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# A MESSAGE FROM YOUR ZOR POTENTATE





Labor Day is traditionally the end of the summer and what a summer it has been. I'll start off with a special tip of the Fez to our Zor Imagineers and supporting members on winning two Dromedary Awards. One for our Facebook page and the other for Instagram.

Lady Sharon and myself attended the Shriners Imperial Session in Houston. Zor was well represented with 13 Nobles and their Ladies. I had the opportunity to compete and parade with the Mavericks. They did not disappoint and won awards.

We also went to Sioux City, Iowa for the Midwest Shrine Association. Again, Zor was well represented, 20 Nobles and Ladies made the trip. The Mavericks were award winners. Sawduster Randy Johnston won first place in Auguste clown and teaming up with another Shrine clown received an award for their two-man skit. The Funsters provided conveyed me in both parades in their 1902 Flint. How much better can it be that to have Batman as your driver.

This summer we've also been able to parade with the Firehouse Jesters, Midgets and the Mini Cars. It's always a blast to spend time with our Brothers and Ladies!

We have also been able go to the Zor Directors Staffs Annual Ladies Appreciation Night, the "Better Late than Never" Potentate Dinner for Potentate Barry Ausen, Mehara Shrine Club steak fry, Heart of WI Shrine Club Potentates steak fry, Mini Picnic, Sahara Shrine Club Brat & Corn Feed, LaCrosse Shrine

Clubs Potentate Picnic and a combined meeting of the SW Shrine Club, Mound View Shrine Club and Pine River Shrine Club.

On August 19th my Lady Sharon fell down the stairs and broke her hip. She had a partial hip replacement and currently is using a walker to get around. This might curtail her ability to come to events for a while but I'll make every effort to be there if I can.

There are many events still coming up and please check your Zephyr and/or the calendar on the Zor Shriner website.

#### Mark Jerdee, Potentate



# \*\*\*ZEPHYR REMINDER\*\*\*

Be sure to email your stories by Wednesday, Nov. 10th. Include information for the months of January 2020-December 2021.

• Dec./Jan. 21/22 • April/May 2022

Deadline: Nov. 10th Deadline: March 10th

• Feb./March 2022

Deadline: Jan. 10th



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Imperial Potentate
William S."Bill" Bailey



and 1st Lady **Debby** 

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## The Making of a Clown

Check out this year's honorary clown and pictures on page 17



Most Worshipable

Grand Master
Gary (Love You Brother) Stang
and Lady Nancy



#### **2021 APPOINTED OFFICERS**

1st Ceremonial Master: Steve Livernash (Lady Koral) Wisconsin Rapids, WI prosticker@solarus.net

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#### 2021 ZOR ELECTED OFFICERS

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and Lady
Sharon

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and Lady

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# Temple Bash One Last Celebration

Nearly 100 people enjoyed themselves today, September 26th, at The Last Bash, reminiscing about the last 30 years at the ZOR Shrine Temple. Good food was provided by a number of folks and Noble Leonard Pickett was the Grill Master for the afternoon. Music was provided by Dan and Nancy Miller of Millers DJ Service. Many thanks to all who helped in any way today and to all those who came. A huge shoutout goes out to Chief Rabban Rodney LaBlanc and his Lady Mary, their daughter Lexie, and Noble Jacob LaBlanc and his Lady Kessa for spearheading the event! The Shrine Temple is scheduled to be sold.

Potentate Mark Jerdee was also presented with his camel from the Camel Patrol, as they were unable to hold the annual Chief Rabban party prior to Mark being installed.

Again, thank you to everyone who attended this great event, as well as those who donated their time and their cooking/grilling/baking skills. It was a GREAT turnout!!



Noble (Chef) Leonard Pickett



Social hour has begun



Kessa LaBlanc - Thank you for all your hard work



**Dan and Nancy Miller** 



Chief Rabban Rodney LaBlanc



Dinner time, and what a wonderful meal it was



Ill. Sir Mark Jerdee receiving his Camel from Noble Bill Jones of the Zor Camel Patrol

# **MEMBERSHIP MUSINGS**

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Here are going into the final days of summer with fall right around the corner! It has been a very busy summer for the clubs and units participating in parades getting the Shrine name back out to the public. I personally would like to say thank you to all the clubs and units that have been out parading this summer, I hope everyone had a wonderful time!



Mike Kastens, New Richmond

If you have not received your dues renewal notice in the mail, it should be arriving soon. Please remember that you need to renew your membership before December 31, 2021 for the year 2022. If you do not renew your membership technically you are not considered to be an active Noble on January 1, 2022 until you have paid your dues.

Speaking of dues, approximately 88 nobles who are in arrears with not having paid your 2021 dues. If you are one of the Nobles who have not paid your 2021 dues, please do so when you pay your 2022 dues. The last thing we want to do is have several Nobles being suspended for non-payment of dues. If you need assistance, please call the Temple and the staff is more than willing to assist you some of the payment options available.

The table below shows our current membership numbers for the month of September:

| Table is current as of: September 9, 2021 | September 9, 2021 |
|---|-------------------|
| Members as of September 1, 2021           | 1,054             |
| Creations                                 | 0                 |
| Affiliations                              | 0                 |
| Restorations                              | 0                 |
| Associations                              | 0                 |
| Demits                                    | 0                 |
| Suspensions                               | 0                 |
| Expired (deaths)                          | 1                 |
| Current Membership                        | 1053              |

Speaking of membership, I am currently looking for Nobles who would be interested serving on the ZOR Membership Team. Zorland is divided into three areas, I would like to have 5 or 6 members on each team. The responsibility of the teams is to contact the clubs and units in their respective area monthly. The Membership Teams meet with the Membership Chairman once a month to update the membership chairman on the progress of the seeking new members and reinstating the suspended members. If you are interested in joining this fun team, please contact me at mrkastens@gmail.com.

In closing, please remember membership is everyone's business and start hunting out those Master Masons who would make a great Shriner at your respective Blue Lodges.

Fraternally yours, Mike Kastens 2021 Membership Chairman

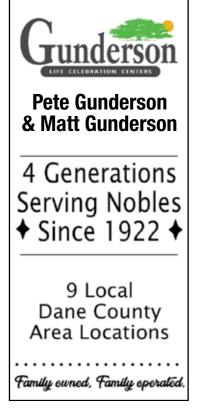
# LAKELAND SHRINE CLUB

Lakeland Shrine Club held there annual Ladies Night on Sunday September 19th at the Maple tree Restaurant in McFarland. 34 people enjoyed the steak and shrimp dinner. Following dinner, Past Potentate John Thorstad introduced 4 ladies who still support the club and attend activities.



L to R: Pat Knipfer, Norma Jenkins, Wava Grinde, and Kathy Holm. We offer best wishes to Pat who has now moved to Arizona.





## OR SHRINE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday-Sunday
Oct 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>

**HOLIDAY SPIRIT CRAFT** 

Vendor, and Music Show - Zor Funster Arnott Lions Community Park, 6867 4th St, Stevens Point, WI 54482 Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Saturday Oct 9th **BEJA SHRINER POTENTATE BALL** 

Bow Ties, Blackjack and BBQ! Your ticket includes a BBQ dinner, Spotted Cow on tap, access to games with chances to win prizes Dress is tuxedo... 5:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Hotel Northland, Autograph Collection, 304 N Adams St, Green Bay, WI 54301

Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

**ZOR SPORTSMAN'S GUN RAFFLE** 

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

2625 W Folsom St, Eau Claire, WI

Monday-Saturday

**POTENTATES BRANSON TRIP** 

Friday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> SOUTHWEST SC MEMBERSHIP PARTY

Saturday Oct 23rd **UW PLATTEVILLE SHRINE GAME** 

Platteville, WI

Thursday Oct 28th **DIVAN MEETING, STATED MEETING** 

Honored Ladies Lunch at Noon Divan Meeting 1-3 Stated Meeting 3-5

Zor Shrine Center 575 Zor Shrine Pl, Madison, WI 53719

Friday Nov 5<sup>th</sup>

SCVSC LADIES AUXILIARY AUCTION

Ready Randy's 1490 131st St, New Richmond, WI

Saturday Nov 6th **UW-WHITEWATER FOOTBALL RAFFLE** 

10:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Hering's Towne Inn, 124 W Rockwell St, Jefferson, WI 53549

Saturday Nov 6<sup>th</sup> **UW-WHITEWATER GAME** 

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Perkins Stadium, 910 W Schwager Dr, Whitewater, WI

Tuesday Nov 9th PINE RIVER VALLEY SC MEETING

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Country Kitchen 1450 Veterans Dr. in

**Richland Center** 

Wednesday Nov 10th

**ZEPHYR DEADLINE** 

Saturday

Nov 13th

**ZLADIES AT THE TABLE & VETERANS DAY DINNER** 

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

LaCrosse Masonic Center 118 8th St S LaCrosse, WI

**MEHARA SC FEZTIVAL OF TREES** 

Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Eau Claire, WI

Dec 3rd

**DIVAN MEETING** 

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Radisson Hotel La Crosse, 200 Second Street South, 200 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, WI

Friday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> **DIVAN APPRECIATION DINNER** 

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Radisson Hotel, LaCrosse, WI

Saturday Dec 4<sup>th</sup> **ZOR FALL CEREMONIAL** 

8:00 AM - 10:00 PM Radisson Hotel,

200 Second Street South, 200 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, WI

Sunday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

**DIVAN BREAKFAST** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Friday Dec 10th **CHRISTMAS PARTY/TOY DRIVE** 

Baldwin American Legion 2235 55th Ave, Baldwin, WI

#### LaCrosse Honored Ladies A joint event with LaCrosse Scottish Rite

Saturday November 13th is a joint event between Zor Shrine and the Valley of La Crosse Scottish Rite. This is an annual event for the Scottish Rite and this year Zor is joining in to add to the evening.

Starting at 5pm sharp, a pasta dinner and dessert is served, followed by a Ladies table lodge with seven toasts to the ladies. Wine is used but juice is available for non-drinkers and kids. After the toasts, a short skit about the history of Shrine will be performed by the local Nobles and Masons. Door prizes will be given out during the event.

This is a free dinner and open to all Shriners, Masons, their families, and guests, especially the Ladies. Good will donation at the door. Reservations are mandatory! Please call Todd Wohlert at 608-385-1923 by 11/6 to get on the list.

## SALE OF PROPERTY

## Sale of Zor Property in Madison Still On Hold

While it was hopeful the closing on the sale of the Zor property in Madison would occur in the fourth quarter of 2021, it now appears more likely during the first quarter of 2022. The City of Madison continues to add requirements to its approval of the development which causes the delays.

In the meantime, the office remains as is and rental of office space elsewhere is in limbo. An office space has been identified and it is hopeful the owner will be patient until we are ready to enter into a lease.

# ZOR COMMUNICATIONS ATTENTION ALL IMAGINEERS

Greetings All,

With the Fall Ceremonial approaching us quickly, and with all the things that the Imagineers are involved with, I am asking for volunteers to help out with the workload that is ahead of us. If you are available and willing to help out, please contact me at cpeters3232@gmail.com or 715-630-9143 and let me know. Once I know who is available, I will be setting up a Zoom meeting to discuss what needs to be done and how you can help.



Chris Peters
MARKETING &
COMMUNICATIONS CHAIRMAN
& ZOR IMAGINEER'S PRESIDENT

zorcommunication2019@gmail.com

You should all be very proud to be an Imagineer and I am proud to be you President. Since the start of the Imagineers in 2017, we have accomplished so much in the communications

field, started the Fezzy Awards, as well as many other area's which has set the standards for other Temples to follow. We were again recognized by Imperial by winning the Dromedary Awards for Facebook and Insta-gram, well done Lexie LaBlanc. Please join me and help make this the best Winter Ceremonial

yet. I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Chris Peters
Marketing and Communications Chairman
And President Zor Imagineers

# **Shrine Club Elects Officers**

Officers of the St. Croix Valley Shrine Club were elected to lead the club during their annual Stag Night at the River's Edge Restaurant in Somerset on Wednesday September 15th. The Club was honored to play host to the visit of the current Zor Potentate Mark Jerdee and his Chief Rabban, Rod LaBlanc.



Those attending are shown left to right, front row, Potentate Mark Jerdee of Wilton, WI, Jack Thomas, Treasurer, Carl Gaulke, elected President for a 2 year term, Tyler Behr, elected to a 2 year term, Larry Wiegent, elected Secretary, and Bob Hering, elected to the Shrine Hospital Board of Governors. Back row, left to right is Barry Ausen, Past Potentate, Bob Fischer for a 6 year term as director, Ed Swenson, Past President, Jerry Dubois, 6 year term on board of directors, Larry Riemenschneider, Past Potentate, Sketch Gustafson, Hospital Rep, Rodnay LaBlanc, Chief Rabban of Monticello, WI and Roger Keller, High Priest and Profit from New Richmond, WI. - Photo by Milt Helmer





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# ORTHOPEDIC PRENATAL CONSULTATIONS



Shriners Children's Twin Cities is now offering **pediatric orthopedic prenatal consultations** for a wide variety of conditions identified in utero. Every member of our team has experience working with families to develop care plans for babies with orthopedic conditions, and our pediatric fellowship trained staff are here to help your patient understand their child's pediatric orthopedic condition(s) and what treatment options are available after their baby's birth. With nearly 20 specialized providers locally and access to nearly 1,200 doctors across our healthcare system, your patient will find the specialist right for them and their treatment plan.

At Shriners Children's Twin Cities, we utilize a team approach to care. Our specialists work together to provide well-rounded and individualized plans for every patient. We recognize the importance of family involvement and making realistic care plans based on your patient's needs. Specialists that are available include:

- Pediatric Orthopedic Surgeons
- Physical Therapists
- Occupational Therapists
- Radiology Technicians

- Social Workers
- Orthotists & Prosthetists
- Child Life Specialists

We treat the following conditions identified in utero. While a prenatal exam may suggest a child will experience one of the conditions, at their first appointment at Shriners Children's Twin Cities after the baby is born, we will work to make a specific diagnosis through a complete family medical history and physical examination. The child may require additional testing such as an ultrasound, x-ray, or genetic testing for diagnosis.

- Amniotic band syndrome (ABS)
- Calcaneovalgus foot
- Clubfoot / talipes equinovarus
- Congenital vertical talus
- Developmental dysplasia of the hip (DDH)
- Dwarfism
- Metatarsus adductus
- Missing bones / limbs and other limb discrepancies
- Skeletal dysplasia
- Spina bifida

# Refer a patient for a prenatal consultation today.

We do not have a waitlist for care.

Referring a patient to Shriners Children's is an easy process:

- Complete our referral form or your clinic's referral form
- Fax or scan the completed referral form to our Intake Coordinator OR have your patient call to schedule:
  - o Fax: 612.596.6102
  - o Email: intaketc@shrinenet.org
  - o Phone: 612.596.6105
- ❖ If you submit a referral form, our Intake Coordinator will contact the family directly to schedule an appointment

# Don't let your patients be sidelined this summer!

Shriners Children's Twin Cities is now offering **walk-in pediatric injury care**, Monday - Friday from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm. Children can been seen right away by an orthopedic specialist and receive wrap-around care from our multidisciplinary team at Shriners Children's Twin Cities.

At every age, kids take sports and play seriously.

Kids are not small adults and therefore, cannot be treated in the same way.

At Shriners Children's Twin Cities, we specialize in pediatric orthopedic care for infants and children up to age 18. We provide pro-level care at critical stages of development. We know kids better, so we can treat them better and get them back to what they love quickly and safely.

Children should be referred to an orthopedic specialist if they have an obvious injury – such as pain, swelling, or inability to move or bear weight – or if they have no obvious injury, but have persistent complaints of pain or limping.

Conditions seen at our walk-in clinic include, but are not limited to:

- Sprains
- Strains
- Fractures

- Broken Bones
- Sports Injuries
- Play Injuries

Please keep in mind we do not have an Emergency Department on-site; therefore, spine injuries and concussions should go to the appropriate facility. Should you have questions, please call 612-596-6100.

In order to get children back into action safely, complete follow-up care is available from our providers and our supporting departments at every visit:

- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Radiology
- Child Life

By choosing Shriners Children's, patients have access to nearly 1,200 doctors in one of the largest pediatric specialty healthcare systems in the world — the most amazing care anywhere.

Shriners Children's Twin Cities treats children regardless of the families' ability to pay. We accept and bill private insurance and Medicaid. However, all in-house care is provided regardless of coverage or coverage limitations.

Should you have questions regarding walk-in services, or other services at Shriners Children's Twin Cities, our Professional Relations department is here to provide information needed to ensure pediatric patients are receiving the orthopedic care they deserve. We would love to be a resource for you and your team.



**Dana Kernik-Theisen**Professional Relations Manager (612) 596-6104
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# PEDIATRIC INJURY CARE

Walk-In Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30am - 4:00pm

215 Radio Drive, Suite 100 Woodbury, MN 55125

(612) 596-6100 shrinerstwincities.org



# FALL



# December 4, 2021 • Radisson Hotel • La Crosse, WI

Illustrious Sir Mark Jerdee and Lady Sharon are announcing that the Annual Fall Ceremonial and Parade to Glory will again be held in La Crosse, Wisconsin. This year all meetings, Ceremonies and Parade to Glory will be held at the LaCrosse Masonic Center, 116 8th St S, La Crosse, WI on Saturday December 4th. The Banquet that night will be held at the Radisson Hotel, 200 Second Street South, 200 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse. We are expecting Most Worshipful Gary L. Stang, Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin.

All ZOR Shriners and their Ladies are encouraged to attend this annual event. This is a perfect opportunity to top line sign for a Brother from your Lodge to become a Zor Shriner. He and his family will then begin to experience all the benefits of being a Shriner more especially a ZOR Shriner. He will then be able to join a Club and/or Unit. His Lady may join Daughters of the Nile or Zor's Ladies Auxiliary. If you are not sponsoring a candidate this year you and your Lady are still encouraged to attend and join in all the fun activities of the Ceremonial day. If for no other reason than to meet the new Nobles, visit with old acquaintances and to make some new Shrine friends.

In addition to the Ceremonial / Parade to Glory there will be Men & Ladies Luncheon, Service Awards, and the evening Banquet. A marketplace will feature Vets' Patrol Masonic Items, Daughters of the Nile cookie walk, Aux. Raffle, etc. Clubs, Units, or other groups wishing a table(s) in the marketplace must E-mail their request to Bruce Fransway at bruce@franzwas.com. Please include the number of tables and chairs your group will need. We will do our best, but space is limited. The meal coupon (next page) must be completed and submitted to Zor for your meals. Deadline for meal reservations is November 20, 2021. All late meal reservations will require a \$20 late fee per person. Deadline for hotel reservations is Friday, 20 November 2021, and ask for the Zor Shrine rate. Past Potentates, Divan and Senior Support Staff will make hotel reservations via Zor Office. General Nobility and Candidates can make their reservations using one of the following methods: • Call Hotel directly Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm CST at 608-784-6680 ask for Zor Shriner Ceremonial rate when making your reservation. • Online at www. radisson.com/ lacrossewi using promo code ZOR21



#### Saturday December 4th

| TIME                  | ACTIVITY   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Everything Listed Bel | ow at the La Crosse Masonic Center 116 8th Street South, LaCrosse, WI. |
| 8:00 am               | Market Place & Crafts open   |
| 8:00 - 8:45           | Candidate & Lady Registration  |
| 9:00                  | Welcome & Introductions  |
| 9:15                  | Orientation Everyone Welcome   |
| 10:00                 | Ceremonial opening   |
| 10:30                 | Ritualistic Divan ( Ladies Invited )                                   |
| 11:45                 | Nobles & Ladies Luncheon   |
| 1:00 pm               | Arch Degree ( everyone invited )                                       |
| 2:00                  | Break for Pictures   |
| 2:15                  | Ceremonial Activities Introduce P.P. & Ladies                          |
| 3:30                  | Parade of Glory  |
| 4:00                  | Zor Imagineers   |
| 4:30                  | Remarks  |

Everything Listed Below Back at the Radisson Hotel, 200 Second Street South, La Crosse, WI.

5:30 pm Fun & Fellowship Cash Bar in Radisson Bar 6:30 pm Banquet & Introductions Ball Room @ Radisson

8:00 pm Hospitality Room @ Radisson



Zor Fall Ceremonial - Radisson Hotel, La Crosse, WI

| Saturday, December 4             | 4, 2021                    |  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Noble Name:                      | Lady/ Guest:               |  |
| (Name Tags will be made from the | e names you provide above) |  |
| Phone Number:                    | E-Mail Address:            |  |
| Both Men's & Ladies Luncheon @   | La Crosse Masonic Center   |  |
|                                  | 116 8th Street South       |  |
|                                  | La Crosse, WI              |  |

Luncheon Cost \$10.00 per person

Please make lunch reservations and Lunch payments to:

Todd Wolhert at djtodd22@hotmail.com or 608-385-1923

<u>Dinner Options are as follows:</u>

|  | Total Amount: ¢ |
|--|-----------------|
| # 3) Cheese Ravioli with, Tomatoes, Fresh cut Herbs, with 3 cheese sauce | No @ \$30.00 =  |
| # 2 ) 6-OZ Beef Tenderloin - With Wild Mushrooms & Cabernet wine sauce   | No@ \$40.00 =   |
| # 1 ) Smoked Pork Loin   | No @ \$35.00 =  |

All Dinners include a Garden Green salad with tomato, Cucumber, Parmesan cheese, Croutons, French or Ranch Dressing. Accompanied with Au Gratin Potatoes
Dessert: Strawberry Vanilla Cream Layer Cake

#### **Deadline is Saturday November 20th**

Late Fee \$20.00 after Deadline

Please make dinner reservations and dinner payments to:

Zor Shrine Center 575 Zor Shrine Pl Madison, WI 53719

# **2021 MSA SIOUX CITY, IA**

This years Midwest Shrine Association met in Sioux City, IA, August 12th thru the 14th. Zor was well represented by Nobles, Ladies, Family's, and Zor Units. Our hosts, Abu Bekr Shriners were very hospitable and had many fun things for all to do. It was great to see and remunice with so many fellow Nobles and friends from the other 14 Temples that make up the Midwest Shrine Association.

Zor units completed the competition well with the Zor Mavericks taking 1st place and Noble Randy Johnston, 'Clifford' for taking 1st place for Aguste Clown and Best Clown in Unit. Congratulations Winners.

We also had the opportunity to participate in two well attending parades. It is always great to see so many Shrine Units get together to fill the streets. By the look on their faces, the ladies enjoyed the show.

We had the opportunity to get to know our friends from El Zagal Shrine, Fargo, ND, as we shared the hotel and hospitality room with them. What a great time had by all. A special Thank you goes out to Noble Randy Webb and his Lady Kathy for bringing and manning the hospitality, Job Well Done.



Noble Randy 'Clifford' Johnston and Ill. Sir Mark Jerdee presenting him his 1st place award.



Zor Nobles dressed and ready for the parade.



Mavericks Lined up for inspection.



After a long day of parading, time to sit back and enjoy the music.



Noble Montie Kramer driving the Zor Potentates through the parade in the Zor Funsters 1902 Flint.



Noble Jacob Lablanc running through the course.



A parade just isn't a parade without a visit from Noble Steve 'Batman' Livernash.



Nobles Randy 'Spike' Webb and Chris 'Sparky' Peters



Sir Montie Stieber, PP driving his fire truck in the parade.

#### **HELP US SAVE PRINTING AND MAILING COSTS**

- Sign up to get your ZEPHYR news magazine via e-mail: E-mail: zorcommunications2019@gmail.com
- **Become a Friends of Zephyr**. Send your donation to the Shrine Office: 575 Zor Shrine Place, Madison, WI 53719

ALL CLUBS AND UNITS SHOULD BE ZEPHYR SUPPORTERS.

THIS IS YOUR ZEPHYR!

## **Armenian girl coming to America**

by Milt Helmer

After more than a year of waiting, an Armenian girl is now rescheduled to travel to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Philadelphia on October 23rd for treatment of debilitating consequences of a knee infection early in life.

Dr Chris Tashjian of River Falls first met Mari Alexanyan during one of his medical mission trips to Armenia. Armenia is a small country, about the size of Hawaii, nestled between Turkey, Iran, Georgia and Azerbaijan.

Mari was originally slated for the trip to the Shrine Hospital in 2020, however Covid changed all that for this bright eyed young girl, now 6 years old.

Having to wait a year for treatment has caused her condition to worsen somewhat, but the Hospital still accepted her. Dr Tashjian will travel to Philadelphia to be with her during the start of her treatment at Shriners. He will stay in Philadelphia until a treatment plan is developed. Mari and her mother do not speak English, so having a doctor there they know will help them make their adjustment to America.

Young Mari has never left the country before so there is a lot of fear involved in the trip. That fear will be eased by the good people at Shriners and Dr Tashjian.



The family of Mari Alexanyan is shown with Dr Tashjian during his visit this year. Left to right is Mari's mother Lena Dallsanyan, her father Sevak Alexanyan, Dr. Tashjian and Mari being held by Sevak's father. Notice the American Girl doll Mari is holding. She will be Mari's travel companion throughout her journey.

#### **Not Just Another Fish Fry**

I recently spotted a flyer that said, "Benefit Fish Fry Supper" and "All Proceeds Benefit the Shriner's Children's Hospital." Being that it was only a two hour drive to Whitehall, WI, I decided to check it out. Whitehall is nestled between Eau Claire and La Crosse, WI.

Wow, was I taken by surprise when I pulled into the driveway! There was a manicured lawn, beautiful gardens, well maintained buildings, 35 parked Amish buggies, and 100-125 Amish people. That's when I realized this benefit was being put on by the Amish community. The women were dressed in long skirts and tended to the preparing and serving of the food cooked on gas or wood fed stoves. The younger women were taking care of siblings and younger kids while assisting in the kitchen and other responsibilities. The men were working together on many activities including the making of homemade ice cream in a 5-gallon ice cream container powered by a John Deere gas engine. I observed the fish being fried, side dishes being prepared, and the smell of many fresh baked pies; those pies later being served a'la mode with the homemade ice cream. This benefit was put together with an impressive 600 pounds of fish, 55 gallons of cooking oil, countless side dishes, never ending assortment of pies and 40 gallons of homemade ice cream all prepared and served without electricity.

The social opportunity allowed Zor Potentate Mark Jerdee, Lady Sharon and myself to walk around and talk with others. We were being "thanked" time after time for everything the Shriners provide. Many of the people were Amish parents who have kids as patients or former patients at the Twin Cities or Chicago locations. They were so very grateful; and the effort put into this benefit was confirmation. Zor has hospital vans that provide patients with transportation and some of these patients live in eligible transport areas.

I recently received a call from Mahlon and Millie Miller, the gracious hosts of this event. Mahlon said they estimated serving between 500-700 people; an exact count was difficult as many people came in by van loads and others enjoyed seconds of the food. Mahlon was excited to share their first ever benefit for the Shriners had the net proceeds of \$7573 going to the Shriners Children's Twin Cities.

I hope they have this benefit again next year, if so, rest assured there will be more fezzes.

(Pictures were not taken per request of this event staff.)

Robert Hering Shriners Children's – Twin Cities

# 2022 ZOR Annual Meeting, Officer Election, and FEZ Party

Zor Shriners annual meeting and election of officers will be held on Saturday January 8th, at the Marriott Madison West located at 1313 John Q. Hammons in Middleton. Rooms are available for both Friday and Saturday nights for a cost of \$ 99.00 per night plus taxes for a standard room or \$ 109.00 per night plus taxes for a suite. Cutoff date for the Zor room rate is December 17th. To book your hotel room, please call the Hotel at 1-888-745-2032 and ask for the Zor Shriners Rate or the Zor office will do an E-blast which will bring you to the hotel website and you can click on the Zor link to reserve your room.

The men's luncheon will consist of a plated grilled chicken breast, mashed potatoes, and a vegetable starting at 11:30 a.m. for

\$ 20.00 per person The opening of the business meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. Reminder to bring your current 2022 Shrine dues card when you register to attend the business meeting.

The Ladies luncheon will start at 12:00 p.m.. The menu will be a creamy chicken and wild rice soup and a salad buffet for \$ 20.00 per person. After the luncheon, there will be a \$ 1.00 per card "wine bingo".

A childrens menu of chicken nuggets, french fries, fruit cup or applesauce and milk for \$ 10.00 per plate. Children under 2 years of age are free.

#### CUT OFF DATE FOR ALL MEALS IS DECEMBER 10TH....NO COUPONS OR WALK INS AFTER THE DEAD LINE DATE.

Following the annual meeting and election, at approx. 3:30 p.m. ladies, family and friends are invited to attend the public installation.

The annual Potentate Fezzing will start at 5:00 p.m. with a cash bar prior to the 6:00 p.m. buffet dinner.

**The menu lists**: Caesar salad, garden greens salad, braised beef tips, maple bourbon slice port loin, baby red potatoes, cranberry wild rice, caramel apple pie or turtle cheesecake. for \$ 50.00 per person.

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|         | Kids luncheon   | No. attending | @ \$20.00 |  |
|         | Buffet dinner   | No attending  | @ \$50.00 |  |
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# PARADE GRAND MARSHAL GUEST OF HONOR AT POTENTATES DINNER

by Milt Helmer

Every year, except last year, the St. Croix Valley Shrine Club sponsors the Potentate's dinner marking the beginning of the University of Wisconsin -River Falls annual homecoming celebration. This year, following an extended period of masks and isolation, the members of the club pulled out all the stops. Not only did they host a special dinner for the Fighting Falcons of River Falls during the week, but they also paid tribute to members who made the weekend event so special. Roger Keller of the Divan was the Master of Ceremonies for the dinner held at Juniors in downtown River Falls.

In his remarks Roger introduced the Grand Lodge officers in attendance which included Most Worshipful Grand Master Gary Stang of Eau Claire and other visiting dignitaries including Mark Jerdee this year's Zor Potentate. Others in attendance were the St. Croix Valley Shrine Club President Ed Swenson and the 2021-22 president elect Carl Gaulke. The guests of honor at the banquet were the Parade Grand Marshal Brock Haverland of New Richmond and his mother Melissa LaLiberty and her daughter Avalyn.

Past Potentates Gary Cuskey, Barry Ausen, and Larry Riemenschneider were also introduced. Riemenschneider and Nobles Jerry Haushildt and Larry Nelson were honored for their fundraising efforts for the Club. Ed Swenson was also thanked for his leadership over the past 2 years as president.

It was announced that the Imperial Session for July of 2022 will be held at Minneapolis and Nobles were urged to attend. In addition the MSA is coming to LaCrosse in 2024.

In his remarks Most Worshipful Grand Master Gary Stang urged all those attending the upcoming parade to ask people in the crowd to join the Shrine.

It was also noted that next year will be the 60th year of the little East West Shrine Game. Each year the club names a patient at Shriners Health Care in the Twin Cities to be their Grand Marshal. Something special is being planned to note this landmark event.



Dignitaries introduced at the Shrine Potentates party are pictured, front row, Parade Grand Marshal Brock Haverlandt, and his sister Avalyn and mom Melissa LaLiberty. Back row left to right is Earl Gunderson Senior Grand Steward, Gary Stang Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin, Zor Potentate Mark Jerdee, Club President Ed Swenson and President Elect Carl Gaulke.



Ed Swenson did an outstanding job as President of the St. Croix Valley Shrine Club during some trying times.



Melissa La Liberty, mother of the Grand Marshal Brock Haverlandt, takes a moment to thank all the Nobles for all they do for children at the Shriners Healthcare for Children in the Twin Cities.



Mark Jerdee, the 2021

Potentate, was presented with an engraved plaque marking his year as the leader of the Zor Shrine in Wisconsin.

Photos by Milt Helmer

# The Making of a Clown

On September 25th, over 60 Nobles, Ladies, and Friend got together at the Kavanaugh's Esquire Club in Madison to make a Clown. The Madison Clowns each year come up with a Face and Name for the Potentate, so that they can be an Honorary Clown, this year was no different. Ill. Sir Mark Jerdee, now known as 'The Big Cheeze' had his day in the spotlight. Congratulations Ill. Sir Mark. All present had a very good time and the food was great. Thank you Madison Clowns for the great show.







1st Lady Sharon with her Big Cheeze



Past Potentates Pictures Top Row L to R: Ill. Sir Wally Trouton, 2019, 'Scoups', Ill. Sir John Thordtad 2004, 'Wheels', Ill. Sir Barry Ausen, 2020, 'Green Bean', Ill. Sir Bob Gorsuch, 2013, 'Farmer Bob'

Bottom Row: Ill Sir Montie Steiber, 2015, 'Bogey', Ill Sir Steve Peterson, 2011, 'Light Bulb'



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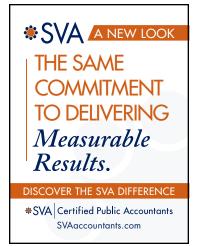
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Members of the Zor Midgets are shown here with Bob Severson and his lady Therese at the Kendall parade on September 5th. Bob is the last living charter member of the Midgets Unit that was formed in 1969, the Unit is still going strong today because of Bob and several other past members that made parading fun. Bob is the father of Mark Severson, Past Potentate in 2007.



Members pictured, Al Brueggen Assistant Rabban, Tony Reeves, Brian McQuilken, Bob and Therese Severson seated.





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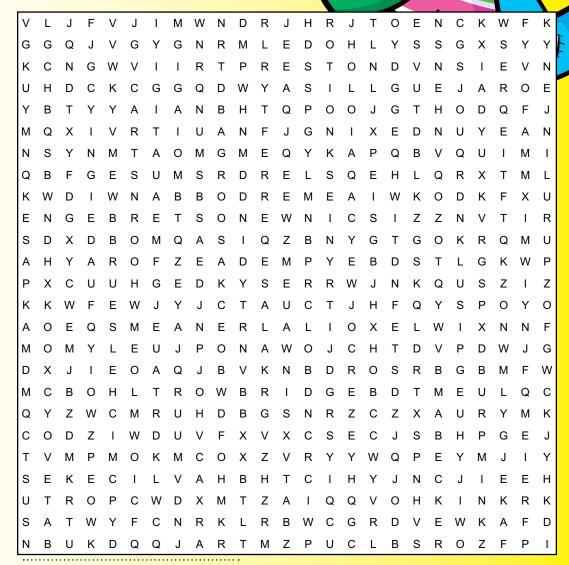
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St Croix Valley Shrine club has good attendance for annual picnic.

The annual summer picnic for the St. Croix Valley Shrine Clubs annual picnic on Sunday August 1st was a well attended affair.

The event was held in Freedom Park in Prescott and had as their guests Past Potentates Vern Engebretson and Larry Riemenschneider.



Pictured are all of the Nobles and their ladies.

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Nobles & Ladies

I hope everyone is doing well! It sounds like everything went well for the Units and Clubs that went to M.S.A. . in Sioux City Iowa. It seems like fall is starting to approach us with the turning of the leaves on the trees also with the parade season starting to wind down. And also of all the Kids heading back to School.



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Many of us have been working on the Sportsman's Raffle and Banquet in Eau Claire on Saturday October 16th @ 616 Graham Avenue So if you have sold tickets Please get them sent to the Zor Office. Please if any tables are sold please contact us so they can be added to the list once payment is received.

Work is well under way for the Fall Ceremonial in La Crosse! If you have never been there it's something you should come and check out! Awesome Christmas lights display along the Mississippi River! Mark your Calendars December 4th & 5th More Details Will be Available coming soon.

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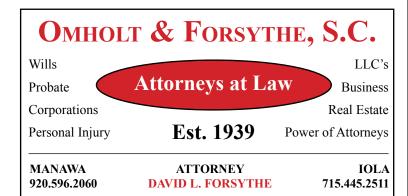


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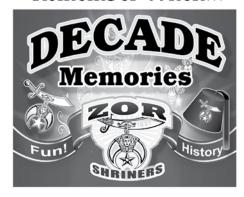


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Wausau Potentate Party. Deb and Dale are all dressed up and ready to roll.