



# CAMEL Tales

## POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

### *Family Fun & Fellowship*

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**Greetings Nobles and Ladies,**  
October is here, it's going by fast and what a busy month it has been!

The Fall Ceremonial honoring Jerome & Denise Tappe was enjoyed by all who did attend. We had a beautiful day for a parade in Lake Park and had nice weather to get out on Pelican Lake in their huge pontoon that held all the Nobles and Ladies.

The banquet that night with the program emceed by Steve Larson, who not only honored the Tappes, he also got in a little roast of Jerome as well, was fun for all! Thank you Detroit Lakes Color Guard!

Then it was off to Las Vegas as 15 Nobles and Ladies from El Zagal volunteered to marshal at the Shriners Children's Open. It was a great time, with beautiful weather, fun and fellowship with other Nobles and Ladies and our very own Imperial Sir, Matt Sturlaugson and Lady Mandii. And Kayli, Carson and Gabbi were there too. We were on Hole #15, a par 4 that the professional golfers can drive the green. A lot of exciting birdies and eagles.

We were asked to come back next year so Past Potentate Brad Richards and Lady Barb have volunteered to chair this. Look for more information about this to come in the future.

We are still busy as we had a Stated Meeting in Fargo on Tuesday along with an appreciation dinner for those receiving 25 / 35 / 50 / 60 year and life member certificates and pins. We traveled to Bismarck on Thursday to award those out there, had a great meal and share some fun and fellowship.

A big thank you to Andrea and Patricia in Fargo and Meghan and Travis Will in Bismarck for all the preparations for these to take place.

The calendar for November and December isn't quite as busy but still some fun events are going on. November brings the return of Saturday Burgers and Bloody Mary Bar. There is a Circus

meeting on Saturday the 13th and the Gun Show on Saturday and Sunday 20th -21st.

December begins with the return of Clown for a Night on Saturday the 4th. Tickets available now! Shrine Kids Christmas Party on Saturday the 11th.

Please check the calendar at elzagal.org for these and more information of upcoming events.

The El Zagal Annual Meeting will be held the weekend of January 7th & 8th. Look for more information in this issue.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving with safe travels for you and yours.

Yours in Faith,  
**Dennis "Fluff" Sand**  
2021 Potentate



### OFFICIAL CALL

The regular stated meeting of El Zagal Temple will be held on  
**Tuesday, January 8, 2022**  
**at 9am at El Zagal Shrine Center.**

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. PP, Recorder

Yours in faith, Dennis "Fluff" Sand, Potentate.

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### 2021

**NOVEMBER 13, 2021:10 AM (ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS)**  
**DECEMBER 4, 2021:10 AM**

### 2022

**JANUARY 8, 2022: CIRCUS MEETING 1:30-2:30 PM**  
**FEBRUARY 8, 2022: EXECUTIVE MEETING: 6:30 PM**  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2022: CIRCUS MEETING: 10 AM**  
**MARCH 8, 2022: EXECUTIVE MEETING: 6:30 PM**  
**MARCH 12, 2022: CIRCUS MEETING: 10 AM**  
**MARCH 26, 2022: CIRCUS MEETING: 10 AM**

### DETROIT LAKES CIRCUS

MARCH 31, 2022  
10 AM, 12:30 PM, 6:30 PM

### FARGO CIRCUS

APRIL 1, 2022  
7 PM  
APRIL 2, 2022  
10 AM, 2 PM, 6 PM  
APRIL 3, 2022  
NOON, 4 PM

### JAMESTOWN CIRCUS

APRIL 5, 2022  
5:30 PM

### BISMARCK CIRCUS

APRIL 8, 2022  
1:30 PM, 7 PM  
APRIL 9, 2022  
10 AM, 2 PM, 7 PM

### DICKINSON CIRCUS

APRIL 10, 2022  
NOON, 3:30 PM, 7 PM  
APRIL 11, 2022  
6:30 PM



## Auxiliary Style Show

### *A New Look Created Vibrant Energy*

This year's style show was full of fun and change. The attendance was down, as we had 58 tickets sold, but everyone who attended got a charge out of our models.

The clothes were from Fusion, The 3 Bees, Halberstadt's and Scheels and they were all beautiful and well displayed.

Lisa Budeau was the Mistress of Ceremonies and did a fabulous job. This year we had Tyler Hetland DJ the show. The music was a fun addition to this year's show. --- NEXT YEAR'S STYLE SHOW WILL BE ON OCTOBER 13.

Women models were Beth Bohlmann, Kori Hennebry, Paige Hennebry, Iris Huss, Karen Mehnert-Meland, Alyssa Nelson, Mary Roos, Cindy Scwab, and Lisa Swanson. Male models were Luke Haldis, Eric Johnson, Don Roos, Jerry Schatzke, Mason Siirila, and Joel Swanson.

Please remember the Women's General Auxiliary purpose is to help kids live healthy and happy lives. We provide funds for mobility with wheel chairs and walkers, physical therapy equipment, medical equipment and supplies - SAVE THOSE CAN TOPS !!!



A special thanks goes out to Mike Hennebry and Todd Kirchoffner who stepped up and made the food, that several people raved about. Many local businesses donated door prizes that were handed out during the show. - A very special thank you to D. Hennebry and Patty Curtis for their decorating and organizing.

As well, we make blankets, hats and toe covers. And we collect toys which are given to patients each visit for comfort needs. A big "shout out" goes to the Bismarck Dusters and Meghan Will for collecting 68 items as their last social.

Simple acts of kindness all add up!

**D. Hennebry**  
**Sue Z Paul**

## Director's Staff

### *'Twas the Night Before Thanksgiving...*

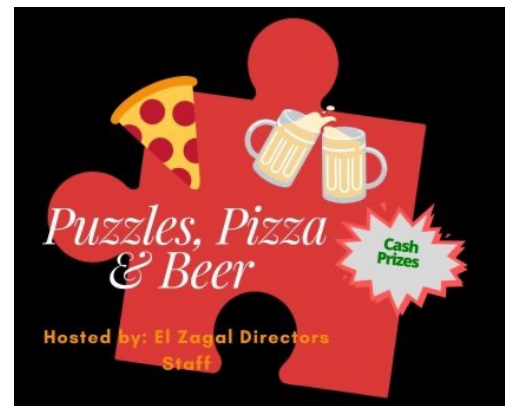
It appears that fall is upon us. It is pretty amazing how the weather can turn on a dime. We went from great weather for a fall ride to thoughts of indoor activities where it is warm and this happened all within one day!

The Director's Staff has been busy with many activities and we have more on the horizon. We recently had our "We Ride so Kids Can Walk" annual bike run on September 18th. It was a great event. The route started at the Crow Bar in Sabin and took us completely around Otter Tail lake and ended back at the lodge.

Due to an event at the temple we needed to find an alternate option so we worked with the lodge next door to set up the food and bar outside and utilize the bathrooms. It was an excellent set up that included great food and some Bison football to boot!

Many thanks go out to Patty for helping to bring it together, D Hennebry to cover logistics at the lodge, Mike Hennebry for great food and setting up an incredible area to gather and watch football and everyone that helped with road guarding and logistics along the way. It is very much appreciated! There were many compliments and it is all due to the hard work of the people that helped.

Now let's talk about an upcoming event that should be on your radar. It seems that when family comes the day before thanksgiving, people tend to look for something to do before the big day.



Well look no further! Pizza, Puzzle and Beer is the event for you! A team of four people will get a puzzle, a large pizza and equivalent to a case of beer and the first team to finish the puzzle and pizza will win a prize. You don't have to drink all of the beer unless you want to. All of this for \$100!

Get a team together and sign up on the DS facebook page through Eventbrite. The event date is November 24th at 6 PM. We have done this event several times and people really love it. If you haven't done it maybe you should give it a try! Come hungry and thirsty and ready to compete!

Until next time, May the best of your past be the worse of your future! Cheers!

Regards,  
**Cal Braun**

**BREAKING NEWS!**  
*A TASTY BIT OF GOSSIP*

**STARTING NOVEMBER 1ST**  
**SATURDAY**  
**BURGERS**  
**11AM TO 1PM**  
**TUESDAY NIGHT BURGERS**  
**WILL BE BACK IN MAY**

## Escort Motor Patrol

### *Settling Into The Fall Routine*

Wow, what a beautiful "Indian Summer" we've had. It has been a pleasure. I hope everyone is ready for winter.

The Escort Motor Patrol elected the new officers for 2022: Tim Amble will continue as Director, Stan Schroeder will be Assistant Director, Gerald Pulvermacher to continue as Treasurer and Jim Hamer as Secretary. Thanks guys for stepping up to lead our great unit through 2022!

Our unit cooked Tuesday Night Burgers on September 28th and put out 88 orders. -- And, as always, left the kitchen cleaner than we found it. Thanks for those who helped out. Outstanding! Tim will let us know when our next turn is, which will be on a Saturday yet this year.

Hopefully we will get the cars out for the Thanksgiving parade this year. We will keep you posted on this. Have a happy thanksgiving and be thankful for what you have to be thankful for.

Kind regards,  
**PJ**



## Mobil Nobles

### *America: Yesterday, Today and Forever*



This sprint car is our "Captain America" car. It is probably our most recognized vehicle with the patriotic flag design. If there is a picture taken of our sprint cars, this car will always be in it. In addition to having the # 1 on the car, it always the lead car in our parades. Whoever is in this car is our driving captain who gives the maneuver instructions to the rest of the drivers while in parade formation.

The flag design has a twofold purpose. One, to show our patriotism for this nation that has given us so much and, second, to honor the many veterans in our unit. We are fortunate to have a World War II veteran still active with us, Morrie Rasmussen, who is part of America's greatest generation.

Morrie joined the Shrine in 1976 and is an Emeritus Recorder for El Zagal. Perhaps his most important shrine task was that he served as the Fargo Shrine Hospital Representative for over 20 years. So many children have been helped because of his efforts at our Shrine Hospitals. If you need someone to show what epitomizes a Shriner, you need to look no further than Morrie. We finally got all the sprint cars winterized and put back into our garage. When backing the trailers into the garage, I am reminded how I admire truck drivers when they are able to back up their semi-trailers into tight spaces.

After about fifteen attempts, we finally got both trailers to fit inside the garage. If you want to know which Shrine garage contains our sprint cars, just look for the garage door frame with all the scratches on it.

Monte – Pote 89

## Wild Game Feed

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,  
Our Annual Wild Game Feed is approaching. We have the date set for Saturday, February 19th.

We have pulled our Gaming Permit and the tickets should be out by the end of October. Noble Mike Rieckman and Myself will be visiting Units and Clubs soon. We would like to see the participation we have had in the past with the donated Guns for our Raffle.

As always, we will take any or all donated meat for the meal. Please keep us in mind as we plan this great Temple Event.

We will need all hands-on deck to pull this off again. There is always something to do to help out with the Wild Game Feed and El Zagal.

One last note, Mike and I have decided that this is our last year to Co-Chair this Event. It's time for someone new to take over the reins and keep this moving forward.

Until we meet again,  
Yours in Faith  
**Mike Dow PP**  
**Mike Rieckman**

## Color Guard Croonings

Fall season is upon us – easy to tell around Color Guard land. Some of our "nuts" have already disappeared, so we can only assume the squirrels got 'em!

Our recent Octoberfest was a great success – and finally it wasn't 30 degrees! Our hats (and a few skirts) are off to the El Zagal German Band! They did a fabulous job, and the crowd loved them! CNN and FOX news both carried the event – it was huuuuuuge! A big THANK YOU to all those who came to help, and especially those who came to participate. Kay Meszaros was the winner in the under 35 costume contest! She looked like a little German maiden, complete with a grumpy old man who smelled like beer and slept a bit! She even brought her son, Little Paulie, who looked smashing in that little pair of German "jammies" that he wore. Of course, he had 'em on backwards again, but at least he didn't need a diaper change! What a great time we had raising money for the Shrine!

Manning the bar was none other than Adolph Schultz (Brad Richards). No matter the function, we can always count on Brad – I mean Adolph to be near the bar! He just ain't a quitter.

On the microphone, the golden throat of Jerome Tappe rang loud and clear. Jerome was busy selling tickets, fleecing the crowds for cash – you know, just like a car salesman! What a talent that guy has!

The Ladies of the Color Guard also did a great

job filling everyone's tummies and making sure the flies stayed off the sour kraut! If you didn't see these lovelies, you missed out!

Oh, and those brats were the best we have ever had, but then of course that is because we had the big Weiner guy himself, Mike Kunz cooking them up! Don't take this wrong, but that guy knows a good weiner when he see's it!

Word on the street is that one of our "flock" is about to tie the knot! Don't tell anyone yet, but apparently Jesten Hayle is taking the plunge! Congratulations to Jesten and Krista! Let's hope all those old girlfriends don't crash the wedding!! Oh, they grow up so fast, don't they???

President Ian is about to give up his reign at the top office – we are not sure if he is too happy about that. Some might think he wants one more year, the way he bangs his gavel on the head table! But all things must come to an end. You know – it's just like a diaper – change can be good. Thanks Ian for your dedication, and most of all for brining Pam to all the meetings!

With deer hunting coming up around the corner, that means that the Minnesota "Holy Week" will soon be upon us! The smells of Tater Tot Hot Dish, Chili and Lasagna will soon fill our homes. The guys will soon gather in small shacks, talk about last year's hunt, and our very own Gilligan will again be attending every hunting widows party there is, just looking for a little "dear" of his own! I understand last year, he nearly got shot

climbing out of the window of some guy's house. It seems the guy came home early, only to find Gilligan trying to get the Lady of the house to smoke something funny! Please keep our little Gilligan in your thoughts this "dear" season.

In closing, we want to invite you to join us for a meeting and meal sometime. It is always great to have guests at our meetings. Our meetings are the 3rd Monday of the month, starting at 5:30 with Past Potentates Ponderings, then a meal and meeting to follow! Bring a friend and your lady too!

Keep your leaf blowers plugged in!

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## Mandan Indians

### *Had a Great Time Putting on EA Degree*

Well, we all had a good time at Moon Lodge in Washburn. The Masons in Washburn know how to put on Moon Lodge. There were 30 or more members watching the Mandan Indians put on the EA degree. I sure hope Howard Anderson will stay with it; great job.

Then we did the big one at the Indian Mounds. There were 35 or more Mason and Shriners. We thank Dale Sandstrom for all your work getting us back in there. And I am proud to say I am a Mason and Shriner with the great brothers I have.

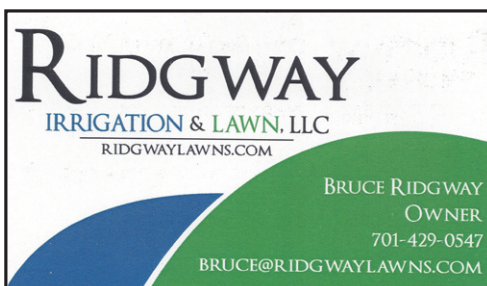
We are getting two new members in Steele Lodge. They were asked why they had never joined before and they said no one had ever asked them.

NOW PLEASE TAKE DUE NOTICE: There will not be anymore Shrine lunches on Fridays. – BUT we will be starting a Masonic dinner and meeting on Thursdays, starting at 5pm til 7pm. It will be at the Amvets in Bismarck in the back bar. Like always it will be chicken and ribs, the best in town – So, “c’mon down”. It is also open to wives and girlfriends or both.

Kim Lewis will run the meeting. So if you are in town from Fargo and Jamestown come eat with us and hear what is going on. If you want to know more contact Edward at 701-255-1687.

It is time to strike the teepee until next month

**Chief Mato**  
**Edward J C Dockter**



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## Jamestown Clowns

### *Razzle Dazzle and a Little Harassment on the Way*

Pumpkins are gone, winter is on the horizon. Our Pumpkin Patch, as we lovingly call it, has been put away. A little tribute is needed for S Looyesen, and his crew, a big crew I might add. Everyone from Larry and Gannon, to Aaron, and Jon, and of course Jody B., and the other 50-60 or so Nobles and ladies. WOW, what a crew! None of the greatness could have been attained without them, and everyone else too.

Seth our glorious president said it best, "I guess I'm just here to walk around and take insults from everyone, and let them have fun". Think about that...If that ain't a great clown attitude, nothing is!! All of us Clowns, have that same ethic, it's for the kids, and we don't need a splendiferous thank you, or a magnificent gesture to thank us. WE thank our community for supporting us and allowing us to be fruitful in our philanthropy. But really, Seth is just a push over. WE HAVE FUN and are THE BEST UNIT IN EL ZAGAL!!

Holiday Dazzle Parade is November 26th. -- CLOWN for a NIGHT is just around the corner, December 4th. First Saturday of the month; Jamestown CIVIC Center. I am guessing it will be a fantastic evening of fun, food, and great social interaction. Theme is, "Clown n around". The poster should be in this Camel Tales, find it and read it.

January 7th, ROAST THE POTE. It should be good. After all, Fluff has told me in confidence that he is SO grateful that he has had everyone's support and unwavering reinforcement that he is an outstanding Potentate..

November is just a stepping stone for the fun and games in December, and January. I will suggest that ALL CLOWNS show up for Clown for a Night and especially for ROAST THE POTE on January 7 in Fargo. It is said we have about 120 clowns, seems like 40.

Just a mention. Seth used the hammer TWICE at our October meeting. WOW, way to go you castigating guru of the Clowns.

We are told there will be a CLOWN CHRISTMAS PARTY, more to come on that.

Last, Bob Nustad has been mowing the grass for us -- for eternity -- and a wonderful job I might add. SOOOO, A BIG THANK YOU.

Thanks for Reading This,  
**Weezer**

## Bismarck Dusters

### *Active Participation Abundant On the Western Prairie*

This is the third article I have written in the last three months for the Camel Tales. It seems the other went into "nether-land" or somewhere beyond the pale. In any event it gives me a chance to recap events:

We had three events at three member's homes – Bob Simmers in July, Rod Rick in August and Travis Will in September. It was reported that all of them were good. By the way, Rod Rick had told the Dusters that he had sold his house in Bismarck and was moving to Pelican Rapids, Minnesota but was planning to keep his residency in North Dakota.

The picnic for the Scottish Rite Language Center was held on August 18th with many Dusters present. We also had at least seven cars in the Autumnfest parade on September 11. The annual fly-in hosted by the Dusters (among others) at Bob Simmer's airport hangar on September 12 was again a success. Bob reported that about 1,000 people partook of the breakfast, about the same as pre-Covid days!

A number of events were also held by local lodges. Beer and brats night was held by Bismarck Lodge 5 on September 14.

On September 22 the Washburn Lodge sponsored their annual Fort Mandan Day, with the degree team of the Mandan Indians putting on the third degree in full form at the site of the monument to Lewis and Clark about fifteen miles west of Washburn.

This is an official monument constructed by the Grand Lodge of North Dakota and maintained by the North Dakota Grand Lodge Foundation.

The Lewis and Clark Lodge #132 sponsored their annual degree work at the Indian Mounds at Fort Lincoln recently, putting on the Entered Apprentice Degree. It was done by the Mandan Indians in full regalia!

This week, on the 14th, we Shriners from the Bismarck-Mandan area enjoyed a very good dinner at the Apple Creek Country Club, sponsored by El Zagal, for all local Shriners; honoring those who received numbers of year membership awards.

Until next time keep...em Rollin'...Rollin'... Rollin'

**Jerry Skogley**  
**Duster Scribe**



## Temple Raffle

*Watch Out, We're Coming In Hot!!*

What a ride this has been. It is great to see so many Nobles behind the Temple Raffle for the Shriners Healthcare in Mpls. As of the writing of this article, we only have 350 tickets that are not in someone's hands to sell, and we are well on the way to collecting the sold books.

At the October Stated Meeting, I provided an update on the units that have sold and turned in books; the Provost and Misfits were leading the way to Parade to Glory credit. There is still time to help your unit gain valuable Parade to Glory credit all while helping the Shrine Hospital.

With winter knocking on the door, we are running out of opportunities to showcase the

Bobcat and hospital, but there are still some out there. We will be showing at the EZ Gun Show in November, and have room for more opportunities. Deer hunting season is coming up; there should be a gathering of people someplace who are willing to buy tickets. Let's find them.

Tickets can be obtained from Jeff Anderson in Gwinner, Mike Dow, PP in Fargo, and Mike R in Moorhead, MN. You have options and no excuses. Get your tickets now before we run out, which would be a good thing. In early December, we will be calling in all unsold books.

**PP Mike Dow**  
**Mike Rieckman**



## Jamestown Mystics

*Committees Make Plans As  
2021 Comes to a Close*

Hello everyone in El Zagal, hope everyone is well.

We had our unit meeting on October 12th and The Mystics were in charge of cooking. A big thanks to Bryan Burrow and the crew, it was delicious. And thanks to the bar keeps Scrappy and Beer Man (AND THEY CAN MAKE A MEAN DRINK).

Wow, it's pumpkin season and we are already planning our Christmas party. WOW...Time is flying. It won't be long and it will be time to turn on the lights on Shriner Hill. It's the best time of year.

Brock and Colin have been busy winterizing the parade units and greasing and changing oil on the van so we're ready for "trips on a thankful".

Gun Raffle chairman Jim T. is preparing the 2022 gun raffle and tickets will be ready by the 1st of the year.

Fishing for a Cause committee just finalized the 2021 event and it was a success. Hopefully 2022 will be as good, if not bigger and greater.

Executive committee has been working hard on new Officers for 2022. WHO WILL BE THE NEW PREZ?

That is all for now  
Thanks,  
**Jamestown Mystics**




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*Past Potentate Mike Dow Receiving  
Life Membership Award*



*PGM Arnold Ellingson(60 years) and  
Vernon Haybeck(50 years)*

60<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**CLOWN FOR A NITE**  
*Party*  
**Saturday,  
December 4th, 2021**  
at the Civic Center (west door)

Dress Theme ~  
**CLOWN-N-AROUND**

Comedian ~  
**WES MATHISON**

Dance to ~  
**"TRIPWIRE"**  
**CLOWN SKIT**

Social 5:30 pm  
Meal 6:00 pm  
Band 9:00 pm to close  
Meal Provided  
by K.C. Hall

Tickets ~  
**\$35.00**  
MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND

For information or tickets contact  
Truman 701-269-0660  
Proceeds are for the benefit of Jamestown Shrine Clown activities





## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### December 2021

- 4 – Circus Meeting
- 4 – Saturday Burgers
- 4 – Clown for a Night at Jamestown
- 11 – Shrine Kids Christmas Party
- 11 – Saturday Burgers
- 18 – Saturday Burgers
- 24 – Office Closed
- 25 – Christmas
- 25 – No Saturday Burgers

### January 2022

- 1 – New Years/Closed
- 1 – No Saturday Burgers

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Saturday Burgers
7	8	9	10 Divan Meeting	11	12	13 Circus Meeting with Annual Election Saturday Burgers
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Gun Show Saturday Burgers
21 Gun Show	22	23	24 Pizza, Puzzle & Beverage at 6pm	25 Thanksgiving/Office Closed	26 Office Closed	27 No Saturday Burgers
28	29	30				

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