



CAMEL Tales

POTENTATE'S MESSAGE *Shriners the "Weigh" to go!*



through July 4th. Our very own Imperial Sir. Matt would love to see a bunch of El Zagal Fezzes in the crowd. If you would like to attend or would like more information, please contact Andrea at the El Zagal office, she can get you more information or point you in the right direction to have your questions answered.

Nobles and Ladies, I hope you are excited and ready for the busiest season on the El Zagal calendar- CIRCUS TIME!! This year we have a new Circus, Carden Circus, and they are bringing new acts to entertain the entire El Zagal territory. Circus season starts April 5th in Fargo and continues through April 16th- hitting Detroit Lakes, Bismarck, Dickinson, and ending in Jamestown. The El Zagal Shrine Circus is what most people in our communities know us by, so grab your fez and join in helping make your local performances a huge success, all while getting the word out about our great philanthropy.

Mark your Calendars for May 14th. This will be our first Stated Meeting of the year, and with that we will have two special guests from Shriners Children's. Both the Director of Philanthropy, Kelly Miller and Senior Director of Philanthropy, Dan Winter, are making their way to El Zagal to thank our center for all the donations that YOU have made over the years! For the out-of-town units and clubs, please consider sending out a few representatives - let's give them a full room to speak in front of.

Did you know that Imperial Session is open to all Nobility? Now is the time to start planning on attending the Shriner International Imperial Session in Reno, Nevada June 30

Finally, if you are looking for something a little closer to home, mark your calendar for August 7th - 10th. The Midwest Shrine Association summer session will be in Lacrosse, Wisconsin this year and Zor Shriners are planning a top-notch session with lots to do. A poker run, Amish tour, axe throwing, golf, moonshine tasting, marketplace and two parades are all in store to name a few! This is something you won't want to miss. Please let your unit or club president know so they can get you signed up for the fun.

Unfortunately, we do not have a patient spotlight article this month but are looking forward to having one ready for next month.

Until Next month- keep "Shrining"

Yours in Faith,

Travis Will
El Zagal
2024 Potentate

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Mark Your Calendar!

Fargo Circus	April 5-7
Detroit Lakes Circus	April 9
Bismarck Circus	April 12-13
Dickinson Circus	April 14-15
Jamestown Circus	April 16
Style Show	April 20
Trivia Night	April 20
Shriner 5K	April 27
Suds N Spuds	April 27
All Widows Night Table Lodge	April 28
Stated Meeting (with guest speakers)	May 14
Oilers Golf Tournament	May 17
Spring Ceremonial	May 31 - June 1



TUESDAY BURGERS

5:30PM TO 7PM

Official Call

The regular stated meeting of El Zagal Temple will be held on
Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7pm
 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, Travis Will, Potentate.

TUESDAY BURGER UNIT SCHEDULE

5:30PM - 7PM

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| APRIL 2 PROVOST | MAY 7 EMP |
| APRIL 9 ARAB PATROL | MAY 14 NO BURGERS
(STATED MEETING) |
| APRIL 16 EMP | MAY 21 DIRECTOR STAFF |
| APRIL 23 DIRECTOR STAFF | MAY 28 MISFITS |
| APRIL 30 MISFITS | |

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WELCOME

Make plans to attend the Midwest Shrine Association (MSA) 2024. Hosted by Zor Shriners in historic La Crosse, Wisconsin. The city is nestled below the steep bluffs overlooking the beautiful Mississippi River. One of the most scenic areas in America!



August 7 - 10

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POKER RUN
ZOR DOWNTOWN LA CROSSE WALK THE BLOCK POKER RUN
August 8th and 9th, 2024

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Aug. 9, 2 pm - 4 pm

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For more information go to:
<https://zorshriners.com/msa-2024>



FORE! OUCH! Sorry!

We are relaunching a favorite sporting event to El Zagal, Two Club Tuesday!

Shrine members can play El Zagal Golf Course for FREE on Tuesdays! Make it a challenge and only use 2 clubs. We are formulating thoughts for a league, fun nights, and membership nights.

We are open to ideas for the summer, it's all about having fun with our fellow nobles and potential nobles. Submit your ideas to golf@elzagal.org. Our so-called winter will soon be over, start thinking summer.

Joel / Nathan / Mike

Fargo El Zagal Shrine Circus

April 5th, 6th and 7th at the Fargo Dome will have an all-new show presented by Carden Shrine Circus Extreme. The excitement is building and I'm sure we are in for a great show with so many new acts. We will have elephants, camels, horses, clowns, BMX bikes, contortionist, trapeze, a laser show, and jugglers and more clowns just to name a few of the 19 different acts. The center ring will have all the old and a few new activities for the family - elephant rides, camel rides, pony rides, face painting, photos with Bumblebee from the Transformers, and a circus train.

Tickets have gone on sale at The Fargo Dome and area retailers like Hornbachers, Family Fare, Cash Wise and PetroServe.

Thanks

Mike Hennebray



Ladies Auxiliary

After a very mild January and February we eagerly welcome spring and the El Zagal Style Show with its theme "Let Your Style Bloom." We have 4 participating stores in this event:

- Fusion Boutique at Scheels
- The Cabi Line
- Halberstadts on Broadway
- Alan Evans Bridal

The event is on Saturday, April 20, 2024; start time 10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$20.00 which includes lunch and dessert and door prize drawings.

Our ladies appreciation Luncheon was held on Saturday, March 9th. The luncheon was excellent and enjoyed by all. Mega Thanks.

If you have not had a chance to attend the WGA 4 Kids Annual Meeting in the Twin Cities, please consider it as it is most informative. Check with Sue Paul if interested at 701-238-1248. The date is April 21 & 22 2024.

The next meeting of the auxiliary is on Saturday, April 13th at the Shrine at 10 a.m. As of our last meeting we have 66 pd members in the auxiliary.

Thanks ladies for your support.

Thought For the Month,
Your attitude determines your direction in life!

Auxiliary Reporter
Barb

2024 El Zagal Auxiliary Schedule

Shrine Temple: 1429 3rd St. N., Fargo, ND 58102

- ✓ April 13th – Saturday at 10:00am – Meeting
- ✓ April 20th – Saturday at 10:30am – Style Show
- ✓ May 8th – Wednesday at 6:30pm – Potluck
- ✓ June – off
- ✓ July – off
- ✓ August – off
- ✓ September 11th – Wednesday at 6:30pm – Meeting
- ✓ October 12th – Saturday at 10:00am – Meeting & Make Blankets
- ✓ November 9th – Saturday at 10:00am – Meeting & Election of Officers
- ✓ December 7th – Saturday at 11:30am – Christmas Luncheon



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Jamestown Mystics

Hello everyone in El Zagal, hope all is well. February 23 The Jmst Shrine club hosted The Annual Stag fundraiser. I want to thank everyone that was involved in making this a huge success. It was another Grand Slam. Special thanks to Jonny B and his staff. The food that they produced was Amazing.

A few Mystic brothers and their wives took a little break as they traveled to Cabo for a week to get rested up to finish the year strong. As we were at the swim-up bar indulging in adult beverages, a Shriner from Barnesville MN. noticed my Shriner tattoo on my shoulder and asked where we were from. Holy cats... What a small world as he was a member of El Zagal also. Of course, by the end of the week we had him signed up for a \$100 gun raffle ticket and a couple FFAC \$20 raffle tickets, and I think Breadman even sold him a cash calendar.

Jamestown hosted the 45th Annual St Patrick's Day running of Green Pub Crawl. The Elks club is Pub #5. Breadman and Beerman had the 2 main prizes (AODES 2024 Trail-cross 450 side x side and A Can Am Renegade 110 EFI 4-wheeler) on display selling tickets. I lost track but we sold a lot of tickets.

El Zagal Mystics are back in the saddle. Our 43rd Annual Fish Fry was held at Shadys Banquet room. Another Grand Slam. Thanks to all that made this possible.

The 13th Annual Gun Raffle tickets are being sold. \$100 gets you a chance to win 20 high end guns or 5 cash prizes. You have a great chance to win since there's only 500 tickets sold. Get your tickets soon as they are selling fast.

THE FRIDGE (El Presidente) or Colin W. has our 5th Annual FFAC raffle tickets out. Get your tickets. \$20 or 5 for \$100 bucks. Gets you a chance to win a 2024 AODES Trail-cross 450 side x side or A Cam Am Renegade 110 EFI 4-wheeler and much more .

Don't forget to put this on your calendar AUGUST 10, Fishing For A Cause Day event and Raffle Drawing. Starting at 10:00am sharp is the Kids Fishing Tournament, food & beverages, face painting, DJ by Rock'en Ronnie, ping pong drop at 12:30ish, bounce houses by Dakota Inflatables, day prizes, and raffle drawing. The Out of Line Band starts at 5:00pm - 10:00pm. Put this on your calendar, you won't regret it.

That's all for now. Catch ya next month.

Thanks
El Zagal Mystics
Howard Weispfenning



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EL Zagal Dusters

What is your name? The Dusters are taking names. The Third Annual El Zagal Car Show is in the books. The Dusters are thankful for the volunteers, participants, and attendees. Thank you if you had any part in the car show. The dance at the Elks on the first night of the car show was epic. The band was one of the best I have heard. Every car show gets better and better. Every car show has new cars and this year we had more cars and great variety.

The next step is to kick butt at the circus on Friday, April 12 and Saturday, April 13. Setup is on Thursday April 11. We have a new circus, and it should exceed expectations. Please take the time to show up for at least one performance to volunteer. The Shriners are about kids and the circus is about raising money for kids and putting smiles on the faces of kids.

Other events to come are the Band Night Parade on May 10 at 6:30 p.m. and the Spring

Jamestown Clowns

Hello to all Nobles and Ladies,

April showers bring May flowers!!! Circus Time!!! April 16, Jamestown Civic Center, A great Shriner Event!! Historic, A memory in the making. A great social event for families. I for one am grateful to be able to perform the duties of a POP Czar. It's one of those "many hands make light work" things.

Spring Ceremonial is coming fast, we need everyone who has been able to help the last few years to ALL COME AND HELP THAT DAY!!!! There will also be many opportunities to help set things up for this HUGE Ceremonial. Watch for e-mails with info.

We hosted a prom dinner for some high school students, what a lovely thing for the kids. Very well set up and organized, as the helpers were classy. Some students cried because it was so romantic.

Chuck E. and Dave H. are going to head up "Clown for a Night" HOORAY!

Our unit meeting was over the top, and with the kitchen staff making mint shakes, the meal was succulent as well. Great job guys!!!

My wife and I were in AZ for a week, and we were able to have dinner one night with Bob, Carol, and Carol and Joel and Steve and Robin. Fantastic!!!! I was able to enhance Bill L.'s golf game later in the week. The way he sounded, he hasn't golfed like that, since I golfed with him in Medora, WOW! That made my day. I think I had the same effect on Joel L. toonot sure, he didn't elaborate.

Parade Season will be here soon. Parades are a blast. Parades are what we are known for. Parades are fun, watch for info on any parade, and join the fun, Clowns are the most desirable in any Parade. The general population expect and should not be disappointed when it comes to Clowns and a Parade. Just Sayin.

Thanks For Reading This.....Wheezer..

Ceremonial in Jamestown. Let Bob Bartosh know if you are going to the Spring Ceremonial. The Dusters will pay each member's and lady's registration fee. The Dusters are hosting the Fall Ceremonial Bismarck on September 20 and 21. We will support our Pote, Travis Will, with the most ostentatious, Epicurean, and exclusive ceremonial of recent memory! This will be a must attend.

We are ordering name badges. If you do not have a name badge, contact Rick Kramlich or Bob Bartosh.

Kicking butt and taking names. For now, and always.

T.J. "Tomato Juice" Dawson

Director's Staff

Happy April, I know everyone is looking forward to getting out and enjoying some nice spring weather and all the events going on throughout El Zagal.

April 27th, we kick off the morning with Beyond Runnings 5k run and continue in the afternoon with the Director's Staff 13th Annual Suds-N-Spuds Craft Beer Tasting, Chef Competition and silent auctions. We've been working very hard visiting our local craft breweries to make sure we have a great selection for our patrons, hope to see you all there.

Salute,
Casey Schoer

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2024 Spring Ceremonial

Honorees: Jon Lindberg/Duane Dunn

"Shrine Berry Hills Resort" Jamestown Lodge May 31st and June 1st 2024

Friday, May 31st – Dress theme – Cruise attire

- 9:00-10:15 Tee times 4-person scramble at Jamestown Country Club
(Call for sign-up 701-252-8448) shot gun start 10:30AM
- 4:30-6:00 Registration at the lodge
- 5:00-7:00 Meal for all/Pote's Reception
- 6:30-8:30 Shrine River Cruises
- 7:00-8:30 El Zingo
- 9:00-9:30 Wheel of MisFortune
- 8:00-10:30 Social at Lodge, Entertainment, and Games

Saturday, June 1st Day Attire – unit attire/all nobles wear fez, evening attire – casual/all nobles wear fez

- 8:30-9:00 Registration at the Lodge with Fez fitting for new candidates
- 9:00-10:00 1st and 3rd section, ladies welcome @ Lodge
- 10:00 Parade assemble, 10:30 Parade downtown, lineup in front of City Hall
- 11:30-12:00 new ladies orientation, Location TBD
- 12:00-1:30 Ladies social and lunch, location TBD
- 12:00-12:45 Men's Moslem feast @ Lodge
- 1:00-2:00 2nd Session – Nobles and candidate only @ Lodge
- 5:30 Social at The Gladstone – casual dress
- 6:30 Dinner at The Gladstone
- 7:30 Fez Presentation, unit announcements, speakers & Honoree Program

Hotel Information: (Contact the hotel directly)

- Rooms reserved at: Gladstone Inn - 701-252-0700 (Room rates for the weekend are \$85.00 per night (double rooms only). **Block reserved until May 17th 2024**)
- Camping also available at the Lodge Park!

Mail registration and payment of \$100.00/ person by May 11 to:
 EL Zagal Shrine
 1429 3rd ST N
 Fargo, ND 58102


Ladies attending the luncheon
 please call Andrea at the Temple
 for food count.
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Questions: email rick@daktel.com



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FRI & SAT 700am breakfast, guided walleye fishing (800am to 400pm), lunch on the lake, evening dinner in the dining room, nightly lodging.

Sunday JULY 21 700am breakfast, depart lodge at 800am, arrive in Fargo at 12:15pm.

Package:

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American Plan meals... This is a set daily menu with generous portions. Dinners each evening. Breakfast every morning. Sack lunches on the boat (*group walleye shore lunch on day-one of fishing*).

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MN fishing license... Purchase in advance dnr.state.mn.us, or at Ballard's Resort on arrival.

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Final Payments Due: JUNE 15

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Heya Salty Dogs!

I hope this finds everyone well.

Ballard's wants us back again this year. The contract has been signed for the "50th Annual Old Bastard's/Pote's Fishing Trip!" The dates are July 18-21st, 2023

A \$300 Deposit is required and DUE by March 31st and final payment by June 15th

We have 30 spots available this year, so get your deposit in early to secure your spot. If you were on the trip last year and get your deposit in by March 31, your spot is then secured.

Read through the flyers in this issue and let me know if you have any questions.

Please make the checks out to Ballard's Resort and send deposits to:

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Queen for the Day

Nobles & Ladies of El Zagal. We were given permission by Clara's mom to share this with you. This is why we do what we do and why we share our mission with future Nobles out there.....

Yesterday was such a gift on all levels. Clara chattered the entire way home and just now danced into my office and said, "I just love my new leg, it's so SLEEK!"



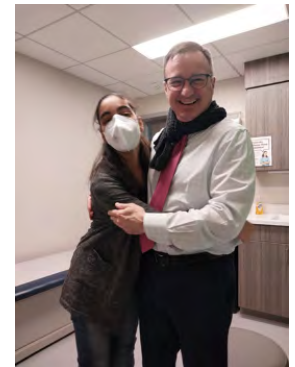
That Dr. Vara drop-in was pure gold. He's always so doctorly during appointments and I keep telling her "He's fun, Clara -- there's a sense of humor lurking barely below the surface..." Now she believes me. It meant so much that he joined us even though we weren't scheduled to see him again until May! And the IT band discussion was exactly what we needed to get her running on the new leg pain-free. Half a mile today in five minutes, then back to "Leggie" for the other 3.5 miles.

Sarah's PT help was absolutely invaluable. Clara is doing her prescribed exercises and really enjoyed their time together. As did I.

She made Dr. Moran a scarf with the hand he made her, and he was absolutely giddy, which made her entire week, possibly month. I do not have words for how much I appreciate his ability to connect with her and put her at ease. Winning Clara over is a long-haul process. ;)

Lauren (marcom), it was amazing to finally meet you in person -- that made MY week. I loved the video you posted!

And Becky (prosthetist), Clara's only "missing element" for the whole day was "it was so crazy I felt like we didn't get much alone time with Becky." ;)



We have always been grateful for the care Clara has gotten at Shriners, but I think we've finally reached the point where she has overcome her early medical trauma sufficiently that she can take the reins and "drive" her own health care journey to some extent. (And a point where I can interact during appointments rather than wrangle a wild child and just pray to get out the door in one piece.) ;) Your team at Shriners has helped her achieve that -- I love that they talk to her like she's just a smaller adult. That isn't always the case, and I want you to know that even beyond the stellar medical care she receives there, the interpersonal stuff is just as important. Navigating the world is hard when you stand out. Having a place where an entire team of adults is focused on helping you be your best self and where your "difference" isn't so different at all is such a gift.

So, a million thanks from my girl and from me! And for making her feel like a "Queen for a Day."

Kelly Wentz - Board of Governors
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Sat	Nov 9	Fort Lauderdale, FL		4:00pm
Sun	Nov 10	At Sea		
Mon	Nov 11	At Sea		
Tue	Nov 12	St. Maarten	8:00am	6:00pm
Wed	Nov 13	St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands	8:00am	6:00pm
Thu	Nov 14	St. Kitts	8:00am	5:00pm
Fri	Nov 15	At Sea		
Sat	Nov 16	At Sea		
Sun	Nov 17	Fort Lauderdale, FL	6:00am	

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/Imperial-Cruise>
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*We look forward to seeing
you onboard!*

Wild Game Feed 2024 is in the Books

Ladies and Gentlemen, we pulled off another very successful Wild Game Feed again. This year with excellent ticket sales, the addition of VIP tables, unit/club donation, great raffles and the Pride of El Zagal, we easily broke a record. Attendance was on par for the past few years and the building was bursting at the seams, I think Ringo needs to add an addition to his list of Buildings and Grounds projects.

This was my first year as chairman of the WGF, and I have to say that it really wasn't that bad. It certainly keeps a guy busy for sure, but I have such a great group of people helping with each and every phase of the event. I was able to trust in the process and continually reminded myself "This isn't our first rodeo".

I'd like to recognize my co-chairs for the event. Rocky - Money room, Shawn Engelsrud - MC, Shane Hieberg - IT & sound, Travis Leach - tickets, Cal Braun - live raffles, D Hennebry - Hawkers, Casey Schoer - gaming, Patricia - the bar and bartenders which was "all hands on deck", Scott Schaefer, Jason Kaufman, Mike Holtz and a band of Misfits - kitchen & food prep the day of, Ringo - "Pride of El Zagal" raffle board and he also took care of our shopping at Scheels.

The El Zagal Shrine
Wild Game Feed
Anyone 21 or under must attend with legal guardian. All ages need a paid ticket.
Saturday, February 15, 2025
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
"Food served until gone"
Social and early bird games start at 4 pm
Grand Prize drawings at 9:00 pm
El Zagal Shrine
1429 3rd St. N. Fargo, ND
PRIZES
1st Prize \$1000 Scheels Gift Card
2nd Prize \$750 Scheels Gift Card
3rd Prize \$500 Scheels Gift Card
4th Prize \$250 Scheels Gift Card
Additional games and raffles throughout the night
**Must be 18 or older to participate in raffles (proceeds benefit Temple operation only and is not a charitable donation)
\$40.00 in advance
Limited Tickets so get yours in advance, tickets may not be available at the door.
(Need Not Be Present To Win)

The preparation that goes into this event the week before is quite a feat. Everyone does their thing to bring together a great assortment of wild game for all to enjoy. I had nothing but compliments on how great the food was.

Again, I'd like to tell everyone THANK YOU for participating, attending and/or helping out this year and making our Wild Game Feed another successful event. If your lady, family or friends helped out this year please pass the word along to them, we couldn't do what we do without them. I can't begin to list all the people I need to thank; the list is way too long, and I'd hate to miss anyone. I want you all to know I appreciate everyone's hard work.

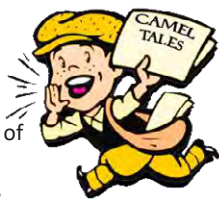
I'll have a full report at the next stated meeting in May, It should be a great report.

Mark your calendar
Wild Game Feed 2025 is February 15th, 2025.

Mike Hennebry
WGF Chairman
Get your rest, I'll need you all again next year! ☺

El Zagal Camel Tales Submissions:

- To help insure accurate information, please include all names and locations of photos submitted.
- Submission deadline for Camel Tales is the 18th of each month prior.
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WHERE:

Reno Events Center (Imperial Session)
Reno Ballroom (Marketplace & Shriners Zone)
Reno, Nevada

WHEN:

June 30 - July 4, 2024

Be Part of the Fun and Fellowship of Imperial Session in Reno!

Welcome to the official website for the 2024 Imperial Session in Reno, Nevada. Check our site often for updates on the schedule of events, All Nobility Evening, Ladies Luncheon, Marketplace, Parade and more.

Located where the mountains meet the desert, Reno is known as the Biggest Little City in the World. With its energetic downtown with eclectic restaurants, coffee shops, beer halls and picturesque Wingfield Park, Reno has so much to see and do for all ages.

For more information: <https://imperialsession.com/>

18th ANNUAL EL ZAGAL MYSTICS GUN RAFFLE & CASH DRAWING



- Shotgun - Browning Silver Blk Lightning 12ga. 3"
- Rifle - Ruger American 243 Blk
- Pistol - Glock 17 9MM
- Shotgun - Benelli M2 Max 7 12ga.
- Rifle - Ruger American FDE 17HMR
- Pistol - Kimber R7 MAKO 9MM
- Rifle - Savage Axis II XP Wood 308
- Pistol - Taurus Judge 3" Mag Blue 6-1/2" 45LC/410
- Rifle - Henry Silver Eagle 22 Mag
- Rifle - Weatherby Weatherguard Bronze 300
- Shotgun - Stevens 555 O/U 20ga.
- Pistol - Springfield Armory Hellcat Pro Kit 9MM
- Rifle - Browning X-Bolt Hunter 243
- Rifle - Remington 700SPS 6.5 Creedmoor
- Rifle - Tikka T3X Blk 300 Win
- Pistol - Kimber Stainless II 45
- Shotgun - Stoeger Uplander 20ga.
- Pistol - Sig Sauer P320 x 10MM
- Rifle - ATI ARI5 300 Blk 16"
- Rifle - Christensen Arms Mesa 6.5 PRC
- Cash Drawing - \$500⁰⁰
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Tickets
\$100.00 Each
Only
500 Sold



Drawing Friday, June 21st, 2024 Gladstone Inn Banquet Room 7:00 PM Appetizers will be served during the drawings

RULES FOR THE JAMESTOWN EL ZAGAL MYSTICS GUN RAFFLE

- Must be 18 years of age to purchase a ticket.
- Each winner will be responsible for sales tax on the merchandise/gun won from Gun & Reel Sports.
- All guns may be picked up at Gun & Reel Sports of Jamestown after June 26, 2024.
- All guns or merchandise must be picked up by August 1, 2024.
- All federal, state and local firearms regulations must be met by winner prior to receiving gun.
- To purchase tickets, contact any Jamestown El Zagal Mystic member.
- To receive cash prize call 701-252-0150. (Jeff)
- Winners will be posted on our Facebook page Jamestown Mystics.

Proceeds are for the benefit of the El Zagal Mystic Shriners activities.
Tickets are not deductible for charitable purposes.

PERMIT #1829



5K/10K Runs, Walking (Pets Welcome), Cycling

APRIL 13th 9am-1pm

*Rain Date: May 11th, 9am-1pm

**El Zagal, Fargo
1429 3rd St N
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Bike Rodeo

Bike Safety Rodeo Promotes Bicycle Safety Awareness
* Bike Skills Course * Bike Safety Check
* Helmet Fit

* Must Bring Your Own Bike
* Must Bring Your Own Helmet (if possible)

9:45am: Open Road Ride (25-30 miles)
10am - 12pm: Kid's Bike Rodeo
10:15am: "Slow Roll" Bike Ride
10:30am: Walk (Pets Welcome)
10K Run
11am: 5K Run
12 Noon: Lunch
12:30pm: Raffle



Scan & Pre-Register



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FAMILY FUN EVENT AUG 10TH

Little Tyke Fishing Tourney
(9:00am registration ages 2-15)
10:00am-12:00pm

Inflatable Games
1:00-4:00pm Prize drawings all day 1-4 (must be present to win)

Airplane Ping Pong Ball Drop
12:30pm

Face Painting
12:00-2:00pm

Food and Beverage
11:30-5:30

THE BAND
NO COVER CHARGE - FREE WILL OFFERING

DJ: Rock 'n Ronnie
12:00-4:00pm

Band: Out of Line
5:00-10:00pm

RAFFLE DRAWINGS: 7PM
Hosted by Jamestown Mystics

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CRAFT BEER TASTING

SATURDAY, APRIL 27
AT EL ZAGAL SHRINE
1429 3RD ST N FARGO
4-7PM

EVENTS

- LOCAL BEERS
- POTATO BAR
- FLAVOR FUSION
- SILENT AUCTION
- CHEF COMPETITION

TICKETS:

ADVANCED - \$25
AT DOOR - \$30

MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO PARTICIPATE
BENEFITS SHRINE TEMPLE FUNCTIONS ONLY, NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE

SHILOH LODGE #1
SPORTSMAN RAFFLE 2024

TICKETS ONLY \$10

- 1.) Ten Point Wicked Ridge 400 Crossbow
- 2.) Pit Boss Sportsman 500 Pellet Grill
- 3.) Springfield Armory 9mm
- 4.) 28" Blackstone Griddle
- 5.) Henry Golden Boy 22
- 6.) Fortress 12 Gun Safe

PRIZES AWARDED AS SCHEELS GIFT CARD FOR THE FULL VALUE OF THE PRIZE WON.

NOT A CHARITABLE DONATION
MUST BE 18 YEARS OR OLDER
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Drawing Held - May 4th, 2024, at 6 P.M.
El Zagal Shrine, 1429 3rd Street North, Fargo, North Dakota
Secure your tickets at the Arabian Room
Contact Jeff Avelsgaard at 1-701-799-3888 for ticket inquiries
Opt for ticket delivery or mailing service
Kindly return tickets and cash by May 3rd
City of Fargo Permit # R0122-23



Pet Therapy Provides Comfort and Companionship at Shriners Children's Boston
Mar 08, 2024



Rayna the therapy dog (pictured) is a regular visitor to Shriners Children's Boston, bringing plenty of smiles to patients.

Every dog owner knows the joy a pet brings to everyday life. At **Shriners Children's Boston**, volunteer dog and handler teams share that joy with our patients during monthly **pet therapy** sessions. These special visits not only lift patients' spirits, but also help facilitate the healing process in a unique and powerful way.

Child life specialist Brooke Allen was determined to begin a pet therapy program when she started working at Shriners Children's Boston in 2015. Her vision became a reality in 2017 after she formed a partnership with Scituate, Massachusetts-based Dogs Building Opportunities for Nurturing and Emotional Support (Dog B.O.N.E.S).

"There has been so much research done about the benefits of patients interacting with animals," said Brooke. "Pet therapy is an important modality for our patients to create normalization while they are in the hospital. It also helps to reduce anxiety and stress, especially if a child is very anxious about their treatment."



Shriners Children's Boston Pet Therapy Program

A spotlight on the pet therapy program at Shriners Children's Boston

The dogs that visit Shriners Children's Boston have all gone through extensive training to become certified therapy animals, through Dog B.O.N.E.S. or another accredited organization. They must demonstrate that they can listen to their handler and follow basic commands when interacting with others. Each team is also required to complete a grooming checklist before meeting with patients.

While the benefits of pet therapy are clear, the relationships formed during each session are hard for clinicians to describe. "What happens when our patients interact with a dog is something you can't fully explain," said Brooke. "The dog doesn't care what language they speak or what their injuries look like, which helps children build self-esteem and self-confidence. That aspect of our program is truly unique."

Before a pet therapy team can earn their Shriners Children's Boston ID badges, they must meet with Brooke to ensure they are a good fit for the patient population and environment. Therapy dogs typically meet with inpatients individually in the hospital recreation area, whereas outpatient group sessions take place in the lobby. Dog and handler teams are volunteers, often rearranging their work schedules, or taking time off, to fit in a visit.

Arryn and her golden retriever, Juno, have been part of the Shriners Children's Boston pet therapy program since it began. "Our visits to Shriners are always emotional and rewarding. The patients' faces light up when they see Juno," said Arryn. "Their lives have been turned upside down, some now living in a strange country. The little bit that Juno and I can do to make their day better is worth every moment of our time."



Juno the therapy dog (pictured) brings her Shriners Children's Boston ID badge, water and her favorite slipper to every pet therapy session.

Participating in pet therapy helps patients achieve therapeutic goals while giving them a bright spot to look forward to in their day. It also offers comfort to patients who are unexpectedly away from home for a long period. "Part of our role in the child life department is to help patients build positive memories in the hospital," said Brooke. "If a patient is missing their dog or pet at home, it gives them an opportunity to have that bond. It can also help us to build rapport by having a conversation about their pet, what they miss about them, and what their relationship is like."

Brooke has recently expanded the pet therapy program to include employees. The first session filled quickly with 30 staff members participating. "It's such a nice thing to be able to provide," she said. "With all of the stress our staff can experience in a day, it allows them to take a breath and be in the moment."

Shriners Children's Boston typically has a roster of four to five pet therapy teams that rotate for monthly sessions. The program includes dogs of various breeds and ages, making every session different and unique to their personality. When they have follow-up treatment scheduled, patients often ask if pet therapy will be happening. Brooke recalls the excitement of families who have had the chance to see Juno during visits a few years apart. "They can't believe it is the same dog," she said. "It is a wonderful moment for parents and patients."

At 13-years-old, Juno has spent over half of her life bringing joy to patients at Shriners Children's Boston. "She is beginning to slow down, but we will continue our visits until Juno tells me she is too tired," said Arryn. "We have been so lucky to spend time at Shriners. Brooke has implemented an incredible pet therapy program, and I am very proud to be a part of it."



Four-year-old Milo gives a kiss to a new friend during his latest pet therapy visit to Shriners Children's Boston.

Find this full article and more here: <https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/news-and-media/news/2024/03/pet-therapy-provides-comfort-and-companionship>

Pride Of El Zagal



I would like to take this time to thank the sponsors of the "Pride of El Zagal" game that was at this year's Wild Game Feed, I asked each one to donate \$500 to cover the cost of the 10 prizes and 16 Nobles jumped in to help with this event, they are David Rott, PP - Rick Qual, PP - Brad Richards, PP - Jason "Rocky" Rockswold, PP - Blake "Ringo" Wrigley, PP - Drew Likness, PP - Steve Larson, PP - Jeff Woods - Keith Lingle - Cal Braun - Mike Hennebry - Casey Schoer - Bruce Ridgway - Shaun Engelsrud - Curt Heiser - Jim Trautman.



The money from this is going to be used to help around our temple, last year's project helped pay for most of the new carpet and dance floor in ballroom.

I would also like to thank all that participated in this event by playing next year maybe more presales.

Also like to say great job to 2024 Game Feed Chairman Mike Hennebry and everyone who had a hand in make the 2024 Game feed another great event at your temple.

**Thank You All
Yours in the Faith,
Ringo, PP**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 2024

- May 7 - Burgers
- May 14 - Stated Meeting
(with Guest Speakers)
- May 17 - Oilers Golf Tournament
- May 21 - Burgers
- May 28 - Burgers
- May 31 - June 1 - Spring Ceremonial



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7 Fargo Circus	8	9 Detroit Lakes Circus Tuesday Burgers	10	11	12 Bismarck Circus	13 Bismarck Circus
14 Dickinson Circus	15 Dickinson Circus	16 Jamestown Circus Tuesday Burgers	17	18	19	20 Style Show Trivia Night
21	22	23 Tuesday Burgers	24	25	26	27 Shriner 5K Suds N Spuds
28 All Widows Night Table Lodge	29	30 Tuesday Burgers	<h1>APRIL 2024</h1>			



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