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**Zor's 2015 Divan
 ELECTIVE**

Monte Steiber, Prairie du Chien POTENTATE
 Bob Giesler, Cashton CHIEF RABBAN
 Chuck Miller, Milladore ASSISTANT RABBAN
 Gary Cuskey, Spooner HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET
 Wally Trouten, Platteville ORIENTAL GUIDE
 James Stelsel, Madison RECORDER
 Dale Olson, Whitewater TREASURER

APPOINTIVE

Barry Ausen, Star Prairie 1st CEREMONIAL MASTER
 Brian Goff, Sun Prairie 2nd CEREMONIAL MASTER
 Mark Jerdee, Wilton MARSHALL
 Ron Jaacks, Platteville CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD
 Wayne Henning, Monroe OUTER GUARD
 Karl Gant, Blanchardville CHAPLIN
 Joe Harker, New Berlin CHIEF OF STAFF
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 Area Code 612-596-6100

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 Area Code 513-872-6000



From The Potentate Monte Steiber



We had a great time in Rice Lake on August 22nd. The Divan held a board meeting, followed by a quarterly meeting and then a Cold Sands on two candidates and a steak fry that evening. Please welcome our two newest Nobles: Benjamin Cole and Daniel Dunn. Thank you to PP Larry Riemenschneider and the Indianhead Shrine Club for hosting this event and to the Blue Hills Masonic Lodge for allowing us to use their facilities for the day and evening.



On August 22nd, I had the pleasure to present Otis Larson his 50 year pin and certificate. Congratulations and thank you for your dedicated service and support of the Shriners over the past 50 years.

On August 29th, I attended the Green Bay Packers Shrine game. Much to my surprise, I had the opportunity to accompany the Potentates and Divan members from Beja Temple and Tripoli Temple down on the field prior to the game and take part in the presentation of a check presented by Mark Murphy, Chairman & CEO of the Green Bay Packers, to the Chicago Shriners Hospital for Children in the amount of \$38,500. Fantastic! Most Nobles never hear about this donation. Mark Niederpruem, the administrator for the Chicago Hospital, was also present to receive the check (I'm the one in the white shirt in the photo).



On September 12, I met with all the Nobles that attended the 1-day membership seminar in Fargo. We met to brainstorm and share ideas on improving attendance at activities for clubs, units, and the local blue lodges, and also how we can be more active in working together with the blue lodges on membership. We discussed plans for a membership drive for new candidates for the December Ceremonial and also for next year. Each club and unit has a Noble listed as their Membership Rep. Starting next year, Zor's Membership Chairman will send out talk sheets to the Membership Rep of each club and unit for that Noble to use in discussing membership at their meetings as well as at blue lodge meetings. We plan to have the membership rep take a more active role in reporting on membership and working with the clubs, units, and blue lodges on membership. As each club and unit elects and appoints their officers and reps for next year, I encourage you to discuss the responsibilities listed above with your membership rep. Remember that all of us are members of the Membership Team.

Included in this issue of the Zephyr, is a cover letter and article from Imperial explaining that at the 141st Imperial Session held in Houston this past July, a resolution passed to increase the per capita \$15 effective with the 2016 dues. The last time the per capita was increased was approximately 11 years ago. Our declining membership is the main reason for the increase to offset the loss of revenue. If you ever considered a Life Per Capita Membership, now would be a good time to do so before the increase takes affect at the end of this year. As the article points out, this should not be confused with a Life Membership for Temple Dues or the Hospital Permanent Contributing Membership.

Please note that there is a Quarterly Meeting scheduled at the Temple on Tuesday, October 13th followed by the last steak fry of the year. Make plans to attend.

Monte Steiber
 Zor Potentate - 2015

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Zor Shriner's 2015 Calendar

October

- 2 St. Croix Valley SC Potentate Party, River Falls
- 3 UW River Falls Football Game, River Falls
- 11 Mound View SC Dinner Dance Ludden Lake, Mineral Point
- 13 Honored Ladies Luncheon/Quarterly Meeting/Steak Fry, Zor Temple
- 23 Masonic Family Reunion Madison Masonic Center
- 24 UW La Crosse Football Game, La Crosse

November

- 14 UW-Whitewater Football Game, Whitewater

December

- 5 Fall Ceremonial, Radisson, La Crosse
- 13 Lunch with Santa, Zor Temple

January

- 9 Annual Meeting, Zor Temple
- 23 Indianhead SC Snowmobile Fundraiser Ride, Rice Lake



Tabs From Tiffany!

Tiffany Karlen a student at Globe University - Wausau. She received her Associate degree in Management Accounting in 2015, and is now pursuing her Bachelor degree in Accounting. Tiffany started collecting tabs from fellow students and staff last year for her Community Service project at Globe. The project officially ended with her graduation, but she has chosen to continue collecting tabs for Shriners' Hospital for Children - TC.

The bags of tabs shown in the pictures were presented to Past Potentate Steve Peterson and Noble Jim Bitner, who is an Adjunct Instructor with Globe University - Wausau.

St. Croix Valley Shrine Club elects officers for 2015-16

Story and photos by Milt Helmer

The officers who will lead the St. Croix Valley Shrine Club for the next 2 years were elected at the Club's annual Stag Night held at the New Richmond Golf Club on Wednesday, September 16th.

The elected board and appointed members are pictured, front row, left to right: Jim Hines, Hospital representative; Larry Riemenschneider, Past Potentate; Roger Keller, Chair of the Shrine game; and newly elected Vice-President, Jerome Fussy; newly elected President, Barry Ausen of the Divan; and Vern Engebretson, Past Potentate.



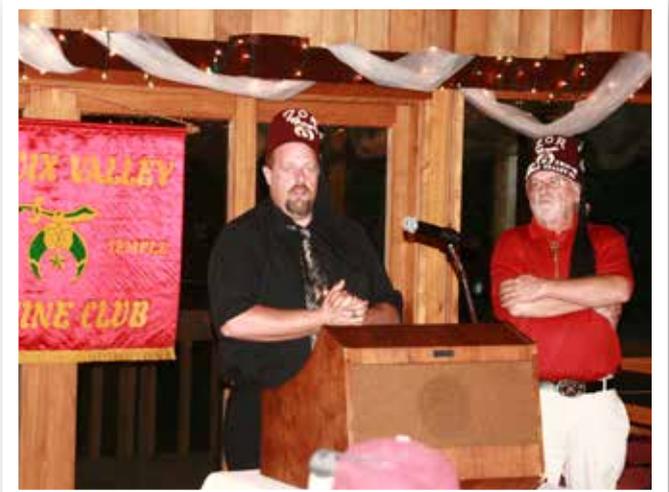
Back row, left to right is: Bob Peirson, new board member; Jerry Wilkens, Roadrunners Captain; Larry Wiegand, immediate Past President and newly elected Secretary; Jack Thomas, treasurer; Ed Swenson, board member; Bob Hering, membership and Trout Pond chair; Mike Kastens, Past President; and Jerry DuBois, newly elected board member. Missing from photo is newly elected board member Doug Hoffman; Jerry Hauschildt, Onion sales chairman; and current board member Milt Helmer.



Football chairman outlines plans for game and banquet

Roger Keller, the chairman of the 2015 Shriners Little East-West Shrine game, is shown outlining his plans for the busy weekend in October. Keller told the Nobles present at their annual stag night and election officers the Supreme Potentate from the Imperial Shrine will be in attendance this year. The weekend will begin with a gala banquet at Juniors in the Best Western Plus Hotel in downtown River Falls on Friday evening October 2nd. On Saturday October 3rd, the Shriners will assemble along with the University of Wisconsin - River Falls to combine in the Shrine and Homecoming parade at 10:30 am.

Kickoff for the homecoming game will be at 1:00 pm right after introductions of Parade Grand Marshal Marcus Kadinger of Glenwood City.



Musky Shrine Club hosted an ATV Rally in conjunction with the Rolling Hills Snowmobile/ATV Club September 12. There were 75 ATV's registered with a total of approximately 120 people and two dogs participating. The event took place on the ATV trails in the Spooner/Trego area. The event concluded at Wolf Point Bar and Restaurant on Gull Lake, where prizes were awarded and food was served. A great time was had by all who attended.



FLORIDA MASONIC GATHERING



If you don't receive an invitation in the months to come, please RSVP to Erika at the Grand Lodge Office at 262-965-2200, ext 831 or via email at: erika@wisc-freemasonry.org

Reservation Fee is \$5 per person payable by check to: Wisconsin Masonic Foundation

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Tuesday, February 2nd
11:00 am Fellowship • Noon Luncheon
at The Landings
4425 S. Landings Drive, Suite 100
Fort Myers, Florida 33919

Friday, February 5th
11:00 am Fellowship • Noon Luncheon
at Sahib Shrine
600 N. Beneva Road
Sarasota, Florida 34232

Presentation to follow on the state of the craft by Grand Master Franklin J. Struble and a presentation on the Masonic Charities by Past Grand Master Michael DeWolf. A presentation on the Wisconsin Masonic Home will be made by Three Pillars Chief Development Officer, Jane Olisar.

Grand Master Struble and his Lady Wendy will both be distributing their respective pins.

We look forward to seeing you there!



ARIZONA MASONIC GATHERING



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715-533-2150

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john.demetropoulos@morganstanley.com
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Wednesday, March 2nd
11:00 am Fellowship • Noon Luncheon
at Briarwood Country Club
20800 N. 135th Avenue
Sun City West, Arizona 85375

Friday, March 4th
11:00 am Fellowship • Noon Luncheon
at Arizona Golf Resort
425 S. Power Road, Mesa, Arizona 85206

Presentation to follow on the state of the craft by Grand Master Franklin J. Struble and a presentation on the Masonic Charities by Past Grand Master Michael DeWolf. Grand Master Struble and his Lady Wendy will both be distributing their respective pins.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Zor Shriners



To: All Zor Nobles:

As you may well be aware, our communication with you has sometimes faltered and through our best efforts has not always met with your satisfaction. Our primary communication is the Zephyr and will continue to be the way we keep you informed of what is going on. In 2015, it was decided to provide every Noble with a free printed subscription to the Zephyr and that it would be in full color.

In reviewing that decision, we believe that it is worthy to continue that practice, however, it is costly and a number of Nobles do not wish to receive the paper copy but instead want to read it in the electronic format. We will continue to provide a printed copy to any Noble who wishes to receive it that way and if you are one of those, please use the coupon at the bottom of this letter to provide us with your mailing instructions. Please mail the coupon to Zor Shriners, 575 Zor Shrine Place, Madison, WI 53719, and you will receive the printed copy throughout 2016. If on the other hand you prefer to receive the Zephyr in electronic format, it will now be available on the Zor Shriners Website in the Members Site. You will need to login with your member number and the archived editions will all be there for your enjoyment. If you prefer to receive the electronic version but do not have a member number, you will need to contact the Zor Office for details.

We hope this meets with your approval and will provide everyone with the type of service that they desire.

Yours in the Faith,

2015 Zor Divan

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QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 22 - RICE LAKE

James Stelsel, Sr – Recorder

The meeting was called to order by M. Steiber with 17 Nobles present at 3:05 P. M.

K. Gant gave the opening prayer and all present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

B. Ausen moved approval of the Agenda and seconded by M. Jerdee. Motion Carried.

C. Miller moved approval of the April 25, 2015 Quarterly meeting minutes and seconded by B. Giesler. Motion Carried.

Treasurers Report: D. Olson moved acceptance of the Treasurer's report ending June 30, 2015 and seconded by C. Miller. Motion Carried.

Membership Report: C. Miller reported as of January 1, 2015 our total was 1462 members, for the year we have had 13 Creations, 7 Restorations, 33 Deaths, 1 Demit, 1 Resignation, and 2 Suspensions for a loss of 17 members leaving a total of 1445 members. C. Miller moved acceptance of the report and seconded by M. Jerdee. Motion Carried.

J. Stelsel, Recorder read the names of 17 departed Zor Nobles. K. Gant offered a prayer for the departed Nobles.

Committee Reports:

Trustees: M. Steiber reported B. Jones advised the Trustees had nothing to report at this time.

Calendar Sales: B. Giesler reported the Divan Representatives should advise their clubs and units to return any unsold books to the office as soon as they know they cannot sell any more books.

Hospital Reports: R. Rommel reported the Twin Cities Hospital on August 3, 2015 a water pipe split in wall of the clinic exam room and did \$23,000 damage. Full schedules have been maintained and recovery is estimated to take 2 months. Dr. Chris Vara has begun his full time practice and Dr. Luedtke and Dr. Henderson have completed their service at the hospital. Information System Changes are planned in the coming months. Anesthesia service began electronic documentation in mid-August, expanded the diagnostic coding system that will be adopted October 1 at all hospitals and the revised WEB site at TCH on September 26th. Pediatric Orthotic and Prosthetic Services has been transferred to a new limited liability corporation on January 1, 2015. Unofficially the assumption is the 2016 budget will be the same as 2015 except for additional funding for staff wage increases. Electro Optical Systems has been approved pending receipt of donation monies to finance the purchase at \$750,000. Zor provided 41 new patients which is 70% of the total in 2014. Of the 22 temples who use TCH Zor is tied for third place. D. Olson moved acceptance of the report and seconded by M. Jerdee. Motion Carried

Chicago Hospital Report: D. Olson reviewed the Administrator's Executive Report of the Board of Governors Meeting of August 2015. This covered Personnel training, performance review, financial statements, programs & affiliations and a few other items. Mark Hazelbaker was approved an Associate Member to the Chicago Board of Governors at the July meeting of the Board of Governors. D. Olson moved acceptance of the report and seconded by B. Calverley. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Variety Shows: M. Steiber reported the revenue from the shows raised \$25,710 with 12,855 going the clubs and units who helped at the shows and \$12,855 going to Zor.

Summer MSA: The report prepared by G. Cuskey was read which stated we had 40 rooms with about 70 to 80 in attendance including our ladies. Wednesday started with the MSA counterpart's dinner and entertainment, Thursday was the Ladies Counterpart Brunch and the parade that night in downtown Fargo with the oasis at the El Zagal Temple. Bob Calverley and Randy Webb and their ladies took care of the hospitality room at our hotel each night. Friday was competitions at the fairgrounds with the Mavericks winning 3 first place awards and the Mini Cars winning a first place award. Zor units that participated in the parades were the Mavericks, Mini Cars, Road Runners,

Saw Dusters, Firehouse Jesters, and Funsters. The Divan participated in the water fight and won the first round against Khartum and lost the second round to Zuhrah. The Friday night Shrine O Rama had the Jamestown Clowns and Dueling Pianos. Saturday morning ended with a parade in Dilworth, MN. The MSA winter session will be in Marquette Michigan Feb. 4 to 6, 2016.

Hospital Van Replacements: B. Giesler reported we have replaced 4 vans this year at Madison, Wisconsin Rapids, Platteville, and Wautoma. Next year we may have to replace vans in Wausau and Tomah.

Zor Web Site: B. Giesler reported the site is still being worked on and we have change from the e-mail address to your membership number to get on the site. We hope the site will be up and running around Labor Day.

Zor Zephyr: M. Steiber reported all Nobles are now receiving the printed copy unless they have advised the office they do not want is as they are reading it online. D. Olson reported one or two Nobles have asked if they will get a refund for the \$25.00 they paid for the printed copy of Zephyr. D. Olson moved that the 189 Nobles who paid \$25.00 to receive the printed copy who do not want to consider the \$25.00 as a donation to Zor to cover the expense of the printing and mailing may request in writing for Zor to refund their \$25.00, but must do so not later than December 1, 2015 and Seconded by B. Giesler. Motion Carried.

New Business:

2016 Circus: B. Giesler moved permission be granted to hold the 62nd annual Madison Shrine Circus on February 19, 20, and 21, 2016 at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison. With the understanding that telemarketing will start on August 31, 2015 and seconded by D. Olson. Motion Carried.

December Ceremonial: M. Steiber reported the Ceremonial will be in La Crosse at the Radisson Hotel December 4th and 5th 2015. So far we have 16 new Nobles this year and we are still hoping to reach our goal of 50 in 15.

Shrine/Scottish Rite Golf Outing: M. Steiber reported we only had 17 golfers. The net proceeds were divided between the Madison Dyslexia Center and Zor's Transportation Fund. A Check in the amount of \$86.00 was sent to each charity respectively. There will be another outing next year on July 27, 2016 at Lake Wis. Golf Course.

Announcements: M. Steiber reported the Imperial has issued a policy that no Shriner may display any confederate flag or symbol at any Shrine event.

The next Quarterly meeting will be Tuesday October 13, 2015 at the Madison Temple at 3:30 P. M. followed by a steak fry.

K. Gant gave the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 P. M.

Is There More Than Being A Shriner?

By Noble Dale Holmen

On Friday, October 23rd at the Madison Masonic Center located at 301 Wisconsin Ave., we will be holding a Masonic Family Reunion. Yes, that is right - a Family Reunion - and you will be able find out just what everyone in the family has been up to and why they are having so much fun.

This evening will give you a short overview of each of our Masonic groups by their respective leaders. You will learn what they do and why they do it. We all know why we became Masons and Shriners and now you will see just what others are doing in the name of the fraternity.

This is open to all family and friends so they will have a chance to see why you do what you do. As always, this could be a great opportunity to bring a new member into our fraternity or maybe the Shrine. I know time is important to all of us and this is an opportunity worth your time.

I do hope you will take the time to join us on October 23 at the Madison Masonic Center for this Masonic Family Reunion. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 608-241-4751 or e-mail me at Holmendd13 @att.net.

2016 PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT GUIDANCE

During the recent 2015 Imperial Session, action was taken to increase the annual per capita tax in 2016. The following guidance provides direction pertaining to that action including the effective date and application of the life per capita membership provisions of the bylaws.

I. Effective Date of the Per Capita Increase – January 1, 2016

The Per Capita Tax will be \$30.00/member instead of the current \$15.00/member. The Per Capita increase becomes effective for the calendar year 2016 on January 1, 2016. However, dues statements reflecting the per capita increase will be sent to members on or about October 1, 2015. Therefore, the Nobility will begin remitting dues shortly after that date for the 2016 year.

In addition, any Noble who has pre-paid 2016 dues at the \$15.00 rate prior to dues roll-over and receipt of the 2016 dues notification will receive a dues notice for the \$15 difference.

II. Life Per Capita Membership at 2015 Rates

Section 211.5(g) of the Shriners International Bylaws provides, in pertinent part:

“A Noble may pay to his temple recorder a sum equal to 30 times the current per capita tax and, thereafter, he is exempt from the annual per capita tax.”

Therefore, a Noble may avoid the application of the per capita tax increase by becoming a Life Per Capita Member during calendar year 2015. If the Noble submits the sum of \$450.00 to the temple recorder on or before December 31, 2015, he is, thereafter, exempt from payment of the per capita tax. However, if a Noble wishes to become a Life Per Capita Member after December 31, 2015, the sum of \$900.00 will then be payable to the temple recorder based upon the 2016 per capita increase.

Payments received by the Temple Recorder for the Life Per Capita Membership must be posted and recorded as such on the PC report no later than the December 2015 report which is due on January 5, 2016. Payments recorded on the January 2016 or subsequent PC reports will be payable at the increased 2016 rates.

Please note: The Life Per Capita Member should not be confused with a Life Membership which a temple may create exempting the member from the temple’s annual dues (§332.6) or with the Hospital Permanent Contributing Membership which exempts the member from the hospital levy (§332.4).

III. Payment of 2016 Dues followed by a 2015 Life Per Capita Membership Payment

With the dues notices being mailed on or about October 1, 2015, it is foreseeable that a Noble may pay the 2016 dues statement in full and, thereafter, submit payment to the temple recorder to become a Life Per Capita Member after paying the 2016 dues but before December 31, 2015. The payment of 2016 dues does not result in a waiver of the ability of the Noble to become a Life Per Capita Member using 2015 per capita rates. In that case, the Noble may be entitled to a credit of \$30.00 for that portion of the dues statement which is attributable to the annual per capita tax included in the notice provided to the Noble for the 2016 dues.

AWARD OF MERIT RULES

This award is presented for dedicated and exemplary voluntary service to Zor Shriners and to the Shriner’s philanthropy, the Shriners Hospitals for Children®, over a minimum of five years.

Recognition for outstanding service to Shrine Clubs or Units solely shall be the responsibility of those bodies and the nominee shall not be eligible for the Award of Merit recognition as they do not meet the guidelines.

The Award shall preferably be presented to Nobles not otherwise recognized as serving on the Divan or by appointment to prominent positions.

No member of the Zor Divan or past member of the Divan will be eligible for consideration until at least five years following his being on the Divan. Then only for Voluntary Service that is within Zor’s sphere of influence.

To nominate your candidate, please provide a nomination letter describing why you feel this Noble

is deserving of this award, i.e., what activities he has participated in, what offices has he held with the club/unit, how has he contributed to the shrine philanthropy, how has he been involved with helping children, etc.

Your nomination letter should be forwarded to the Zor Shriners office NO LATER THAN Saturday, November 1, 2015.



The leaves on the trees are starting to change color. The air has a bit of a cool nip in it. Fall and Winter jackets are coming out of storage. That hot old fez is starting to feel really comfy this time of year. The time to gather all those fezzes together and bestow new ones is only 2 months away! The Fall Zor Ceremonial is December 5 in La Crosse. The Radisson hotel in La Crosse, right along the Mississippi river, hosts the festivities this year and promises to bring a lot of energy, fun, and fraternal fellowship. Start signing up candidates now!

For those of you arriving Friday night, there are numerous restaurants, lounges, live music, theatres, and more within walking distance of the hotel. Downtown La Crosse offers a diverse mix of activities for even the most eclectic Noble: www.lacrossedowntown.com. La Crosse's legendary Rotary Lights display in Riverside Park is available to explore by just walking out the opposite side of the building: www.rotarylights.org.

Saturday morning is breakfast on your own either in the hotel restaurant or in one of many downtown establishments. A full day is planned so make sure you get a good night's sleep the night before! The schedule features a full rundown.

For those bringing children with them, La Crosse offers some great options. For the little ones, The Children's Museum of La Crosse will keep them entertained and occupied for hours. It is only a few blocks away from the Radisson. Find out more: www.funmuseum.org. For the older kids, Shenanigans just off I-90 exit 2, is just what's needed. It is not possible to get bored here! They offer Laser Tag, Ropes Course, Rock Wall, Hamster Ball, Inflatable's, Mini Bowling, Arcade Games, etc. Find out more: www.shenanigansfun.com.

Shriners love a great meal and great value. The Potentate and the committee spent hours putting together the menu for the weekend so you get a great experience with a high quality meal.

DELI BUFFET for Nobles Luncheon and Ladies Luncheon features great flavors and plenty to select: Sliced Breast of Turkey, Roast Beef, and Smoked Ham; Door County Chicken Salad; Sandwich Garnishes to include: Lettuce Leaves, Sliced Tomatoes, Sliced Onions, Pickle Spears, Mayonnaise, Creamy Horseradish Sauce, Dijon and Yellow Mustards, Assorted Sliced Wisconsin Cheeses; Pecan Feta Slaw; Marinated Vegetable Pasta Salad; Beer Cheese Soup; assortment of Fresh Baked Breads, Rolls, and Wraps; Kettle Potato Chips; Assortment of Freshly Baked Cookies. Tax and tip included.

The evening BANQUET has three great choices with unique and flavorful sides: Stuffed Chicken Valentino, stuffed with Parmesan, Italian Seasoning, Mozzarella, Chives, Red Bell Peppers OR Smoked Pork Loin with Sauvignon Blanc Reduction OR Seared Atlantic Salmon topped with Spinach, and Hollandaise Sauce. Kid's meal for banquet is chicken tenders and French fries. All meals come with: Potato Gratin Dauphinoise, Green Beans Haricot Verts and Roasted Red Peppers, House salad, & dessert. Tax & tip included.

Ceremonial lodging can be reserved NOW! The Radisson Hotel – La Crosse is a full service hotel providing first class accommodation and amenities. Our lodging rooms are reserved under the group room block code: "ZOR015". We have a sizeable group room block but we are expecting it to fill quickly. Group Room Block will release on November 4, room rates may increase after that date. Don't be disappointed, make your reservation TODAY. Please call the Hotel Reservationist at 608-793-5012 or through the toll free number at 800-333-3333 or online with www.radisson.com/lacrossewi and using the "promotional code" ZOR015. Online instructions: Enter dates of stay. Under that, there will be a box that says "more search options." Click on that and there will be a drop down arrow in the "choose rate type" box. Choose "promotional code" as the rate type. Then in the box under that, enter code: ZOR015, and then hit search. The room types and rates will populate in the next screen. Make your selection. If you encounter problems, call one of the numbers listed above.

Room rates are \$89 & \$99 plus tax. (Note: Past Potentates, Divan & support staff lodging reservations will be through Zor Housing Chairman.)

For those of you staying over Saturday night, take it easy Sunday morning. Take a morning stroll along the river and enjoy a great breakfast before you head home after a full and fun weekend with the Zor Nobility.

La Crosse welcomes Zor Shriners and their new candidates with open arms. We hope you will join us for this special weekend and make some new cherished memories.

Zor Shriners Ceremonial Schedule

December 5 – Radisson in La Crosse

- 8:00–8:45 am** Candidate Registration
- 8:00 am–2:00 pm** Unit & Organizational Displays
- 9:00 am** Candidate & Lady Orientation & Divan and Lady introduction
Ceremonial Opening then Ritual Divan – Everyone is Invited
- 11:45 am** Ladies & Men's Luncheons
- 1:15 pm** Arch Degree – Everyone is Invited
Ceremonial continues with
 - Introductions
 - Samsar Awards
 - 25/50 year
 - Award of Merit
 - Fezing Talk & Ceremony
 - Parade to Glory
- 5:00 pm** Rotary Lights walking tour – Riverside Park
- 5:30 pm** Cash Bar
- 7:00 pm** Ceremonial Banquet & Program
- 8:30 pm** Zor Hospitality 8th Floor
Complimentary parking for both overnight & day only attendees.

December Ceremonial

December 5 – Radisson in La Crosse

Noble Name(s) _____

Lady/Guest Name(s) _____

Phone Number: _____

PLEASE RESERVE THESE MEALS:

No. _____ Men's lunch @ \$25 = \$ _____

No. _____ Ladies' lunch @ \$25 = \$ _____

No. _____ Dinner-Pork @ \$30 = \$ _____

No. _____ Dinner-Salmon @ \$30 = \$ _____

No. _____ Dinner-Chicken @ \$30 = \$ _____

Children's Meals (10 & under) FREE = _____

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS: Contact Joe Thompson via phone at 608-965-3122 or via email at tophat@yousq.net

Late fee per person received after 11/25:

No. _____ late fee @ \$20 = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Zor Shriners and **return by November 25** to: Zor Shrine, c/o Joe Thompson, PO Box 251, Shullsburg, WI 53586

A Mother's story

By Jen Berger

Isaac is the youngest of five boys. My husband had three older boys from a previous marriage, and then I have Calvin, who is 12, and Isaac, who is 10. When we were pregnant with Isaac, we found out at the routine 20 week ultrasound, his left hand had not formed. I recall thinking during the ultrasound, "I wish he would turn so we could see his other hand!" Not knowing it wasn't there to be seen until we met with the doctor. Our OB doc was fantastic; she came in very serious and professional, and said there were some concerns with the ultrasound she needed to talk about with us. Of course, all of the worst case scenarios flashed through our heads, and then she said he doesn't have a left hand. We looked at each other, and the doc, and said, "That's it? That's all? He has a brain, and a heart, and everything else is okay?" She chuckled a bit, and said everything else was all good and we were relieved. Our concerns at the time.....will he get picked on? Will there be something else wrong? Will he be able to drive a motorcycle? (No one said we were thinking logically).

Moving on, Isaac was beautiful. He was born three weeks early and was 5 lb 8 oz. At about 13 months, he was fitted for a prosthetic at our local clinic to help with crawling and even muscle development. I think it weighed about 482 pounds, or at least it seemed like it. My best friend from college is a physical therapist and she suggested we talk about Shriners Hospital with Isaac's Hand Specialist, who coincidentally had done his internship at one of the Shriners Hospitals, and was excited we were looking for other options for Isaac. We brought the prosthetic to our first appointment, which was when Isaac was about 18 months old, so about December 2006. Dick looked at this 482 pound object and very kindly said, "I see where they were going with this, do you mind if I modify it a bit?" He cut it in half and made it usable for our little guy. During our first appointment, we really fell in love with our new family. We felt like it wasn't a hospital or a clinic we were coming to, but a very open and welcoming place where the kids are treated almost like royalty. When we were brought in to the clinic exam room, we were also introduced to a dad and a 15-year-old boy who is also missing one of his hands. They were both so kind, patient, and helpful with our questions and concerns. It was so humbling, helpful, encouraging, empowering, (not enough words to use here) to be at this first appointment. Our experience with Shriners Hospitals over the last 9 years has truly helped us grow as parents, and has given Isaac so many wonderful opportunities. He has attended summer Camp Achieve since he was 5 and has also attended the winter Camp Achieves as well. He is a shy little guy, but has no qualms about going with the staff and the other kids at camp and his appointments are truly his most favorites times of the year. We always get a picture with the statue out front every year at the end of camp.

The only down side of this whole adventure, is now that Isaac is so in love with the hospital and camp, he affiliates everything with Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Minnesota in general with the hospital and loves it all. So, now we have to put up with a Vikings, Twins, Gophers, Wild fan. :)



Honored Ladies Luncheon

Please join Potentate Monte and Lady Ann as they host the annual luncheon for Zor's Honored Ladies on Tuesday, October 13. Festivities begin with social hour at 11:30 and luncheon at 12 noon. The theme of the luncheon is "Purses" (how many do you have?).

All Zor widows will be the guests of Zor, and all Ladies of Zor and friends are invited and encouraged to attend. Cost is \$18.00 per person. Menu consists of turkey, mashed potatoes, vegetable, rolls, beverage and dessert. Please send your reservation coupon to Zor Shrine no later than October 2.

Honored Ladies Luncheon

Tuesday, October 13 – Zor Shrine Center

SOCIAL 11:30AM | LUNCH 12:00PM

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Number attending: _____ @ \$18; amount enclosed: _____

(Widows are guests of Zor Shriners)

Please make checks payable to Zor Shriners and send to:

Zor Shriners, 575 Zor Shrine Place, Madison, WI 53717. Deadline is October 2.

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Zor Shrine Auxiliary Madison is having a fundraiser "Dine 4 a Cause" on October 12 from 11 am to 9 pm at Quaker Steak and Lube, 2959 Deming Way, Middleton. Present the coupon and they will give 20% of your bill to the Women's General Auxiliary for the Twin Cities Shriner's Hospital for Children. You can come any time - just bring the coupon.

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October 13 – Zor Shriners Center. SOCIAL 5:00PM | DINNER 6:15PM

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Menu: _____ Steak or _____ Chicken

Amount enclosed (\$10/person) \$ _____

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Daughters of the Nile Presents “Hats Off to Dolley” Program, Auction, and Luncheon

Ladies from Daughters of the Nile will host a luncheon, auction and program on Saturday, November 7, at the Nakoma Country Club in Madison. The program, “Hats Off to Dolley”, will feature Jessica Mica impersonating Dolley Madison, which will be preceded by a Bag and Silent Auctions, and Social Hour starting at 11:00 am. A noon Super Salad Luncheon (egg, chicken, tuna) with fruit, dessert, rolls and beverage will be served.

This event is open to the public, so invite your friends and relatives. The cost of the event is \$30 and all proceeds will go to the Daughters of the Nile Foundation Convalescent Relief Account and will be used for the children in the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Mark your calendars for this important date. If you would like to help by donating an item or items for the auctions, please contact Elaine Engelke at 608-523-4134 or Jan Reck at 608-752-5558. Donations for the Chinese Auction valued from \$10 to \$75 are welcome. Please bring items to the Zor Shrine and notify Jan Reck about the donation so it will be included in the program. Thank you for your donation and the children thank you.



Registration Form – “Hats Off to Dolley” Program, Luncheon and Auction

Send this registration form and payment of \$30 per person (checks payable to Antioch Temple No. 113). Mail to Mary Ann Harris, 1801 E. Milwaukee St., #302, Janesville, WI 53545.
Registration Deadline is October 31.

Name _____
Phone Number _____

PRINT below all guest names included in your reservation and give hostess name if there is one.

Names _____

Hostess Name: _____

Number of reservations: _____ Reservations at \$30 each: \$ _____
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Contact persons: Jan Reck, Chair 608-752-5558;
Mary Ann Harris, 608-752-4378

Zor’s Lunch with Santa

Here comes Santa again! Santa will be at the Zor Shrine Center on December 13. Bring your kids, grandkids, great grand kids, friends, and neighbors. A hot dog lunch will be served from 12:00 to 1:00 P.M. Santa should be arriving at about 1 P.M. if the reindeer do not get stuck in the snow. The cost again is \$5.00 per person and all children will receive a gift from Santa. Deadline for the event is the December 6. Make checks payable to Zor Shriners. Please fill out coupon and mail to Larry and Jill Hanson.



LUNCH WITH SANTA

Sunday Dec. 13th– Zor Shriners Center at Noon

Your Name: _____
Children Name(s) and Ages(s): _____
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Amount enclosed (\$5.00 per person)
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Mail to: Larry and Jill Hanson, 403 N Cincinnati St., Albany, WI 53502
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2015 SEASON’S GREETINGS PAGE

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