

# BEJA BUGLER

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*Save The Date*  
**JUNE 7TH, 2023**  
**BEJA OPEN MEETING**

*Let's Get Cooking....*

## **CAKE & PIE AUCTION**

June meeting we are having our Annual Pie & Cake Auction! As always, we will need people to bring their yummy homemade pies, cakes, or other desserts to be auctioned off.



 *21st Annual*  
**JOHN OTTUM**

**MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING**

**JULY 18TH, 2023**



201 Royal Saint Pats Dr.  
Wrightstown, WI 54180

Details to follow  
in the June Bugler



**POTENTATE'S BALL PICNIC**  
**Bash at Bay Beach**



*Save The Date*

Saturday,

Aug. 19th, 2023

Details Coming Soon

**Beja Shriners CAR SHOW**



**August 27th, 2023**

*Beja Shrine Center*  
**Meet & Greet With Craig McGee**

Midwest Market Administrator Shriners Children's &

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

**July 18th, 6:00pm - 9:00pm**

Light snacks and cake will be served



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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
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John Ottum M.D.*	1998	Greg Habeck	2017
Donald Badgley	1999	Clint Compton	2018
Denis E. Bay*	2000	Mike Belanger	2019
G.W. "Jerry" Capelle	2001	James VanDeHey	2020
Fred Beyer	2002	Benjamin Rodgers	2021
John M. Derenne *	2003	John Van Lanen	2022
Dennis Korth	2004		

\* Deceased



The weather is getting warmer, the snow is melting (until it snows again), the birds are chirping. We all know what that means. Summer is getting closer with every passing day. With the circus now behind us, there are more and more excuses to get out and show the world what we do as Shriners.

The events and parades are there to help us get out into the community and drum up even more support. It's a chance for us to show our care and compassion personally, instead of just online. People can see the emotion that we have as we talk about everything from the care at the hospitals and clinics, to the long summer drive taking patients to get the care that they need.

But we still get to do so much more than that. We get to offer all those we meet to personally be a part of the things that help us do what we do. And we inspire them to be a part of it by sharing the most heart felt stories of our time as Shriners. It won't matter if it's the public, or a brother mason. It's all about letting them see first hand how much it really means.

So get out there and show them what we are made of. Tell stories, share memories, even make some new ones with strangers and friends. Wear your fez or your pins, and puff up just a little as people ask about them. Enjoy the summer and share the worlds greatest philanthropy every day, and in every way.

*Yours in the faith,  
Elton J. Gofoe, Chaplain*

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## THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



In my previous articles I've touched on Love and Life, this article will touch on another value that is very important-in my opinion the most critical and important. The value, the trait of Loyalty.

A couple years back I posted on a social media site this...

"Loyalty is by far the best characteristic. Some may say truth is the best. But without Loyalty to being true or truthful you're an empty vessel. Loyalty above all else!! Loyalty to truth, loyalty to integrity, loyalty to those you call family! Loyalty all day, everyday!..."

This post garnered some feedback that to summarize consisted of blindly following a person, a group, an idea, a movement with no regard for truth or honesty. Or, it being a good philosophical question without a definitive or correct answer. Both responses were interesting and merited a response. The latter comment I will be endeavoring to respond to and expound on.

While it is correct that it is a philosophical question, without loyalty to anything how can a person become anything? Without loyalty to truth, honesty, integrity, love, hustle (hard work); how can positive growth happen? Without loyalty to a group, an idea or a movement those things become corrupted and ultimately fail. In my opinion, holding the trait of loyalty in the utmost regard is paramount!

When you're loyal to truth and honesty, your words will always hold importance. Those you are speaking with will know this is your belief or feeling, without the notion you are merely saying words to garner favor or an advantage. Your word is your bond...keeping trust between those you hold close is so important! If you cannot keep your word or you speak on things a friend or family member has told you in confidence you are breaking the trait of loyalty (we've all

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done it, nobody is perfect. We break our word, or we speak a secret. It happens...what's important is to do your best to not break your word).

Integrity ties into truth and honesty as integrity is doing the "right" thing even when no one is watching. But what is the "right" thing? Who's definition of "right" is right? If you're religious it's G-D's Law. If you're not so religious, then it may be man's law. In my opinion, and as stated at the start of this paragraph, it ties into truth and honesty. If you are true and honest, then people will not doubt your intentions or actions. I realize this leads into an ever bigger philosophical debate, but will add that a precursor to this is first we must do no unwarranted harm upon each other. Wow, that may have added even more potential areas of debate!

I've spoken about love in previous articles, but will add that when you love someone you show that love by loyalty. Loyalty is not agreeing with all they may say or believe. But to stand behind them, even after speaking your truth and honesty to them, and being there to support them after a potential disappointing result or consequence. Help them up, help them regain and regrow and prosper without making them feel small or inadequate. That little bit of loyalty to love will help them maintain dignity, and through a semblance of dignity they can learn and achieve. They can grow and become better.

Loyalty to hustle, or hard work, is key. When you maintain a loyalty to hustle, you grow. Working hard at your goals you achieve and progress. Regardless if it's in the gym, at the job, at school, a trade or a hobby. The effort you put in you get back in results. Whether you do great things or small things in a great way (credit to whomever originally said this), keep the loyalty to a strong work ethic and you will see yourself grow in confidence and success.

The other comment mentioned above was blindly following. I will end this month's article foreshadowing next month's by quoting President Ronald Reagan..."I didn't leave the Democratic party, the Democratic party left me." It has nothing to do with politics, just the idea of blindly following.

*Fraternally & with Love, Ill. Sir Jake Sylvester  
Beja Potentate 2023*

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Effective April 17, 2023, masks are optional for providers, employees, volunteers, students, patients/families, and visitors in public spaces within our building.

- Masks are still required in direct patient care rooms, the Inpatient Unit, OR, PACU/PICU, Rehabilitation Gyms, and Radiology.
- Masks may be required if transmission-based precautions are implemented or for occupational health requirements.
- Masks are required if requested from a patient/family member.

There have been several new hires at Shriners Children's Chicago. Angela Carey, RN, accepted the position of OR Director and started in April. This will be instrumental in opening the fourth operating room. Dr. Edmundo Cortez, MD, has joined the hospital staff as an Intensivist; Dr. Thuan Dang, MD, will join the staff in July as a Neurologist; and, Dr. Arthur Curtis, MD, returned to support the plastic surgery team.

The go-live date for the transition to the Epic Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system is set for May 16th. This will allow patients to access their health information quickly and communicate easily with their clinicians. It will also allow easier communication with other major academic medical centers that also use Epic. The use of the Epic EMR can potentially increase revenue and reduce administrative workload and costs.

The first quarter of the year has been very exciting and busy with our patient volumes exceeding last year's levels as we continue to treat more patients and perform more complex surgeries.

If you know of a child who could benefit from the services of Shriners Children's, ask the family to call Shriners Chicago at (773) 385-KIDS (5437) or call the national referral number (800) 237-5055.

*John Sage PP - Member, SC-Chicago Board*  
*Gary Fehl - Member, SC-Chicago Board*  
*Brad Schlosstein - Associate Member*



The message this month will present the Krazy Kops and where they are from. They are not in any particular order. Dale Schmidt Fremont, Bill Hesser Oshkosh, Tom Pflugardt Appleton, Rusty Mitchell Clintonville, Eugene Reece 111 Hortonville, Jay Andres Appleton, Gene Reece JR Shiocton, Dennis Korth Appleton, Brad Schlosstein Green Bay, Ray Hutchinson Weyauwega & Texas, Don Badgley Dousman, Dave Gerlach New London, Bill Woolsey Waupaca, Eli Harris Pulaski, Chris Gans Scandanavia, Dick Andres Appleton. Some of these guys are retired but are still proud to be called Krazy Kops. If you would like to join our Krazy Kops give me a call. See you on the parade route and have a great summer.

DEPERE, May 29th .....Time 11:00 AM  
 CHILTON, June 18th .....Time 10:00 AM  
 REEDVILLE, June 25th .....Time 11:30 AM  
 MANAWA, July 1st .....Time 10:00 AM  
 PRINCETON, July 23rd.....Time 10:00 AM  
 WEYAUWEGA, Sept., 9th.....Time 12:30 PM

*HOPE TO SEE YOU ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE.*

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

## *Peninsula Shrine Club*

*"The Club with Class"*

**JAY HERBST – PRESIDENT**

Greetings all! The Peninsula Shrine Club will be meeting next month on May 9th starting at 5:00pm at Old Mexico in Sturgeon Bay. The Club will be meeting now on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Hope to see you there. Everyone is welcome to join us.

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

### **CONSIDER ADVERTISING IN THE BUGLER!**

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





## FIRST SHRINE CLUB IN AFRICA

During the latter part of 2019, two 33° Masons, Most Puissant Brother Adam Du Plessis and Most Illustrious Brother Paul Nash, started discussions

about bringing the Shriners to South Africa.

On December 10, 2022, 10 Master Masons from Lodges within the Northern Division of the Grand Lodge of South Africa were initiated into the Mahi Shriners via a Zoom meeting. So began the first Shrine Club in South Africa.

[Learn more at ShrinersInternational.org](https://ShrinersInternational.org)



The Gala Shriners Children's Twin Cities  
Friday, June 2nd, 2023

Purchase your tickets today!

Email Us: [jsutch@shrinenet.org](mailto:jsutch@shrinenet.org)

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# IMPROVING OUR CARE!

## Shriners Children's Chicago hosts annual research conference at Georgia Tech

Medical staff, researchers, and administration from the Chicago hospital traveled to Atlanta recently for "State of Research: Special Emphasis on Muscle and Bone Health." Fourteen locations and engineers from Georgia Tech gathered for a collaboration between healthcare and engineering.

The work, focusing on conditions that are common at Shriners Children's such as cerebral palsy, arthrogryposis, sports injuries and prosthetics, involves the growing fields of precision medicine and data analysis and interpretation, with an overall goal to ultimately improve the care provided for children everywhere. Five to six multi-center research grant proposals will be initiated from this meeting.

*We're here to provide the most **AMAZING CARE** anywhere  
for every child with orthopedic needs!*



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**Lake County Shrine Club  
and  
Kenosha Shrine Club  
50/50 Raffle**



**to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children**

**Saturday - July 8 - 6:35 PM**

**Kenosha Kingfish**

**Vs.**

**Kalamazoo Growlers**

*Gates Open at 5:35 PM*

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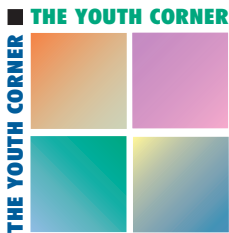
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## The Youth ADVENTURES



I hope everyone is like me and enjoying this warmer change in the weather. Looking forward to summer and all of the activities it brings. I know some of you will be also looking forward to surviving the circus. As most of us do with that big weekend.

Green Bay Chapter Order of DeMolay would like to first thank everyone who participated in their Pastie sales. As most of you know, fundraisers are a crucial thing for any organization to conduct activities and to further their goals. The Chapter will be looking forward to other major activities this summer, especially a few on the state level.

Bethel 32 Jobs Daughter's also has some changes going on. As most of you know they meet on Sundays. They are always looking for others to come and join them and help participate.

As always, thank you for all that you do to help support the youth. If you know of a young person who is looking for a good organization to join. Please point them in the direction of our youth groups. Thank you.

*Fraternally, Charles Clarage*  
Youth Committee Chairman

## Onion Sales

Nobles, Ladies and Friends of Beja,

We are at a critical point in our 2023 Onion Sales. Our Chairman Mike Moen is currently evaluating the possibility of reducing our onion order by 200 bags. His concern is that the pre-sales have been slower this year. He does not want to have to throw away onions as they did not get sold.

Reducing the count would take us from 400 bags to 200 bags of onions available that have not been pre-sold.

Mike is making his final decision this weekend. He asked that if you have not contacted him as of yet, but have sold a larger number of bags, to please call him and let him know so he can make an educated decision on the final order.

Mike can be reached by phone at 920-508-0606 or by email at [bigmike54106@yahoo.com](mailto:bigmike54106@yahoo.com).

*Fraternally, Mike Moen*  
2023 Onion Chairman



## PACKERLAND CLAN 181 SUMMER REUNION SATURDAY July 15th 1:00PM - ???

The Hillbillies are coming... the Hillbillies are coming... not the Beverly Hillbillies, but the **BEJA Hillbillies**. Packerland Clan #181 will be holding our **SUMMER REUNION** which will include the annual meeting, election and installation of officers and new members. If you are interested in joining this fantastic group of cuzzin's, having fun and helping children please plan on attending.

**The festivities will begin at 1:00pm at Gene and Dawn Reece's home at N4706 Kettner Rd. Shiocton.**

We will begin with some fellowship and some "shine", corn hole toss competition, then conduct our initiation of new members, installation of officers and then have a wonderful Hillbilly dinner consisting of Barbeque chicken, pulled pork, navy beans cooked over an open fire, corn on the cob...of course, and as a true cuzzin's party everyone is asked to bring their favorite salad or dessert dish to pass. If you are traveling from afar, and need a place to stay, please give Gene a call.

Cost of the meal is \$15 per person. For those planning on joining the clan, membership cost is \$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 is bib overalls or your most comfortable jeans.

**Please RSVP to  
Gene at [greecejr@aol.com](mailto:greecejr@aol.com) or  
(920) 585-0994  
by July 10th, 2023**





5/1, Ketchum, Rodney	5/20, Angus, Michael
5/1, Wade, James	5/20, Hoffman, Ronald
5/2, Herman, James	5/21, Jahnke, John
5/3, Berk, Avram	5/23, Critser, Ronald
5/3, Cloutier, Craig	5/23, Swedberg, Lon
5/4, Gault, Bill	5/24, Kroening, Jason
5/4, Pederson, Leonard	5/25, Kendall, Robert
5/5, Andersen, Jeff	5/27, Giese, Jason
5/5, Clark, John	5/30, Collier, Elliot
5/7, Johnson, Leslie	5/30, Hassell, Nelson
5/8, Gagan, Paul	5/30, Rabach, Stephen
5/8, Peterson, Richard	5/31, Smith, Charles
5/10, Gans, Arthur	5/31, Zanon, Richard
5/14, Guenther, Bo	



## 2023 Parade Schedule and Brat Frys

### Jacksonport - 50th Maifest

Saturday 5/27/2023 - Leave Beja 7:30 / Step Off 09:30/10:30  
Sponsor: Maifest Eat at Betsy Ross Rest. St Bay

### DePere - Celebrate DePere

Monday 5/29/2023 - Leave Beja 8:30 / Step off 09:00/10:00  
Sponsor: De Pere Kiwanis Cookout after ??

### Appleton - Flag Day

Saturday 6/10/2023 - Leave Beja 11:30 / Step off 12:00/14:00  
Sponsorship Needed - Suggestions? / Eat at Mary's Appleton

### Chilton - Father's Day

Sunday 6/18/23 - Leave Beja 8:00 / Step off 11:00  
Sponsor: Chilton C of C Eat at Oak Street Cafe De Pere

### Reedsville - Fireman's Picnic

Sunday 6/25/2023 - Leave Beja 9:00 / Step off 9:00/11:30  
Sponsor: Reedsville FD Eat at Oak Street Cafe De Pere

### Manawa - Rodeo Days

Saturday 7/1/2023 - Leave Beja 7:00 / Step off 9:00/10:00  
Sponsor: Rodeo Eat at Hometown Grill Shiocton

### Winneconne - Sovereign State Days

Saturday 7/22/2023 - Leave Beja 7:00 / Step off 10:30  
Sponsor: Festival Committee Oak St Cafe - Blue Lodge Tent

### Pulaski - Polka Days

Sunday 7/23/2023 - Leave Beja 8:00 / Step off 11:00  
Sponsor: Machine Services Breakfast at Skipper's

### Sturgeon Bay- Christmas Parade

Saturday 11/18/2023 - Leave Beja 7:00 / Step off 9:00/10:00  
Sponsor: Rabach Insurance Eat at Besty Ross restaurant

### Howard Christmas Parade

Saturday 12/2/2023 - Leave Beja 10:30 / Step off 12:00/1:00  
Sponsor: The Press-Times Eat at Golden Basket

### BRAT FRYS

#### Shriner's Car Show

8/27/2023 - 6:00 Brown County Fair Grounds, DePere

*Happy Mother's Day*





# *A MESSAGE FROM BEJA'S* **CHIEF RABBAN**

Greetings Nobles, Ladies, and friends of Beja Shrine,

A combine total of eight Beja Nobles and Ladies attended the 33rd Annual Scimitar Tripoli Sportsman's Night on March 24 at the Historical Tripoli Shrine Center in Milwaukee. The event had a very large number of people seeking and searching out where to drop their hopefully winning ticket into a bucket for a chance to win some wonderful prizes. Thank you, Tripoli Chairman Gerry Arnholt and staff, for a another well run event. We had a wonderful time.

If you like Sportsman's events, plan to attend and support our brothers in the south at the Tripoli Shrine Center, Milwaukee. Next year's event will be held Friday March 15, 2024. And yes, a few lucky Beja participants won a prize this year! Congratulations! **Thank You to all for supporting our brothers at the Tripoli Shrine Center!**

A big shout out to our new Onion Chairperson Mike Moen. Mike stated he is ready for the challenge and opportunity to serve Beja. Congratulations goes out to Mike for stepping up to the plate and volunteering his services and knowledge.

**Thank You so much Noble Mike Moen!**

Spring break was early for our family this year March 3rd as our family headed down to Florida for some R&R and fun in the sun.

But first I took a detour and stopped in Houston Texas and volunteered at the Shriners Baseball Children's College Classic held at Minute Maid Park home of the Houston Astro's. Again, it was a Shriner fun time and got to meet up with my Shriner friends from Omar and met some new ones from the Arabia Shrine. While at the games it was very heartwarming for me to meet some current and former Shriner patients who attended the games in support of the Shriners who helped them. I was very fortunate to hear their stories on how the Shriners helped them and their families make it through their difficult time in need. The Shriners definitely had a huge impact on their life's.

**Thank You so much to all Shriners for all that we do! Proud to be a Shriner!**

Did you read or hear about our two **PP Brad Ottum** and **PP Dennis Korth** on supporting the 2023 East West Shrine Bowl Game held in Las Vegas? Thank you so much for donating and representing Beja Shrine in the donor column.

**Thank you, PP Ben and Stephanie Rodgers**, for chairing the 2023 Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and the long list of **Beja Nobles and Ladies** that volunteered to

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make it a very successful event. And to our Easter Bunny photographer PP Jim VanDeHey.

**Thank you to all who volunteered their services.**

**Thank you, for assembling the 2023 Circus Noble books.** Office Administrator, Ann Mumm, High Priest and Prophet Tim Thiers, Chief Aide Charlie Clarage, Trustee Jeff Andersen and Chief Rabban Tom Pflugardt.

Thank you **PP Rusty Mitchell**, Rusty won a beer kegerator at the Tripoli Sportsman Night and donated it to the Beja Shrine.

Thank you **PP Jim Slezak** for your dedicated years of service serving as Beja's onion chairman.

**Thank you, Gary Fehl**, for keeping us updated every day, every week, and every month on our Shriner information. Gary always hits it out of the park keeping us current on Facebook and the e-bugler with all of our Shrine events.

*Fraternally yours,  
Tom Pflugardt, Chief Rabban "23" Beja Shrine*

## **Bahia Annual Scholarship Program**



For the first time since its inception, Bahia Shriners Annual Scholarship Program proudly presented its 2023 scholarship award to a Shriners Children's patient. Madison, 18, was born with arthrogryposis; a rare muscle disorder that can cause stiff joints and abnormal muscle development.

[Learn more about Madison](#) and her plans to pursue a career that will help make a difference in the lives of others

## ***MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND IMPERIAL SESSION IN CHARLOTTE***

The 149th Imperial Session will be here before you know it, so start making your plans now. Join Imperial Potentate Kenny Craven and First Lady JJ Craven in Charlotte, North Carolina, for fun, fellowship, and lots of new Shriner memories in the making. Learn more at [imperialsession.com](http://imperialsession.com).



# OCONTO SHRINE CLUB

Oconto County Shrine Club met at Wouter's Front on April 13th. A good time was had by all.

Our Brat fry dates are June 24th and Sept 9th! We hope to see you at the Suamico Festival Foods.

Our next meeting will be at Wouter's Front on May 11th. Drinks and Attitude adjustments at 6pm with dinner at 7pm.

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

## 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



### Have you forgotten to send in your dues payment for 2023?

Your 2023 Shrine dues were due by 12/31/22. If you have not yet paid your 2023 dues, or are in arrears for 2022, please remit the balance today. If your dues are not current, 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. Avoid the dreaded NPD list and contact the Recorder's Office today (920) 498-1985).

Did you know that Beja's budget relies on its members keeping their membership current? Paying your dues on time helps pay our bills and keeps our doors open.

If you are experiencing difficulties that prevent you from becoming current, contact any member of the Divan. 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 - PayFez Payments](https://shrinetemplatedues.org). (shrinetemplatedues.org). Associate members can use this link as well. This service is authorized by Shriners International and immediately updates your Shrine record.



## Great Fun At Breakfast With The Easter Bunny 2023!





## AJEB TEMPLE NO. 156 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE



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Sharon Livermore, PQ  
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Greetings to all! The 2023-2024 session of Ajeb Temple 156 of Daughters of the Nile began with my installation as Queen on Sunday, April 16, 2023.

My name is Terry Schneider, and my connection to this organization is through my father who was a member of Tripoli and then Beja Shrine Temple. I am a retired middle school teacher from West De Pere, and I am now making my home in Door County.

The Line Officers, Ladies of the household, and I are looking forward to various social activities as well as fundraising events being planned for the coming year. We welcome all to our big fundraising event, the Fran Bagley Memorial Golf Tournament, on Saturday, August 19, 2023, at Hilly Haven Golf Course.

This year we are experimenting with a meeting day change to try to build our membership. Daughters of the Nile, Ajeb Temple 156, will now be meeting on the 4th Sunday of the month at 2 PM at Beja Shrine Temple. I look forward to making new connections this year with those who support Shriners Hospitals for Children.

*Peace, Grace, Love,  
Terry Schneider, Queen 2023-2024*

## INTER-CITY SHRINE CLUB

**President - Bill Hesser**

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,  
The Inter City Shrine Club meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. The May meeting will be held Thursday, May 25th at Fremont Hotel. Time is 5/6 P.M.

We are holding a brat fry at the Walmart in New London on May 5th and 6th.

All Shriners and Ladies are welcome. RSVP to [william73hesser@gmail.com](mailto:william73hesser@gmail.com) at least two days in advance. Thank you.

*Fraternally, Bill Hesser  
Intercity Shrine Club President*



Hello, Nobles, Ladies, and friends of the 2023 Beja Shrine Circus,

As of this writing, 18 days remain until the Carden International Circus arrives in Green Bay at the Resch Center. Has everyone set aside April 29 and 30 to assist at the five performances? Times are Saturday 11 AM, 3 PM, and 7 PM, Sunday 1 PM and 5 PM. Doors open 1 hour prior to times listed so please plan to be there 1 ½ hours before. Meet at the Hospitality Room by entering the furthest door on the left side of the main doors south side of the building. The Clark boys will have coffee and donuts waiting.

Parking will remain as last year, Lambeau Field parking lot is free with a Fez, the Blue Lot (south across the street from the Resch) has a \$10. per day charge. I am told the rear of the building where the circus trucks park will not be available.

Ushers, please check in with P. P. Nick Brosig (head usher) for assignments. It is very important ushers study the seating chart because we have made changes in the reserved seating sections. Remember, Noble ticket holders must go to the Resch Ticket Office prior to the circus weekend if they wish to exchange those General Admission tickets for reserved seating tickets and pay the price difference.

Ten bicycles will be given away at the circus performance intermissions. Look for the names of these generous people on one of the pages in the program. Care to sell programs for your club or unit? The price of the program is \$2.00 and your commission is \$1.00. This is an opportunity to make some extra cash. Contact Theda Andres or call Beja and give Ann your name and for who you will be selling for.

Many of you have already identified your plans to be present and willingness to help. If Chief Rabban Pflugardt missed you when he was signing people to work please phone the office. Ann will put you on the help list.

Your Beja Shrine thanks you for your efforts to help make the 2023 Shrine Circus a success.

*Fraternally, Dennis Korth P. P.  
Circus Chairman  
dmkorth@tds.net*

# DADDY BOOK CONTRIBUTORS FOR BEJA SHRINE CIRCUS 2023

Listed alphabetically by first name below are the Nobles and Friends that have contributed to the Beja Circus 2023 by purchasing their Nobles tickets. All of Beja thanks each of you for your support and effort in making the Circus a success. The list contains the contributors through April 12th, 2023. If you do not see your Brother Nobles name on this list of contributors, ask him to help Beja with a contribution by purchasing his tickets.

Anderson, Joanne  
Andres, Richard  
Badgley, Donald  
Bailey, Paul  
Berggren, John  
Berk, Avram  
Beyer, Fred  
Biskner, Chris  
Black, Robert  
Borchardt, Ross  
Brann, Charles  
Brosig, Nicholas  
Buchman, Henry  
Buechner, Andrew  
Buettner, Lyle  
Burlison, Leland  
Capelle, Gerald  
Chernick, Richard  
Clabots, Stephen  
Clarage, Charles  
Clark, John  
Clark, James  
Cook, Douglas  
Cornelissen, Gary  
Cornelius, Franklin  
De Hart, Timothy  
Deetijen, Rosanne  
Dionne, Robert  
Draeger, Robert  
Ecke, William  
Eilers, Jeff  
Emmerich, George

Evjen, Robert  
Fay, Marshall  
Fehl, Gary  
Gans, Arthur  
Gault, Bill  
Goeden, Theodore  
Goering, Frederick  
Gooding, Guy  
Greene, Charles  
Habeck, Greg  
Hamilton, Roger  
Harmon, Robert  
Hassell, Nelson  
Herbst, Juergen  
Herman, James  
Herrild, Orlin  
Hesser, William  
Hinze, Jeffrey  
Hull, Jay  
Johnson, Gary  
Johnson, Leslie  
Ketchum, Rodney  
Kimme, David  
Klampert, Kieth  
Koeller, Richard  
Korth, Dennis  
Kress, Donald  
Laes, Craig  
Lietz, Jeffery  
Lindow, Roger  
Lindow, Eleanor  
Lindsay, David

Lyndahl, Dale  
Magoon, Roger  
Mattmiller, Christopher  
Maxon, Scott  
McLellan, Kenneth  
Mitchell, Edward  
Nicholas, Torren  
Nygaard, Peter  
Oscarson, Deen  
Oshefsky, David  
Ottum, Jeffrey  
Ottum, Bradley  
Papesh, Ralph  
Patterson, Larry  
Pauli, Judith  
Pernak, Frank  
Pflugardt, Thomas  
Pillar, Kristoffer  
Rabach, Stephen  
Rautiola, Kenneth  
Rehling, J  
Reichow, Emil  
Reilly, Harvey  
Richardson, Arthur  
Rodgers, Ben  
Safford, Robert  
Sage, John  
Schmidt, Dale  
Shriver, Gary  
Siewert, Dennis  
Simonson, Karl  
Slezak, James

Slezak, JR, James  
Smitham, Robert  
Sorenson, Sue  
Spurlock, Michael  
Steffen, Thomas  
Strong, Thomas  
Sylvester, Jacob  
Thario, Roger  
Tulenko, Jr., John  
Turner, Thomas  
Urban, Joseph  
Urban, Michael  
Van Beaver, Roger  
Van De Hey, James  
Van Laarhoven, Paul  
Van Lanen, John  
Vander Leest, Marcus  
Vander Leest, Robert  
Vander Leest, Vernon  
Vollrath, Thomas  
Werner, Michael  
Wesley, Ted  
Wiltzius, John  
Wingert, Thomas  
Woolsey, Roy  
Young, Samuel  
Zanon, Richard  
Zanzig, Sue  
Zochert, Paul  
Zochert, Larry





The Northwoods Shrine Club represents Nobles and Ladies of ten different Shrine temples with members residing in four of Wisconsin's northern counties. When our members gather, our fez's display the names of different temples; but, they are all red and we wear them proudly.

The Northwoods Shrine Club meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at various restaurant locations. We proudly welcome all Shriners and Ladies, Masons, and friends of our philanthropies to join us for our meetings. Camels milk at 5:30 pm and dinner at 6:30 pm. Please call Bill Jacobs for reservations, 715-891-5574. Come join us in the great Wisconsin Northwoods.

Topics of discussion for our upcoming meetings include:

1. New or additional locations for our meeting schedule
2. Our club Salad Dressing sales
3. New petitions, (it was wonderful to welcome some new members and potential members at our March meeting in Rhinelander).
4. Annual Vidalia Onion sale
5. Parade schedule
6. Our meeting schedule for the 2023 year:

May 18th, The Heid Out Bar & Grill in Eagle River  
June 15th, Caberet Cove in Rhinelander  
July 22nd, Our picnic, River View Park in Eagle River  
August 17th, Rhinelander Cafe in Rhinelander  
September 21st, Norwood Pines in Minoqua  
October 19th, Whitetail Inn in St. Germain  
November 9th, Erins Pub & Grub in Eagle River  
December 14th, Hillside Resort in Phelps  
January 13th, Our Christmas party Eagle Waters in Eagle River

*Fraternallly,*  
 Ross Borchardt, President

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Dear Members and Friends,

Hope this Bugler finds you all well and safe.

**We meet the first Friday of the month, at Bay Family Restaurant 1301 S. Military Ave., Green Bay, at 11:30. Are next meeting will be May 5, 2023. Come join us.**

New members are always welcome. The annual dues are only \$20 a year. Please come and join us in support of the Twin Cities Clinic.

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 outgrow their wheelchairs before insurance will provide a new or revised chair so it is great that the Auxiliary can provide upgrades and repairs as needed. Any questions about donations please feel free to contact Ann.

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



**Greetings Nobles and Ladies,**

The Appleton Shrine Club meets every 2nd & 4th Friday 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, Ladies and guests are invited to attend.

Proud to be a Shriner, Big Smiles & Fun all around!

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



My good friend Dale Vrsalovich from Affili Shriners wrote this, and I think it is worth sharing:

I know it sounds hokie, but membership starts with a loving attitude. Big smiles and an open attitude to seekers are a must. Flexibility in relationships is also a must. Not everyone will agree with you politically, but they may be on the same wavelength as you on Masonry and Shrine. Give those who are seeking to join Shrine or Lodge a good listen to what they want out of membership in our fraternities and then show them how we can meet their expectations. If we can't meet their needs, then we have some work to do to raise our game. This is where flexibility is paramount.

Growing membership is easy. It's getting everyone to realize that we are ALL responsible for membership. All it takes is one inconsiderate remark or one bit of gossip, and you lose a member. Or three. Remember, in Shrine, we are all on the level. There should be no cliques and no envy of other clubs or units. We are all part of this beautiful fraternity called Shrine and our philanthropy is all about the love of our fellow man. Live to those expectations and our membership should always grow.

The spring ceremonial was held on April 15 th. The ritualistic divan did a fantastic job and the candidates came away impressed. My only wish for the Fall Ceremonial is that we have a few more candidates. We have a long way to go to reach our goal of seventeen new Nobles in 2023. Cold Sands ceremonies can be done at every meeting.

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The membership team created a list of Nobles who were dropped for non-payment of dues in the past. You can review the list in the office.

Bringing back members who were once members is essential to Membership success. These men once recognized the value of being a Shrine Mason but for some reason quit paying their dues. Contacting them and revisiting the reason for being a Master Mason and Shrine Mason can bring very rewarding results. Embrace former members thru a concerted effort to identify opportunities to rekindle a positive attraction to our fraternity. It's an easy process. 1) Restoration Form Completed 2) Copy of Current Blue Lodge Dues Card. 3) Restoration fee of \$70 plus current dues.

Talk about Beja Shriners and the FUN Shriners have when you are together with your friends. Not just Master Masons because Blue Lodges need new members, too. Invite your friends to the temple events that Potentate Jake Sylvester has planned. Our open meetings are a perfect time to show non-Shriners that 'Shriners Having FUN Helping Kids' is not just a slogan, but a reality.

Petitions for membership can be downloaded from the link in the weekly eBugler or you can call the office and Ann will send you one. Pick one up at Beja the next time you are in the building and keep it handy.

[BeAFreemason.org](http://BeAFreemason.org) and [BeAShrinerNow.com](http://BeAShrinerNow.com) are also good starting points for interested individuals.

*Your Membership Committee*



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# May 2023

## Beja Shrine UPCOMING EVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 5:00pm Trustee's 6:00pm Divan Meeting	<b>3</b> Beja Shrine Open Meeting 5:00pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Peninsula Shrine Club meeting 5:00pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Oconto Shrine Club Meeting	<b>12</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting  Appleton Meeting 11:30pm	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <i>Mother's Day</i>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Northwoods meeting 5:30pm	<b>19</b> 11:30am Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Vet's & Patriots Meeting 6:00pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Krazy Kops / Inter City meeting 5:00pm	<b>26</b> 6:00pm Green Bay Shrine Club Meeting  Appleton Meeting 11:30pm	<b>27</b> <i>Jacksonport Parade</i>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <i>MEMORIAL DAY</i> <i>DePere Parade</i>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

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## UPCOMING 2023 ACTIVITIES

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### May 2023

May 3rd - Open Meeting  
May 27th - Jacksonport Parade  
May 29th - DePere Parade

### June 2023

June 7th - Open Meeting / Pie auction  
June 10th - Appleton Parade  
June 18th - Chilton Parade  
June 25th - Reedsville Parade

### July 2023

July 2nd-6th - Imperial Session  
July 15th - Hillbilly Reunion  
July 18th - John Ottum Golf Outing  
July TBD - Potentates Trip to Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Game

### August 2023

Aug 10-13 - International Hillbilly Convention - Green Bay, WI  
Aug 19 - Potentate's Ball Picnic - Bash at the (Bay) Beach  
Aug 23-26 - Summer MSA - Alexandria, MN  
Aug 27 - Shriners Car Show



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