple.

Recruiting for the Spring Ceremonial should begin now! Will you find that 'Just One'? The fee for a candidate joining at the Spring Ceremonial is \$149. That includes the initiation fee, 2021 dues, and the hospital and per capita assessments (a fez is not included but can be ordered [approximately \$200] or a used fez may be available for purchase). You can download a petition from the weekly eBugler or call the office and Ann will send you one. Pick one up at Beja the next time you are there and keep it handy.

BeAFreemason.org and BeAShrinerNow.com are also good starting points for interested individuals.

If you have not yet paid your 2021 dues, or are in arrears for 2020, please remit the balance today. You are not a member in good standing if you are delinquent and therefore cannot attend any Shrine function or meeting, including clubs and units. If you are experiencing difficulties that prevent you from becoming current, contact the Recorder. There are procedures in place to help.

You may remit your dues in one of three ways, mail, phone, or online. If you call the office to pay over the phone a \$3 convenience fee will apply. You can pay online at webfez.shrinenet.org. If you have a balance, a 'Pay Your Bill' button appears on your page. You may safely follow that link to remit your dues. This service has been approved by Shriners International and immediately updates your Shrine record.

*Submitted by,
Beja Membership Committee*

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January 2020

Beja Shrine UPCOMING EVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	2 Beja Installation of officers
3	4 Peninsula Shrine Club Meeting 5:30pm	5 5:00pm Trustee's 6:30pm Divan Meeting	6 Beja Meeting 5:00pm	7	8 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton Meeting 11:30pm	9
10	11	12	13	14 Oconto Shrine Club Meeting	15 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	16
17	18	19	20	21 North Woods Shrine Club Meeting	22 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting Appleton Meeting 11:30pm	23
24	25 Vet's & Patriots Meeting 6:00pm	26	27	28	29 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	30

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UPCOMING 2020 ACTIVITIES

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January 2021

Jan 02 - Public Installation of Officers, Rock Gardens

Jan 06 - Beja Stated Meeting - Installation of Officers

February 2021

Feb 03rd - Beja Open Meeting - Love to the Rescue,

Guest Speaker, Dr. David Morris chief of Plastics, SHC-Chicago

Feb 11-13th - MSA Winter Session Virtual

March 2021

Mar 03rd - Beja Open Meeting - March Madness

Mar 27th - Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

April 2021

Apr 7th - Ajeb Temple (DON) Installation of Officers

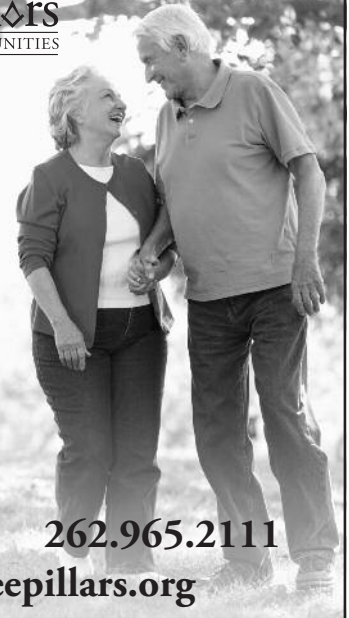
Apr 7th - Beja Stated Meeting

Apr 10th - Spring Ceremonial - Think Membership



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