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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE Give "Back"... to the Shrine ... for the kids!

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Greetings Nobles and Ladies!

I hope you are as excited as I am starting out the New Year. I am honored and humbled to be your Potentate of El Zagal for 2019!

We had a great Roast

(Toast) the Pote, illustrious sir Jason (Rocky) Rockswold, with our own Lars (Steve) as master of ceremonies. Great food provided by Billiards Gastropub. Good crowd and lots of humorous stories were shared.

The Annual Meeting was on Saturday, January 5th and was well attended. Breakfast was hosted by the Yoshi's. Big "thank you" to you guys. Meetings promptly began as another historic Bison game was to begin later that morning. The elections were held during the meeting and the 2019 Divan was set in place. I look forward to working with each of them as we proceed in to the new year.

It was my privilege to appoint Chad Decker as the 2nd Ceremonial Master for 2019. I'd like you all to welcome Chad and his lady Kate to the Divan. I'm sure they will be an excellent addition to El Zagal and will make the Vikings proud.

Upon completion of the business of the Shrine, the Jamestown Clowns hosted a great soup and sandwich lunch. They aren't always clowning, sometimes they are a great help!

After watching the NDSU Bison pull out another victory, it was on to getting ready for another great evening of fun. The Social and Banquet were held at the Delta by Marriott. Thanks to our host couples, Jody and Corey Bayer, and Jim and Darline Trautman. The Big Band played for the social hour as we enjoyed an abundance of great appetizers and a few cocktails. The Detroit Lakes color guard provided the colors of the flags and we were entertained by the Fez and Thistle Drummers and Pipiers. The EMP's escorted the Divan in the Grand Entry to the head table, and the evening was off to a great start. PP Blake (Ringo) Wrigley was joined at the head table by his lady Cathie, as he was the master of ceremonies for the evening. The Parade to Glory was a HUGE success. The clubs and units of El Zagal raised over \$390,000 for our charities in 2018! Congratulations! Let's keep up the good work and energy, and move full speed into 2019!

I would like to thank my, and Lady Terri's families, for joining us on such a special night. We were very happy that they were able to be with us and celebrate this special occasion! It means a lot and is nice to share it with family as well as friends.

The band playing for the dance was 'Bolder Shades of Blue', from Jamestown, and means a bit to us too.... The lead guitarist and sometimes backup singer played in the band that played for our wedding 28 1/2 years ago! He still plays a mean guitar! We sure had a good time! Thanks to all who enjoyed them as well.

Some upcoming events I'd like to share are the Wild Game Feed on Saturday, February 9th... This is one of the biggest fundraisers for buildings and grounds of El Zagal. Always some tasty treats to try and the games are a great time too!

MSA is in Aberdeen, SD on February 15th and 16th. James Valley Shrine Club Stag is Friday, February 22nd at the Jamestown Lodge. You'll want to stay in Jamestown that night as the Chili Cook-Off is on Saturday, February 23rd at the Jamestown Elks. This is a great event as the different kinds of Chili are always fun to try. You probably just want to stay the weekend!

The EZ Wheels group in Jamestown is hosting the 2nd Annual Cornhole Tournament on Saturday, March 9th. This is once again being held at the KC Hall.

Last, but not least, our new Membership Chairman Jerome Tappe and I are encouraging ALL nobles; in the month of February, to bring a guest to your local meeting. We

guest to your local meeting. We would like everyone to know how much fun it is to be a Shriner!

Here's to a GREAT year!

Yours in Faith, Rick Qual 2019 Potentate





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February is bring a friend to your Club or Unit meeting month.

It is important to remember that EL ZAGAL's very existence and that of our Masonic Lodges greatly depends on a strong, ongoing membership program. It is the **#1 priority** of our Potentate, Divan, Membership Committee and the responsibility of "EVERY" member to assist with membership development. It must be stressed to all members that it is important to identify and recruit new members into the Masonic fraternity. It all starts in our Masonic Blue Lodges; let's work with them to attract new Shrine Masons.

If every Noble works enthusiastically at Creations, Retention and Reinstatements, EL ZAGAL will succeed in its Membership Endeavors and exceed our goal of "60" new members for this year. Membership is something that must be addressed at every opportunity. No matter where you travel or to whom you speak, you must always remember to...

SHRINE CLUB GAMING SITES

Overtime Bar	Gwinner
Cat-Tales	Gwinner
The Springs	Gwinner
Dilley's Bar-N-Grill	Stirum
Proceeds of gaming to the Shrine Hospital Transportation F	unds and local charities.
Support Those Who Supp	ort Us!

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 Mondav**

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 Ritualistic Divan – El Zagal Temple –

1st Monday Saidin – Bismarck – 3rd Thursday Vikings – Gwinner – 3rd Wednesday

"THINK MEMBERSHIP"

I would like to thank Clint Bergstrom for joining the membership team! He will be representing the western area of El Zagal. If you need him or me to help you in any way please feel free to contact us!

Restoration and Retention Opportunities...Why?? The numbers tell the story!

- El Zagal created 43 new Shriners last year
 El Zagal affiliated 2 Shriners last year
 El Zagal restored 3 Shriners last year

- 4. A total of 48 members

Now the "BAD" news.....

- 1. 22 El Zagal Shriners passed away last year
- 2. 17 Demits were issued
- 3. 46 were suspended for non-payment of dues
- 4. A total of "85"
- 5. Do the math 85-48 = a net loss of 37 members!

Let's contact those that were suspended or took demits, to see where we failed. Let's welcome them back! Every Shriner needs to understand that even if they are not active, a portion of their dues go to help children in our hospitals.

Do we need to change?

Units/Clubs "Need" to evolve What's that?

1. Are our Units/Clubs relevant, do we need to change how we do things?

2. Are there new clubs that can be started?

3. Are we including and engaging our new members?

4. Do they have talents we can use?

5. They are our best source for new members, are we using that opportunity?

How do we increase membership?

1. Units/Clubs and Lodges need to set down and develop a "Hot List" of prospective members.

2. Invite potential members to our meetings. Plan for February!

3. Have a knowledgeable Shrine/Mason answer any questions they may have. 4. "Invite" them to join!

Shriners. "Start Your Engines"



Our Race to "60" Has Begun!

Contacts Eastern Membership Chairman Jerome Tappe Cell 218-234-6496 Email jerome@nereson.com

Western Membership Chairman Clint Bergstrom Cell 701-238-7374 Email Clinton.bergstrom@gmail.com

If you have an interest in helping, or if Clint or I can help in anyway with membership, please let us know.

Resources

North Dakota Grand Lodge: www.ndmasons.com EL ZAGAL TEMPLE PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP Link: http://www.elzagal.org/img/el_zagal_petition.pdf EL ZAGAL TEMPLE CALANDER OF EVENTS Link: https://www.elzagal.org/events_calendar.html

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SAVE THE DATE BENEFIT MARCH 16 @ EL ZAGAL FOR LAURA (BRENT) HANSON (UNDERGOING TREATMENT FOR CANCER) MORE DETAILS IN MARCH CAMEL TALES ANY QUESTIONS? – DIANE HANSON @ 701.367.8588



Shrine Circus Management

MEETING SCHEDULE 2019

Saturday, February 2: 10 am Saturday, March 2: 10 am Saturday, March 16: 10 am Saturday, March 30: 10 am

CIRCUS DATES DL: April 4 Fargo: April 5-6-7 Jamestown: April 9 Bismarck: April 12-13 Dickinson: April 14-15



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Hospital Auxiliary

We, the El Zagal Auxiliary welcome in the year 2019.

On behalf of the members, we extend congratulations to our new Potentate, Rick and Lady Teri Qual and a big Thanks to our Past Potentate, Jason Rockswold.

It is indeed a pleasure to report that at our December meeting our monetary donation to the WGA 4 Kids was \$5,000; plus many handmade items, toys and games.

All material used for the items was paid for by the auxiliary and all labor was done by the auxiliary members. Hats off to our dedicated members.

The annual meeting for the WGA 4 Kids is April 28 & 29th, 2019 at the Radisson. More info to follow.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 2nd at 10:30 at the Shrine. Please note the auxiliary schedule for 2019:

February 2	Meeting and Crafts
March 9	Meeting and Crafts
April 13	Bake Less bake sale mailing
May 11	Potentates Ladies Luncheon
June, July and August	No Meetings
September 7	Style Show mailings
October 10	Style Show
November 9	Meeting & Crafts
December 7	Christmas Luncheon, location TBD

Barb & Judy

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Bismarck Dusters Though Some Are Gone, We Travel On

The Dusters are alive and active, even if some of them are joining the "snowbirds" in what they claim is the warm south - they should have stayed north for the past month!

I should start with a thank you for now Past Potentate "Rocky" for his great year leading the El Zagal tribe, and a welcome to our new Potentate Rick Qual, who (even though he is a Clown) we wish well as he takes over the El Zagal tribe for 2019.

The Dusters had a successful Holiday party on December 18, which was well attended by Dusters and spouses or "significant others" at the Bismarck Masonic Center. The food and libations were great as usual.

It was during the month of December that the "Black Camel" took another two of our long-time Dusters -Dwight Wehr and Paul Flurer. Both will be missed.

The annual meeting of El Zagal was held on the weekend of January 4 and 5, 2019, with a small delegation of Dusters present. As reported by Duster Travis Will, the Roast the Pote was milder than usual even though he thought Rocky deserved more "Roast" than he received! You will have to ask Travis what he meant by that.

Even though we had a relatively small delegation at the annual meeting, Travis reported that the Dusters reported just shy of \$22,000 to the Parade to Glory – a new high for the Dusters! We should not be surprised as those of El Zagal in the "west" often rise to the challenge.



We hear that Jamestown is again hosting their famous Chili Feed on February 23. I hope that they continue the "open" competition and don't suck up to the Divan as they have been wont to do in some years past!

Finishing on a positive note - we want to thank Ray Pfliger for his careful and thoughtful compilation of photos recording Duster activities for the past several years.

We were also pleased to hear that Georgia Lewis (wife of Kim, a long-term President of the Dusters) was the recipient of the first El Zagal lady of the year award! Georgia was a great lady and is well deserving of the award. We all miss her.

With that, I bid you farewell until next time, and keep 'em rollin'... rollin'...rollin'

Scribe pro-tem, Jerry Skogley

Oriental Band

Greetings Nobles and Ladies, as we watch the beautiful snow surround us, we need to start thinking about the upcoming Shrine Circus April 5, 6 &7.

The Spring Ceremonial is in Medora this June! Watch for special deals on the musical and get your rooms booked early.

Our upcoming meeting dates are Feb 4, Mar 4 and April 15th. After that, we will go back to the 1st and 3rd Monday's.

I know the motorized units are gearing up for Spring but for those looking to become more active in a unit please check out the OB, even as a dual member - we could use new bodies and ideas!

Quote "Learn from yesterday, Live for today, Hope for tomorrow. The important thing is to not stop questioning."--- Albert Einstein

Yours in the Faith, Steve

Mandan Indians Keeping the Camp in Order

By the time you read this Christmas is past and the new year too. I hope you got what you wanted for Christmas. I know I did.

I would like to thank our Past Potentate Rocky for all the times he came to Bismarck and Mandan. We had a great time. And he even came to our Friday Shrine lunch at the Amvets.

And thanks for being one of the judges at the chili cook-off in Jamestown and picking old Chief Mato's for best chili.

It is time to strike the teepee. You will hear more next time.

Chief Mato Edward J C Dockter

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Provost Ponderings

A Game of Hockey for a Worthy Cause

We are at it again; March 2nd from Noon to 6 PM. The Elite Provost Guard has challenged the rest of El Zagal to a friendly game of Sled Hockey.

This is a fundraiser for Hope, Inc. which gives kids and now adults with disabilities a chance to play adaptive sports. Check them out @ info@Hopeinc. org. Many of these kids are Shriner kids so in a way we are helping our own.

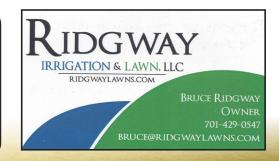
Two other units have risen to the challenge to take on the defending temple champions for the last three years in a row. Those that dared are the EMP's and the Directors Staff. We are looking for one more team to play in our Mini Tournament in which you are guaranteed to play two games.

They provide the Sleds, gloves and helmets, but if you have your own gear please bring them and dress in layers. You will start out cold and get a lot warmer by the end of the game. We have had a lot of people that have participated in this event in the past and had a blast doing it.

If you just want to be entertained stop by the Angels Arena @ 1401 5th Avenue N,

Fargo, ND 58102, just around the corner from Chubs Pub.

Ask around info contact Don Roos @ 701-261-2690 or roosterdon60@gmail.com.



Director's Staff Our Best Events Keep Getting Better

I hope everyone had a great Holiday Season!

We had a great unit party with an amazing meal and a night on the town with a party bus.

Thanks to all our Nobles and Ladies for a great year in 2018! They worked their tails off and made things happen!

Now it's time to get started again. We have a full calendar ahead of us in 2019.

First, we need to congratulate our new Potentate Illustrious Sir Rick Qual. It will be an amazing year and Rick has a lot of great events on the slate.

We, as always will help make our Circus a success. It's hard to believe how many of the novelties we sell. Our own Bruce Ridgway and his Circus board have a great Circus lined up for this year.

Then, we will be holding our 9th annual Suds & Spuds and Shriner 5K. Both events will be held Saturday April 27th. We plan to make it even better than last year. There will be more details in next month's issue of Camel Tales.

Mobil Nobles

The Mobil Nobles want to invite you to our annual Spaghetti Dinner March 23rd.

We want to do more things in the future, so please come and see what we are about. Our meetings are the first Friday of the month and we have events in the fall, winter, and February for our members.

If you are interested in joining the Mobil Nobles as your home unit email us at elzagalmobilnobles@gmail.com.



SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2019 El Zagal Shrine Center Dining 4:00 - 7:30

TICKETS AVAILABLE: ARABIAN ROOM, SHRINE CENTER 1429 3RD STREET NORTH, FARGO OR ANY MOBIL NOBLE

ADULTS: \$10.00 IN ADVANCE At door: \$15.00 Children Under 12: \$6.00 (Available at door)

Proceeds from this Spaghetti Dinner are for the benefit of the El Zagal Mobil Nobles. Not deducted as a charitable contribution.

Also, we will have a Bike Raffle this year. We are selling tickets for a chance to win three great prizes. We have two of our 883 Sportsters or a chance to win \$500. We will be selling tickets until our Fall Motorcycle Ride held on Saturday, September 21st. For a mere \$20 you can get a chance to win. Contact any Director's Staff Noble for a ticket.

Until we meet again, Yours in Faith **MD**



El Zagal Shrine

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February 2-16-23 March 2-9-16-30

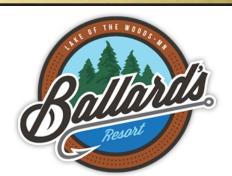
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Color Guard Croonings

Well, it's off to da races in 2019 with Illustrious Sir Rick Qual at the helm at El Zagal, and the Color Guard is proud to support he and Lady TJ this coming year – cause, you know – he is such a nice boy...... We offer our CONGRATULATIONS to Illustrious Sir Rocky Rockswold on finishing a banner year with all his arms and legs intact, no arrests (that we are aware of), and a YUGE...... budget deficit! Way to go Rocky!

The Color Guard has now recovered from our recent election cycle, re-electing President Donald – I mean Paul Trump, I mean Meszaros (little Lars) to the high office of President. Notice I didn't say HE was high, but that is a different story! I am sure he will lead the Color Guard well as we move to build a new wall......in the men's bathroom and keep the border secure......around the beer cooler.

Vice President of course is Ian (we call him Gillette) Somerville, who is good at leading from behind. Since Ian doesn't drink, he makes a great driver! We can't say that about Father Jerry!

A recent brainstorming meeting was held at the Color Guard Club to work up new ideas on membership and FUN raising activities. The chairman was Past Potentate Brad Richards, who we all know can come up with FUN ideas. Most that he talked about were activities that are usually reserved for bars and strip clubs (so I am told), so I am not sure where this will lead us. We did think that we would try a big party – maybe around Christmas time, we could invite the whole town, have a meal and band, the Color Guard could do a skit......but we don't want the Clowns to steal our idea, so we abandoned that thought.

A tragedy has struck the Color Guard – yes folks, it has run chills through our spines. Our beloved Ernie the beer cooler – has passed away. He was found with a temp of 95 degrees and breathing heavy behind the bar last Saturday. Life support was pulled (the plug in) as he was having convulsions and making funny noises. We decided to let him pass in peace. A memorial service is planned at a later date, as soon as the recycling truck can be arranged. Memorials can be sent to the author of the Color Guard Croonings, beer belly alley, Detroit Lakes. 50's and up preferred. Speaking of beer bellies, at the recent El Zagal Annual Meeting and Banquet, our very own President Little Lars gave our Parade to Glory donation report from atop Mt. Rocky. (just think clowns, it will make sense) A fine report it was, but in an effort to keep him in one spot, SOMEONE tried to glue him down to Mt. Rocky. Paul was able to break free from his "sticky spot", but has clown tracks all over his "caboose". Ask him for details, but it sure was a "tacky" sight! Things might have worked out ok until Illustrious Rocky tried to wipe his "caboose" clean with his hands and promptly got his hands stuck there. Was quite the "ending" for Rocky!

With circus in the headlights, the Color Guard has begun the process of giving candy bar selling lessons. All who need training are urged to attend. There will also be classes on Elephant Exhaust Disposal and how to walk a high wire with two left feet. See Greg Neisen for details.

You are always invited to join us for a meal and meeting at the Color Guard. Unlike some units, we don't discriminate on the less fortunate! Our meetings are the 3rd Monday at our club, with Past Potentate Ponderings beginning around 5:30, meal and meeting to follow. Always educational and most of the time, you can actually leave with your wallet intact. Many want to join us – few have the moxy! Always remember – NEVER FORGET! It's a great time to be a Shriner, but there is nothing finer than a COLOR GUARD SHRINER!

Keep the ice off your handle! Lars

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Jamestown Clowns

We Will Leave No Stone Unturned

Hello to all Nobles and Ladies, the new year is here, and we're into the second month already.

CONGRATULATIONS Illustrious Sir Rick!! You will have a great year!! The Clowns are the best unit in EL ZAGAL, and you have us on your back...Or, we have your back. You know what I mean!!

What a grand event in Fargo to bring YOU, to all of us. For those that didn't make it to Fargo, it was so impressive. And we that went, represented our unit so well. I should just leave you hanging for punishment, for not attending. But... Roast the Pote skit was epic, the crowd roared , almost rushed the stage. Truly almost an unforgettable moment for Sir Rocky. I said almost.

The banquet was much more memorable when we brought in the rock. O, I'll have to go back a bit. A certain short Noble with always high intentions (NICK) thought a rock for Rocky, would be funny. 660lbs later and a one and a half inch hole about 16 in. deep is where we will put our Parade to Glory money...Sounds like fun... Then that certain individual capped off the hole (about 10 in) with silicone...Yes, that stuff. After a while Jack dug it out, only after Rocky put his fingers in as deep as he could, that WAS funny... for everyone except Rocky...Of course we had to carry it out just like we got it in...Clown power!! Thank You, Jack. I'm sure after a moderate amount of time it will be another fantastic clown story. It certainly made the Parade to Glory an event to remember. By the way, all clowns should be very proud; we are second to no one.

Stag night is Feb.22. It's a big event so get your tickets, they are limited...\$75. This year will be better than ever!! More food, more prizes, more social activity, more fun!!

The 138th Annual Potentates Chili Extravaganza will be the next day, Feb. 23rd at the ELKS at NOON. Be there or be square. Bring your best Chili and have it judged. This will be a very fun event.

Spring Ceremonial will be in Medora June 14 and 15, get your rooms.

Reminder: Clown Bike run June 22. Red Line is playing for the dance and a 2019 custom Harley will be given away. Tickets are sold everywhere.

And PLEASE remember to pay attention to everything our new illustrious says or does, so we have plenty of ammunition for "Roast the Pote" in a year. Sorry Rick, I guess that's how it is when you're on top and everyone is looking up.

Thanks for Reading this... Weezer.

EZ Outdoors Jamestown Unlimited

The Game Feed is our Target of the Month

IT'S HERE! Game Feed 2019 is February 9th. We need everyone to help make this event happen.

Thanks again to the sportsmen that have donated to our event, and all of the units and clubs of El Zagal that made contributions.

The menu will consist of... Cajun Alligator, (thanks to Illustrious Sirs, Blake "Ringo" Wrigley and Our 2019 Potentate, Rick "Nice Boy" Qual) El Zagal's, famous Rocky Mountain Oysters, NDSU Bison Sliders, Stuffed Pheasant Peppers, from the Nester Ranch. Wild Goose Enchiladas, Pheasant and Moose chili, Wild game Queso Dip, Joe's Pickled Northern Pike and much, much more.

There will be many games of chance to win guns, coolers, bacon, cash and golf outings, so come and spin the wheel, pick a duck or just try your luck in one of the many small bucket raffles. It will be a great time, don't miss Game Feed 2019, See You There!

As always, if you enjoy the outdoors, join us for a meeting. We meet at El Zagal every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm. We are planning shooting, golfing, fishing events and our trap team will compete again this summer.

See You In the Outdoors! **Roger Ellsworth**



Mystics

We Will Not Rest On Our Laurels

Greetings Nobles and friends and welcome to 2019! New year, new us. Isn't that what everyone says? Well, we're pretty much the same which is awesome because we knocked it out of the park last year! Don't get me wrong, we're always striving to become bigger and better but sometimes it's ok to look at yourselves and say, "We're the bees knees!" We keep growing and keep raising more money. I think I pulled a tricep patting myself on the back...Seriously though, we are doing very well and it's a huge source of pride for us. Thank you to all who support us!

OK, now to business. February 22nd is our Masonic Lodge Stag Night. Tickets are only \$75! If you haven't been to one yet, what are you waiting for? It's a blast with all the food and drink you can handle. Lots of raffles and games. One of the biggest social events of the year!! It's a huge recruiting tool for us as well. Check it out!

March 29th is our annual fish fry. WooHoo! It just keeps getting bigger all the time. Makes ordering enough food a bit tricky but that's a fantastic problem to have. The community really supports this one. Again, great recruiting tool. Hope to see a whole bunch of you there. A big thanks to our Brothers, the Clowns, for always coming out for this one. We appreciate it fellas!

Last, Gun raffle tickets are available now! Right now! You could have one in your possession today! All you have to do is get a hold of a Mystic and we'll hook you up. You can send a message to our Facebook page if you don't know how to get a contact us. This is a huge fundraiser for us. I buy a ticket (or two) every year. Haven't won a gun yet but from what I can tell it's quite a thrill. Just donating to the greater good is enough satisfaction for me.

Well, cheers to a successful 2019 El Zagal family! Thank you for doing what you do. God Bless.

Jamestown Mystics



EZ Wheels "The Wheels Are Turning"

As January winds down and we are all thinking spring, here's some news that is sure to cheer you up!

Our club has sold sponsorships and we have purchased the supplies for building 24 new game sets for our 2nd ANNUAL EZ WHEELS CORNHOLE TOURNEY to be held at the Knights of Columbus on March 9th in beautiful downtown Jamestown!

You must preregister, (64 teams only) by calling 701-952-BEER (2337) and register your 2 man team. \$50 per team. This year, the first 16 teams that lose their first 2 games will be entered in our consolation tourney. 3 game guarantee this year! Registration will begin in February.

More Fun News! We will have a Shriner only tourney on Friday night, right after we get setup for Saturday, starting at 7:00. \$5 per person, 2 person teams will be drawn. It is sure to be a great time. Register for Saturday and come and play Friday night with your fellow Nobles and their Ladies or just for Friday night.

If you have any questions, please email me at fluff1@daktel.com

Hope y'all have a wheelie good winter Fluff

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