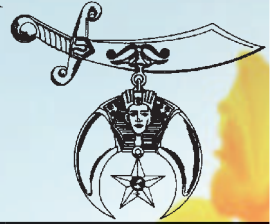




Elf Khurafeh Shrine Center

# Arabian Knights



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# EASTER PARTY

*Circus Park, 4240 W. Wilson Road  
Clio, MI 48420*

*Illustrious Sir David Karcher and Lady Janice  
invite you to attend  
with your family and friends  
for a fun filled afternoon*

*Sunday, March 20, 2016  
from Noon til 2:00 PM*

*Age 12 years and older \$5.00  
11 years and younger are FREE*

*"Open to the Public"*

*Games, Prizes, and Easter Egg Hunt  
Get your picture taken with the Easter Bunny*

*Free food with entry ticket  
Tickets available at the door*

## Potentate's Message



Dear Fellow Nobles,

I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year. I am humbly honored for your confidence and electing me as your Potentate of Elf Khurafeh Shrine for the year 2016. It seems just a few years ago I was elected to the moving line, my how the time has flown. Congratulations to all the elected and appointed Divan members. We have a wonderful mix of nobility that will be working hard to increase membership and identify our immediate needs which are important to our survival. I have the utmost respect and confidence that your 2016 Divan will not let

you down and will forge a new path for 2016.

Our 2016 installation was well attended and a very exciting experience for all in attendance. A special thank you to all the nobles that helped in a supporting role, my honor guard: security unit, ushers; ambassadors and highlander pipe major, Mike Kamal. To all the past Potentates installing our officers, Ill. Sirs Ron Huston, MC- Roy Kinne, P.P., Installing Officer- Conductors Todd Clayton, P.P., Norm Storms, P.P., and Chaplain Ron Stanley, P.P.. Hats off to the Oasis Shrine Club members, Greg Cartwright and Lady Lisa, Bob Harding, Rob Dickinson, Bugs Spenser, Lady Janice Karcher, and my son Collin Karcher for all the food prep and awesome service. Thanks to Caprice Castano for the beautiful cakes for dessert and to Tara Whitmore for all the photographs. I'd be remised if I didn't mention we had a number of visiting Nobles with a growing collaboration among Michigan Temples. Moslem, Saladin, and Oman, we all share a good in supporting Shrine Children's Hospitals and their very important mission. Thank you for all the gifts and making a great start to Lady Janice's and my New Year.

Prayer's for our sick and shut-ins, may you have a swift recovery.

God Bless our Children and Shriners.

### *Nice Job Nobles and Ladies!*

*Now that the Cash Calendar sales are over, I wish to thank everyone who participated. Not only is this project to help our temple and thus help the hospitals that we support but it also helps the units and clubs that sell the calendars with the 15% kickback. Hopefully all the money and coupons have been turned in for the first drawing on January 31, 2016 and the unsold calendars (hopefully there won't be any) must be turned in also to the temple office. Thank you and Good Luck!*

*Fraternally, Dan Schultz*

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### *Elf Khurafeh Center Now Accepts Credit Card Payments!*

- Pay your dues with a credit card
- Pay for circus noble tickets
- Almost any payment to the Shrine Center can now be made using your credit card



Call Betty Kincaid at  
 (810) 686-2641

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## *Recorder's Message*



Happy New Year Nobles and Ladies,

Some new events are scheduled at Circus Park for 2016; February brings a try at Scrap Booking open to the public. June we are having a State Championship Kansas City Barbeque on the grounds along with a Mud Bog in the farm field. We have some neat new ideas coming from some of our new younger members and we need to support them the best we can. A Cigar & Whiskey Shrine Club is being formed and will be sponsored by Oasis Shrine Club.

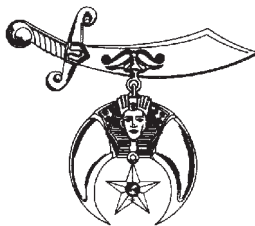
The Installation of 2016 Officers has taken place and we had a good turnout of Nobles, Family and Friends. Congratulations to our new leadership, we plan on the continued success for Elf Khurafeh Shrine as in the past with added features.

Thank you to the Nobles, Friends, Shrine Clubs and Units for your contributions to the Tele-Medicine Room. Enough funds were raised to purchase the Cart and an Examination Table, but it still leaves us with the operating expenses of the Technicians. We remain open for donations.

We had a visit from Representatives of Shriners International and the Chicago Hospital on Dec. 11th to look at our Tele-Medicine Room seems we are far ahead of Tampa in our planning as they need to set rules and check insurance and other things before we can get started.

Nobles, our membership is down to 1,401 on January 1st, 2016. We all need to look for new members and also try to restore those that were suspended or demitted. Let's improve our numbers over 2015.

Fraternally,  
Clarence W. Meyer, Jr., P.P., Recorder




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### **LIFETIME CIRCUS CERTIFICATE**

Did you know that children born in the month of January starting from the year 2005 to present are eligible for a Lifetime Circus Certificate? This certificate enables the child one ticket each year to the Flint or the Saginaw Shrine Circus.

This is for the lifetime of the child.

For more information contact Betty at the Circus Office  
at 810-686-2641, Ext. 1

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*Elected Divan 2016*



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## *Arab Patrol Raffle*



### **Elimination Drawing**

April 10, 2016

TOP PRIZE \$8,000

Plus 29 additional prizes:

2 ~ \$500, 1 ~ \$400, 1 ~ \$300, 1 ~ \$200, 24 ~ \$100

Cost: \$100 per numbered ticket (admits two)

Cocktails (Limit 5 per person)

Dinner 1 PM to 2:30 PM

Pulaski Hall ~ 6525 Weiss, Saginaw, Michigan

Doors Open at 12 Noon

Drawing starts at 2:30 PM - only 250 tickets to be sold

Need Tickets?

Contact Ken Scott at 989-860-6680

## ***Oriental Band***

*The new officers for 2016*



(LtoR) Potentate's Rep. Ryan Stanley, Vice President Gary Philburn,  
President & Treasurer Greg Camp, Director John Winters, Jr.  
and Dan Schultz, P.P., Installing Officer



## NOBLE NEWS



WHITE PINE SHRINE CLUB, A CLUB OF ELF KHURAFEH SHRINE CENTER  
**LOVE TO THE RESCUE FOR CHILDREN ON THE SINRISE SIDE**

### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

In 1634 a ship load of New England white pine logs were sent to mother England to provide masts and spars for the Royal Navy. White pine trees, growing as tall as 150', being light, strong and resilient enough to withstand nature's tumults were ideally suited to rig the navy that ruled the world! By 1652 white pine was the premier mast making material. As a result the King decreed that all white pine trees of 12 inches or more growing in the colonies were the property of England. A tool resembling an adz with a point was used to imprint the King's broad arrow mark and the trees no longer belonged to individual landowners in the colonies.

After 121 years of this imposition the growing cadre of entrepreneur lumbermen providing the timber to build a new nation grew increasingly vexed by the edict and they organized a revolt. They abducted the King's tree marking soldiers and were summarily arrested and brought before the crown's court. A sympathetic judge levied a fine of £20 and released them with stern admonishment. Word spread of their audacity and a party rumored to be Masons, inspired by the lumbermen's tactics, cast chests of tea into Boston Harbor! (or harbour as it was then spelled). The rest, as they say, is history!

The white pine was and is a valued commodity in our area of Michigan and aptly gave its name to our club. Just like the white pine trees, Shriners stand tall and support the "rigging" or motivating forces which provide the finances for children in need of orthopedic and burn healing at the Shrine's 22 hospitals. "No man stands so tall as when he stoops to help a child!" That's what White Pine Shrine Club is all about!

### WHO ARE THESE GUYS?

The camaraderie and fellowship inherent in being a Shriner provide a fulfilling and rewarding experience of raising funds to help children grow up to lead a full life. You have seen our kids on TV explaining what Shrine has done for them and you have seen us in our Fezes selling Shrine papers and onions and riding our float in parades and putting on concerts. You may have attended one of our circuses, watched our clowns perform or watched a precision motorcycle team. Shriners bring the talents and resources God has given them and provide awesome medical treatment for children in our communities and they have fun doing it!

Who wouldn't want to be a part of "the greatest fraternity on Earth"?



Some people cling to the mythology of Shriners being wealthy and into indulgent revelry. Nothing could be further from the reality of today's hard working and dedicated band of men committed to helping children get the medical care they need.

If you are one of our members who have not attended recently or a Mason with a desire to lend a helping hand to children in need, White Pine offers a golden opportunity to get involved. Your Fez will draw out stories of those who know someone who was rescued by our Shrine. Their tears of gratitude will fill your heart with pride. You owe it to yourself to earn a share of one of life's greatest experiences! Contact one of our officers today, and bring a friend to Shrine in 2016!

Noble News Editor Bob Thacker

Nobles: Bring your Fez and help out at one of the Circus Performances. Be a guide, usher, ticket salesman, etc.

### OFFICERS OF WHITE PINE SHRINE CLUB FOR 2016

President: Bob Thacker 989 876-6184, Vice President: Jess Young (989) 876-4360, Secretary  
 Treasurer: Dave Schmidt (989) 385-2884, Directors: Warren Brewer (989) 305-6580,  
 Jim Herzog (989) 876-8598, and John Yonan (989) 876-4360, (Summer).

MEETINGS: The second Thursday each month at 6 PM at local restaurants.  
 Schedule: Jan 14th, Feb 11th, Mar 10th 2016.

This newsletter is for awareness of the work we do for Shriners Hospitals. It will be sent to WP Shriners and interested Masons. I urge members contribute ideas and articles for future issues and to invite Masons to join us in this work. Let me know what you think.

Bob Thacker, Editor rdt2000@centurytel.net



## OASIS SHRINE CLUB

\*\*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE\*\*\*

\*\*\*TO ALL MEMBERS OF OASIS SHRINE CLUB\*\*\*



Proposed changes to the Club By-laws and Constitution were submitted at the Annual Meeting of the Club. The proposed changes will be read at the February meeting, February 4, 2016. They will be read at the March and April meetings, and voted on at the April meeting, April 7, 2016. Any suggested changes should be made following the first or second reading. Copies of the proposed changes may be obtained at the Circus Park office.

### NOVEMBER 2015 CASH CALENDAR WINNERS

#	WINNER	SELLER	UNIT/CLUB	AMOUNT
# 976	SHAWN PETERSILGE	GENE VANDEMARK	BASC	25.00
#962	DENNIS LUPLIN	DALE FLEMING	TALL SHRINERS	25.00
# 260	TOM SMITH	GLENN GUILDS	OSCODA	25.00
#362	KARL HILLERMAN	DAVID ROE	RITUAL	100.00
#80	LENORA WARREN	BYRON VOWELL	CLOWNS	25.00
#1033	KATIE JO GOODWIN	T. PLACHER	ARAB PATROL	25.00
#231	G. MAKANG	AL BROTHERTON	CAPITAL SC	25.00
#991	LARRY & CLORA WOLF	GENE VANDEMARK	TSU	100.00
#127	RON REGALADO	R. REGALADO	ARAB PATROL	25.00
#09	OUTHOUSE #2			25.00
#612	KATIE SMITH	EUGENE REID	FENTON SC	25.00
#1081	BUD COOK	BOB MEYER	NMSC	100.00
#26	TROY STAMPER	TROY STAMPER	OUTHOUSE 55	25.00
#982	KENDELL BOUTELL	GENE VANDEMARK	BASC	25.00
#1006	CLYDE LAPISH	GENE ANGELL	OASIS	500.00
#536	ROSELLEN BLANCHARD	P. BRACK	SECURITY	25.00
#1069	PAT SCHIRLE	BOB MEYER	NMSC	100.00
#1161	GLENDA CORNETTE	JIM PECK	SHIA	25.00

### DECEMBER 2015 CASH CALENDAR WINNERS

#	WINNER	SELLER	UNIT/CLUB	AMOUNT
#638	DON DOOGLS	EUGENE REID	FENTON SC	25.00
#1123	ARAB PATROL		ARAB PATROL	25.00
#532	TARA JACKSON	RICHARD LYNN	SECURITY	100.00
#1168	ARAB PATROL		ARAB PATROL	25.00
#137	ANN HEATH	DAVE SCHMIDT	ARAB PATROL	25.00
#102	ED MILLER	RON KAISER	CLOWNS	25.00
#649	DESTINEY REID	EUGENE REID	FENTON SC	100.00
#703	BOB HARDIN	BOB HARDIN	OASIS	25.00
#1109	RICHARD MORSE	DARWIN MORSE	O. BAND	25.00
#748	MARC HURLEY	CHRIS BIAZZA	DIR STAFF	25.00
#806	ROBERT HARTMAN	BILL FORD	DIR STAFF	100.00
#1082	CARL SEW	BOB MEYER	NMSC	25.00
#752	BILL LEWIS	CHRIS BIAZZA	DIR STAFF	25.00
#1084	HELEN OLDS	BOB MEYER	NMSC	25.00
#1057	WALTER ERICKSON	BOB MEYER	NMSC	100.00
#125	RON REGALADO	R. REGALADO	PATROL	25.00
#1024	JOURDAN HUBBLE	GENE ANGELL	OASIS	25.00

# Business Meeting

Below: Shiawassee Shrine Club donates to the Telemedicine Room \$500 presented by Roy Kinne, P.P. and Noble Bill Lulham



Above: Roy Kinne, P.P., Noble Bill Lulham and Noble John Porritt present a check for \$1860 from the 600 Bowling Tournament in Lansing



Below: Henry Wandrie and Bill Norris from Outhouse #2 donate \$5000 to the Telemedicine Room.



Above: Noble John Porritt presents a check from the Fenton Shrine Club \$1000



Above: Tom Cooney of the Provost Guard presents a check for the Telemedicine Room.



Below: Noble Gerald Willis hands 2015 Potentate Chuck Frisby \$500 donated by the Highlanders Unit.



Oasis Shrine Club's Rob Dickinson, Bob Hardin, Emory Wenzel and Chris Gerard give \$1000 for the Telemedicine Room



Above: Shriner of the Year Gerald DeWitt was presented the award by 2015 Potentate Charles Frisby.



# TEMPLE INSTALLATION



*2016 DIVAN*



*Potentate Dave Karcher about to be crowned by Lady Janice*



*Divan with their ladies*



*Installation in progress*



*Potentate 2016 Dave Karcher and Lady Janice*



*Visiting Dignitaries*

*Come out to the Scottish Rite in Bay City*

and watch our Nobles put on a Public Degree, it will be an ALL Noble Cast

WINTERFEST

Scottish Rite Valley of Bay City

Fellowship like you have not experienced before

Saturday, February 27th, 2016

Breakfast by Lodge of Perfection– 7:30am – 9:00am

20° Master Ad Vitam (George Washington) - 9:30am

5° The Last Measure (Abraham Lincoln PUBLIC DEGREE)

Presented by our Shriners!!

Lunch to Follow– Pizza & Snacks

Adult Beverages Available

Texas Hold Em/Euchre Tournament – 1:00pm –?

Texas Hold Em/Euchre Tournaments will be a \$10 buy in with an option to rebuy if desired. The Euchre Tournament will officially start at 1:30pm. Those not wishing to play can take advantage of the many other activities or even just watch the games in our new TV room should you just want to hang out!

Plus a 50/50 Raffle with drawing to be held after lunch.

Must be present to win.

Contact the Valley Office at (989)205-3017 for question

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## Security Unit Officers





Above: Potentate David Karcher holds the Silver Trophy with Saladin's Potentate William Martindale. The trophy was originally presented to Saladin Temple by the Elf Khurafeh Temple in 1913. It remains a mystery what it was presented for to this very day, however plans are in progress to make it a Traveling Trophy among all the Michigan Shrine Temples. (Left) EKS 1st Ceremonial Master John Arnould, (Right) Noble Greg Cartwright.

## ***CLOWN INSTALLATION***



**Hillbilly  
Valentine  
Party & Show  
February 13, 2016**

Shrine Circus Park — 4240 W. Wilson Road Clio, Michigan

**Great Food, Games & Raffles, and Entertainment**

featuring

**The Pole Barn Rebels**

**Cost \$15.00 per person**

**Doors Open at 5:00 p.m.**

**Dinner at 6:00 p.m.**

**Entertainment at 7:30 p.m.**

**Beer & Set-ups provided, BYOB**



**Tickets Available at the Door or Contact for Tickets & Information**

**Rob Dickinson @ 810-275-3838**

**Or**

**Bob Hardin @ 810-516-6375**

# ***TELEMEDICINE CART HAS MET ITS FINANCIAL GOAL***

Thank you to all of the clubs, units, generous people and businesses that donated to the Telemedicine Cart project.

The Telemedicine Room project has reached its goal with the diligence of the Chairpersons Norman and Donna Storms and all of the generous benefactors. We have enough money to purchase the Cart and the Examination Table, however we still need funds for operating technicians.

Donations to this project are tax deductible as this project is a 501C3 Corporation.

There will be a plaque placed on the wall at Circus Park with the name engraved of any contributor who donates \$500 or more. This plaque will be similar to the plaque at the Chicago Hospital.

Please consider becoming a donor! What a wonderful way of giving to our Shriner Children and Elf Khurafeh Shrine Center.

Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



## **29th ANNUAL SNOWBIRDS GATHERING FOR SHRINERS & FRIENDS**



**WELCOME - BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS  
THEY DO NOT HAVE TO BE A SHRINER TO ATTEND**

**Monday, March 14th, 2016 - 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Note New location**

Sahib Shriners - 600 N Beneva Road - Sarasota, FL 34232

Phone ( 941) 366-4449 ext 316

**Price \$17.00**

Assorted Breads/Sliced Ham/Sliced Roast Turkey/Provolone  
Swiss & American Cheeses/Lettuce/Tomato/Onions/Condiments/  
Home Made Potato Salad/Coleslaw/Baked Beans/Array of Fresh  
Fruit Bowl/Iced Tea/Coffee/Water - Dessert Provided

Send Form to: Dennis Judd - 659 Rotunda Circle - Rotunda West,  
FL 33947 - Phone ( 989) 295-2003 Cell or ( 989) 295-5070

**Please make reservations by February 20, 2016**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephones \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Dennis Judd  
**Looking forward to seeing everyone!**

## 2016 Tentative Schedule

### February

10- Business Meeting, Circus Park  
13- Hillbilly Valentine Party, Circus Park

### March

9- Business Meeting, Saginaw  
22- Circus Appreciation, 6PM  
20- Easter "Egg"stravaganza, Circus Park

### April

2- GLSA Leadership Academy, Indy  
9-10- Craft Show, Circus Park  
13- Business Meeting, Saginaw  
30- Drivers Meeting, Alpena

### May

1- Past Potentate's Dinner  
11- Business Meeting, Saginaw  
21- Potentate's Ball

### June

8- Business Meeting, Saginaw  
10-12- BBQ Competition, Circus Park  
17-19- Spring Ceremonial & Shrine Parade

### July

3-7- Imperial, Tampa, FL  
10- Car Show  
13- Executive Committee, Circus Park

### August

10- Executive Committee, Circus Park  
28- Family Picnic, Circus Park

### September

7-11- GLSA Convention, Indianapolis, IN  
14- Business Meeting, Circus Park  
24- Drivers Meeting/Regular Meeting,  
9AM Saginaw  
TBD- Potentate's Trip

### October

12- Business Meeting, Saginaw  
23- Halloween Party, Saginaw  
29- Drivers Meeting/Regular Meeting,  
9AM Circus Park

### November

5- Fall Ceremonial, Circus Park & Ladies  
Luncheon  
9- Business Meeting, Saginaw

### December

3- Oasis/Security/Clowns Installation  
10-11- Craft Show, Circus Park  
14- Business Meeting & Election of  
Officers, Saginaw



## Deaths

Junior W. Dales, Spring Lake 11-7-2015  
Vern K. Barnaby, Goodrich 11-19-2015  
Keith R. Colbry, Alma 2-5-2015  
Norbert F. Hope, South Lyon 7-8-2015  
Ernest M. Hammel, Auburn Hills 11-16-2015  
Philip G. Comfort, Novi 5-26-2015  
David C. Morton, Flushing 10-24-2015  
Leroy Helms, Burton 12-22-2015  
Gerald L. Sayers, Linden 12-20-2015  
J. Val Syring, Bay City 12-28-2015  
James F. Williams, Flint 12-29-2015  
Merlin L. McKone, Durand 1-5-2016



# Circus 2016

***LETS GET READY TO RUMBLLLLLLLE!***



The Flint Shrine Circus is under way and as usual the clowns have come up with some very funny skits. Pictured above are Boxer Rags, Boxer Shaby, and Referee Ashes.



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