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growth...*



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You are hereby notified of the following meetings of the nobility to be held at

Mizpah Shrine

1015A Memorial Way, Fort Wayne, IN 46805

March Stated Meeting & Special Election (Trustee)

Wednesday, March 7th - meal: 6:15pm meeting: 7:00pm

April Stated Meeting

Wednesday, April 4th - meal: 6:15pm meeting: 7:00pm

Fraternally: Dennis DeWitt, Potentate

Attest: Barry Richards, Recorder

*The purpose of these called meetings or events is to act upon any official business that may come before it.
Your presence is requested.*

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PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION TO A SHRINERS BURN HOSPITAL

Admission to a Shriners Burn Hospital is essentially the same as to a Shriners Hospital for Children. Here, however, it must be stressed that timing may be of utmost importance. The final outcome of a burn case may be greatly dependent upon the type of treatment and the speed with which it can be started. Therefore in emergency, the Chief Surgeon has the authority to admit the patient, having the application completed at a later date. If then you know of an emergency burn case, immediately call the Shine Ambassador in the area. Let's not miss a chance to put out a helping hand. Be a true Shriner!

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DON'T FORGET!

One to replace, one to grow...
Find a great man and help him be
better through freemasonry

**2018 Potentate's Ball is scheduled for
June 9th at Hotel Fort Wayne.
Contact the office for reservation info!**

Mizpah Childrens Easter Party is
March 24th. Watch the website or
Facebook for more information.



Potentate's Message

I can't believe I am writing my second article for the Allah Bi; time flies when you're having fun!

I want to thank everyone who helped make the Mizpah Public Installation of Officers successful, especially Ben Kapp who made it go off without a hitch. I also want to thank Mike Hardiek, my installing officer; my daughter Dana Cusick for singing my theme song dedicated to all Shriners Kids, "You'll never walk alone", and lastly Pam Richards for supplying our refreshments. I also want to thank anyone else that I failed to mention, a huge thank you to all.

Card night is a huge success; a lot of laughs. Join the fun, \$5.00 to play. Includes light snacks and prizes. Next card nights are March 15th and April 5th, both at 6:30. Due to the crowd we may have to move to the Imperial room.

Our Circus office suffered a huge loss on December 16th, 2017, right before the circus. Anita Callahan, Administrative Assistant to the circus office for over 23 years passed away at home. May she rest in peace. Our Circus Committee really had to step up to see what had to be done. A huge thank you to Steve Trump, Circus Director and Committee Mike Hardiek and Phil Wade for a job well done. It could not have been easy as Anita has been doing this job for years.

Thank you to all Nobles and Ladies and their families that helped at the Circus. It warms my heart to see how everyone steps up. As most of you know, Dave Bowman manages the basement. He had to have emergency surgery and is recovering well. Everyone stepped up for Dave, including his daughter's Brynna and Bella.

It seemed attendance was down as of Saturday morning. It looked like afternoon and evening shows might have made up the difference. All in all, because of all of you; we had a very successful circus.

As I am writing this beforehand, Super bowl Sunday Membership Party, Daytona Sunday Membership party and Line dancing will all be behind us. I am hoping they are well attended so we can continue having these parties. It is so important for us to all unite in fellowship and friendship. We have a mortgage to pay for and Shrine Patients to take care of. We need to have fun while doing it! If you enjoyed this and would like to do this again, please let me know.

On Feb. 26 Al Edwards will have celebrated his 94th birthday with a celebration at the Shrine. If you see Al, please wish him a happy birthday!

Our Stated meeting meals are \$7.00 including coffee and pop. Bar Drink specials after meetings include 12 oz. Pop and Draft Beer for \$1.00. March meal is Chicken Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, green beans and fruit cocktail. April meal is Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, peas, roll and Raspberry Oatmeal Bars.

On April 20th we are having a Steak Dinner from 5:30 to 7:30, cooked by our own Grillmasters Club. We will have free birthday cake to celebrate my 75th birthday. Instead of charging a cover charge we are asking you to bring an unwrapped gift for a child or a donation to the Mizpah Mortgage Principle Fund. (Checks payable to Mizpah Shrine) All children's gifts will be delivered to Chicago's and Cincinnati's Shriners Children's Hospitals equally divided.

On Friday, April 27th, Mizpah's Famous Fish Fry will be back. 5:30-7:30.

Save the date for our Potentate's Ball, Sat. June 9th.

There will be a special election at The Stated meeting March 7th for open Trustee Position.

Lastly, please support Mildred's Lounge so we can keep serving wonderful food and drinks and keep the prices down.

No Shriner Child Will Ever Walk Alone

Dennis DeWitt
Potentate

Recorder's Message

I hope and pray that we find you all well. It's been mighty cold as of late. The Circus has come and gone. Thank you to all that took part, and for all your help; it couldn't be done without it. Again, special thanks goes out to noble Ben Berry, for stepping up to take care of running Mildred's kitchen during the circus weekend, while our normal cook Jennifer was out caring for her family and was not able to be in house for the weekend.

We lost a special member of the circus when we lost Anita Callahan, in December. Anita was the Administrative Assistant in the circus office for a very long time. She will be missed much.

We have had a few changes to personnel here at Mizpah. We now have a new cook in Mildred's Lounge, her name is Jennifer Rose. She is very warm and funny. Please, try to find some time in your busy schedules to come in and say hello and welcome Jennifer along for the ride. The food is pretty good too.



In the office, the person that you have been speaking to is Karen Gouloff. Karen has been working in the office since October. Call her and say hello. She is working hard to keep the office running efficiently.

By the time that you read this message the weather outside will have broken (HOPEFULLY) for the better. Many events will have come and gone and many more will have been added to the calendar. So, if your Club or Unit has an upcoming event, please advise us of the event so that we can try to help get the word out.

We are all brothers, so let's act that way. It takes a small army to make a volunteer organization work. That means you. We need all of you to try as much as you can to make all functions work. Please, don't leave it up to the next guy to step up as a volunteer please try to take up the slack fill-in. It really does take the pressure off when new faces show. This is where we will find our future leaders.

Barry Richards
Recorder

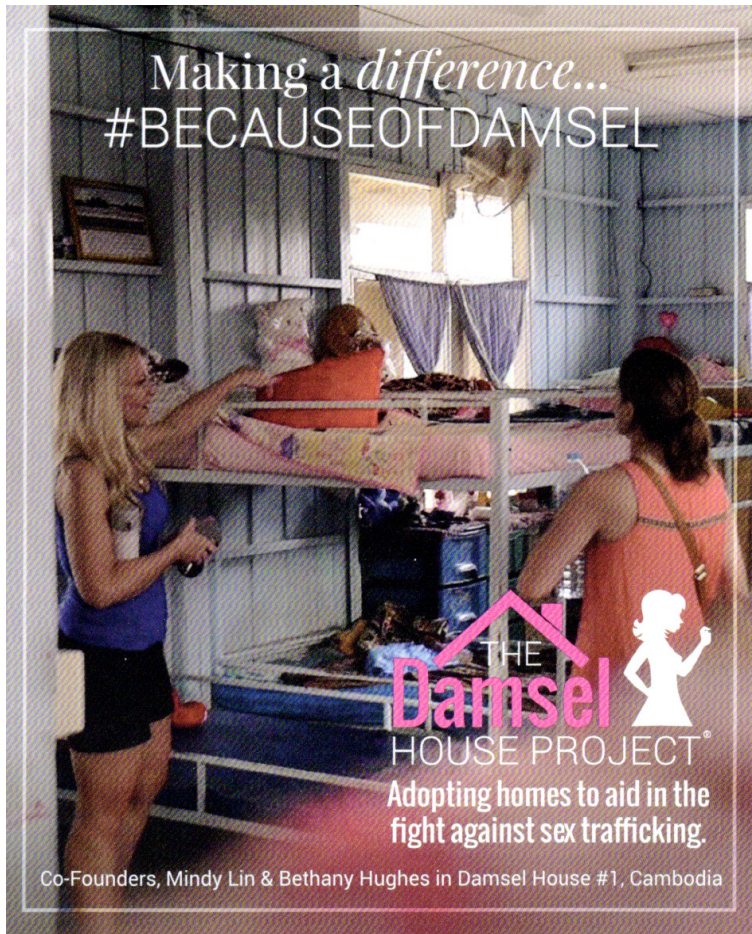


2018 First Lady's Project

In 2018, First Lady Lori has joined forces with Damsel In Defense, whose mission is to equip, empower and educate women to protect themselves and their families.

This project is about taking your safety into your own hands and caring about the well-being of those around you.

100% of the profits of items purchased through Lori's page will be applied to The Mizpah Shrine Centers Principle Mortgage Fund.



You help by spreading the word, having an Empower Hour of your own in your home, at your business, Facebook party, or online party.

Contact First Lady Lori at (260) 466-4713 or the office for more information regarding the project, getting involved or hosting your own party!

Shop directly online at
www.mydamselpro.net/PRO2012
to ensure your purchase goes to support
Mizpah Shrine's Mortgage Fund!

Potentate's Notes - March/April

March 3rd: Yoshi Beer & Chips

March 7th: Stated Meal 6:15: Meeting 7 PM, Chicken and Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit Cocktail, Coffee or Pop \$7.00

Drink Specials

March 15th: Card Night \$5.00 to play, 6:30, Includes Light Snacks and Prizes. Drink Specials

March 23rd: Dinner 5:30-7:30 Karaoke in the bar. 6:30-10:30 Open to the Public, Drink Specials

March 24th: Mizpah Kids Easter Party

March 24th: Grillmasters Bourbon Tasting

Drink Specials:

12 oz Pop or Draft Beer \$1.00

Oliver soft red or white wine \$2.50

April 4th: Stated Meeting w/meal 6:15. Meeting at 7PM Stated Meal: Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, Peas, roll and Raspberry Oatmeal Bars. Coffee and Pop included \$7.00

April 5th: Euchre 6:30. \$5.00 to play. Includes light snacks and prizes. In Mildreds Lounge. Drink specials available.

April 20th: Potentates 75th Birthday Party. Steak Dinner by Grillmasters 5:30-7:30. Dance following with Band "Bad Advice" Classic Rock, Huey Lewis, Journey, ect. Please Bring an unwrapped gift for a child to be delivered to Chicago and Cincinatti Shriners Childrens Hospital divided equally or a Donation made out to Mizpah Shrine to go to the Mortgage Principle Fund. Drink Specials available.

April 27th: Mizpah's Famous Fish Fry 5:30-7:30pm

Drink Specials:

12 oz pop or draft beer \$1.00

Oliver Soft Red or White Wine \$2.50

Join
Denny and Lori

POTENTATE'S BALL

Saturday, 9 June 2018 | 5:00 pm
Ramada Plaza Hotel | 305 E Washington Center Rd



Make a purchase at Mildred's Lounge
to receive an extra entry ticket
into the drawing
for a spectacular door prize.
Must be present to win.

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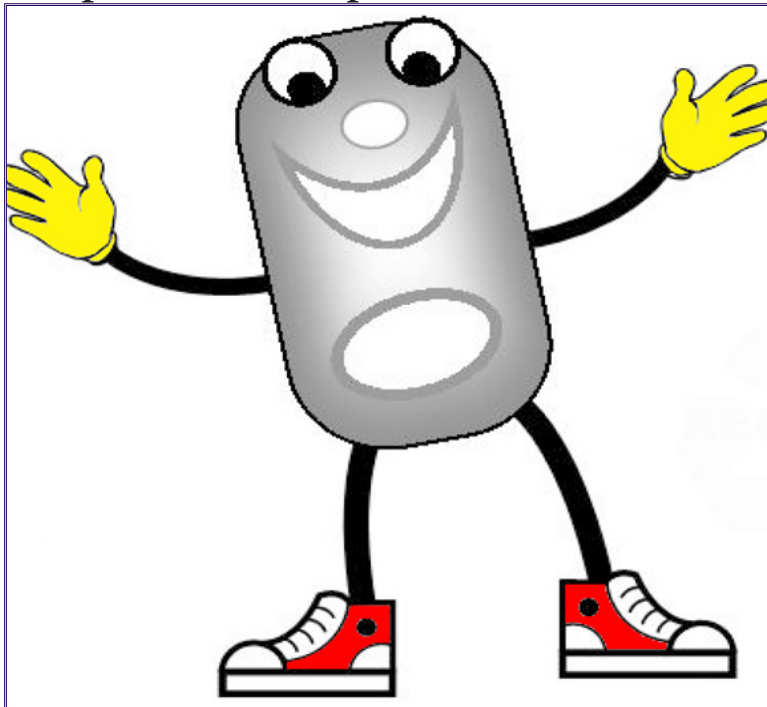
This is a formal event
\$50.00 / person
Music by Chris Worth



Pulling for the Kids

Pull Tab Contest

Open to all Mizpah Clubs and Units



Mizpah is collecting pull tabs for our Shrine Hospitals!

The club or unit with the most collected will be selected to send representatives to the Chicago Hospital to deliver them in person.

The contest runs from December 1, 2017 to March 1, 2019.

All pop tabs should be collected in a gallon milk jug with the club or unit name written on the outside of the milk jug with a lid on it. The milk jugs can be brought to the Mizpah Temple. They will be weighed and totals kept in office.

The club or unit with the most collected and turned in every quarter will be recognized and awarded a prize.

The grand prize will be presented at the April stated meeting in 2019.
See the Mizpah website for more information.

Horse Patrol

The new year has started busy as usual, siding is ordered for Ed's Shed to help protect our equipment and new flooring is planned for the kitchen and baths next.

LNO only produced a few, but all had fun and lots of Pizza at the club house, including the Smith's youngsters. We played a new game of Three Dice and Justin's daughter Abby showed us how to run off with the prize. Feb. LNO was at the Cork and Clever, and mark your calendar for March 17th at The Boat House at Winona Lake, Warsaw, as well as April 14th at Don Halls Gas House, Fort Wayne. Happy hour at 6:00pm with dinner at 7:00.

Spring Fling will be April 6th from 6:00p to 11:00pm, and tickets are available from most Horse Patrol members or give me a call 609-7925 so you don't miss out on a chance on the Henry Silver Eagle or grand prize of \$3000.00, and a great steak by the Grill Masters and lots of fun. See you there.

We did get a break in the weather to get nearly 100 buses in and parked for the Circus by 7 members: John V, Trent and Justin Smith, Jerry Jenkins, Bruce Putman, .FNG Steve Scott, and myself. All went well with no kids left-over to feed the tigers. When all the smiley faces loaded, we got the buses back on the road and the kids back to their books. On Shrine Nite Friday evening we carried the Military Flags in with the Color Guard to open the show along with the "VOICE", Potentate Denny's daughter Dana who sang the "National Anthem. It's such a pleasure to hear it done so great... Nice job Dana, y'all come back. Many comps to Dir. Steve Trump and his crew who all work so hard to make Mizpah Circus the best.

The horses are still on break with winter coats about ready to shed to get ready to perform and look good for us. Maybe I'll go talk to mine to be nice to me .

Happy Trails
Ray Giant

It's that time again to start preparing for our Sixth Annual Sportsman's Raffle!

The date for this year's raffle will be Saturday, September 8, 2018, and as in the past the event will take place at the Mizpah Horse Patrol Grounds. All clubs and units may participate and will receive information in the April/May timeframe about table rental and raffle item approval. We should have our 2018 Indiana Gaming License permit number in the next couple of weeks, and must be included on your raffle ticket.

Remember we need volunteers to help set up Friday, September 7 and tear down the evening of the raffle and most of all we need your help at getting the word out and selling tickets.

*****When selling our main raffle tickets we require three pieces of information on each ticket:
Full Name, address including zip code and a phone number.*****

Your Raffle Committee members would like to thank everyone who sold tickets, provided sponsorship and turned out to help with last year's event. Without your support this event would not be the success it is. Thank You!

Thank you for all your support.
Steve Cowan, P.P.
Cell: 260-740-2695, aes72@earthlink.net

Hopefully this finds you in good health.

2018 is shaping up to be another very busy year. Our Potentate is working hard to build upon the successes of his predecessors while creating new exciting events. However, if we have learned anything over the past years: we can plan all the events we want, but we can only be successful when members participate. With that said, no one is expecting you to attend every event, we would ask however that you select at least one social event (more would be ideal) to attend in 2018. Use the event to 'Come back to the Shrine,' meet the people who share similar values and interests.

The Car Club is doing our part to create excitement in 2018. By the time you read this the Circus will have come and gone and we will be actively seeking support and donations for our annual Car Show which will be on July 21st in Lawton Park.

Our goal remains: create a show that brings Mizpah and the Shrine into the public by creating an environment where they can interact with us over a common bond. Our families and our passions.

We would love to see more Units and Clubs 'showcase' their passion at the Car Show. We hear the topic of 'membership' frequently. This is our opportunity to show by example and explain what this means to us, and encourage them to join with us on our team.

Another area we are focusing on is family. Future articles will offer events for all to participate in. These will be 'just for fun.' One of these activities is taking our Mizpah members to a Shrine Hospital. We are interested in making the trip, if you are please give me a call (number below). When we have a large enough group, we will get serious about selecting a date.

Tom Lehman (260) 403-6849

Dear Smile Buddies,

I am lucky enough to belong to one the best units in the Shrine, the Clowns. What a great bunch of guys. I admit there are a lot of personalities and no shortage of "hams" but this melding of individuals in to a semi-coherent team is amazing!

I would like to dwell for a minute on the clown participation at the circus. Out of twenty-three members, we had enough clowns each night to fill all of the parts in our act (and sometimes had a couple extras).

Our big moment during the circus was our acrobatic act. Patches came up with the basic idea, Gus came up with the breakable teeter totter, Maverick provided the stretcher, Scooter made the chair with extendable pole and everyone had ideas on how to improve the act. I am not sure why the tigers were late, but having us perform our skit after them (so that Tarzan had enough time to disassemble the cage and get ready for the next act) was neat. Instead of being relegated to the end of intermission and being on the sideline as people were taking their seats, we were in the center of our ring with the spotlights on us. What a rush! I could go on and on about the act and the wonderful experience, but when you see one of our clowns, ask them and you will find out first-hand what a thrill it was.

Another part of the circus that we always enjoy is meeting the members of the viewing audience. We tried to get out front when people came in and then wave to them and ask them what they liked best about the circus as they leave. This makes me smile and gives a solid memory for each of the children we meet.

We also try to make it downstairs to the Fair. There are a lot of Shriners and their spouses working hard down there.

Well, as I said, the circus is over, but I am already seeing pictures of the clowns on social media. We signed many programs and were asked to be in many pictures with children and adults. This is the sort of thing that makes a lasting impression for both the clown and the attendees.

If you would like to become part of this great unit and share in the camaraderie, join us any fourth Tuesday of the month at the Shrine. As always, we are looking for a few good men to become a clown and make others smile.

Until next article, Smile and "bump a nose".
Joe "Lucky Lewey" Jenckes

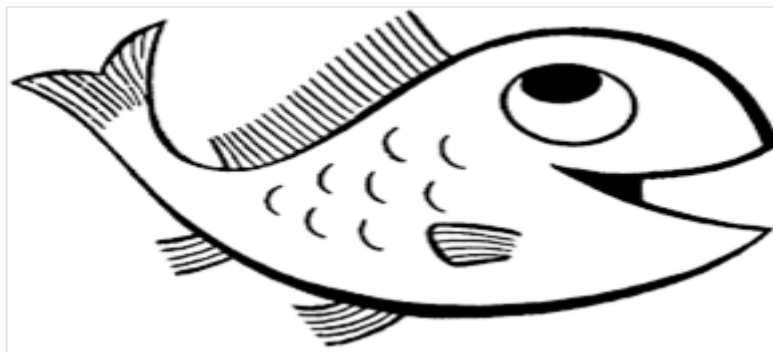
Clowns

Calendar of Events around Mizpah

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25 Nile Installation	26 Antique Power Car Club	27 Calliopiers Clowns Khyber	28 Bagpipers Eel River SC Hapzim SC Wabash SC	29	30	31

MIZPAH SHRINE FISH FRY



Friday, April 27, 2018

5:30-7:30

Adults \$10.00

Children under 12 \$5.00

Future date July 20, Sept.22

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2019 Mizpah Shrine Circus

Dates to Remember

Kickoff Meeting: September 20, 2018
 School Numbers Due: November 13, 2018
 Ticket Office Open: November 26, 2018
 Evening Ticket Sales Open: January 2, 2019
 Kids Show Transportation Dinner: January 7, 2018

Circus Ads Due: November 13, 2018
 Internet Ticket Sales Open: November 22, 2018
 Circus Christmas Party: December 7, 2018
 Coliseum Ticket Sales Open: January 2, 2019

2019 Mizpah Shrine Circus & Fair January 25 - 27, 2019

Circus Appreciation Party: February 1, 2019

Dear Bagpipe Fans,

A lot has happened since my last article, so I will just concentrate on the Circus.

We had a great showing by the band members. We were missing was our mentor, Dick Ruselink (he had a family obligation that, understandably, took priority). Greg had us tune up before our opening performance on Friday night. He had worked hard to have us ready for our repertoire and I think that it really paid off. We were excited about playing for the crowd as they took their seats. It was nice to be the center of attention with the spotlights on us in the center of one of the rings. Brad, our snare drummer, is an integral part of our success as he sets our timing. Bobby kept Greg straight on which tunes we were to play next. Goose, Mark, Scott and I rounded out the pipe section. After our solo performance, we played "Minstrel Boy" as the units conducted their march in.

It is hard to explain the fascination I find with playing the pipes and sharing the experience of joining with others who have taken the time and effort to learn this difficult instrument. There is a camaraderie that has evolved over the years as we practice together. We even have old members (like Owen, Lonnie and Donnie) who are not forgotten and like to return and visit with us.

We are actively seeking new members. We will teach the pipes and Brad will work with drummers. Brad has done an outstanding job learning to play the snare and set our timing so that we play as a unit. We practice on Wednesday at 7 pm in the band room.

Joe Jenckes
Bard

POKAGON

As this is written, we have survived another circus trip with approximately 450+ fourth graders from four school corporations. It appears our club has been getting kids to the Circus from Angola since 1954 and from the whole county since 1956, according to Chuck Sheets, who provided information for a great article on this year's trip in our local Herald-Republican on Friday, January 26.

Also present was our newest member: John Tchinski. Welcome, Noble John! And a big thanks to all who helped!

Any Mizpah member in good standing is invited to join our club, we currently have no dues, and enjoy ourselves tremendously, meeting the third Wednesday of every month at the Angola Moose Lodge. We meet at 7, but most of the gang comes in at six and partakes of the Mexican food specials before the meeting.

Upcoming, we have onion sales, salmon derby, likely a parade or two, and a social trip to a Tincaps game in August, along with the fly-in breakfast and the Sportsmen's Raffle this fall. We look forward to seeing everyone.

Don Shively, Secretary

Greetings Brother KHYBERS

Thanks to each KHYBER that worked at the circus to make it a huge success. This effort enables Mizpah to function for 2018 and provides entertainment one of the best circus shows in the country along with SHRINE exposure.

The KHYBERS will host indoor shooting at Freedom Arms on the third (3) Tuesday of March i.e. March 20th. Shooting starts at 6:00 and lasts till we get tired or run out of ammo.

Trap shooting starts on the 3rd Tuesday of April (weather permitting) at the Horse Patrol grounds. Birds start flying at 6:00 or so. All Mizpah shrine members and friends are welcome to come and shoot with us. Ammo at reasonable cost and loaner trap guns are available.

KHYBER meetings are the 4th Tuesday of March and April in the lounge. Eating and talking starts at 6:00 followed by the business meeting. If you are a shooter, come and join your friends. All kinds of free information is available.

Fraternally,
Jim Crawford, Secretary

RADIO UNIT

A Call for all Radio Unit Members to Duty

This year the national ARRL Field Day is June 24–25, 2017, and we need your help. It's a great time to fellowship with our fellow nobles and in a great hobby as well. We'll show you how to do everything needed (it's not hard). We normally start to set up at 10:00 AM on Sat. Teardown starts about 10am on Sunday. We are looking for a 2-4 hour commitment (but you may want to stay longer because you're having so much fun).

Please consider helping us. We need Radio Unit members (and those shrine nobles who are interested in becoming a HAM) to help set-up, and if you desire, to transmit and make contacts all over the USA and Canada. Don't worry, we will show you how. Don't be bashful, it's fun.

Food, drinks and snacks are provided along with sleeping quarters for the truly committed overnights.

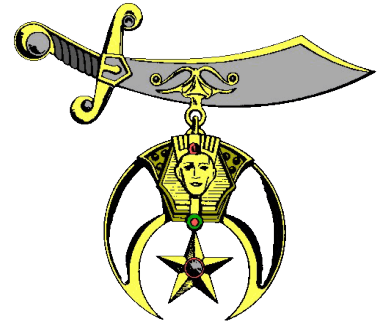
Contact Steve Brunjes, Steve Haxby, Ron Stabler, Rick Stirratt or myself for more information. Also, you are welcome to attend any Radio Unit meeting on the third Tuesday of ea. month at the Shrine starting at 5:45Pm for dinner/drinks with the meeting starting at 6:30pm.

Fraternally,

Douglas Schwartz

KD9GDZ

2018 Radio Unit President



Fun at the Circus!

Pokagon Shrine Club members
Paul Friend, Chuck Sheets,
John Tchinski, and Bill Bryan

We have resurrected the Allah Bi articles for the Antique Power Club. It will contain all the pertinent information for the coming months. If you would like to see other information, please let your officers know.

The February meeting of the ATP Club was held on the 26th of the month at the Mizpah Shrine Horse Grounds. A lot of new changes have occurred, so we hope you will attend the meetings to find out all the details. For example, members have volunteered to cook the meals for the meeting, and includes a freewill donation. Other events that will be held at the meetings are 50/50 drawings and fines for not wearing your fez (\$5). We are also sending members cards and emails to advertise the meetings.

Our next scheduled meeting is at the Horse Grounds on March 26th. This is your club and we need every member to participate. TJ MUST BE ABLE TO COUNT ON YOU! Items that need to be talked about and need your input and vote include parades, Sportsman's Raffle, ladies event, tractor drive and working the Elephant Ear trailer.

THANK YOU!

TJ Yagel, President

LEGION OF HONOR

The December installation of officers was held on Dec 9, 2017. It was our honor to have GLSA Commander Ron Buskirk as the installing officer. The Americanism Award was presented to Ill. Sir Al Edwards 33rd. I want to thank Jerry DeLeon for his leadership this past year and congratulate him of his new title as Jr. Past Commander. Roger Beck was promoted to Commander and we look forward to working with him this ensuing year.

The Legion of Honor held our regular monthly meeting on January 11th. The circus was discussed with the LOH again selling circus books and the ladies hosting the hospitality room.

As one of the five Armed Services of the United States, the Coast Guard is the only military branch within the Department of Homeland Security. In addition to its role as an Armed Service, the Coast Guard is a first responder and humanitarian service that provides aid to people in distress or impacted by natural and man-made disasters whether at sea or ashore. One area of responsibility is the Seventeenth Coast Guard District. Their Mission Statement: To serve and safeguard the public, protect the environment and its resources, and defend the Nation's interests in the Alaskan maritime region.

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Thanks to all who have served in the Coast Guard, past and present.

Gene Bitler
2nd Lt Cmdr

Hospital Unit

Have you visited one of our Shriners Hospitals???

My dad felt that visiting a Shriners Hospital was the final degree of freemasonry. That is so understandable realizing that my sister was a Shriners patient beginning in the 1950s. She still talks of Dr. Millar, her doctor, then the Chief of Staff and how he comforted my mom and dad. Interested in a visit???. Let us know. We can help. If you need a ride, contact any of our van schedulers, they will help you out. Their contact numbers are listed in this Allah Bi.

Van Drivers are always needed. Please help out if it works for you. Consider riding along with one of our patient / family trips to the hospital to see what it is like. Just contact one of our van schedulers. This is such a rewarding experience. You drive when it fits your schedule. There is no pressure to drive a certain number of trips, just when you are able. Just ask Noble Bob Crispen. Bob has driven around 300 trips. He will share how meaningful it has been as he has gotten to know so many Mizpah nobles as they have been co-drivers over the years.

As we look forward in 2018, our President Phil Hoopingarner, has set forth the following unit goals:

- to continue the advancement of the Hospital Unit,
- to look out for the drivers and patients, and
- to seek new unit members and van drivers.

Join with us with some of our 2018 activities:

- Riding in one of our hospital vans in the Shrine parades
- Setting up displays highlighting our hospitals for community events
- Reaching out to other Mizpah units to set up hospital promotional videos
- Joining in the fun, fellowship, and storytelling at our monthly meetings

Upcoming Hospital Unit meetings.

Third Wednesdays at 7:00. March 14th and April 18th at the Shrine Center. Please join us.

Please consider being a part of our unit. Our first mission is to support our hospitals. If you would like information on membership, please contact any Hospital Unit member or the secretary, Doug Brouwer (brouwerdr@aol.com or 260-413-1537). Your \$10 dues goes a long way.

Fraternally,
Doug Brouwer, Secretary

The Nobles and their Ladies listed drove Mizpah Shrine vans transporting our patient-champions and their parents to Chicago or Cincinnati the last few weeks

Fort Wayne

December

Chicago: 19 trips with 11 patients

Drivers

Jerry Willman	Kevin Myers
Doug Brouwer	Jamie Roth
Jake Dermott	Bob Crispen
Gene Caryer	Jim Kyler
Vern Neel	Bob Evers

Paul Barker

January

Chicago: 12 trips with 19 patients
Cincinnati: 1 trip with 2 patient

Drivers

Paul Barker	Arlie Elam
Ray Hoover	Doug Brouwer
Lynda Elam	Ed Howard
Gene Caryer	Bob Evers
Kevin Myers	John Coleman
Darell Hatton	Rick Stirratt
Bob Crispen	Jeff Hire
Jerry Willman	Bob Davis

Noble County

December

Chicago: 5 trips
4 patients

Drivers

Bob Evers
Rich Miotto
John Harlan
Jim Boone
Bob Dumford
Larry Lant
Dennis Paternoster

LaGrange & Steuben

December

Chicago: 4 trips with 5 patients

Drivers

Ray Hoover	Jim Norris
Jay Smith	Larry Lant

January

Chicago: 6 trips with 5 patients

Drivers

Ray Hoover	Don Shively
Jay Smith	Gary Soblotne, PP
John Wilhelm	

Elkhart County

December

Chicago: 1 trips with 1 patient

Drivers

Bill Roose	Wanda Roose
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January

Chicago: 3 trips with 3 patients

Drivers

Grant Humbarger	Dave Gillum
Jake Dermot	Terry Dermot

Grant/Blackford Counties

December

Chicago: 1 trip, 1 patient
Cincinnati: 1 trip, 1 patient

Drivers

Roger Beck	Bob Crispen
John Silves	Pat Leach

January

Chicago:
2 trips
5 patients

Drivers

Bob Surber
Ron Watson
Kip Worrel
Larry Chapel, PP

Elkhart

Neil Pittenger - 574-215-2603

Bill Roose - 574-361-7922

Fort Wayne Area

Jerry Willman - 260-483-4226

Bob Evers - 574-269-3788

Grant/Blackford Co

Roger Beck - 765-674-5831

John Silves - 765-674-6339

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Don Shively - 260-833-4884

Jim Boss - 260-350-8302

Chuck Miller - 260-854-2964

Noble Co

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Mizpah Van Schedulers

Interested in becoming a driver? Contact one of the Schedulers or the Mizpah Shrine office TODAY!

Jeti Sheri Temple No 60

Daughters of the Nile

Cardially invite you to attend the

Open Installation of Officers,

Including the crowning of our

Queen for 2018-2019

Mizzpah Shrine Center

1015 Memorial Way

Ft. Wayne, IN 46805



Sunday, March 25th 2018 3 p.m.

Reception immediately following

*Please respond by March 17th
to Kristi Thompson (260)515-8785
knithompson3@gmail.com*

*Rojeanne Cooper, Queen
Carroll Nichols, PO
Princess Recorder*

Ladies,

Here we are already in March/April. This is the time when our old year ends and a new one begins. How quickly 2017/2018 flew by.

I would like to send a big THANKS to all of my Officers, Committees Chairmen, Committees, Past Queens, Ceremonial Assistant, and Ladies of the Household. You ALL, made this year wonderful and full of good memories that I will never forget. Hugs and Kisses to ALL of YOU. Michelle, you have been a Busy Little Bee, Congratulations! I know you and your new Officers, will have a Wonderful Year!

Rojeanne Cooper
Queen 2017/2018

Dear Ladies,

The past few years have gone by very fast. It seems like it was only yesterday when I entered into the line of elected officers. Now that the holidays are over and we have made it through the bitter cold of January, we look forward to longer days and warmer temperatures this spring.

Our Temple will be having our Installation of Officers on Sunday, March 25th. All are welcome to attend. In April we will have our Nile Birthday Party at Moose Lake Craft Village, located at 113300 E. 500, Laotto, IN. We will begin lunch at 12:30 p.m., with a tour and tasting at Country Heritage Winery to follow. This event is for the Nile ladies.

“Enjoy the little things, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things.” ~ Robert Brault

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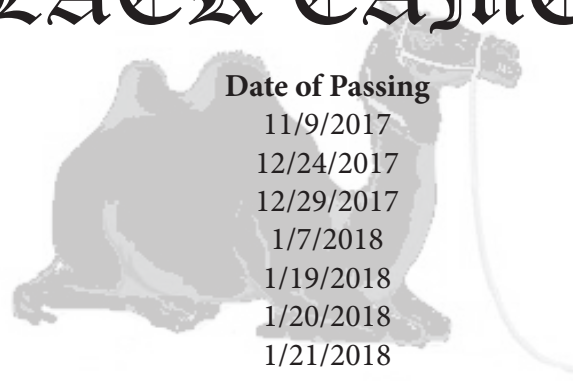
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Neil A. Farr	1/19/2018	8
James McCloud Reynolds	1/20/2018	55
James Ewing Adkins	1/21/2018	46
John C. Harvey, MD	1/25/2018	48

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