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From The Potentate

Monte Steiber



I am indeed humbled to have been elected as your Potentate for 2015. Thank you to everyone who helped with the installation. Thank you to Chief of Staff Joe Harker for all of the man-hours he put into the event, and Eric Collins for his assistance. Thanks to the Directors Staff for all of their hard work in setting up for each part of the day and keeping everything running smoothly as well as hosting the Fez Party. Thanks to the Installation Team of Ill. Sir Steve Willett, Ill. Sir Joe Thompson, and Grand Chaplain Dave Ritchie. Also, thanks to the office staff of Sandy & Pat for their many hours of preparation for the Annual Meeting. Thank you to Todd Wohlert and Crystal Henning for all of the pictures. Ann and I appreciate everyone's efforts to make the Installation a big success. I apologize if I missed anyone.

Lady Ann and I want to thank Ill. Sir Larry Hanson and his lady Jill for attending all of the events of the day, and also for your dedicated leadership in 2014. We appreciate all of your mentoring and guidance the last 6 years. Thank you to the Deputy Grand Master of Freemasons in Wisconsin, Frank Struble and his lady Wendy for attending as well as the Chief Rabban of Beja Temple, Eugene Reece and his lady Dawn, and Ill. Sir Peter Henning, Potentate of Tripoli Temple, and the 4 Nobles that he brought with him. You all helped make the day special.

Lastly, Ann and I wish to thank the Camel Patrol for the great Chief Rabban's Party at Rex's on January 3rd.

In 2015, we will again focus on membership. Imperial is implementing a pilot program at the winter session of MSA in Fargo, ND on February 13th. It is a one-day Membership Seminar, and each club and unit is encouraged to send a rep. Zor has 6 Nobles attending said seminar. The goal is to get more Nobles trained in membership at the club & unit level. We also plan to introduce new ideas to interest Masons in becoming Shriners as well as working to bring in new Masons. Your Divan will do a Cold Sands for 1 or any number of candidates that you have. We will do them at your Club meetings or Unit events, or at any other time that is convenient for the candidate. Just give me a call, or call the Zor office to request a Cold Sands.

Just a reminder that the Madison Zor Shrine Circus will be February 13th, 14th, and 15th. I hope to see as many Nobles as possible in attendance.

So in the spirit of having fun with a purpose, let's work toward making this year a "HOLE IN ONE FOR OUR KIDS".

Monte Steiber Zor Potentate - 2015

Fall Ceremonial, La Crosse

Zor Shriner's 2015 Calendar

February April 18 Daughters of the Nile Installation, Zor Temple Pancake Breakfast, Monroe Masonic Center 13-15 Madison Circus. Alliant Energy Center, Madison Gun Raffle Drawing, Zor Temple March La Crosse Circus, La Crosse Center 13 Steak Fry, Zor Temple Mehara SC Potentate Party, Eau Claire 16 Twin Cities Hospital Day, Twin Cities 21 Southwest SC Bowling Tournament & 30 Spring Ceremonial, Eau Claire Membership Party, Platteville **December** 28 Easter Egg Hunt, Zor Temple 5

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Meet Potentate Monte Steiber

Monte was born in Waukon, Iowa on July 29, 1948, and grew up on a farm outside of Lansing, Iowa. He graduated from Kee High School in Lansing in 1966, and then attended UW-La Crosse and graduated in 1970 with a BS



Degree in Math and a minor in Chemistry. After 40 years at 3M Company, he retired in January 2011 having worked in various positions including Quality Engineer, Process and Product Engineer, and Engineering Supervisor.

He has served as a chairperson on several committees at the Prairie du Chien United Methodist church including Trustees, Staff Parish Relations Committee, and currently chairman of the Finance Committee.

On July 11, 1970, he married Ann Rogers, and they have 3 children: Marc, Adam, and Krisalyn. They currently have 4 grandchildren which all belong to their oldest son, Marc.

He was raised a Master Mason in Prairie du Chien Lodge #8 on November 14, 1990 and served as Worshipful Master in 1996 & 1997. He is currently the Lodge secretary/treasurer. He served 4 years as a Grand Lodge District Deputy (1999-2002) for District #8. He joined the Valley of Madison Scottish Rite in 2001, and was elected as the Sovereign Prince for the Madison Council Princes of Jerusalem on May 25, 2011. He is currently the Orator for the Madison Valley Lodge of Perfection. Most Worshipful Grand Master John Wilke appointed him to the Wisconsin Masonic Home Board at Three Pillars in June of 2008, and he served on this board for 6 years until July 2014. He became a Noble of the Zor Shrine on December 1, 2004. He served as President of the Southwestern Wisconsin Shrine Club in 2008, and as secretary/treasurer from 2011 – 2014. Ill. Sir Steve Willett appointed him to the Divan as Marshal in 2009, and, due to a vacancy on the board, he was subsequently appointed as the 2nd Ceremonial Master at his first meeting.

His list of hobbies, include golf (which is his favorite), duck hunting, gardening and traveling. He and Ann have a timeshare at Wyndham Kona Hawaiian Village on the Big Island of Hawaii which is their favorite place to vacation.

Monte and Ann would like to take this opportunity to thank family, friends, and fellow Shriners for attending the installation and banquet and sharing in the celebration. They also want to thank the Nobles for giving them the opportunity to serve as Zor's Potentate and First Lady in 2015. They are looking forward to a fun year!





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DISPLAY 6: HIS CRAZY ANTICS AND WACKY CHARM WILL TICKLE YOUR FANCY AND WIN YOUR HEART! THIS DIPPY DIPLOMAT OF DYNAMIC DELIGHT WILL BRING LAUGHTER AND JOY TO AUDIENCES! JUST LARRY

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DISPLAY 11: NEVER SEEN IN AMERICA BEFORE NOW, OUR FEARLESS GANG OF AERIAL GYMNASTS ARE REVVED UP IN THIS DISPLAY OF THE CLASSIC RUSSIAN SWING THE FULL THROTTLE FLYERS

DISPLAY 12: TIMED TUMBLING AND OUICK STEPS MAKE FOR AN EXHIBITION OF PRECISION AND AUDACIOUS STUNTS. AN UNBOUNDED DISPLAY OF TEAMWORK AND ENTHUSIASM, THE AWARD WINNING WINDY CITY TUMBLERS!

INTERMISSION: PLENTY OF TIME TO RELAX AND REFRESH. ENJOY A SNACK AND A CHANCE TO CHECK OUT THE CIRCUS SOUVENIRS

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DISPLAY 14: HE'S NOT DONE WITH US YET, TIME FOR MORE LAUGHS AS OUR KING OF COMEDY RETURNS. JUST LARRY REPRISE

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DISPLAY 19: 5 4 3 2 1 - THIS IS MISSION CONTROL, YOU ARE CLEAR FOR BLAST OFF! BLASTED FROM THE BOOMING BARREL, OUR COURAGEOUS HUMAN CAN-NONBALL CATAPULTS INTO THE AIR SOARING FREESTYLE TO HIS DESTINATION!! HE HOLDS THE WORLD RECORD FOR THE LONGEST SHOOT FROM A CANNON.

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Zor Shriners Annual Meeting Minutes

JANUARY 10 - MADISON. WI

James Stelsel, Sr - Recorder

Zor Shriners Annual Meeting was opened in full form by the Divan preceding the Salaam for the Potentate.

Potentate L. Hanson called the meeting to order at 1:00 P. M.

48 Nobles were in attendance. Chaplain K. Gant gave the opening prayer. The Color Guard presented the Colors and all present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Potentate L. Hanson welcomed all present and stated we will proceed to cover the full agenda.

A Candle Lighting Memorial Service was conducted for those Nobles lost to the Black Camel in the Fourth Quarter of 2014. Recorder, J. Stelsel read the names of 19 departed Zor Nobles. Chaplain K. Gant offered a prayer for the departed Nobles.

Potentate L. Hanson asked for a motion for approval of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting of January 11, 2014, as printed in the Zephyr. B. Ausen, moved approval and to dispense with the reading of the minutes and seconded by D. Jones PP. Motion Carried.

Membership Report: C. Miller reported that Imperial is working on a revised membership program called WebFez for all Temples in order to have the same program which will help to improve communications though e-mail and mailings. It will be important that we receive up to date mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, and phone number of our Nobles. In 2014 we started with total membership of 1554 regular members and 13 associated for a total of 1567 Nobles. We had 17 creations, 4 affiliations, 4 restorations, 12 associates, 12 demits, 72 deaths, 5 resignations, and 40 suspensions, for a loss of 92 members. Ending the year with 1450 regular members and 12 associates for a total of 1462 members. C. Miller moved the report be accepted and seconded by B. Gorsuch PP.

Trustees Report: B. Jones, Chairman of the Trustees reported in 2014 we upgraded the HVAS system, installed a new roof, a hand rail along the sidewalk from the parking lot to the front door,



moved and install the trophy case from the front lobby to the Oasis Room, upgraded the sound system in Hankwitz Hall, installed a ATM machine in the lobby, and terminated the exclusive catering contract with Hyvee and now have approved two caters to serve our needs which gives us and our renters to choice between the two. During 2014 we had 82 paid rentals for Hankwitz Hall and 43 usages by the Shrine and Shrine related units. In 2014 we had a return of 3.7% on managed funds (not including CD's). We started the year with a total portfolio of \$1.057,785 and ended the year with a total of \$1,507,898. B. Jones moved the report be accepted and seconded by M. Severson PP. Motion Carried.

Financial Report: D. Olson, Treasurer stated the budget and actual expenses for 2014 and the 2015 budget is stated in the budget to be presented by the incoming Potentate when he presents his 2015 budget later in this meeting.

Insurance Report: K. Johnson PP. reported he and L. Myers met with T. Arneson and reviewed property covering all locations, personal property accounts amounts determined by the Trustees on the buildings in Madison and by the Mehara officers for Eau Claire building on October 9, 2014. Liability coverage's including General Auto, Directors and Officers, Umbrella and Workers Compensation were reviewed and found they exceed Imperial requirements. Drivers lists will be requested and undated as needed. The insurance company will require all vehicles licensed or not be placed on the auto policy. The Director and Officer carrier now offers cyber or Data Breach coverage at a price to include that will be requested as part of renewal. No claims were reported of any concerns. K. Johnson P. moved acceptance of the report and seconded by J. Thorstad PP. Motion Carried.

Chicago Hospital Report: D. Anderson, Zor's Representative to the Board of Governors of Shriners Hospitals for Children - Chicago, reported this has been a year of learning for me. The hospital now has more patients than ever. Last year 1730 new patients were seen in our outpatient clinic. We continue to grow services though expansion in our orthopedic care, rehabilitation, and cleft palate repairs. We continue to provide educational opportunities for physician Fellows to build their skills towards advancement in their medical careers. Important achievement this year has been the signing of an affiliation agreement between SHC and University of Illinois Hospital and Health Science System. The results of Shriners Hospital's efforts to collaborate with leading academic medical centers to help reach more children, leveraging the clinical expertise of each organization. D. Anderson moved acceptance of the report and seconded by J. Soderholm PP. Motion Carried.



Twin Cities Hospital Report: R. Rommel, Zor's Representative to the Board of Governors of Shiners Hospitals for Children - Twin Cities, reported the Operating budget of \$15,303,517 was approved which is \$289,000 less than was submitted. Dr. Christopher Vara has accepted to join the hospital this summer. He is an experienced pediatric orthopedist and is interested in spine surgery and general orthopedics. A more standardized system for care management was introduced in December for 11 of the hospitals. The hospital has modified its service offerings on the weekend to accommodate patients needing pre-operative testing. The hospital has been awarded \$415,000 as incentive payments for meeting federal standards for meaningful use of electronic health records. Four members of the Minnesota Vikings visited the hospital on December 9th for a fun morning of games and autographs. The Minnesota Wild Hockey Team will host a group of patients for a special event on January 12th. Don Engel Director of Development will retire January 31st. The TCH experienced a 17% increase in new patients during 2014. Fifty-nine patients were recommended approved by Zor. R. Rommel moved the report be accepted and seconded by L. Riemenschneider PP. Motion Carried

Hospital Transportation: M. Severson PP. thanked all of the Drivers (D.A.D.S) for their volunteering efforts. We will be looking at the need to replace 3 vans due to mileage. For Chicago we made 509 trips, 21594 miles with 24 drives and 24 riders. Twin Cites we made 127 trips, 50737 miles with 29 drivers and 29 riders, Cincinnati 12 trips, 17222 miles all flights and Houston 1 flight 2068 miles. M. Severson PP. moved the report be accepted and seconded by J. Thorstad PP. Motion Carried.

Circus Report: J. Thorstad PP. Circus Chairman reported the 60th annual Zor circus held on February 14th to 16th had a net profit of \$102,000 which was \$23,000 under budget. Total attendance was 28,813 with the largest show at 2:30 P. M. Saturday and the smallest at 7:00 P. M. Friday. 335 members joined the Ring Masters Club by paying the \$70.00 for their tickets. We gave away 20 bicycles donated by Horsemen, Wranglers, Midgets, Roadrunners, Mini Cars, Clowns, Camel Patrol, Directors Staff, Pipes & Drums, Divan, Past Potentates, and the following Shrine Clubs, Sahara, Heart of Wis. St Croix Valley, Southwestern, Lakeland, Madison, Mound View, Green County, and Noble Herb Johnson. The Pipes & Drums again donated the bike helmets to the winners. Special thanks to the Nobles who absorbed the parking cost. 32 people turned in the parking stub which we paid out \$208.00 a 75% saving over last year. The Circus committee rebilled 15 people for their

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tickets that were used to attend a show totaling 705.00. The La Crosse circus was held on May 5th & 6th for a Temple profit of \$3,500.00. The Mehara SC circus was held in Menomonie and Eau Claire on June 10th & 11th with a profit of \$8,608.00. J. Thorstad PP. move the report be accepted and seconded by M. Serverson PP. Motion Carried

Onion Report: R. Winter thanked all of Shriners who sold the Vidalia Onions over the years and reported Zor's profit for 2014 was \$21,832.00 and all of the Clubs & Units made \$2.00 per bag. I have been chairman the last 7 years and I will now turn the chairmanship over to Barry Ausen for 2015. Cost of the onions was \$22,237, trucking \$8,700.00, spoilage and advertising \$312.00, billed to Clubs & Units for onions received \$51,881.00 for a net profit of \$21,831.00. R. Winter moved the report be accepted and seconded by B. Ausen. Motion Carried.

Gun Raffle Report: M. Bradley reported last year was a disappointment as we did not sell as many tickets as the year before but in the last four years we have raised over \$100,000 for Zor. This year we have made some changes in hopes to boosting sales by making the tickets small for easier handling. We are also offering 6 tickets for \$100.00. I would like to thank all who solid the tickets and please contact me if you have any problems or questions. M. Bradley moved acceptance of the report and seconded by G. Cuskey. Motion Carried.

Variety Magic/Circus Shows: S. Peterson PP. reported the fourth year of shows was a success for Zor Shriners and the 13 Clubs & Units that sponsored the 14 shows in their communities. The net profit the Clubs & Units was \$13,041.86 and the net profit for Zor was \$13,041.96 for the grand total of \$26,083.72. The telemarketing was down 10% from last year. A special thanks goes out to the Clubs and Unit to sponsor the shows and to the Funsters, Madison Clowns and Flambeau Clowns that came in costume to entertain the kids. Thanks to the Nobles and Ladies that distributed tickets and attended the shows to greet attendees and thanking them for coming at the end of show. S. Peterson PP. moved acceptance of the report and seconded by J. Thorstad PP. Motion Carried.

New Business:

Approval of 2015 Auditors: C. Miller moved SVA be approved as Auditor and seconded by W. Trouten. Motion Carried.

Budget Request for 2015: M. Steiber moved approval of the proposed 2015 budget and seconded by G. Cuskey. Motion Carried.

Approval of the 2015 Summer Circuses, La Crosse, Eau Claire, and Menominee, Football Games at La Crosse, River Falls, and Whitewater, Variety Shows/Circuses, Gun Raffle, Calendar Raffle and Onion Sales: S. Willett PP. Move approval and Seconded by M. Engelke. Motion Carried.

<u>Potentates Report:</u> L. Hanson reported that this isn't an end to my journey in the Shrine, just as a new chapter. I hope to stay very active in the years to come. In a more personal note I can't express



my thanks enough to all the members of Zor and the members of the area Masonic Lodges who sent cards and made calls during my illness. They all helped getting thru some very trying times and were greatly appreciated. Thank you again for letting me serve you for the year 2014.

<u>Presentation to the Potentate:</u> T. Wolhert, Zephyr Editor presented the Potentate a bound book of the last five years of the Zephyr.

Appointment of Tellers: L. Hanson appointed J. Harker and E. Collins to serve as tellers, if needed for the election of officers and/

Nomination for the Election of Officers: Potentate L. Hanson declared Zor Shriners is in order for the election of officers for the year 2015.

Potentate: The name of M. Steiber was placed in nomination by S. Willett PP. and seconded by J. Thompson PP. There being no other nominations B. Gorsuch PP. moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for M. Steiber for Potentate and seconded by M. Severson PP. Motion Carried.

Chief Rabban: The name of B. Giesler was placed in nomination by S. Peterson PP. and seconded by S. Willett PP. There being no other nominations M. Severson PP. moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for B. Giesler for Chief Rabban and seconded by J. Soderholm PP. Motion Carried.

Assistant Rabban: The name of C. Miller was placed in nomination by S. Peterson PP. and seconded by B. Calverley. There being no other nominations B. Gorsuch PP. moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for C. Miller for Assistant Rabban. Motion Carried.

High Priest and Prophet: The name of G. Cuskey was placed in nomination by L. Riermenschneider PP. and seconded by B. Ausen. There being no other nominations M. Severson PP. moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for G. Cuskey for High Priest and Prophet. Motion Carried.

Oriental Guide: The name of W. Trouten was placed in nomination by S. Peterson PP. and seconded by B. Gorsuch PP. There being no other nominations D. Jones PP. moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for W. Trouten for Oriental Guide. Motion Carried.

Recorder: The name of J. Stelsel Sr. was place in nomination by J. Soderholm PP. and seconded by D. Skavlen. There being no other nominations B. Jones moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for J. Stelsel Sr. for Recorder. Motion Carried

Treasurer: The name of D. Olson was placed in nomination by J. Thorstad PP. and seconded by L. Riemenschneider PP. There being no other nominations M. Severson PP. moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for D. Olson for Treasurer. Motion Carried.



Trustees: The name of Ron Outhouse was placed in nomination for a 3 year term by A. Christensen and seconded by D. Anderson. The name of R. Winter was placed in nomination for a 3 year term by J. Soderholm PP. and seconded by B. Jones. The name of B. Jones was placed in nomination by R. Winter and seconded by D. Anderson. D. Jones PP. moved the rules be suspended and the Recorder cast a unanimous ballot for R. Outhouse, R. Winter and B. Jones for Trustees and seconded by L. Riemenschneider PP. Motion Carried

Imperial Council Representatives: D. Jones PP. moved the 3 highest ranking officers and B. Gorsuch PP. be authorized to be Zor's representatives to the Imperial Council to held in Houston TX and should any of the four be unable to attend the Potentate may select a replacement and seconded by W. Reck. Motion Carried

After a short recess the meeting was called back to order by the Installing Officer S. Willett PP. He introduced the Installing Marshall J. Thompson PP. and Installing Chaplain D. Ritchie who assisted him in the installation. The Elected Officer were invited to enter. All elected officers were administered the oath and duly installed in their respective offices.

The Installing Officer S. Willett PP. then installed in due form the newly appointed officers and proclamation was made by the Installing Marshall.

1st Ceremonial Master Barry Ausen 2nd Ceremonial Master Brian Goff

(Note: Not present Excused)

Marshall Mark Jardee
Captain of the Guard Ron Jaacks
Outer Guard Wayne Henning

L. Hanson PP. presented the Potentate Jewel to Potentate M. Steiber.

The Pipes and Drums representatives J. Crosby and V. Houff presented L. Hanson his Past Potentate Fez.

The Directors Staff did a clown skit and then presented the Potentate M. Steiber his 2015 gavel.

Potentate M. Steiber thanked all for their support and stated he is honored to serve as Zor's 2015 Potentate. He introduced his Lady Ann and their family and friends who were present.

Potentate M. Steiber gave approval to the 2015 Club and Unit Officers

All were invited to the hospitality room down stairs and the Directors Staff Fez Party.

The Annual Meeting was closed at 3:50 P. M.



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The Circus Countdown Starts Now!

The 61st annual Madison Circus is only weeks away. Circus Chairman John Thorstad continues to beg for more volunteers to help with the school ticket delivery, setting up at the Coliseum Thursday night, and then during the weekend selling programs, color guard, security, and ushering.

Potentate Monte Steiber reminds everyone the importance of paying for your sheet of circus tickets. The 6 tickets have a face value of \$ 102, but with a payment of \$ 70.00 you will join the Ringmasters Club, which will be printed in the April Zephyr. Also, a reminder that the committee will only reimburse you for one parking stub per day.

Again, a big thank you to the clubs and units who purchased the 18 bicycles for the door prizes, and the Pipes and Drums who again are supplying the helmets for all the bicycle winners.

As always, we will supply the main course and plenty of beverages for the weekend, we just ask you to share by bringing snacks, etc. One MAJOR change will be moving the annual Sunday morning breakfast out to The Maple Tree Restaurant in McFarland. This move saves us the large rental fee that we had to pay last year at the East Side Club. Social will still start at 8:00 a.m. and sit down to order off the menu at 8:30 a.m. Then, after the last human cannonball shot and the lights are dimmed, we will have a post circus dinner at Alt N Bachs which anyone can attended.

By Barry Ausen, 1st Ceremonial Master

Vidalia Onions -- A new year has come upon us again and it is time to start thinking about onions sales. Richard Winter has retired from being the onion chair after 7 years and I, Barry Ausen, will be the new onion chair. I talked with Shad Dasher the other day and the onions are all planted and they are looking good. The onions should be ready at the end of April or early May.

Remember, this is an agricultural product so the availability of the onions is all dependent on Mother Nature. Pre-selling onions are easy to do, you can put up a flier at a local business or local watering hole and they sell themselves. I can email or send you a flier if you would like one. Wayne Henning is going to help me this year - he will take care of the clubs and units on the eastern part of Zor land and I will take care of the western part of Zor land.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 715-377-3032 or email me at bausen@frontier.com. Thanks again!

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Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these lucky folks!

Top winners were: Jordan Wright, Rochester, MN, \$100; Carol Sedgwick, Potosi, \$100; Alex Olson, Whitewater, \$100; Rita Hayden, Mondovi, \$100; Karen Jones, Madison, \$150; & Ken Engevold, Madison, \$200.

The \$20 dollar winners were:

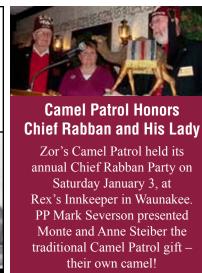
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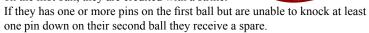
6th Annual ZOR Gun Raffle Underway

It's hunting season! Starting hunting for Gun Raffle ticket enthusiasts. Tickets are available from Divan Members and the ZOR Shriners Office. There will be 40 guns given away, with a total value over \$20,000.00. Tickets are just \$20.00 and with all winning tickets re-entered, that is just 50 cents per chance. A maximum of 2500 tickets will be printed. Please help support this fundraising effort: sell early and sell often. The drawing will take place at the Zor Shriners Center in April 26.

Leaster Bowling Returns

On Saturday, March 21 bowlers will return to Pioneer Lanes in Platteville for Southwest Wisconsin Shrine Club's 5th annual Leaster Bowling Tournament.

The object of the game is to get the lowest score, but the bowler must hit at least one pin each time they throw their ball. If the bowler puts the ball in the gutter on the first ball, they are credited with a strike.



A big change this year, is new automatic scoring that handles scoring of this type of tournament. That will enhance the fun. And fun is probably the most important part of this tournament. Challenges between the bowlers, unplanned strikes and spares, laughter, and the promise to return for a try again are heard from all the bowlers. So, load up the car and come on down on March 21. Bowling begins at 1:30 p.m. Stick around for the evening event at the Platteville Golf & Country Club for our Country Hoedown membership party.



Installation of officers was held for the Hayward Musky Shrine Club at their meeting held on December 10. First Row: Robert Odell, President; Paul Warden, Vice President; Larry Meier, Zephyr Correspondent. Row Two: Tom Spelbring, Treasurer; John Sigafus, Chaplain; Gary Cuskey, Divan Representative-Installing Officer; Al Heinkel, Installing Marshall. Not pictured: Kevin Fischer, Secretary and Hospital Representative.

2015 Mehara Shrine Club Potentate's Party

Mehara Shrine Club is pleased to invite everyone to join us March 7th to honor the new Potentate Monte Steiber and his Lady Ann at Fanny Hill, 3919 Crescent Ave, Eau Claire. Activities start with Cash Oasis at 6:00P.M., followed by a great dinner of two meats and all the trimmings. We will try to block rooms at The Plaza Hotel, 1202 W. Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire - phone 715-834-3181 or 800-482-7829. Housing Chairman Joe Harker will have full information as will Zor office.

2015 Mehara Potentate Party–March 7th

Fanny Hill 3919 Crescent Ave Eau Claire Oasis at 6:00 P.M | Dinner at 6:45 P.M. Paid reservations by March 1st Payment to: Mehara Shrine Club

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We request phone numbers as one year we had an ice storm and had to call everyone to cancel.

Get Your Southwest Country On

Mark your calendars for March 21st for the Country Hoedown Party to be hosted by the Southwest Wisconsin Shrine Club at the Platteville Golf and Country Club, 6729 N. Water St. in Platteville, Wisconsin. The emphasis of the party will be on membership, and showing guests how much fun we have as Shriners, and to honor our Illustrious Sir Monte Steiber and his lady Ann.

The cost will be \$25 per person; but, if you bring a non-Shriner Mason as a guest, their cost is half price for him and his lady. Everyone is encouraged to wear their best country attire but is not required. A reservation coupon is included in this issue of the Zephyr. Please send your reservation and check made out to the Southwestern Shrine Club by February 28 to Wally Trouten, 6786 N. Elm St., Platteville, WI 53818

The committee has reserved a block of hotel rooms at a discounted rate at the Super 8 at \$69/night (608-348-8800). Please call the hotel directly at the number listed and ask for the "Zor Shriners Discount". Do not call their nation wide 800 number as you will not get the discounted rate. Feel free to call Wally Trouten at 608-348-9853, Dave Ritchie at 608-482-3552, or Wayne Henning at 608-325-7479 if you have any questions.

COUNTRY HOEDOWN PARTY-March 21, 2015 Social at 5:30 | Dinner at 6:30 Platteville Golf & Country Club, 6729 N. Water St, Platteville, WI 53818 Address Dinner Tickets: ______@ \$25.00 Non-Shriner Guest: ______ @ \$12.50 = Total \$_____ Make checks payable to SW Shrine Club. Please mail coupon to: Wally Trouten – 6786 N. Elm, Platteville, WI 53818

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