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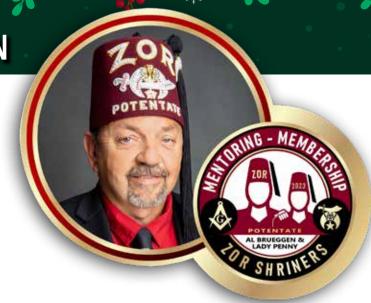
Greetings and Happy Holidays!

As I write this article and reflect back on the year Zor has had, I think of the many events and a lot of miles, not just by me but by all of our dedicated Nobles, their Ladies and families. Many of us put a lot of time and effort into trying to keep our Clubs, Units, Temple, and Lodges strong, yet so many times our members fall by the wayside and miss out on the fun we have. I challenge you to get your new and current members involved. Mentor your members, they don't know what they're missing, and we have so much to offer.

Recently, Lady Penny and I spent the weekend in Wisconsin Dells with the Yoshi Shrine Club and had a wonderful time with Nobles, their families, and friends. This Club was formed several years ago by Past Potentate Barry Ausen and has turned into a very family-oriented event for younger Shriners. Some of the members bring their kids and some of us, our grand kids. The Nobles spend time socializing and the kids are able to enjoy time in the water park along with many other activities on site. This Club does have some rules set by their members which are standard in the Temples that have Yoshi Shrine Clubs. The members must be under the age of 55 and 364 days old to join. Once a Noble turns 56 he is still a member but is no longer able to be an officer or voting member, which in my case is not a bad thing. This is a great Club to get a young Shriner family involved with. The annual event is held in Wisconsin Dells and normally takes place the second weekend in November each year at the Wilderness Resort. Other Yoshi events take place throughout Zorland as time permits. For more information on this Club, contact Past Potentate Barry Ausen at 715-248-7844.

My travels to the UW Whitewater Shrine football game on November 11th, along with several Divan members was again a great experience. The "King" (shrine patient) was asked to do the coin toss to kick off the football game. This is quite an honor for the patient. The patient's family along with the Divan are in attendance on the field to witness the event. Earlier on this same day the Sahara Shrine Club held it's annual cash drawing at Herring Inn in Jefferson where our shrine patient "King" pulled all the lucky winner names. See the story in this issue.

I want to give a big "Thank You" to my 2023 team – As my term comes to a near end, I want to thank the Divan, Support



staff and Committee members for their support. Our Temple office team in Madison lead by Recorder Past Potentate Bob Gorsuch has been one heck of a support team. Past Potentate Bob Gorsuch oversees our office and has now for a several years. Bob and his staff are very knowledgeable and proactive. I cannot thank Bob enough for his support and guidance through my many years on the Divan and most recently as Potentate. The ladies in the office (Pat and Amy) "thank you" for what you do! The two of you are always willing and able to help me out. Also, I want to thank Past Potentate Larry Hanson our Temple Treasurer who has been my mentor for the last several years. Larry is always on top of his game while keeping track of me and the Temple budget. Larry, "Thank You" and Lady Jill for your guidance. The Elected Divan, what a team. Chief Rabban Roger Keller, Assistant Rabban Brian Dunham, High Priest and Profit Steve Livernash and Oriental Guide Ron Malcolm; gentlemen I "thank you" for the time, effort, and commitment you have put into supporting me, our membership and our Temple. Appointed Divan, committee chairs and support staff you all deserve a round of applause for your efforts as well. Thank You all!

Annual Membership dues! Nobles, the Shrine is one of the cheapest memberships around. If you haven't paid your membership dues yet, please don't hesitate, we strive to keep our membership strong and we want you to be a part of it!

Be Humble and Kind! Alan J. Brueggen Zor Potentate 2023

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RECORDER BOB'S CORNER



Annual Meeting

To vote on any matters at the Zor Annual Meeting on January 13, 2024, your 2024 dues must be paid. All attending Nobles will be asked to show their membership card.

Hospital Dads

Van Drivers over the age of 64: If you have not completed a Drivers Certification Form, you should not be driving a hospital van. If in doubt, you can check with your van coordinator or me.

Annual Chief Rabban's Party

The annual Chief Rabban's Party will be held on January 6, 2024, at Rex's Supper Club in Waunakee. Watch for reservation information in this Zephyr.

ELECTIONEERING



- (a) A candidate for an elected office in Zor Shriners may print, publish, and circulate during the year he is seeking an elected office, a resume' consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating, or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, emails, or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or Group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.
- (b) The expenditure of money for gifts, favors or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

MADISON SHRINE CLUB

Dinner Meeting to Discuss:

the Future of the Madison Shrine Club

Kavanaugh's Esquire Club 1025 North Sherman Avenue Madison, WI 53704

December 12, 2023, 6:00 pm CST

RSVP: Bill Jones via email:

bpjones70@tds.net or 608-239-3300

RSVP Deadline: 12/05/2023

DUES ARE DUE!

We have over 70 members who have not paid for 2023, amounting to almost \$6,000. Dues are due on January 1st of each year, which means that the 2024 dues are also due at this time. Nobles owing 2023 dues will be suspended on December 31, 2023, if not paid.

IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR 2023 DUES, PLEASE PAY NOW. If you are unsure of your status, simply call the Zor Office at 608-833-6343 ext. 1. We need you to remain a Noble of the Shrine. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact Recorder Bob Gorsuch at rgorsuch@oak.bank. We can work out a plan.

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Zephyr Reminder!

Be sure to email your stories by **Sunday, December 10, 2023** for the Zephyr January 2024 issue.

ZOR'S ANNUAL MEETING & FEZ PARTY

JANUARY 13, 2024, AT THE RADISSON HOTEL, LA CROSSE, WI

Zor Shriner's annual meeting and election of officers will be held on Saturday, January 13, 2024, in La Crosse, Wisconsin at the Radisson Hotel (200 Harborview Plaza).

Deadline for hotel reservations is Friday, December 22, 2023, to qualify for the group rate. Ask the hotel for the Zor Shrine Rate which will be \$119 per night plus taxes. Past Potentates, Divan and support staff will make their hotel reservations via the Zor Office. The General Nobility can make their reservations using one of the following methods (contact Monte Steiber if you have any issues making a hotel reservation):

- Call the Radisson Hotel directly Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm CST at 608-784-6680 and ask for the Zor Shriner Annual Meeting Rate when making your reservation.
- On-line at https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/G9651453
- The above website takes you directly to a group rate for Zor for January 11 January 14 reservations only.

ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON:

The ladies' and men's luncheons will be held in separate rooms with different main menus, but with similar sides. The ladies will have the All-American BBQ Memphis Pulled Pork sandwich, and the men will have the All-American BBQ Grilled Angus Burger. The side items for each luncheon consists of pasta salad, smokehouse potato salad, house chips, bakery fresh rolls, assorted sliced cheeses, the usual condiments (mayonnaise, BBQ Sauce, ketchup, & mustard), fresh toppings (lettuce, tomato, onion, & pickle slices), plus cookies and brownies for dessert. The kid's lunch menu (12 & under) is a Grilled Cheese Sandwich. The ladies lunch starts at 11:30 am and will be held at the Radisson Hotel 1st floor in the Wisconsin Room followed by a program which will be completed in time to attend the installation at 3:00 pm.

The men's lunch starts at 11:30 am and will be held on the 2nd floor in the Minnesota Room.

The meal coupon must be completed and submitted to Monte Steiber for your meals.

Deadline for meal reservations is December 29, 2023.

All late meal reservations will require a \$20 late fee per person.

ANNUAL FEZ PARTY:

The annual celebration to present the newly elected Potentate his official Fez will follow the annual meeting and installation on Saturday, January 13, 2024, at the Radisson Hotel in La Crosse. Following the installation, a social hour starts at 4:30 pm with appetizers and a cash bar in the hotel foyer. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm in the hotel ballroom followed by a program and entertainment after dinner. Following the entertainment, the rest of the evening will be held in the Zor Hospitality Room #823.

Saturday Evening Dinner Choices are:

- Pan Seared Chicken Breast with Sun-Dried Tomato Cream Sauce
- Smoked Pork Loin with Wild Mushroom Jus
- Broiled Haddock with Champagne Beurre Blanc

Each Plated Dinner includes:

- Caesar Salad
- D: D |
- Dinner Bread
- Steamed Vegetables
- Carrot Cake
- White Chocolate Raspberry Layer Cake
- Ice Water & Decaf Coffee
- Au Gratin Potatoes

Kids = Fruit Cup, Chicken Tenders, Veggies, Fries, Dessert

MEETING SCHEDULE & SUNDAY BRUNCH

2024 ANNUAL MEETING AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICER'S SCHEDULE

January 13, 2024 • Radisson in La Crosse Wisconsin

10:00 am - Practice Divan and Ladies - in the Ballroom

11:30 am - Men's Luncheon in the Minnesota room 2nd floor

11:30 am - Ladies Luncheon in the Wisconsin room on the 1st floor

1:00 pm - Annual meeting and election of officers in the ballroom

3:00 pm - Installation ceremony in the ballroom

4:00 pm - Divan and Support staff pictures in the entry outside the ballroom

4:30 pm - Social hour in the entry outside the ballroom with hors d'oeuvres

6:00 pm - Dinner in the ballroom

7:00 pm - Entertainment in the ballroom

ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY BRUNCH - SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024

La Crosse Masonic Center • 118 8th St. South Serving from 7am - 9:30am. • \$10 per person

Coffee, juice, milk, pancakes, sausage, bacon, egg bake, & sweet pastries

Pay at the door. RESERVATIONS MANDATORY!!

Please RSVP with Todd Wohlert at djtodd22@hotmail.com or 608-385-1923 by Friday Jan 12.

MEAL COUPON - RADISSON HOTEL, LA CROSSE, WI

Saturday, January 13, 2024

Noble Name: Lady/Guest: (Name tags will be made from the names you provide above)									
Phone Number:		E-	ail Address:						
Please Reserve the following Meals:	:								
Men's Lunch Angus Burger	No	_@ \$30 = \$	Kid's Meals (12 yrs. & under)						
Ladies Lunch Memphis Pulled Pork	No	_@ \$30 = \$	Kid's Lunch Grilled Cheese Sandwich No. @ \$15 = \$						
Dinner Pan-Seared Chicken Breast	No	_@ \$40 = \$							
Dinner Grilled Boneless Pork Chop	No	_@ \$40 = \$	Crispy Chicken Tenders No @ \$15 = \$						
Dinner Broiled Haddock	No	_@ \$40 = \$							
Men's Lunch Angus Burger Ladies Lunch Memphis Pulled Pork Dinner Pan-Seared Chicken Breast Dinner Grilled Boneless Pork Chop	No No No	_@ \$30 = \$ _@ \$40 = \$ _@ \$40 = \$	Kid's Lunch Grilled Cheese Sandwich No @ \$15 = \$ Kid's Dinner						

Late Fee * \$20.00

*Per person for meal reservations made after December 29th

Total Due: \$

Meal Reservation Deadline: December 29, 2023

Make checks Payable to: Zor Shriners

Mail meal reservations to: Monte Steiber

60991 Ward Rd., Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Special Dietary Needs: Contact Monte Steiber at mbamsteiber@centurytel.net or 608-326-4640

DECEMBER CALENDAR



Fri - Dec 1st -

- Divan Meeting 2:00 PM 3:30 PM- Radisson Hotel La Crosse, 200 Second Street South, La Crosse, WI
- Divan Appreciation Dinner Social 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm Radisson Hotel La Crosse,
 200 Second Street South, La Crosse, WI

Sat - Dec 2nd -

- Zor Fall Ceremonial
 - 8:00 am Candidates & Lady's Registration Foyer
 - \$ 9:00 am 11:00 am Fall Ceremonial Ballroom
 - 11:30 am 1:00 pm Ladies Luncheon
 - \$ 11:30 am 1:00 pm Men's Luncheon
 - 1:00 pm 4:00 pm Resume Fall Ceremonial Ballroom
 - Radisson Hotel La Crosse, 200 Second Street South, La Crosse, WI
- Zor Fall Ceremonial Banquet & Entertainment
 - 5:30 pm Social Foyer
 - 6:00 pm Dinner & Entertainment Ballroom
 - Radisson Hotel La Crosse, 200 Second Street South, La Crosse, WI

Wed – Dec 6th - Lakeland S.C. Christmas Party - 5:00 pm Social - 6:30 pm Dinner Halverson's Supper Club, 1965 Barber Dr., Stoughton, WI

Tue – Dec 12th - Madison Shrine Club Dinner Meeting
Dinner Meeting to Discuss the Future of the Madison Shrine Club
RSVP: Matt Hughey, email luckybuckyone@aol.com or call 202-251-6913 RSVP Deadline: 12/05/2023
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Kavanaugh's Esquire Club, 1025 N Sherman Ave.

Fri – Dec 15th - St Croix Valley Shrine Club Christmas Party - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Junior's Bar and Restaurant, 414 South Main Street River Falls, Wisconsin

Sun – Dec 17th - Heart of Wisconsin S. C. Christmas Party - 3:00 pm Social - 4:00 pm Dinner Installation of Officer - Lake Arrowhead, 1195 Apache Ln, Nekoosa, WI

Mon - Dec 25th - Merry Christmas!

Tue – Dec 26th - Mecca Shrine Club - 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Dub's Pub & Catering, 1215 Angelo Rd, Sparta, WI

JANUARY CALENDAR

Mon - Jan 1st - Happy New Years!

Sat – Jan 6th - Camel Patrol's Chief Rabban Party - Social at 5:30 PM - Dinner at 6:30 PM Rex's Innkeeper, 301 N Century Ave, Waunakee, WI

Sat – Jan 13th - Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers Radisson Hotel La Crosse, 200 Second Street South, La Crosse, WI













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Karl Gant, Chaplain
Roger and Lady Tammy Keller, Chief Rabban

Ron and Dawn Malcolm, Oriental Guide



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Larry & Annell Nelson • St Croix Valley SC

David & Carol Skavlen • Lakeland SC

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Herb & Lorene Bloomer • Sahara SC

Richard & Karen Olson • Mehara SC

Bob & Amy Hering • St Croix Valley SC

Arlen & Gloria Christensen • Lakeland SC

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John & Gale Hendrickson • Camel Patrol

Jerry E. Wilkins • Zor Roadrunners

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Larry & Bonnie Meier • Hayward SC

Herb & Lorene Bloomer Sr • Sahara SC

Past Potentate

1984 • Roger and Lady Judie Nitzsche, P.P.

1989 • Bill and Lady Julie Johnson, P.P.

1995 • Russel and Lorraine Dunnum, P.P.

1997 • J Kevin and Lady Janet Johnson, P.P.

1998 • Jim and Lady Joan Soderholm, P.P.

2003 • Gerald and Lady Carol Jordon, P.P.

2004 • John and Lady Debbi Thorstad, P.P.

2007 • Mark and Lady Sheri Severson, P.P. - Erik & Lance

2008 • Tom Nelson, P.P.

2010 • Joe and Lady Julie Thompson, P.P.

2011 • Steve and Lady Mary Ellen Peterson, P.P.

2012 • Larry and Lady Julianne Riemenschneider, P.P.

2014 • Larry and Lady Jill Hanson, P.P.

2018 • Gary and Lady Judy Cuskey, P.P.

2019 • Wally and Lady Gayle Trouten, P.P.

2022 • Rodney and Lady Mary LaBlanc, P.P. - Lexie

HOLIDAY SPIRITS ...

By: Noble Chris Peters

On October 14th & 15th, Deb Williquette along with the Zor Funsters put on the 18th Annual Holiday Spirits Craft, Vendor, and Music Show. The weather was great, and the crowd was wonderful.

This year we had 87 vendors that filled both the inside of the arena and about 30 on the outside. We had 157 baskets for the almost 2000 visitors to choose from on the raffle tables and raised over \$12,000.00 for the Shriners Children's Twin Cities.

If all of that wasn't enough to draw in the visitors, we also had 7 performers that entertained the crowds both days. We even had Stevens Point Mayor, Mike Wiza and Portage Counties Sheriff, Mike Lukas joined in the show and introduced the Blues Brother's to the stage.



Mayor Mike Wiza, Sheriff Mike Lukas introducing the Blues Brothers.



....CRAFT, VENDOR, AND MUSIC SHOW

The spirit of raising money for non-profits doesn't stop with the Shriners, Deb invites the local non-profits to the show to help them raise money. This year we had the Wetland Conservation League of Potage County raffling off a Weatherbee over and under shotgun and out of the proceeds they generously donated \$1,300.00 to the Shriners. We also had a vendor that donated all their sales proceeds to the Suicide Prevention Program. We also raised \$500.00 for the Portage County Sheriff's Dept. K-9 program. What a wonderful way to spend a day and help out the community in so many ways.

So, if you missed all the fun this year, don't worry, we will have another one next year on the second weekend of October at the Arnott Lions Community Park, 6867 4th St, Stevens Point, WI. Hope to see you there.













Renae Boydston, Queen

Antioch Temple No. 113 Daughters of the Nile Madison, WI

Daughters of the Nile is an excellent way to support the Shriners mission for the kids. Every beautiful Lady has a unique contribution that benefits the children. If you are considering membership and would like more information or great company, please call me at: (262) 215-0088 renaeboydston@yahoo.com.



Antioch No. 113 Calendar 2023-2024

Stated Sessions at Middleton-Ionic Masonic Lodge, 7409 Franklin Ave., Middleton, WI 53562

December 16th - Stated Session 10:30, Brunch 9:30 Holiday and Antioch's Birthday Celebration, Past Queen recognition, they wear original Nile outfit.

January 2024 - No Stated Session (dark January, June, July).

January 13th - Zor Annual Meeting & Fez Party in La Crosse, WI

February 17th - Stated Session 10:30, Brunch 9:30, Second Ceremonial of the year. We hope to welcome new members!

March 16th - Stated Session 10:30, Brunch 9:30. Elections, Memorial Service, Officers wear black skirts and white tops. Queen-elect sets Installation date and time.

April 20th - Stated Session 10:30, Brunch 9:30 with new Queen!









We honored Princesses and Past Queens for five, 10, 25, 30, 40, 50, and Princess Barbara for her 60 years of membership!



Queen Laurie Budwick, Shelomoth Temple No. 106 and Princess Royal Kacy Crawford, Antioch Temple No. 113

Proud to be a Daughter of the Nile, Queen, Renae Boydston (262) 215-0088 | renaeboydston@yahoo.com

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Disclaimer

If this contact information for your unit/ club is not correct, please contact the ZOR office to update the information. Also, please ensure that you provide a copy of your updated officers to the office as soon as you are able!

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December 2023 Birthdays

December 1: Phillip Johnson

December 2: Bernard O Kahl Jr, Robert J Burgfechtel

December 3: William F Lind

December 4: Andrew J Gavin

December 5: David B Dewey, Daniel T Sedgwick

December 6: Gerald L Berg, William W Wadephul

December 7: Jon M Grinde

December 8: Larry W Ryan, Benjamin C Cole

December 9: Kenneth W Claussen

December 10: Alvin W Arnold Jr, Matthew J Brigson

December 11: John R Peirson, Richard A Brommer, Harold S Geller, John Hendricks

December 12: Robert C Salisbury, David A Dunahee

December 14: Vernon A Smith, Richard H Indermuehle, Brian F Miller

December 15: Roger W Babcock, Larry W Meier, Larry A Hoyer, Rick L Schnabel

December 16: Donald J Sowle, Darrell R Smith, Lawrence L Ganske, Nathaniel T Goehe

December 17: Raymond E Jewell, George R Seybold II

December 20: Hollis B Herbison, Joseph H Silverberg, E D Fennie, Jeffrey J Symes, William R Cress Jr, Arthur J Lenius

December 21: Jason A Nelson

December 22: David C Frogner, R W Felland

December 23: Gari D Spagoletti, Richard J Rausch

December 24: Robert O Outhouse, Lawrence L Meyers PGM, Carl H Gaulke, Jeffrey J Kuschel

December 25: Erik L Severson

December 26: Richard Hayden, Wayne D Steinhorst

December 27: Larry D Tronrud, Scott M Smith, Mark Hink, Alex Roelli

December 28: David Havlicek, Terrance M Mc Shane, **Bruce Fransway**

December 29: David H McCarter Jr, Jacob D Burnitt

December 30: Steven D Dehnert, Kevin W Schulte

December 31: James J Bossingham, John J Warnecke

UWW SHRINE GAME

By: Sahara Shrine Club

The 38th annual UWW Shrine Game was held on Saturday, November 11th.

A raffle drawing was held in conjunction with the event took place at Herring's Towne Inn in Jefferson, WI.

The Shriners Children's Ambassador, Brady Polcen was on hand to draw each of the 61 winners of the raffle.

After the raffle took place, Brady with family and friends, along with some notorious Nobles, were on hand at the beginning of the UW Warhawks football game against UW Eau Claire BluGolds.



Tony Bell, III. Sir Brueggen, Sam Bell (hidden), Teresa Brawders, Dale Olson, Alan Brawders

A narrative of Brady, along with pictures shown on the video board before the game. Brady was on hand to witness the coin toss and was presented with a UWW football signed by the team.

The Warhawks have a tradition of firing a canon when a touchdown is made. Brady almost made it to have an opportunity to fire the canon, but UWW made a touchdown so fast that he missed that chance...but numerous other opportunities we made available.

The Sahara Shrine Club sends a big 'Thank You' to all those who purchased tickets to make the event a success. About \$6,000 will be donated between Shriners Children's – Chicago and the Zor Transportation Fund.



Front row: Tim Smillie, Josh Therrian, III. Sir Al Brueggen, Patient Brady Polcen, Dale Olson Back row: Tony Bell, Brad Schultz, Dan Smithburg, Alan Brawders, Mike Hedrick, Joe Harker

THE BRADY POLCEN STORY

Brady, 20, is a patient at Shriners Children's hospital, and can be seen racing three nights a week in stock car #64. "I race Friday, Saturday, and Sunday and would love to race for my full-time job" Brady said.

In most ways, Brady is just like any other young adult. In his free time, he loves hunting, fishing, and bowling. But he does it all with a prosthetic leg. When he was 3, Brady was involved in a lawnmower accident and lost part of his foot.

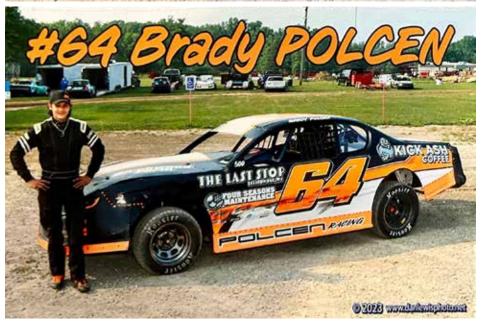
Several years later, Brady and his family heard about Shriners Children's Chicago at a bowling tournament. He came to Shriners Children's Chicago as a young teen with a very bowed leg and a foot prosthesis. He had surgery at age 13 to correct the bowing. Doctors at Shriners who specialize in limb differences also shortened Brady's leg a small amount so he could have a better fit in a prosthesis.

After surgery, the Pediatric Orthotic and Prosthetic Services team fit Brady with a below-knee prosthetic leg. He has had four prosthetics since then as he grew. This allows Brady to be able to participate in activities he enjoys today like racing.

Brady recently attended a golf outing representing Shriners Children's Chicago as a patient ambassador. He was able to show off his prosthetic and car and he even signed autographs. His goal is to race a 'late model' and one day join a team as a full-time driver.







A MAN'S TEARS

By: Linda Dunham

I can only recall two separate times in my life that I witnessed a man cry. The first time, I was ten years old and my Grandma had passed away. This was my Dad's mom and they were very close. He relied on her for many things, even in his adult life. She lived with us in her last years and was very special to us all.

The next time, I watched a man cry was my father-in-law. It was out of compassion for me, as I was sharing some things with him. He is one of the most genuine people I have ever known.

Both of those times clearly made an impact on me, as I remember them still today.

However, the last experience I had was even more life changing. One may not realize the impact they are making in the moment, but that ripple effect rolls on.

Recently, Brian and I attended the "Denim and Diamonds" event, to recognize some of our treasured hospital drivers. When it was time for each driver to stand and tell how they began, why they drove, or how this role in Shriners had affected them...

There were tears.

Tears of joy, compassion, empathy, gratitude, and love.

The generous hospital drivers give so much of their time so freely to the patients and their families throughout each year. It was heartwarming to see HOW very much their time with these families have given to each of them.

In a world where neighbors arrive home in the evening and close their garage door, in a time where uncertainty is certain, and in this decade of "self" a Shriner's light beams brightly against the darkness.

As a Shriner's Lady, I am blessed to sometimes just sit back and observe. I am able to see the devotion in the eyes of the men, the hope to help more patients, and the numerous ways the unique role of a Shriner have molded these men.

There was a particular story the night of the event that I will treasure forever. It was Bud's. 96 years old and as he told of his years driving, he choked up and took a moment.

All of these years.... all of the patients...all of the miles....

And he still carries each one with him, in his heart.

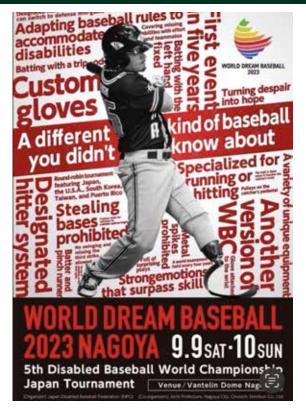
Now, that's the heart of a Shriner!

Thank you, thank you, thank you ... for everything each of you do!

Lady Linda Dunham



THOMAS FISCHER By: Noble Kevin Fischer



My son Thomas Fischer, who is a Shriner Patient at Twin Cities, was able to play for Team USA World Dream Baseball in Nagoya, Japan in September. Thomas was the only teenager in the tournament. Thomas played Right Field along with being a pitcher. Team USA came home with a Bronze Medal!

Thomas has been going to Shriners Twin Cities since he was six months old. Thomas just received his newest running blade last week and his leg count is over 25.

Thomas is a Junior and plays Varsity Baseball for Hayward High School as a Starting and Relief Pitcher.

Thank You Nobles for allowing Thomas to excel at Baseball.





Camel Patrol's Chief Rabban Party to Honor the 2024 Potentate

Zor's Camel Patrol will hold its annual Chief Rabban Party on Saturday January 6, 2024, at Rex's Innkeeper in Waunakee.

Party Chairman Jim Stelsel, Jr said that the traditional party to honor the Chief Rabban, Roger Keller and his Lady Tammy, which is held before Zor's Annual Meeting and Election to honor the Noble who moves up to the post of Potentate on January 13, 2024.

It allows the future Potentate an opportunity to give a preview of some of the events he has planned during his year as Potentate.

Chairman Stelsel said the social hour will begin at 5:30 P. M. with dinner at 7:00 P. M. As in past years there will be a choice of three entrees Tenderloin, Prime Rib and Shrimp all with potato, salad, roll and desert.

The cost for each entrée will include milk, tea, coffee, dessert, tax, and tip.

Due to the choice of entrees all Nobles and Ladies must fill out the accompanying coupon and send it with their preference marked and a check made payable to "Zor Shrine Camel Patrol" for the number of dinners being ordered by December 23rd Stelsel said.

He also promised door prizes and great fun and sociability.

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That's right, everyone is a clown, some of us just dress the part. Saturday, February 24th will be your next chance to let your clown out. That's the night the Madison Clowns bring in a new clown as Zor will have a New Potentate to have some fun with.

They say if it's not broken, then don't fix it, so New Potentate, same plan. The social hour will begin when you arrive, and we will eat at 6:00. We will again be at the Esquire Club 1025 N Sherman Ave in Madison. We will have a family style meal with dessert, of course. The cost will be \$ 28.00 per person. Reservations are due by February 14th, 2024, to Dale Holmen 13 St. Albans Av, Madison WI 53714.

The evening begins with our fun bag raffles for everyone to enjoy with 100% of the proceeds going to the International Shrine Clowns Red Sneaker Fun. This fund supports Shrine Burn Research. Over the time that this fund raiser has been in place, the Zor Clowns and you have raised over \$10,000 for the Red Sneaker Fund. Thanks to everyone; let's see if we can hit a new high again this year.

Past Potentates that attend, are asked to bring their Zor Shrine Clown portrait for display.

This is a fun evening and is open to everyone. You don't have to be a clown or even a Shriner, so bring your neighbors and friends so they can see what fun we have.

See you all in February, be sure to bring your inner clown. I know you all have one.

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MSA 2024



Zor Shriners are hosts of the Midwest Shrine Association (MSA) Annual Summer Session August 7-10, 2024, in LaCrosse, WI. There will be many activities for Nobles and their Ladies to participate in. General planning for the event has been going on for the past four years and now it's 'crunch' time with final touches and details being worked out.

Events will begin Wednesday evening with a "Welcome Party" dinner and entertainment at the La Crosse Center. Thursday there will be optional activities available during the day plus the usual Thursday evening parade in Onalaska followed by a Shrine Oasis at the Omni Center with food and entertainment. On Friday there will be unit and individual competitions in the morning, Ladies Luncheon, and other optional activities available. Friday will conclude with Shrine-A-Rama at the LaCrosse Center in the evening including eats and entertainment. The session will conclude on Saturday morning with a Shrine Parade in La Cresent, MN and a Grab-n-Go snack.

Zor Noble Joe Harker, PGM along with Deputy Director Generals Monte Steiber, PP and Todd Wohlert, have been busy identifying all the puzzle pieces and putting them together. We also have had many other Zor Shriners and Ladies involved in the preliminary planning and much progress has been made. A larger committee has met on several occasions to discuss the current planning for several of the events and activities. They have already put significant time and energy into the planning but there is still a long way to go before we can say we are 'Ready to Go'! We are extremely grateful for the work that continues to be done planning this event. There will be more and more information placed on the MSA 2024 Webpage as it becomes available. As we get closer and closer to the actual event it will be necessary to enlist the help of many Shriners and Ladies to help with the several events, activities, and other jobs that are part of this monumental occasion.

On the Zor Website, under the heading of 'MSA 2024' there is an initial schedule of events, (which is still somewhat tentative and subject to change), listing the events and activities being planned. Look at this and see if there is something there that interests you in which you would be willing to help. If you have any ideas of something not listed, it may not be too late to possibly add an activity or event. Please let us know as soon as possible of your idea(s). A lot of help is going to be needed to successfully host this event so please let us know your willingness to help by contacting Joe at jbh2010PGM@outlook.com.

Thank you, Gary Cuskey, PP MSA 1st Vice President Zor MSA Representative

Joe Harker, PGM MSA 2024 Director General



ZOR MEMBERSHIP 2023



Greetings Nobles and Ladies!

As I am writing this article, the parade season is over for us. When looking outside and traveling to the countryside, the farmers are in

the fall harvest mode. They are reaping what they have sowed earlier in the year. Now is the time for us Shriners to reap our harvest. We have a Day of Light happening, so we will have new Masons to choose from to become Shriners. I encourage each one of you to go to your next lodge meeting and do your own harvesting by finding out who are not Shriners in your local lodge and ask them to see if they want to become a Shriner. Think back to when you joined, if it was this year or 55 years ago. Why did you join? What made you interested in Shriners? What did the fellow Mason say to you that made you want to join the Shrine? Now it's your turn to do the same to that Master Mason sitting in your lodge or when you see him the next

time. We have a Ceremonial coming up on December 2nd in La Crosse. We can make his dream come true by becoming a Shriner.

Remember if you have not paid your dues yet, you need to before the end of the year. Your 2024 dues statement has been sent out and are to be paid by December 31st. When you go to the Annual meeting in January, you will have to have your dues paid to vote. Remember, if you don't have your dues paid, you are not supposed to participate in your Shrine Club activities.

If you think you are still going to be around for the next 18 years, you might want to think about paying your Perpetual Imperial Dues. You have until December 31st to have them paid. After the 1st of the year, they are going from \$30 to \$50 per year. You have a great option available to you to pay your per capita tax life purchase for \$900 and must be paid by December 31, 2023. If you are interested in this, call the Zor office at 608-833-6343 Ext 1.

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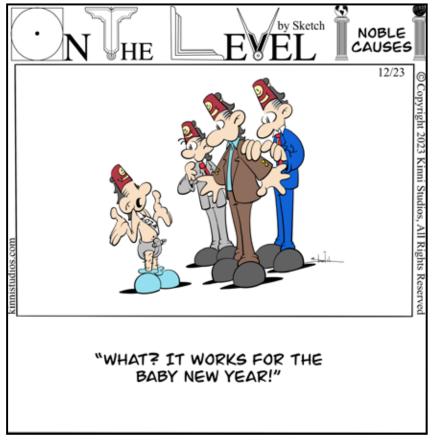
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LA CROSSE AREA SHRINE CLUB FORMS SOCIAL COMMITTEE

By: Noble Rodney Rommel

At the November 4th monthly meeting, members of the La Crosse Shrine Club expressed desires to form a committee to provide more social events for the club.

The committee met Monday evening November 13th at the Fork and Fable restaurant in La Crosse. Noble Mark Udovich accepted the role as chairman. Other committee members are Nobles: Jerry Larsen, Rod Rommel, and Kyle Larson. The mission of the committee is to plan, develop, promote, and host social events for the club. The goal is to enhance fun experiences for area Shriners, Masons, and their families. The benchmark for success will be increased community visibility and growing interest in Shrine membership.

The committee developed a 90-day plan of activities that will help gauge the interest of area Shriners for more social activities. Upcoming plans proposed are as follows:

- Joining the La Crosse Scottish Rite in its annual pub crawl.
- Hosting a Holiday Party on Saturday, December 16th.
- Having a January football playoff game party at the La Crosse Masonic Lodge.
- A Valentines Party in February.

After February, plans will include corn hole, baseball, and dart tournaments, inviting area Shriners and Masons to form teams for friendly competition and prizes.

After the meeting several spouses joined the committee for refreshments and socializing.

MINI CARS

The Mini Car unit finished the parade season on Saturday October 28th at the annual Belleville UFO Days parade. Thanks to Road Rescue Towing who sponsored us in both the Belleville and McFarland parades.

Election of officers was held at the October 26th meeting, the elected officers are as follows:

Captain Steve Livingston

Lieutenant Dave Dewey

Secretary John Thorstad

Treasurer Harold Bone

Parade's Wayne Dennis

Next unit meeting - January 25th at the Winchester Restaurant in Edgerton at 6:30 p.m.



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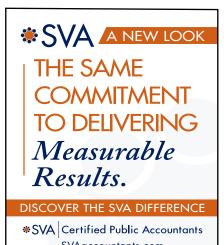
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2013 Potentate
Bob Gorsuch
getting ready to
take the game ball
on the field
at UWL.





Potentate Robert Gorsuch & Lady Carol

MUSKY SHRINE CLUB - Wednesday, November 13, at the Musky Shrine Club's regular monthly meeting, Illustrious Sir Bob Gorsuch made the journey nearly 300 miles one way

to join them for their meeting. They presented Bob with a gift consisting of carved wood insignias depicting the Masonic Emblem and the other with the Shriners Emblem, with a ZOR highlight. They had a good meeting and



Past Potentate Larry Riemenschneider along with membership committeeman Bob Hering were also in attendance. Left to right, Potentate Gorsuch, Musky S.C. Vice President Bob Odell, and 2nd Ceremonial Master Gary Cuskey.