



CAMEL Tales

POTENTATE'S MESSAGE SHRINE LEGACY...AN AMAZING BROTHERHOOD, HELPING KIDS & SERVING THE COMMUNITY ... WHAT'S YOUR SHRINE LEGACY?



Greetings Nobles and Ladies...

Summer is finally here and like most things in the North Country we cram a lot of fun into a few short months! The Shrine calendar is full as ever. I just wanted to recap a few events from last month's

calendar and visit about the upcoming summer fun!

Last Month we talked about the one day Masonic class on May 5th put on by Shiloh Lodge #1 here in Fargo. After a full day of degree work they created 13 new Master Masons. Congratulations to all of those new Masons! And a huge thank you to the guys from Shiloh that put on the degree work...as always you guys did a great job!

Eight of those new Masons wanted to become Shriners that day. So we had a special Cold Sands Ceremony on the back patio of the Shrine. The candidates had their first line signers and family watching as we created 8 new Shriners! Congratulations to the new Nobles and welcome to the world's greatest fraternity!

Also that day we had a Ladies Appreciation luncheon and 55 ladies were on hand for the event. We had a guest speaker from "Pink it Forward" that gave a very emotional talk on breast cancer awareness.

The social was a lot of fun and Fargo Billiards & Gastropub catered in a very amazing meal. Thank you to Travis Leach and the Divan guys for serving the ladies. I think we had as much fun as the ladies!

As I write this, 40 Shriners and Ladies just came back from the Twin Cities Hospital Days bus trip. Some of us have been there many times but still manage to learn or see something new.

Several toured the hospital for the first time and I think it really hits home on why we do the things we do...changing the kids lives thru the care they receive!

Lots of things are changing in our Twin Cities Hospital and I hope in the end it's a good thing. Stay tuned for more information about the potential changes coming and I will do my best to keep you all informed.

We also hit a Twins game while in town. It was a beautiful day at the ballpark and of course the Twins did lose but on the bright side I did get to meet one of my childhood hero's Kent Hrbek! We also took a Yoshi picture in front of the beautiful Masonic Building in Minneapolis. Another highlight of the trip was a Pedal Pub tour of downtown. We had a great time but the

legs got pretty tired. A big thank you to Chief Rabban Rick Qual and Lady TJ for putting together a super fun Hospital Trip.

Next on the calendar, we are again heading to the ballpark. On May 28th we will be teaming up with the RedHawks when they play Sioux Falls. A portion of the ticket proceeds will go to the Twin Cities Shriner's Hospital.

We will have a Shrine parade around the outfield and I'm told we will have a cold sands before the game. Should be a great time so come on out to the ballgame!

June will be kicking off parade season for a lot of us. It is a great time to get out in the communities and show off what it is to be a Shriner...Having fun!! Have a safe parade season and remember you are representing El Zagal Shrine.

North Dakota Grand Lodge will be putting on their annual Communication on June 14-17th in Grand Forks. I hope to attend and bring well wishes from El Zagal Shrine. The weekend will be to congratulate North Dakota Grand Master Mark Williamson and his Lady Kristi on a very successful year and Welcome the new North Dakota Grand Master Dale Sandstrom and his lady Gail. Most Worshipful Dale is a member of the Dusters from El Zagal so we wish Dale an excellent year as he takes the reigns at the North Dakota Grand Lodge. For more info on what's going on at the Grand Lodge go to ndmasons.com and check out their website.

That Saturday the 16th of June, Tito's Vodka and Johnson Brothers Distributors will be teaming up with Fargo Billiards to throw the first annual Tito's Fun Fez-tival.

It will be great time at Fargo Billiard's huge outdoor area where we will be playing several adult Olympic themed games, have Shrine inspired drink specials, cotton candy and an adult version of snow cones. The door prizes and silent auction items already lined up are amazing.

It will be a great charity event with all of the proceeds going to the Twin Cities Hospital IPAD fund. We will need several Shriner volunteers to pull this off and I guarantee it will be a great time raising money for our Shrine Kids!!!

One more event that everyone needs to mark on their calendars is the Clarmont and Patty Ulven Spring Ceremonial is Gwinner, ND on June 22nd and 23rd. The weekend will be fun filled with motorcycle/classic car fun run, golf tournament, Long Island Tea party,

parade, picnic in the park, beer gardens with live music and a huge helping of Viking Hospitality. Can't wait to see you all and the new nobles joining the Shrine and having a great time in Gwinner! Please call and make your reservations today as the deadline is fast approaching!!

One important thing to mention about the Ceremonial in Gwinner. We will be having a first ever Saturday Stated Meeting since we amended the By-Laws. Hopefully, this will have a successful turnout as we try something NEW.

As was stated last month, there are so many fun events going on all the time at Your El Zagal. I hope that you grab a few friends and attend some of these events. Or just show up and meet a few new friends! We have a great membership team in El Zagal...All of us!! Let go spread the word and have a great summer!

Yours in Faith,
Jason "Rocky" Rockswold
2018 Potentate

OFFICIAL CALL
El Zagal Shrine,
Shriners International Stated Meeting
will be held on
Saturday, June 23, 2018
at 3:30pm
at North Sargent Activity Center - Gwinner, ND
The purpose of this meeting is as follows:
To conduct any business properly
brought before the chair.
Please wear your fez.
Attest William R. Wedberg, Jr, Recorder
Yours in faith, Jason Rockswold, Potentate

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SHRINE CLUB GAMING SITES

Overtime BarGwinner
 Cat-Tales.....Gwinner
 The Springs.....Gwinner
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Happy Shriners International Awareness Day!

On June 6th, Shriners all over the world will celebrate a day to bring even more exposure to our wonderful fraternity.

We stand tall on our Masonic values, and should hold our head a little higher this upcoming Wednesday because of the great bond we share with one another, and the numerous children we've helped through our support of the Shriner's Hospitals for Children.

For over 140 years we have been dedicated to brotherhood, compassion, and service to others, and I hope this June 6th we all are ready to proclaim that we are #ProudShriners!

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Ricky Pallay
 Membership Chairman

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El Zagal Monthly Unit Meetings

Arab Patrol – El Zagal Temple – 1st Monday
Big Band – El Zagal Temple – 1st & 2nd Wednesdays
Chanters – El Zagal Temple – 2nd & 4th Mondays
Clowns – Jamestown Masonic Center – 2nd Tuesday
DL Color Guard – Detroit Lakes club house – 3rd Monday
Directors Staff – El Zagal Temple – 1st Tuesday
Dusters – Bismarck Masonic Center – 2nd Monday @ noon
Escort Motor Patrol – El Zagal Temple – 1st Monday
EZ Wheels – 3rd Wednesday – Jamestown
Flag Corp – Valley City – 3rd Saturday
Frontiersmen – Dickinson – Monday following 2nd Sunday of month
Hazen Spinners - 1st & 3rd Thursday
Mandan Indians – 3rd Monday
Missouri Slope Shrine Club – Amvets – Fridays @ noon
Mobil Nobles – El Zagal Temple – 1st Friday
Mystics – Jamestown Masonic Center – 2nd Tuesday
Oilers – Bismarck – 1st Monday
Oriental Band – El Zagal Temple – 1st & 3rd Mondays
Outdoors Unlimited – El Zagal Temple - 3rd Tuesday
Provost – El Zagal Temple – 1st Thursday
Promotions Committee – 1st Wednesday @ 7:30 PM
Rangers – 1st Wednesday
Rednecks – Beulah/Hazen -- 2nd Tuesday
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Saidin – Bismarck – 3rd Thursday
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Jamestown Mystics The Reason Why

It was 2015; seems ages ago. I was invited to the annual Stag party at the lodge. Why not, seems fun. It was a blast! Great food, raffles, card games, drinks and a bunch of laughs with some great dudes.

I started chatting with a guy who told me I should become a Shriner. Me? Really? I said I was interested in Masonry, but a Shriner? Wear a funny hat? ... I sheepishly lowered my eyes upon realizing my comment was quite rude. There's an open bar at this thing. Surprisingly he chuckled and took no offense. He encouraged me to pursue studying Masonry and I signed up on the spot.

One month later and TADA!! I'm a Master Mason. Cooool. As I was going through the degree work I learned about El Zagal as well and thought, "that really is an amazing, inspirational organization". I decided I would become a Shriner, funny hat or not.

I decided I would become a Mystic. Mostly because I have some good friends in the unit and also, I don't wear makeup. It's been a fantastic ride ever since that day. We do all sorts of fundraisers. They are a lot of work but it's hard to notice because everyone is having so much fun together. My favorite is the parades though. Cruising around in goofy cars; bonding with other units and communities. Plus I get to drive a GoKart! Sadly, my driving has gotten worse since I was 9.

However, the reason I love this unit, the real reason, is helping people. We raise a substantial amount of money for those in need and I tell ya, there is nothing quite like seeing a child's face light up when they realize someone is there to help. Humbling. Yes, they need and appreciate the money but I believe they are so touched and overwhelmed that people understand their plight. Especially since they've never met.

The hard part is not getting emotional yourself. Keep it together man! Even if our help only makes a tiny dent in their dilemma, the fact that they experienced SOME joy, even just a little, makes your heart soar.

That's why I am a Mystic. Oh, and I have embraced and love my Fez too.

For The Children!
 A Mystic



In front of the Mpls Masonic Temple

Hospital Day Trip Photographs



Rocky and Lady Tiffani with Kent Hrbek – and Yes, Lars too!!



Fluff and Rocky riding the Pedal Pub

El Zagal / S&L Computer Services, Inc. Charity Pro-Am Golf Tournament

Wednesday, August 22, 2018
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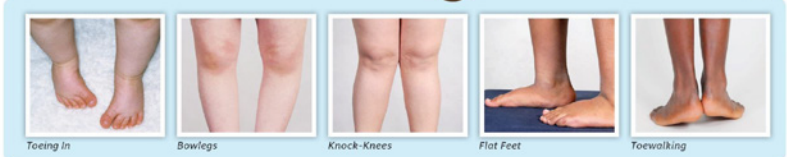
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**Clarmont & Patty Ulven
Spring Ceremonial – Gwinner
June 22nd & 23rd, 2018**

Friday, June 22, 2018

Noon Motorcycle/Car Run Finish @ 5:00 pm at Crossroads Motel
 3:00 pm Golf Tournament @ The Springs, Gwinner - \$15.00/1 seat on cart
 3:00 - 7:00 pm Registration @ Crossroads Motel
 4:00 - 6:00 pm Ladies Long Island Tea Party @ Kate Decker's Home
 6:00 - 11:00 pm Hospitality @ Crossroads Motel – Yard Games, Appetizers

Saturday, June 23, 2018

8:00 - 10:00 am Registration @ North Sargent Activity Center – Connected to NS School
 8:30 - 9:15 am Fez fitting and candidate registration
 9:00 - 10:30 am Ladies PJ Party @ Dilly's Bar & Grill, Stirum
 9:00 - 9:30 am Orientation @ North Sargent Activity Center
 10:00 am Parade Assembly – Line up by North Sargent Bus Barn
 10:30 am Parade
 11:30 - 12:00 pm Social @ North Sargent Activity Center
 12:00 pm Moslem Feast @ North Sargent Activity Center
 12:00 - 2:00 pm Ladies Social & Lunch @ The Springs Golf Course Clubhouse
 1:00 - 2:30 pm 1st & 3rd Section
 2:30 - 3:30 pm 2nd Section
 2:00 - 2:30 pm Candidate Ladies Orientation @ The Springs Golf Course Clubhouse
 3:30 - 4:30 pm Stated Meeting
 4:30 - 6:00 pm Hospitality & Social @ The Gwinner City Park
 6:00 pm Grand Entry @ The Gwinner City Park
 6:30 - 8:30 Picnic in the Park – Fez Presentation
 9:00 pm Hospitality @ Crossroads Motel
 Live Music @ Cat Tales Bar & Grill

Ceremonial Registration: Contact El Zagal @ (701) 235-7521

Registration fees are \$ 65.00 per person, kids are free. Registration after June 8th, 2018 will be \$75.00 per person. Registration fees include everything but the golf tournament and Motorcycle Run.

Kid's Activities: TBD based on sign up
 Dress: Casual – Unit Attire

Rooms: Motel rooms have been reserved in the surround areas on first come basis. They are reserved until May 15, 2018, so call and make your own reservations today.

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 There are camper spots available at the Crossroads Motel, Gwinner (701) 678-2444
 (These spots are for self-contained campers.)

There will be transportation available between hotels and events.

IPad Fundraiser

We have some exciting news to announce! On Saturday, June 16, Fargo Billiards and Gastropub in conjunction with Johnson Brothers, Tito's Vodka and El Zagal Shrine, is holding a fundraiser to benefit the iPad fund for the Minneapolis Hospital. The hospital uses iPads not only for entertaining our patients while they are there, but they have found that they have therapeutic uses as well. They utilize them to keep the patient distracted while doing procedures that do not require general anesthesia, to keep records of some of the patient's vital signs and other uses.

But most of these are getting old as they are first generation devices and there is a need for more and newer ones. In that regard, Fargo Billiards and Gastropub, Johnson Brothers and Tito's Vodka stepped up to host a fundraiser to meet this urgent need.

We are currently working under the name of Tito's Feztival. The event will be at Fargo Billiards volleyball area and will feature a series of games including giant beer pong, bocce ball and others.

Johnson Brothers and Tito's are donating a dollar each for the first 750 drinks, to get the ball rolling. We are looking for silent auction items and nobles in their fez to help with the event. There will also be a media luncheon on Friday from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM where we need some help as well.

As of this writing, we are still in the planning stage of the event and updates will be sent out to the nobility by email as things firm up. This has the potential to be huge for us and our kids, so please come out and support it!

Scotty



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Mandan Indians

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Well, we all sat around the campfire and had our monthly meeting. We had seven Indians. That is all we need to get things done.

We had a few Indians at the Shrine Screening/ Outreach Clinic in Bismarck. This time it was a big one; there were lots of little kids. They are always happy to see the Shriners and we are happy to see them too.

We had our after circus party with lots of Shriners and their wives and kids. It was a very nice night. And now it is time to plan for next year's circus.

In June we all get together for the Big Dance at Camp Grassick. I'm sure the kids are ready for us. Afterwards, our Chief takes us out to Lakeside Bar & Grill at Dawson. We eat, have lots of fire water and talk big (lots of BS).

Our Chief found a scrapbook that was started in 1930 when the Mandan Indians were started. You should see some of the old pictures and write-ups that have been saved. We are a proud band of Mandan Indians.

I see on the wall that it's time to strike the teepee. You will hear more from me next month.

Chief Mato
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Director's Staff

It's Way Better Than Anticipated

We survived the month of April! Whew! We had a great day on the 21st. Our 8th Annual Shriner 5K Run/Walk was the best ever. We had almost 100 people participate. We had perfect weather and a good time was had by all. A special thanks to Beyond Running for all they do to make this happen!

Then we had our 8th Annual Suds and Spuds. We had a great crowd. It's always awesome to see our Shrine Center full of people. Of course all of our beer and potato vendors brought their best! They give so much to help us make this a great day.

I have to thank all the members of the Director's Staff. They all put in a long hard day and made both events amazing! Again, well done gentlemen.

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Last, our new motorcycles have arrived. What a beautiful sight!

This is a huge undertaking for us. But, as always, our Nobles step up and make it happen!

We will be starting practice soon and you will see us in a lot of parades.

Until we meet again,
Yours in Faith
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EZ Outdoors Unlimited

Introducing, The El Zagal Trap Shooting Team

A few of us have talked about joining a trap league since the start of EZ Outdoors Unlimited. Now it's go time. We will be shooting at "The Shooting Park" west of Horace, ND. We have a couple pros, a few novices and a beginner -- me. I hope my team mates have a lot of patience, I may need some coaching.

Our 2 Club Tuesday is in full swing. Mike Rieckman (The Commissioner) has us off to a great start. All Nobles play at no charge and you don't have to be a club member or a good golfer to have fun!

Join us if you can. Dust off those old clubs in the

garage, grab your 2 favorite ones (one should be a putter) and head to El Zagal golf course on June 5th.

Please bring your ladies, kids, friends or neighbors. We usually start around 5:30pm, but you can play anytime, every Tuesday.

Our next meeting will be a barbeque June 19th at the temple. I will be sending an invite to all the new nobles. Please come and see what our club is all about!

See you in the Outdoors,
Roger Ellsworth



2 Club Tuesday Golf

Round 1 is in the books. We had 5 brave souls play in some less than ideal conditions, but the rewards in the end were worth the price of admission. The leader in the clubhouse is Jason Volmer with a 37. We will have played again on May 15th, so that may have changed.

Our next "official" golf night will be on June 5th, then not again until July 17th. Put these dates on your calendar.

I am certain that there will be a group of us playing fairly regular on Tuesday nights, so come on out and hone your skills for the 20th Annual PRO/AM tournament.

See you on the course!

Mike Rieckman
701-893-7116

MSA 2018 Summer Session August 15-18, 2018

Registration: \$100.00

Wednesday (8/15)

- Golf – sponsored by the Naja golf unit at Elkhorn Ridge Golf Course
- Trail ride – sponsored by the Naja Cowboys
- Motorcycle Ride – sponsored by Naja Motorcycle Corp

Evening

- Counter parts get together (individual groups)
- Naja Divan responsible for time and places

Thursday (8/16)

- 8 A.M. to 12 P.M. MSA officers meeting
- 8 A.M. to 12 P.M. Motorcycle Ride
- 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. Past Potentates and Ladies Social Lead Country Club (transportation provided)
\$25 each or \$50 couple
- 5 P.M. Parade line up (Deadwood Main Street)
- 6 P.M. Parade step off
- 7:30 P.M. Post-Parade Party @ Rodeo Grounds

Friday (8/17)

- 8 A.M.-12 P.M. Competition
 - Clowns – Deadwood
 - Motor Corp – Buffalo Chip
 - Chanters – Deadwood
 - Bands – Deadwood
 - Pistol shooting competition – Buffalo Chip
- 12 P.M.-2 P.M. **Ladies Luncheon – The Lodge at Deadwood \$35**
- 6 P.M-8 P.M. Banquet – Deadwood Mountain Grand
- 8 P.M. Entertainment

Saturday (8/18)

- 9 A.M. Line up for Parade (Spearfish)
- 10 A.M. Parade step off
- Lunch to go after Parade

Notes:

- All Registration and hotels will be done thru Black Hills Central Reservations
- Dress Code for summer session will be Shrine casual
- Down times there will be blackjack, poker and slot tournaments prearranged at various Casinos for Shriners and Ladies
- All registration packets will be at the Deadwood Chamber & Visitor Center and will be given out as 1 temple group, not individuals

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Hello to all Nobles and ladies, now we are looking at June and parade season is upon us. Our refurbished fire truck, should be a fantastic sight! The fabricator of said truck shall be forever one to be honored,,however, the scrutiny of a clown is relentless, we have over a hundred clowns. WOW, Diesel has gone and shown his resolve!

Our Pres. Larry has been doing a surprisingly great job, Congrats, to your 1/2 way month!

The infamous Clown Motorcycle Run is June 16. Registration starts at 9AM @ Stutsman Harley kick stands up @ 11AM. What a great event !! Call Jay Haut,@ 701-269-5374.

I am lacking information. I'm " Out Of The Loop " right now, but will be back next month. I guess my only excuse is I'm busy with my life. Not surprising, every spring in the last 40 years (and I'm not lying) maybe 45 years, it has been busy.

We will have a wonderful fun summer if everyone participates in the activities that we have in front of us. Our parades are many, the fun unlimited. Let's all parade !!

At this writing all I have is :

1. Sanborn July 4th--10am
 2. Detroit lakes July 15
 3. Kensal July 21
 4. White Cloud July 28
- and more to come.

We should all be grateful that we have a brother who is willing to take the time to inform ALL of us of the events, before they happen. THANK YOU FLUFF !!! SO, pay attention to your E-MAILS !!!

The only thing I have left is, Rocky you are doing great !!! Us clowns are confident that our nice boy Rick is going to be a Potentate that will only be rivaled by another clown in a couple years. We are so honored !!

Thanks for reading this...

Weezer

Color Guard Croonings

Well, we are off to a great start to the summer season here in Lakes Country. Many of you have wondered I am sure how the BEST DAMN UNIT IN EL ZAGAL spends their time when it is not circus time.

First off, we prepare our parading unit – you know, drum lessons, pole handling (flag pole that is), marching in a straight line practice, (we learned that from watching the Clowns after 5 p.m. on the weekends) and things of that nature. It is hard work, but rewarding to be a Color Guard member!

Of course our resident celibate Father Jerry Anderson looks forward to the time when everyone is wearing shorts. I always worry about him in the front lines of the Color Guard – he gets so easily distracted as we march past bars and things of that nature.

Our President, Paul (Little Lars) Meszeros has kicked off a new fundraiser for the Color Guard, to make up for the change in the gaming for the Color Guard. Seems Paul was in a "dance parlor" one day, and noticed a bracelet on a "poor dancer", and he thought, why not?? Paul and his lovely lady Janie have launched the Color Guard Bracelet for Bucks drive, where you can purchase a bracelet for only \$10! The bracelet features images of the Shrine logo, assorted unit logo's, and one tile even features the address to Paul's house on Big Floyd! Imagine the look on your lady's face when you give her one of these as a wedding anniversary gift! People have been calling from far and wide to get one, so don't wait! You can reach Paul at the Becker County Jail, or on his cell phone at 218-841-6963, or his lady Janie at my house – and that number is unlisted!!

At a recent golf outing in the Brainerd area, a couple Color Guard were spotted shooting Holes in One! Of course I mean they were shooting beer cans on the golf course with 22 rifles. Brad Richards, Lowell Thompson

and crew had to leave after that, but now we know the TRUE story when Brad says he "shot a hole in one!"

At the recent one day class to Masonry hosted by our friends at Shiloh Lodge in Fargo, we were finally able to bring a Noble in that is just about as tall as our Potentate Rocky! Welcome Jake Nickolauson! We will all be "looking up to you!"

I did mention the change in gaming for the Color Guard earlier, and we need to say THANK YOU to all the Nobles and Ladies who have volunteered over the years to make gaming a success in the past. Maybe one day, the politicians will realize what our communities have lost due to the challenges of gaming tax structures in Minnesota. We will not be kept down however, so thanks for the hard work in the past, and let's move on to the future with new ideas and a plan to have fun raising money for the kids!

We look forward to seeing all of you throughout the summer and parades and events! We are always looking for drummers, marchers and flag carriers. Feel free to join our group – it will change your life! Our meetings are the 3rd Monday of each month. Always a great social, great meal and meeting, so you don't want to miss it!

In closing, please remember, NEVER FORGET. There are many units in El Zagal, but none can compare – I say, NONE can compare to a Color Guard Shriner!! Because why? Because there is NOTHING FINER THAN A COLOR GUARD SHRINER!!

Plant your seeds deep!

Lars

Bismarck Dusters Grand Events on the Horizon

The Dusters had their monthly meeting at the Bismarck Masonic Center on May 14th with President Kim Lewis presiding. Like usual, the Eastern Star provided a sumptuous lunch of scalloped potatoes and ham along with chocolate brownies for dessert.

President Kim went through the schedule of upcoming events. The next Duster Social will be held at the Broadway Grill and Tavern on Thursday May 24th starting at 5 PM, or whenever you get there. Next monthly meeting will be June 11th at the Masonic Center.

The El Zagal Spring Ceremonial will be held in Gwinner June 22 & 23. Kim passed out a Ceremonial Schedule and urged all Duster attendees to make their own reservations – NOW! There are lots of activities for Shriners, their Ladies, and the kids.

Due to the early resignation of President Kim (after serving 4 years as our leader), a new slate of officers was submitted by the nominating Committee with Tim Dawson elected as President, Chad Bartosch, Vice President, Travis Will as Treasurer, and Bob Bartosch as Secretary. Installation will be held at the next meeting.

Kim (and his late Lady Georgia) served us well as the Duster President, and he received a well earned standing ovation for his service to the Dusters and the El Zagal Shrine and we will all miss your leadership.

Sickness and Distress reports indicate that Norbert Kinnischtzke is now recuperating at the Sanford

Continuing Care Center in Mandan. Travis Will reported that Mike Kennedy has had a setback with his cancer and asked all to keep him in our prayers while he undergoes further treatments. Gerry McLachlan visited Wes Norton. He took a great picture of Wes and Lady Mickey and had Kim send it out to all the Dusters. Looks like Wes has been receiving great care at the Lutheran Home. Bob Simmers leaves for Rochester for an aortic surgical procedure and our thoughts and prayers are that the procedure will be successful, and he will soon be as good as new.

Kim gave a very good circus report and thanked the Dusters for their efforts in making it a great success this year.

Other upcoming events: Duster Dale Sandstrom will be installed as the Grand Master of North Dakota Masons on June 16th at the Grand Lodge Communication in Grand Forks. It sounds like there will be a nice caravan of Dusters going to his installation and the Dusters have no doubt that Dale will be a great GM.

The fall ceremonial coming up September 14-15 will be hosted by the Dusters, and plans are well underway to make it a memorable event.

That's about it for now, so keep those motors running.....head out on the highway.....looking for adventure, or whatever comes my way.....

Robert Post Johnson
EL ZAGAL Duster Scribe

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JULY 2018

- 4: CLOSED
- 7: Reception
- 8: Party
- 13: Party
- 14: Party
- 14: ND Shrine Football Game: Shanley
- 15-18: Imperial Session: Daytona, FL
- 17: Fargo Screening Clinic
- 19-22: OB Fishing Trip
- 27: Party
- 28: Party



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17	18	19	20	21	22 BENEFIT SPRING CEREMONIAL	23 STATE MEETING: GWINNER SPRING CEREMONIAL
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