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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

Shriners the "Weigh" to go!

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Mother nature has been somewhat temperamental with us this spring, but she has given us some very nice days. I just wish she wouldn't follow up one nice day with two days of wind and cold. I guess maybe that is how she blows in a nice day again?

Upon writing this article, the circuses have just wrapped up. What a show it

was! As many of you may know, the decision was made to go with a different circus company. We had Carden Circus come to El Zagal to entertain our towns and the show was quite amazing!! I heard nothing but compliments on the new show, everyone I talked to at the performances was very impressed with the new acts. Congratulations to everyone that took the initiative to make this change, and a huge thank you to all of the circus committees and volunteers who worked so hard to make sure the circus ran smoothly. This truly is a temple wide fundraiser that stretches across all of El Zagal. It was awesome to see how every committee does the circus their own way and to visit with so many of you while I made my way from show to show. Thank you all again for your hard work and commitment, it does not go unnoticed!!

The Saturday before Easter, El Zagal hosted an Easter egg hunt for the neighborhood kids. Our Oriental Guide, Shane Heiberg, oversaw this event. Both levels of El Zagal and the Lodge were full of kids and parents. Great job to Shane for getting the word out about this event and even getting the local news to show up for an interview!

On May 17th the Oilers will hold their third annual Golf tournament at the Prairie West Golf course in Mandan, ND. If you enjoy golfing and having a great time, get a team together and come on out. They have been building this event bigger and better every year, and I don't see this year being any different.

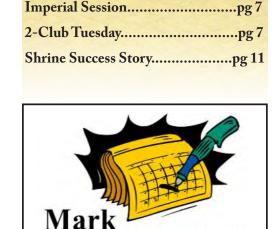
The Spring Ceremonial in Jamestown will be here before we know it. It is on the calendar for May 31-June 1. I have heard that Jamestown is pulling out all the stops again, they always do a great job with their creativity on making events unique and I can't wait to see what they have in store for us this time! The info and schedule are posted weekly in the EZ Minute and I'm sure there will be one in this issue Camel Tales as well. A way to show Jamestown our appreciation for hosting this year's Spring Ceremonial would

be to fill it up with old and new Nobles alike. I am proud to say that my two younger boys are finishing up their degree work and plan to become Shriners at this ceremonial, I would love to have you all come to see it!

Remember it is not too late to start planning on attending the Summer Midwest Shrine Association in La Crosse Wisconsin. I was out in La Crosse for the winter session, and I can tell you firsthand that it is going to be a great venue and setting for the Summer Session! Zor Shriners have put in a lot of work on the details of this year's session, and it will be a great opportunity to meet other Shriners from all across the Midwest. If you are on the fence about going, the answer is YES, you should go!

This month's patient spotlight is a spitfire of a little girl named Piper. My Lady Meghan and I had the opportunity to meet Piper at last year's North Dakota Shrine Bowl game and we can tell you firsthand about the kind of tenacity this little girl has. She was right in the mix with all those football players. I hope you enjoy the article as much as we enjoyed meeting her!

Until next month- Keep on "Shrining" Yours in Faith, Travis Will El Zagal 2024 Potentate

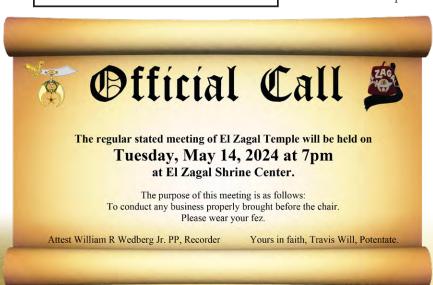


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Imperial Session_____June 30 - July 4 August 7-10



May 14th will be our first stated meeting of the year; we have a couple of Shriners Children's representatives coming to talk with Gentlemen, please plan on attending the Stated Meeting so we can give them a good crowd to talk to. While the men are at the stated meeting the ladies are invited to a night out at Brewhalla. See the flier in this month's Camel Tales for

more information.

TUESDAY BURGER UNIT SCHEDULE

5:30PM - 7PM

MAY 7 EMP MAY 14 NO BURGERS (STATED MEETING) MAY 21 DIRECTOR STAFF

MAY 28 MISFITS

JUNE 4 PROVOST JUNE 11 ARAB PATROL JUNE 18 EMP **JUNE 25 MISFITS**



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Ladies Night Out-May 14th

Let's get together and have a wee bit of fun creating our own succulent gardens while the guys attend the stated meeting!

Cost: \$42/person

6:00 pm -8:00 pm

Brewhalla

1702 1st Ave N, Fargo, ND 58102

Please RSVP to Meghan: 701-226-6438 (either call or text)

**Payment with registration would be greatly appreciated.

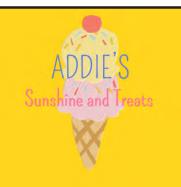
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Modern Zen Garden

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- Utilize our mobile ice cream cart to sell pre-package treats all over Fargo and Moorhead.
- Promote disability owned/led business and help transition aged youth learn job skills such as customer service, money management, and inventory.
- All profits support Spread Your Sunshine, and other nonprofits, to help underserved families create happy memories through social and educational experiences.
- Build relationships with local businesses and those who want to help promote our mission and goals.
- Grow Addie's business skills to help toward her dream of owning a restaurant in the future.





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Ladies Auxiliary

Mega thanks to all for making our style show, "Let Your Style Bloom", a great success. We had a great turn out, wonderful lunch, excellent door prizes and a great variety of fashion for both men and women.

Our purpose, and money raised, goes to the Shrine Childrens Twin City Clinic. Remember our mission "For the Love of the Child."

Our meeting held on Saturday, April 13th gave us a chance to take care of last-minute details for our Fashion Show and to plan for our May 8th (Wednesday) Potluck at the Shrine at 6:30 pm.

Currently we have 75 paid members in the Auxiliary, and we continue to make blankets for our Kids. Six at this time.

We are off June, July, and August, and look forward to seeing you in the fall on Wednesday, September 11th at the Shrine at 6:30 pm. Do enjoy the summer season.

Thought for month; "Laughter is an instant vacation." Milton Berle

Auxiliary Reporter Barb



Photos courtesy of Keith Krinke

2024 El Zagal Auxiliary Schedule

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



- ✓ 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

Jamestown Mystics

Hello everyone in El Zagal, hope all is well.

The Mystics of Jamestown just had our April meeting. A big thank you to our unit president (The Fridge Colin W.) for leading the troops. The Mystics have a lot going on like always. We just finalized our 43rd Annual Fish Fry and it was a success. Thanks to everyone that made it possible. Our 13th Annual gun raffle is in full swing, and tickets are being sold. \$100 gets you in for a chance to win 20 high end guns or 5 Cash prizes. You have a good chance of winning since there are only 500 tickets sold. GET YOUR TICKET SOON.

That's right. Our 5th Annual Fishing for a Cause Raffle is also in full swing. \$20 a ticket or 5 tickets for \$100 gets you a chance to Win some great prizes. Like a 2024 AODES 400 Side by side UTV or a Can-Am Renegade 110 EFI ATV 4 x 4 and much more.

A big thanks to Bread Man and Chef Luke for preparing supper for our unit meeting. The ribeyes were cut to perfection and grilled amazingly, baked potatoes and homemade cheese curds. Wow! Thanks again for an amazing dinner. Then over at the bar we had Scotty and Beer Man serving Frosty Adult beverages, (Best bar keeps in the house).

Hurray, Hurray. The El Zagal Shrine circus came to town. What a beautiful sight, seats were filled to the rafters. Hotdogs, circus books for \$1 to try to win a new bike, kids with smiles from cheek to cheek waiting patiently to get an elephant ride. A big thanks to Circus chairman Justin F for guiding

the troops to a 1st place victory.

Don't forget to put the Fishing for a Cause event on your calendar Aug 10th. Family Fun for everyone.

Thanks El Zagal Mystics Howard Weispfenning







EL Zagal Dusters

The Dusters met on the second Monday of the month in April for Lunch. We dined on ham, cheesy hashbrowns, mixed vegetables, and ice cream with sauce. It was like a last meal for condemned prisoners because the world ended shortly after due to the eclipse. I started to write this from an empyrean domain, but it was ephemeral due to my want to return to earth for more cheesy hash browns. Or it was just a food coma. If you are a Duster, please make an effort to come to our monthly lunch.

We just finished our Circus, and it was a new circus with new acts. It was relevant, fast paced, and a wall of sight and sound. If you missed it, you missed out. Thank you to all the Duster volunteers. It is a chance to get a glimpse of life through a child's eyes while raising money for kids. I cannot think of a better use of your or my time.

The next event is the Band Night Parade on May 10. It starts at 6:30 p.m. so be there 30 minutes early. It is one of the best parades in the state because of all the marching bands. It is also cool outside, so my

car likes it. It is also short, so I can cool off without delay following the parade.

The Pote will fez his sons at the Spring Ceremonial scheduled for May 31 and June 1 in Jamestown. It is an hour and a half away from Bismarck. The Dusters will pay each Duster member's and Lady's registration. Mileage will be paid if you bring your car. The hotel rooms are not expensive. The Shrine is very active in Jamestown, and the Ceremonial will be lively. The information is on the El Zagal website.

If you have anyone interested in becoming a Shriner, invite them and their family to the Eagles on June 7 at 5:30 p.m. for the Missouri Slope Shrine Club Summer Party. It is free for attendees. The food is like Grandma's cooking. Kids are invited. There could be cheesy hash browns.

Rock on, rock out, and rock hard! **Tim Dawson**

Color Guard Croonings



Hello from Color Guard land! I missed the last couple of issues, as I have been in intense hair replacement therapy. All seems to be going well. The only issue is that I was hoping for hair on my head, not on my back and legs. I have to visit with the doc about that!

As of this writing, we just finished up the circus in the lakes area. What a great show! The people loved it, and our own Gilligan had a whole new cast of performers to fall in love with! And he did!

Everyone pitched in and worked hard, not only in preparation, but on the day of the event. General Mike Kunz kept the cotton candy moving, dangerous Dan Holm facilitated the bike pictures, and hop along Gene Kelm had the popcorn a poppin!

It's that time of year when our snowbirds return. Even Jerome Tappe has returned from "sleepy hollow" to the lakes area. He came to make sure his young ward Randy Guetter had the coloring contest in fine shape. That Jerome is a hard worker and is usually in a good mood when we can let him take a nap in between jobs. (see picture) We did 151 bikes this year to kids!

Our new long range planning supervisor, Brikker Ware, had the candy bars all set up a whole 3 minutes before each performance – way to plan and get things done Brik!

We are entering the parade season, and we have openings for go cart drivers. We have 8 cars and would like to have at least 6 in each parade this year. This reporter has driven one, and they are a blast to drive. My dismount was not the prettiest, but skinnier guys may do better! Please reach out to Harold "Happy" Holt, our President, if you have an interest. Wayne Johnson may even give you his "special treatment" if you step up – it's always a hoot to get "Johnsoned".

As we look forward to summer, we have plans to attend the Spring Ceremonial in Jamestown and support Illustrious Sir Travis, but especially Lady Meghan! It was very kind of Illustrious Sirs Rick Qual and Fluff Sands to invite the entire Color Guard to stay at their homes. They are such nice boys! Hearing this ceremonial has a riverboat cruise theme, our very own Father Jerry has purchased life jackets for he and his Lady Jo. You see, they were told it was a gambling boat cruise, and they don't want to miss a thing!

On a sad note, on March 23rd, we laid our friend and Brother Robert Bruce Stone to rest. Bruce laid down his working tools to rest in the celestial palace. Bruce was an active member, both in Mount Tabor Lodge and in the Color Guard. We have heard many a story about Bruce and his buddies from the past. I must say, they were a braver bunch than we are now, by just listening to some of the stunts they pulled. Please keep Lady Jene' and family in your thoughts and prayers. Bruce will be missed.

In closing, the Color Guard is looking for a few good men (don't worry, Gilligan is still looking for a few good women!). It is time we replace ourselves. If you have friends or family in the lakes area, please introduce them to the Color Guard. Most of us have had our shots and are fairly friendly to hang around with! Our meetings are on the 3rd Monday of each month, with the evening beginning around 5:30 with Past Potentates Ponderings at the bar, followed by a meal and meeting. Always fun!

It's a great time to be a Shriner, but there is NOTHING FINER THAN A COLOR GUARD SHRINER!

Keep your sprouts watered!



2024 Spring Ceremonial

Honorees: Jon Lindberg/Duane Dunn

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



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
- Room block also at My Place Hotel 701-952-4400
- Camping also available at the Lodge Park!

Sign-up is through your Unit or Club only. Please contact the office ONLY if you do not have one yet.Mail registration and payment of \$100.00/ person by May 11 to:

> **EL Zagal Shrine** 1429 3rd ST N Fargo, ND 58102

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.

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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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Director's Staff

Spring has finally graced us with its presence, and the air is abuzz with anticipation. As the warm sun kisses our faces, the Competition Team gears up for an exciting season ahead. Our destination: the summer competition at MSA in La Crosse, WI.

Allow me to introduce our new Ride Captain, Bobby Anderson, who will steer us through this exhilarating journey. Alongside Bobby, we have the talented Casey Schoer, the steadfast Roger Ellsworth, the indomitable Cal Braun, and two fresh faces: Shane Heiberg and Jon Anderson.

But that's not all! The Director's Staff hosted the 13th Annual Suds-N-Spuds and Shriner 5K on April 27th. Picture this: a delightful array of craft beers from breweries across the region, paired with mouthwatering potato dishes and tantalizing toppings. And as if that weren't enough, we witnessed a Chef "Black Box" competition, where culinary creativity reigned supreme. Our esteemed panel of judges savored every bite, and we owe a heartfelt thank you to the brewers, chefs, Beyond Runnings, D.S. Nobles and Ladies for orchestrating this resounding success.

Salute, Casey Schoer







Jamestown Clowns

Hello to all Nobles and Ladies,

I need to clarify that Dave H. (Hillerud, not Horejsi) is helping with Clown for a Night. Which is December 7th. Although having known Dave Horejsi for 50 or more years, he would do well with such a position.

Circus has come and gone, WOW, what a great Circus. We all came together and worked as one to give the town a great event. Thank you all, pat yourselves on the back, it was fabulous.

Pumkin Patch has had Jon Linberg as one of the leaders and now he is old and wants to turn the responsibility over to a new advocate for the Patch. Someone step up!!!!!

Spring Ceremonial is May 31-June 1. Everyone needs to get on board and help wherever needed. Let's make this the best ever!!!

The parade is June 1. Line up at city hall at 10am, we need a turn out like never before. EVERYONE NEEDS TO SHOW UP!!! Clowns make the Parade.

We have 5 Parades scheduled for the season so far, it would be nice to have 30 clowns or so to show up every time, THAT WOULD BE TALKED ABOUT FOR YEARS, let's do it!!!!!!!

June 1 -- Jamestown Parade

June 14 – Perham Turtle Fest Parade

July 4th-- Sanborn

July 20—Montpelier
July 21—Detroit Lakes Water Carnival

July 27 Jamestown Buffalo Days (we think)

Dinner at the Lodge is May 22. Every 4th Wednesday there is dinner at the lodge. Bring a friend to let them see what we have going on

Clown Bike Run is June 15th.

One last thing. Our President broke the gavel... again. I think he takes the power of the office quite seriously, that's the third one in as many months. He did quit screaming at us, and he quit putting words in our mouth to get HIS agenda through, he is becoming a real leader.

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Basic Rules of the League: \$5.00 entry fee for the

summer. You are responsible for your own green fees. Entry form needs to be submitted to the El Zagal Shrine in the mail room box labeled 2-club golf. Players can sign up for the league up until July 1.

2-club is a league where you are only allowed to use 2 clubs for your 9 holes. This INCLUDES your putter if you choose to use it.

To be eligible for end of the season awards, you must golf 8 rounds from May 1 until August 11. You can submit up to 16 total score cards, with the best 8 being used for your average standings. Cards are to be turned in at the El Zagal Shrine 2-club golf mailbox. Cards will be collected every Thursday from the Shrine and the standings updated. DO NOT turn cards into the El Zagal Golf Course. Qualifying for the standings will begin when 8 rounds are complete. Submitting additional cards, up to 16, can improve your standings of average score. Once 16 total cards are submitted, no other cards will be accepted, so submit your best!

Golfers must sign their card (legibly so we can record it!) and have a witness sign it also. Grab a friend and have a great time! Shriners, grab a friend who is a non-Shriner and show them the fun we have throughout the year!

This is meant to be a fun league, and you are on your honor when recording your score card.

End of the year prizes will be based on the number of players in the league, and can include cash prizes, entry into the hole-in-one tournament (\$100 value) on August 15th, or others. There is no cap on the number of players in the league! Prizes will be awarded on August 13th.

Open to all men and women, but players must be 18 and older.

Green Fees for El Zagal -

Green fees range from \$13.25 - \$26.50 based on the day of the week and the time of the day. Make sure to check your rate on the Fargo Parks website: https://www.fargogolf.net/el-zagal/. Shriners, if you are playing, be aware of any special Shriner rates that may apply!

Tuesdays are a great day to golf as you can take advantage of golfing your round and then come over to the El Zagal Shrine to turn in your card and take advantage of Tuesday Night Burgers and enjoy a burger, fries and a cold beverage at our "10th Hole" from 5:30 until 7:00 PM!

Any questions? Contact us at: golf@elzagal.org Joel Swanson, Mike Rieckman, Nathan Hopper



Imperial Potentate James E. "Ed" Stolze Jr. and First Lady JoLynn Dickins and the 2024 Imperial Session Committee look forward to welcoming you to Reno, Nevada, for the 150th Imperial Session of Shriners International.

WHERE:

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

WHEN:

June 30 - July 4, 2024

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Friday, May 31 at the Depot Hotel, Minneapolis

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FAQ

- 1. Do we need to put everything in a basket? It does really need to be in a container of some kind but a basket? No! Get creative! Maybe a dog bed would work for a Dog Lovers basket, or a large planter for the Green Thumb basket. Think outside the box...or basket! ©
- 2. Do we need to tell you which one(s) we are making? Yes please! We want to make sure that we have appropriate signage ready for your basket and that we don't double up with duplicates.
- 3. Is there a price range that we should stick to? No. Some baskets have a value of \$200 and some go as high as \$1500. It's up to you! Again, use your imagination and it will be fantastic! If you want to hang on to the receipts just so you can give me an approximate value it would be great but don't stress about it. Just put in the kinds of things YOU would want to buy.
- 4. Can we include wine/alcohol? Yes.
- 5. What type of wine do you need? We can use all types of wine for our Wine Wall. This is extremely popular and will likely sell out in the first 30 minutes of the event. The only requirement is that the *VALUE* of the wine (yes, you can get it on sale!) must be at least \$20. (We must adhere to MN gambling licensing laws.)
- 6. What if we can't bring it to you? No worries! If you don't want to mail it or send it with a driver you can always send us a monetary donation (clearly marked: GALA AUCTION) and we will do all the shopping for you! Then we will list you as the generous donor at the event!
- 7. When is the Gala? Our Annual Imagine Believe Achieve Gala will be held on Friday, May 31, 2024 at the Minneapolis Depot Hotel. Cocktails and silent auction bidding begin at 6:00 pm followed by dinner, a program and live auction.
- 8. How do I register for the event? Reach out to Jennifer Sutch (<u>jsutch@shrinenet.org</u>) or me (<u>tbarlow@shrinenet.org</u>) for registration instructions and links.
- 9. I am interested in becoming a Gala Sponsor. We are actively searching for companies, groups and individuals who would like to go that extra step to help us by becoming a 2024 Gala Sponsor. Sponsorship information is attached here. It can also be found on our gala website shrinerstc.cbo.io or by contacting tbarlow@shrinenet.org or jsutch@shrinenet.org

GIFT BASKET IDEAS*



Chocolate Lovers	Coffee/Tea Lovers	Ice Cream Sundaes	
Cooking/Kitchen	Toys (boys)	Toys (girls)	
Golf	Cats	Dogs	
Movie Night	Green Thumb	Relaxation/Spa	
South Dakota Made	North Dakota Made	Nebraska Made	
Minnesota Made	Wisconsin Made	Iowa Made	
Michigan Made	Oh Canada!	Snack Time	
Game Night	Puzzle Time	Cookie Monster	
Book Club	Baby Love	4 th of July	
Running	Yoga	Fiesta!	
I'd Rather be Fishing	Italian/Pasta Night	MN Vikings	
Green Bay Packers	Twins/Saints-Take me	out to the Ball Game	
Knitting/Crocheting	Arts & Crafts	Legos	

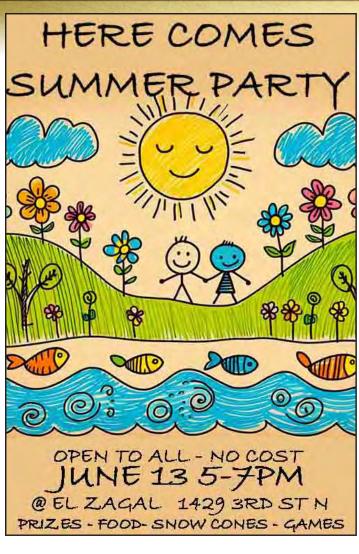
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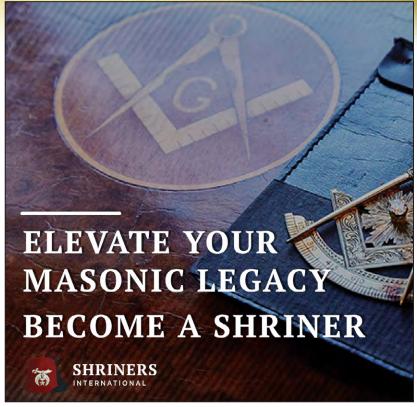
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9. Rifle - Henry Silver Eagle 22 Mag
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11. Shotgun - Stevens 555 0/U 20ga.
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Drawing Friday, June 21st, 2024 Gladstone Inn Banquet Room 7:00 PM

Appetizers will be served during the drawings RULES FOR THE JAMESTOWN EL ZAGAL MYSTICS GUN RAFFLE

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 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 Shriner activities.

Tickets are not deductible for charitable purposes.





Nobles, April 10, 2024

Get ready for the most electrifying event of the year! The Zor Shriners are thrilled to unveil the sensational Midwest Summer Session of 2024, exclusively crafted for our esteemed member Temples, Nobles, Ladies, and Families!

Prepare to be dazzled as our dedicated team has pulled out all the stops to deliver an unforgettable experience. Not only have we curated the beloved traditional activities, but we've also injected a burst of freshness with exciting new events!

We've scouted top-notch venues and handpicked captivating entertainment that promises to delight every attendee. From the grand Welcome Reception on Wednesday to the enchanting (and fully air conditioned) Parade Oasis on Thursday and the spectacular Shrine-A-Rama on Friday, each day is brimming with exceptional entertainment and culinary delights!

But the excitement doesn't stop there! We've lined up a plethora of optional activities for you to explore, ensuring there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Registering for this extraordinary event has never been easier! Simply hop online to our MSA 2024 website at www.zorshriners.com/msa-2024.

There, you'll find the easy-to-use registration portal. Don't forget to secure your spot for the Parade Oasis. Shrine-a-Rama, and the traditional Post Parade Grab-n-Go snack!

For those Temples that want to collect the information manually, fear not! We've provided convenient Word and Excel documents for your office to collect individual attendee data before your Recorder or office staff completes the seamless online registration process.

In an effort to keep this event affordable our general registration is only \$110 per adult attendee and a mere \$25 for children aged 6-12 (children under 6 can attend for free!). Optional activities and their costs can be easily viewed during online registration or on the provided attachments. For a full schedule, activity description, and a live interactive map, please visit the website.

Mark your calendars and sign up for email reminders—registration deadline is Saturday, June 15th, 2024! Be sure to secure your spot before the late fee of \$25 per registration kicks in on Sunday, June 16th. The late fee will be in effect until Sunday, July 14th, 2024, after which contact us via phone as materials and food must be ordered.

In the unlikely event of a cancellation, rest assured that our MSA cancellation policy will be applied.

Don't miss out on this extraordinary opportunity to join us for a summer celebration like no other! We can't wait to welcome you to La Crosse and the Annual Midwest Summer Session. Your 2024 event that promises thrills, laughter, and memories to last a lifetime!

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Zor Shriners MSA 2024 Committee



MSA 2024 Shriners

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(Note: Motor Corps, Clowns, Chanters, Horse Patrols will register with their own association)





Shrine Success Story

By Emily Erhardt

Emily, a Bismarck Public Schools Empower[Ed] student, sat down with Amanda and Jake Hegland, Piper's mother and father, to discuss how the Shriners have impacted their life. Read below to learn more about one of our many success stories!





Piper Hegland

This is Piper Hegland, she was born with Spina Bifida, Club Feet, and Hydrocephalus. After Piper was born the family had many people reaching out telling them they should look into the Shriners in the Twin Cities. Amanda had always known about the Shriners, but never knew what kind of medical services they offered.

Around her second birthday, Piper started having urology and orthopedic issues. The Heglands decided to see how the Shriners could help. The family has been receiving care at Shriners Children's Twin Cities since 2016. She has been seen by the Orthopedics, Neurology, Urology, Physical Therapy, and the POPs shop for bracing and equipment. Piper also had surgery on her foot through the Shriners last May.

In North Dakota, Amanda and Jake had found doctors that had never worked with Spina Bifida patients. The Shriners work with Spina Bifida patients every day. Amanda said "it's so reassuring to know that your child is in the best hands possible when it comes to treating her ailments." Amanda and Jake can not even put into words how much the Shriners have helped Piper and her family. They feel so blessed to have the medical team they have for Piper.

The Shriners are setting up Piper for success in the future by providing the best possible medical care for her, as well as helping her with medical equipment she needs.

Our Mission In Action

Compassionate, family-oriented care.

Piper used to hate going to appointments before going to the Shriners. Piper would scream and did not want anyone touching her. Once they started going to the Shriners campus, Piper loved going to see the doctors and found it more enjoyable. Amanda stated that "it starts with the friendly faces up front and on the phone, to the fun stuff to do in the waiting room." Amanda and Jake's other children also love going, and look forward to hanging out in the waiting room, playing games, and meeting the therapy dog. The Shriners usually send Piper home with a toy, which is something she now always looks forward to.



Amanda and Jake have never received a bill from the Shriners, nor have they had to pay travel expenses. The Shriners not only treat the patient but they also check in on the parents, and their other children. Sometimes kids can be affected by having a sibling with medical issues. Amanda says "they are so phenomenal."

The Shriners have met with Piper's siblings and explained her medical conditions to help them understand a little bit better. The Shriners have even offered to do presentations at Piper's elementary school to explain her medical condition. One fun memory Amanda shared with me was that the Shriners gave Halloween costumes to Piper and her siblings.

The older Piper gets, the more independent she becomes She wants to do things herself and wants to be active and be involved in everything.

Piper is now six years old and is in Kindergarten. Piper has three siblings: Fallyn, Croix, and another sibling due in March. They live on a family ranch full of cows, horses, and goats. Piper loves school and playing with her friends. She refuses to let her condition get in the way of doing the things she wants to do!

Piper played t-ball last summer for the first time and loved it. Piper will also be participating in a wheelchair track meet this winter. She was in a fashion show this fall. Piper is so excited to join 4H and show a goat this upcoming summer at the county fair. She is also looking forward to becoming a big sister again.



Do you know of another family willing to share their Shrine Success Story?

Contact El Zagal at info@elzagal.ora

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 2024 June 4 - Burgers June 11 - Burgers

June 13 - Here Comes Summer Party

June 14-15 - Grand Lodge Annual Communications

June 15 - Clown Ride

June 18 - Burgers

June 18-22 - ND Shrine Bowl Camp

June 19-20 - Outreach Clinic

June 20 - ND Shrine Bowl Ambassador Day

June 22 - ND Shrine Bowl Game

June 25 - Burgers

June 30 - July 4 - Imperial Session



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