



CAMEL Tales

POTENTATE'S MESSAGE *Family Fun & Fellowship*

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Here Comes Summer! June is here and there is a plethora of activities going on within the El Zagal Shrine Center and in our units and clubs! Hope you all are making plans to attend the events coming up.

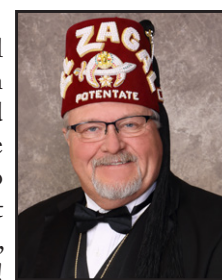
The Ladies Luncheon was very well attended, A big thank you to Lady Tammy and her talented Divan Ladies for putting it together. The silent auction raised over \$900 for the Ladies Auxiliary. Quite a few of us stayed for Patricia's Kentucky Derby party, where we had enjoyed good times and the warm sunshine on the deck was the place to be!

The Grand Communication for the ND Grand Lodge is June 10 through the 12. It will be held both at the Masonic Lodge and our Shrine Center. Our Past Potentate, Recorder and Grand Master of ND, Bob Wedberg, will be honored on Friday evening. Please check your calendars and attend if you can. It was a trying year but Grand Master Bob held us all together and our Grand Lodge is in great shape for years to come.

The Here Comes Summer Party is Thursday June 17, on the grounds of El Zagal. Fun for kids and their families with games & food galore happening from 5:00 to 7:30. This also coincides with the ND Shrine Bowl parade in Mayville. This is a new event so if your unit would like to parade, the information is available from El Zagal Shrine Bowl Chairman Shane Heiberg.

Hang onto your Fez as this same weekend, on Saturday June 19, is the ND Shrine Bowl Game, the Jamestown Clowns MC Ride & Raffle and the Jamestown Mystics Gun Raffle drawing. If you can, please attend one of these great events, purchase a chance to win and have fun!

The Spring Ceremonial is June 25-26. Kevin "Diesel" Thoele and his committees have been working hard to make this a fun event for our new Nobles, their Ladies and us! Please see the article from Nick in this Camel Tales and submit your registration thru your unit or club today!



With all this fun happening, Patricia has gotten the units and clubs fired up to bring back Tuesday night burgers on the deck! Even the Divan will be on the grill three times this summer. Hope to see you there!

With all this, we still haven't mentioned the local events going on in your own communities etc. Get in your parade requests to the office and continue to be the best representatives of El Zagal and our philanthropy. There are many activities and events happening so join in the fun, fellowship and frivolity. Hope to see you soon.

Yours in Faith,
Dennis "Fluff" Sand
2021 Potentate

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JUNE 9th AT 6:30PM
Cleanup of the Grounds at the Temple



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It's Time to Show Off Just a Little

Times continue to open and we continue to get back to doing Parades, Shrine Football, Chamber Events, and Tuesday Night Burgers returned on May 18.

Every one of these types of events is our "Time to Show Off Just a Little" about the work we do, but also the fun that comes along with it.

One comment from a friend of mine that attended Suds n Spuds: "I had no idea the Shrine does things like this".

Anytime we have an event it is our time to bring out the Drift Trikes, Harleys, EMP/Sprint Cars, Clown's Firetruck etc. It is also a time to make it known of all the events we've got going on.

So as times continue to open it up it is ok to tell someone "why you became a Shriner" and show off just a little bit.

Membership Chairman
Russell Schell

Wild Game Feed 2021

Last month you got a teaser of things to come. The gears are still turning and new ideas are pouring out -- October 16th can't come fast enough.

We will soon be printing and distributing tickets for units /clubs to sell and make a few \$\$ on the back side. If your company would like to sponsor the 500+ tickets that go out, let us know, we have the back of the tickets reserved for you.

Start thinking about the food items you are willing to cook, in bulk, for the WGF. All net proceeds go to Buildings and Grounds. So were helping ourselves to have a better facility. We will be out scouting for the JUMBO minnows this year, so if you hear when they are migrating, give us a call.

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Mandan Indians

Tribe Is Growing

Well, I can hear the drums, it is time to write. At our last meeting we had 10 tribal members and one new Indian. We keep getting new members and that is good.

At our last meeting Don Eck talked about Mandan Indians and the Blackfoot. When I worked out in Montana I had a girlfriend that was Blackfoot so I know a little about the Blackfoot.

Well, Low Vale is here and I am sure we will have a good time. And a good steak!! Also some firewater - that makes us talk smart.

Thanks to the Mandan Indians for the rain dance. It has rained a little now.

This is going to be all for now. It is time to strike the teepee.

Chief Mato
 Edward J C Dockter



Jamestown Mystics

Moving Onward But... A Special One is Gone

Hello everyone in the El Zagal Shrine. I can't believe May is half over.

Six weeks to go and our 10th Annual Gun Raffle drawing will be held; if you don't have a ticket yet call a Mystic Brother and we will sign ya up. Tickets are going fast, thanks for everyone's support.

Brock and the boys are busy in the shop changing sprockets, chains and putting new paint on parade units as the 1st parade coming up is Rally In The Valley June 19th. Residents of Valley City can't wait to see us in the little cars.

Our prayers go out to the Arnie Becker family. Brother Arnie passed away and he will be missed by all. He was the one that didn't have "No" in his vocabulary. He was the ticket King as he sold more tickets than anybody. Fish fry tickets, gun raffle tickets, Circus ads and he was normally the first one on the bus for parades and "Trips on a Tankful".

Thanks Arnie for all you did for the Shrine. That's all for now, see you all soon.

El Zagal Mystics

Hospital Auxiliary

Pote Ladies Luncheon was attended by 36 ladies. Thanks to the Divan for coming and serving the Ladies of the Divan and to the Ladies of the Divan for making and donating baskets for the silent auction. The silent auction made \$985 for the wheelchair fund. Special thank you to Patty for all your help and preparing a beautiful setting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Paul

Bismarck Dusters

All is Well and Good

What a beautiful day it was for a parade. The Lord shined upon us. It was the Band Day parade in Bismarck and as usual a number of the Dusters cars were in it. The temperature was about 70 degrees – not too hot – yet not too cold either! A perfect day for a parade.

The Dusters are well and good as always. We are meeting and having our regular social on a monthly basis.

Our illustrious (he's illustrious to us anyhow!) president provided a schedule of events coming this summer – the significant ones are: Oiler's golf tournament on May 21 in Mandan; Pote's Ball at the temple in Fargo; Low Vale on May 25 here in Bismarck sponsored by Lodge 5; Shrine Bowl Parade in Mayville; spring ceremonial June 25 and 26 in Jamestown.

The local lodges continue to be busy making Masons out of men – there will be at least five at Low Vale where they will receive their third degree. All three lodges have candidates.

The Rites are busy as well – the Scottish Rite in Bismarck had two candidates complete their 32nd degree last Wednesday (May 5), and the York Rite had a number of candidates go through their degrees on May 15.

We continue to prepare Masons to become Shriners. Hopefully, all of the new Masons will join El Zagal.

Until next time
keep 'em rollin..., rollin..., rollin.

Jerry Skogley
Duster Scribe

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Color Guard Croonings

Ah yes, spring has sprung! We are off to a nice start in Color Guard land, with a full schedule of parades to march in this summer. The drummers are planning practice, and yes, even marching practice. You see, it has been a very well-known fact that marching crew need to be re-programed each year – you would think they are clowns or something!

New to the Color Guard ranks is Chad Decker – just the latest El Zagal member to see the life changing benefit of being a Color Guard member! It was an easy vote tho, as Chad brought food and beer to the last meeting. He was what you call “a shoe in!”

We are still working on arranging a bike rodeo for the kids of our communities, but are struggling a bit to get bikes. It seems there is a shortage of bikes, as some “other units” have lost drivers licenses and have had to resort to motor-less transportation. Now I certainly am not one to pass on gossip and give away names – you know, I would never CLOWN around – I am MYSTICAL that way! I am a true VIKING and keep things to myself! I take EMPathy with these fellows and will follow my supreme DIRECTORS STAFFs advice! I would sure hate to DUSTER things up or make things OILERSer!

Back from southern destinations, our “pool boy” Jerome Tappe has hung up his “pool boy” clothes and has taken up motor biking to pump up his ego. I am sure you remember the movie “Wild Hogs” – a movie about a bunch of old guys reliving their “younger” years. Tappe and Robin Hanson have started a motorcycle gang and are on a trip as of this writing. Aptly named “Tired Frogs”, they are on a multi-state motorcycle tirade visiting

nursing homes, mid-day happy hours and local food shelves. Their ladies have had to constantly ship Geritol, Ben Gay and Milk of Magnesia to them on the road. Look out! They may come limping to your town next!

With his recent move to Moorhead, our President Ian Somerville has joined the Directors Staff, and has also picked up a second job as a late night dancer at the Northern I understand. I was told that he was planning on saving up a bunch of cash, as he was hoping to be a new father very soon! Save your diapers and help the young buck out!

Meals at our meetings should get better now that all the “Chefs” are back! Just ask these guys – they think they are good! Richards, Thompson, Neisen and Amble will keep all the bellies full while the good Father Jerry keeps the troops entertained with stories of his winter in Arizona, and how easy it is to take possession of a home there! At least he doesn't take his shirt off anymore!

Please join us for a meeting and hey, bring a friend! Our meetings are always the 3rd Monday of the month, and start around 5:30 with Past Potentates Ponderings, followed by a great meal and a meeting with Ian and the 30 ton gavel! Always a pleasure to have him rap us to order!

Remember to try to “replace” yourself and bring a friend into the fraternity. It is a great way to meet people and have a positive effect on a child's life! Until next time – make sure to keep your patch watered!

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*2021 Spring Ceremonial aka Fluffamomial
June 25th and 26th*

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Friday night theme will be “El Zagal County Fair”, so men dig out your bib coveralls, straw hats, and ladies, find your best country attire/ fair outfit, and be ready to enjoy the evening by eating some of that delicious fair food served from the diner “Joel’s Feed Trough” and “Jeffs Junk Food.”

Events: Tug of war between the new candidates and the Divan-Hay rides Singing around the campfire---Pig races---and other Midway games.

Exhibit Hall

Shriners and your Ladies ... Don't miss your chance to enter Friday night, during

registration in one of the six categories: Sewing, baked goods, canned goods, crafts, needle work or open class which will be judged by everyone for the people's choice awards to be given out at the banquet on Saturday night!

Cost: \$85.00 per person covers: Meal Friday evening, Ladies Luncheon, Moslem Feast, Saturday Night Banquet. Children cost additional \$15.00/ child.

Schedule

Friday July 25th

9:00 golf at the Jamestown Country club
Registration 5:00 to 7:00 at Masonic Lodge
El Zagal County Fair 5:00 until closing

Saturday July 26th

9:00 1st and 3rd section (Masonic Lodge)
11:30 Moslem feast (Masonic Lodge)
11:30 Ladies Luncheon (Masonic Lodge)
2 :30 Parade (Location to be announced)
5:30 Banquet (Gladstone Motel)
Dress Code: unit attire/casual

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YITF, -Dan
Sec/Treas

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The tournament is open to all people no matter how good or bad you play. It does not matter, because you're out on the golf course having fun and raising money for the hospital and transportation fund.

In the Temple, there are flyers to hand out and posters to put up. Help yourself to help us make

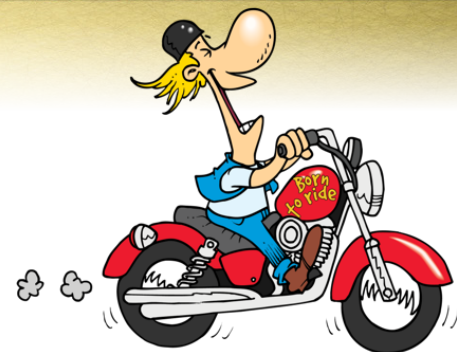
this another successful year.

Golfing for a cause -- our cause.

See you on the course and for more information, see the shady characters below.

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The route is planned, sorta, the lodging is booked, the DOT is working hard to open up the mountain passes for us, so we're ready to roll.

Everyone is welcome to join us, but we can't guarantee lodging at this point. We are hitting the backroads on July 5th, with destinations in the West.

If you have had a change in heart or just need that escape from the jungle we call Fargo, tag along with our fun group of people for an experience you will not soon forget.

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for everyone!**



DIRECTOR'S STAFF *Finally Out From Behind the Mask*

Greetings from the Director's Staff! Looking back at the article from last year at this time, things were a lot different...unsure of the future, no events, lockdowns, and the beginning of the dreaded mask debate. We've made it this far and are moving forward!

The Director's Staff has been busy planning and filling our calendar's up. We are looking forward to getting the motorcycles out and doing some parading and getting back into the community.

We have a new Competition Team Captain,

Noble Bobby Anderson, has graciously stepped up and we are looking forward to seeing what he can bring to our competition team. Thank you to Illustrious Sir, Mike Dow for his years as Captain.

We are back at the Buffalo River Race Park selling 50/50 Raffles on Sunday Nights at the speedway. The new owners are excited to have racing back at the park and thankful for having the Shriners there to help. We're hoping for good crowds and sunny Sunday weather all summer! Stop out and support the speedway and say hi the "Ticket Hawkers" in Orange and Black shirts.

Also, Watch the calendar's for our Hole in One Event coming up this summer...I suggest start practicing up on your swing!

I hope everyone has a great month and is able to get out and enjoy the weather. Hope to see everyone soon at the Spring Ceremonial in Jamestown in June!

Stay Hydrated,
Shaun Engelsrud

UPCOMING EVENTS:

JULY 2021

- July 5: Office Closed in observance of the 4th of July
- July 5-11: Un-Pote 2021 trip
- July 6: Tuesday Burgers
- July 13: Tuesday Burgers
- July 20: Tuesday Burgers
- July 22-25: Old Bastards/Pote's Fishing Trip
- July 27: Tuesday Burgers
- July 27: Misfits @ Choice Bank Fundraiser

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13	14	15 BURGERS 5:30 to 7 pm	16	17 ND Shrine Bowl parade Here Comes Summer Party 5pm	18	19 Clowns Motorcycle Run ND Shrine Bowl
20	21	22 BURGERS 5:30 to 7 pm	23	24	25 Spring Ceremonial in Jamestown	26 Spring Ceremonial in Jamestown
27	28	29 BURGERS 5:30 to 7 pm	30			

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