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**The reason we do
what we do
as Shriners!**
From the children patients
at the hospitals,
to our family generations,
and farther to unknown
children in our community
...bringing joy
and the aspirations
that anything is possible.
**For this we are all
proud Shriners.**

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The Arabian Knights temple publication is back! Share your excitement, be proud of your involvement in your temple, Shriners Childrens and our community. Everyone can help by sharing information.



Please email articles, patient testimonials with consent, event details, parade schedules, pictures, etc. to ArabianKnights@ekshrine.com

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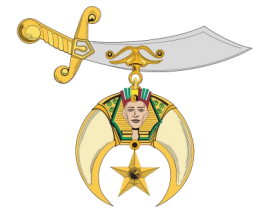


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From the Potentate

Greetings Nobles,

Welcome back to the Arabian Knights. It's my hope to have issues quarterly.

My hope is that 2024 will be an amazing and prosperous year for Elf Khurafeh. With that being said, I would like to thank you for allowing me to serve as your Potentate this year. It is a privilege and honor that I do not take lightly. Elf Khurafeh is home for 1st Lady Lisa and I, and we will do our absolute best to make sure it's a successful year and our Shrine Children continue to receive our unconditional support at our hospitals and our Shrine Center.

Installation on January 6. Installation was a wonderful time that we will not forget. Thank you to everyone that attended. The Divan and I will do our best to make you proud in 2024.

There are still events upcoming at Elf Khurafeh and we would like for as many Nobles and Ladies to participate as possible. Stay tuned for more information on these exciting events.

In closing, let us remember that our strength lies in unity. While I am honored to serve as Potentate this year, I acknowledge that success is a collective effort, and I rely on your invaluable support to achieve our shared goals.

Fraternally Yours,

Illustrious Sir Gregory Cartwright

From the Chief Rabban

Greetings Nobles,

Hope this finds everyone well. Spring and warmer weather are coming.

Many events have come and gone; the Circus, the Sweethearts dinner, the Easter party. I would like to thank everyone who helped and attended these events. We have some events coming up, Oasis Craft Show, the Sportsman's Raffle, the Hillbillies Spring Fling. I would like to invite everyone to come out and help support these events. How to see you there for some fun and fellowship.

Yours in Faith,

Jim Dameron

From the Assistant Rabban

Super Bowl Squares

Nobles - I tried something new this year and some of you participated and I thank you very much. I didn't quite sell out so improvements will be made. I plan on doing this again this fall so stay tuned. I will give a report on profit at our next business meeting April 10th. So if you would like to be on this years committee get in touch with me. I value all input to make this event better and more fun.

Poker Events

Nobles - We have done well on our first three events this year. The volunteers' for these events have been amazing. Some of the workers worked every event and stayed to the end of the night. I cannot find enough words to thank them. They all have sacrificed a lot of time to make my job easier. MY THANKS TO ALL! We have one more event in December of this year unless it has to be moved. I will start lining up workers this fall and of course if you would like to take part let me know.

Grounds Crew

It's getting to be that time of year for clean up. As many of you know we do our own outside of the building. If you are interested in helping and would like to be included in our regular communication let chairman Ryan Stanley or myself know. Some of the things we do are

weeding, clearing sidewalks of overgrowth, painting lines for parking, cutting up and trimming trees, weed whacking and of course mowing. Please help if you can.

Questions and concerns

Nobles - Questions I have. Has your club or unit reached out to any of our new Nobles in your area? How is your attendance at your clubs and unit meetings? How are you communicating with your members? Are you communicating when your events are, such as parades? We have to do better at communicating. Do you have suggestions? Bring them to our monthly meetings. We are all in this together and we need to figure this out so we can grow.

I am in charge of the meal at the April 10th business meeting so the meal will be Ham, scallop potatoes, carrots, pineapple, salad and for desert-Carrot and German Chocolate cake. Dinner at 6pm and the business meeting is at 7pm.

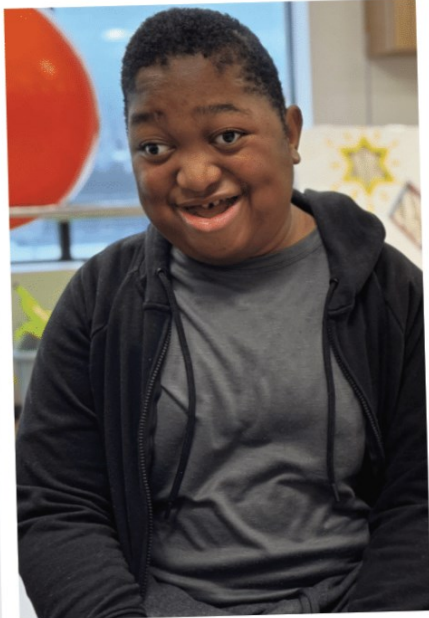
Sincerely,

Phil Gean Assistant Rabban

FEZTIVAL OF TREES

Interested in being a Sponsor, know a Sponsor or want to volunteer?
Desire to be involved in the planning and execution of this exciting fundraiser?
Contact the committee at FEZtivalofTrees@ekshrine.com or (810) 686-2641 ext 1

LEADERS IN CARE!



Collaboration allowing doctors to take on some of most craniofacial complex cases

Fifteen-year-old MJ has Crouzon syndrome, a rare genetic disorder where the skull fuses prematurely and affects the proper growth of the head. The pressure on his brain was causing his eyes to bulge, impacting his ability to walk, maintain balance and creating some cognitive challenges.

The family came all the way from Jamaica to Dayton, Ohio, largely because of the medical advancements being made through the hospital-within-a-hospital collaboration between Shriners Children’s Ohio and Dayton Children’s Hospital. This partnership is allowing our physicians to treat some of the most complex craniofacial cases and help children from across the world, many of whom do not have anywhere else to turn.

*We’re here to provide the most **AMAZING CARE** anywhere for every child with burn and plastic surgery needs!*

Cone Beam CT (CBCT) technology comes to Shriners Children’s Chicago

Shriners Children’s offers specialized facial and dental imaging for craniofacial conditions at certain times in a child’s growth. The painless process helps surgeons and specialists understand each child’s unique facial anatomy.

The Chicago hospital’s new CBCT installed in early March is a smaller than regular CT machine and uses less radiation. It moves around the child using a coned-shaped X-ray beam. CBCT provides doctors with a 3D image of the child’s mouth, jaw, airway, neck, teeth and ears, nose and throat.

“Quality imaging is essential in order to accurately plan and time surgical procedures,” said David Morris, MD, medical director of the craniofacial/cleft team in Chicago.



*We’re here to provide the most **AMAZING CARE** anywhere for every child with orthopedic needs!*



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From the High Priest & Prophet

GREETINGS NOBLES AND LADIES,

I first want to thank everyone for their continued support of me and lady Jami, the kindness and support thus far has been overwhelming. As you are reading this issue of the renewed Arabian knights, we have all have been busy with our circus, sweethearts' dinner, circus appreciation dinner and the easter party, which as a temple we cannot pull off without the help of each and every noble and their ladies, thank you for all your help. Coming up in the next few months we will have more events such as the sportsman raffle and ladies' luncheon and as always, we need all the help and support we can get to make these events go off without a hitch. Please follow our temple Facebook page and website to stay up to date on events.

We are in negotiations with Illustrious Robert Swartwood on the sale of the property, when the executive board and Mr. Swartwood have something concrete, we will gladly give out more information to the nobility but as for now the information we have does not benefit either side to talk about publicly.

Friday June 21st of this year is divan days in Chicago. There will be some open spots for others to go but very few. Because this is on a Friday, I suspect some of the divan will not be able to attend myself included due to work requirements. If you and your lady would like to go to divan days, please reach out to me so I can plan for travel with the divan van.

For any question or concerns please feel free to reach out to me anytime.

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HILLBILLY CLAN 55

COME OUT AND JOIN US
ON APRIL 27TH
DRESSED IN THE UGLIEST OUTFIT
YOU CAN FIND FOR OUR
UGLY DUCKLING CONTEST.
THERE WILL BE DJ CHRIS HARVE
SPINNING ALL YOUR FAVORITE
TUNES WITH KARAOKE.
WE WILL PUT ON A DEGREE
AFTER DINNER FOR THOSE
THAT WISH TO JOIN THE CLAN.
BRING ALL YOUR FRIENDS
AS THIS IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
PLEASE RSVP TO BRIAN GEISER
517-715-3345 BRIANGEISER20@GMAIL

HILLBILLY CLAN #55
PRESENTS THE
Spring Fling

New this year! Ugly Duckling Contest
Come dressed in the UGLIEST thing you can find

SATURDAY, APRIL 27
AT CIRCUS PARK
4240 W. Wilson Rd., Clio
5:30PM

Dinner @ 6:30pm
\$25/person or \$40/couple
BEER & SODA Provided - BYOB
DJ & Dancing
Hillbilly Degree

RSVP to Brian Geiser at 517-715-3345 or
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PUBLIC WELCOME

From the Oriental Guide

Nobles, first of all, I would like to thank you for electing me to be your 2024 Oriental Guide. It is a great honor, and a huge responsibility. It has been a whirlwind of meetings, discussions, and training, including spending five days in Tampa, Florida, attending Oriental Guide school. It was an eye-opening time filled with all aspects of Shrine law, financial practices, fund raising, and so many other subjects. Last weekend most of the Divan elected officers traveled to Fort Wayne, IN. for the Great Lakes Shrine Association spring meetings. Here we met with our counterparts from the other 20 temples in the GLSA, elected officers, and discussed issues that are affecting all of us. With the clubs and units starting back up after being dark during the winter, I will be visiting the clubs that I am the Divan representative for, Tall Shriners, Bay Area Shrine club, Midland Area Shrine club, and the Ritualistic Cast meetings to inform you of the information, activities, and events going on. Since the Tall Shriners and Hospital Drivers meet together, I will also be there for them. If there is anything I can do to help with any club or unit, please contact me.

Yours in the Faith,
Chuck Birch

From the Treasurer

Greetings from the office of the Treasurer,

If you still have not paid your dues for 2024, please do so as soon as possible. Our roof and exterior doors need to be replaced and we would like to pay for these expenses without pulling from our investments. Your prompt payment of dues will help us make this happen.

If anyone knows a licensed CPA that may be able to help the Shrine out please let someone on the Divan know. Elf Khurafeh needs to have a CPA prepare our annual financial statement

which gets sent to Shriners International. I am currently working with one tax service, but I'd like to have a few others that I can reach out to.

Clubs and Units need to fill out the annual Club and Unit Financial Statement. This statement is supposed to be due by February 2nd each year. This statement is needed from each club and unit so I can file the temple's taxes. I still have not received any of these statements. This form, and instructions on how to complete it, are available on our temple website.

(<https://www.ekshrine.com/member-resources.html>). Look for the Club and Unit Financial Statement located roughly in the middle of the page. Alternatively, you can email me at treasurer@ekshrine.com and I can email you a copy.

Thank you for any help you can provide with the requests above.

Fraternally,
Jeff Downing, P.P.
Treasurer

From the Recorder

Clarence Meyer Jr, PP

From the 1st Ceremonial Master

John Banning

From the 2nd Ceremonial Master

The **White Pine Shrine Club** has been "dark" this year and will resume meeting on April 16, 2024 @ 6:00 PM at the China Buffet in East Tawas with fellowship before dinner and the meeting. At the December meeting President Larry Fink presented the owners a beautiful plaque showing our appreciation for their wonderful hospitality.

Yours in the Faith,
Tim Birch, Potentates Rep.

On March 9, 2024 Second Ceremonial Master Tim Birch and Oriental Guide Chuck Birch visited the **Northern Michigan Shrine Club** at Vienna spots Bar and Grill for their business meeting. Present were 8 nobles and 5 ladies including Chuck and Tim. The meeting started @12:00 p.m. with a recess to enjoy the cooking and beverages at this friendly venue (they appreciate us and treat us well. The usual business was discussed with onion sales still being decided. Their main fundraising activity is a Casino bus trip in the fall to 2 different locations and back to Vienna Corners for a nice meal and fellowship. This activity has raised some great donations in the past with monies being donated to the transportation fund and the Chicago Hospital. They have been informed of the price of the bus being raised considerably and are discussing their options. Potentates and ladies pins were passed out along with the pocket calendars and members and ladies voiced their appreciation. The meeting was adjourned at about 2:30 p.m. (potentates rep forgot to write down the time).



Yours in the Faith,
Tim Birch, Potentates Rep.

I believe **Oscoda County Shrine Club** has only one member left, Jackie Rourke. I have kept in touch with Jack and delivered 150 Sportsman raffle tickets in the fall meeting with him and has wife Jill for lunch. He has committed to 150 bags of onions so far and I will be contacting him Monday April 1st to confirm the amount again.

Yours in the Faith,
Tim Birch, Potentates Rep.

On March 5, 2024 I visited the AuSable Shrine Club located at Grayling Masonic Center. The meeting was called to order @ 6:00 p.m. by Noble Louis Arreola the club president. There were six nobles present including myself. The business portion of the meeting went well with the treasurers report being accepted. The discussions held were concern of manpower to sell Vidalia onions and the need to clean up the closet that holds the Shrine Club's properties. President Arreola has also expressed a desire to host a lunch or dinner with the Shrine Clubs in the North. This would be with their ladies and fellowship and hopefully new friendships will take place. Any Clubs with interest in this event should contact Louis Arreola @ 989-808-4650. Also discussed is the desire to join the Grayling Chamber of Commerce. The club will meet on April 2, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

Yours in the Faith,
Tim Birch, Potentates Rep.

From the 2nd Ceremonial Master

John Banning

From the Director GeneralEd Soper

From the MarshalEd Winer

From the Captain of the GuardTravis Schlosser

From the Outer Guard

Hi! Bob Gaffney here - the newly appointed Outer-Guard by Potentate Greg Cartwright. Being that this was a new assignment, I looked to Director General Ed Soper and Captain of the Guard Travis Schlosser for assistance, which I received.

It was necessary to get an accurate head count of all who attended the meetings, Past Potentates and Special guests. This information is to be provided to the Potentate prior to the end of each meeting, as well as the Recorder.

I am also required to be an active member in any Committee assigned to me by the Potentate. This I questioned until I received a copy of the duties of all officers (elected and appointed) from Past Potentate Jeff Downing.

In addition to being the Outer Guard, I coordinate drivers to the Children's Hospital, Chief Ambassador, and assigned to Donor Relations. All of which I enjoy, if I didn't I wouldn't do it.

I would like to thank all the Shriners and Lady Shriners that have made the Elf Khurafah Temple a great experience.

Bob Gaffney
Shriner

From the Chaplain

John Arnould PP

From the Chief Aide

Greetings Nobles, This is just a quick message from the Chief Aide. The Elf Khurafeh Shrine Family Picnic is on August 11th. I'm the Chairman once again this year. We even have some items for the Chinese Raffle, I'm looking for help with games for the children coming up with the games and running them. Any help would be appreciated. We have time I want this to be a fun time for all and any and all help will be appreciated. I'll be reaching out to the units and clubs listed in the pocket calendar for support and help.

Thank you
Timothy Corrigan

Membership

Greetings Nobles, Hope You're all well. I'd like to talk to you about membership. I'm working hard to reach my membership goal, getting Elf Khurafeh back to 1000 members or above.

This will be a great benefit to us as a temple. The biggest benefit we'd gain another voting delegate at imperial. As of right now here's our numbers on Webfez are

747 Members Start of 2024

2 New Nobles
1 Affiliations
2 Restorations
1 Associations
1 Demit
0 Suspensions
6 Expired
0 Expelled

743 Current Members

So if you know someone who has been suspended, from the temple for NPD call the office ask Clarence about the reinstatement special.

Timothy Corrigan
Membership Co-Chairman



Illustrious Sir Greg Cartwright and Chuck Birch,
Oriental Guide, welcome in two new Nobles:
Justin Andrick and Shawn Sexton,
both from Joppa-Wenona Lodge No 315

WELCOME!





Shrine Fundraising Association better known as SFA. We're having our annual Seminar October 3rd – 6th. Network with Fellow Shriners and Guests, Speak with Advertising and Marketing Consultants, Learn about New Fundraisers, Meet Vendors and Circus Promoters and Take these ideas to your Units and clubs. I'm the President of SFA so this years seminar is at Circus Park. Meet and great Thursday, Seminar Friday and Saturday go home Sunday. The cost is \$200 per person you'll even get a gift.

Tim Corrigan, SFA President

FROM YOUR 2024 ELF KHURAFEH DIVAN LADIES

Hello Ladies,

First I would like to thank you for allowing me to serve as your first lady. Illustrious Sir Greg Cartwright and I will do our best to represent the temple.

I would like to share with you some of the events we have had since January. Our first fundraiser was the t-shirt sales at the Flint and Saginaw circuses. This requires us ladies to be at every show for both circuses to try and raise as much money as possible. On the 24th we had our Easter Party/Egg hunt. This is not a fundraiser, however I would like to thank everyone who came out to help with this event.

A couple of upcoming events are the Annual Sportsman's Raffle on April 20, 2024. At this event the Divan Ladies will run their annual duck pond. For this you pay to pick a number of ducks out of the pond. The number on the bottom tells us how many tickets to give the participant. Then those tickets get put into the tumbler and one will be drawn at the end of the event to win an item we have previously picked to raffle off.

In May we have the Ladies luncheon on the 18th. The tickets are \$20 a piece. The doors open at 11:30 for social time and lunch will be at 12:30 and will be served by the men. We will have basket raffles, a purse auction and a skit performed by Lady Delores Frisby and Lady Linda Conley. The luncheon is a tropical theme so please feel free to wear your best tropical attire. If you would like to purchase tickets, donate a basket or purse please reach out to Lady

Connie Arnould or myself. We are looking forward to enjoying these upcoming events with you.

Lady Lisa Cartwright

LADIES LUNCHEON

BEACH PARTY

Be a flamingo in a flock full of birds

May 18th

Doors Open at 11:30 AM

Lunch at 12:30 PM

Please join us for a day of fun, food & laughs. There will be a purse auction, basket raffles & entertainment that you won't want to miss!

Please wear your best tropical attire!



Tickets

\$20

Please make your reservations to **Connie Arnould** by **May 10th**

810-397-3361

Circus Park
4240 West Wilson Rd
Clio, MI

SPORTSMAN'S RAFFLE

April 2024

Greetings Nobles:

The year is going by fast, and it is already April. April means Sportsman's Raffle.

Our Sportsman's Raffle has become our largest fundraiser. I would like to thank all of you that have bought and sold tickets. Many of you have got friends and relatives to help sell as well. The events committee has allowed clubs, units and other non-profit entities to put their name down as the seller and will receive a \$2.00 rebate for each ticket sold. Please try to return all tickets and money by April 14, 2024, or as soon after that as possible. If you will be helping at the event, I would ask that you be there by 9 a.m. The doors will open at 11 a.m., (maybe sooner depending on the weather). If you would like to help set up Friday, April 19th please be at Circus Park by 5 p.m. If you would like to help tear down on Sunday April 21st, please be at Circus Park by noon. Any Noble can help as no one will be denied. The more hands available makes the task much easier. If you have already returned your tickets and money, please feel free to get more tickets and keep trying to sell, you never know when someone will want to purchase one or more. Tickets at the event will be \$25 as opposed to \$20 pre-event. We will have plenty of refreshments and food. Randy's Guns from Bad Axe will be there doing his 52-card raffle. Hope fully we can sell more decks of cards this year. Randy always brings a large selection of firearms. There will also be side raffles as well as a "Heads or Tails" contest plus our 50/50 raffle. I hope to see many of you there.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 810-577-3316 or email at pjb4477@aol.com.

Yours truly,
Phil Brack P.P.

Elf Khurafeh Shrine Temple
"2024 Shriners Sportsman's Raffle"
 Saturday, April 20, 2024 Circus Park 4240 W. Wilson Rd., Clio
 Doors Open at 11:00am · Drawings Start at 12pm

ONE HUNDRED PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY

This ticket is eligible for all prizes listed.
MEAL AND REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED

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|---|--|
| 1) All Local, State and Federal Laws will be adhered to. | 5) Order of Prizes drawn may vary. |
| 2) Must be 18 years old to buy a ticket. | 6) YOU MUST PRESENT MAIN RAFFLE TICKET TO ENTER OR RECEIVE FOOD. |
| 3) Must be 16 years of age to be admitted. | 7) Need not be present to WIN. |
| 4) Prizes may be substituted based on Manufacturer's availability at time of drawing. | 8) All prizes will be issued from Bass Pro Shops 4500 Baldwin Rd., Auburn Hills, MI 48326 |

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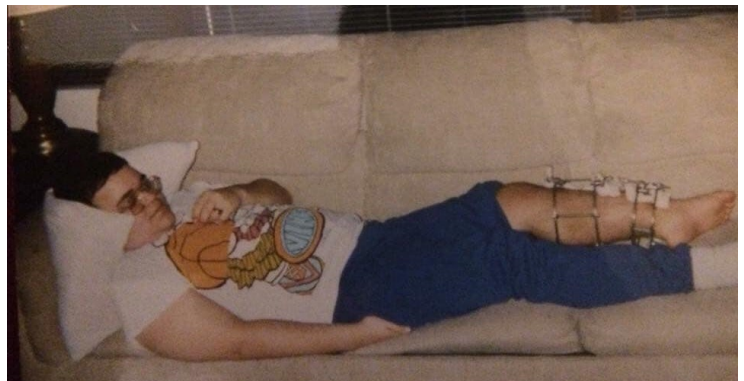
Tickets @ Door \$25.00 EARLY BIRD DRAWING FEB. 14, 2024

Here to help

As most of you know, I was a Shrine patient from the time I was 6 months old till just before I turned 18. Since I have 1st hand knowledge of the Great work Our Shriners Hospitals do, I'm available to answer questions via email, text or even phone.

I can help you close the deal. Remember when you're trying to get your name on that petition as a Top Line Signer. Remember thus it's not a process it's in your attitude. Yes there's a process involved, but it all starts with you. As a Top line signer its up to YOU. Take them to all the Shrine Clubs and Units not just ones you belong to but ALL. When at meetings for the Temple make sure they are never alone. Have fun when doing it and smile DO NOT act like it's a chore you have to do. Through all my involvement I've been asked how do you do it you're always smiling. Our smiles shows the pleasure we get doing what we do. Fun is a terrific motivator so stress the fun.

Tim Corrigan
Chief Aide



2024 SHRINERS

APRIL 20, 2024

SPORTSMAN'S RAFFLE



EARLY
BIRD

Drawing

FEB 14, 2024

100 PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY

CIRCUS PARK EVENT CENTER, 4240 W WILSON RD, CLUO MI

(MEAL AND
REFRESHMENTS
INCLUDED)

\$20
PER
TICKET

100
MAIN
PRIZES



DOORS OPEN
AT 11:00 AM
DRAWINGS
START
AT 12:00 PM

Raffle License No C31220



ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT
ELF KHURAFEH SHRINE

PAYMENTS ARE NOT DEDUCTIBLE
AS A CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION

25
SELLERS'
PRIZES



TICKETS AT
THE DOOR \$25

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MOTORCYCLE DRILL TEAM

How would you like to play in the street, amuse large crowds, support the Shrine Children Hospitals, and show off your bike ??? Get your full size, full dress motorcycle out of the garage, polish it up and come join us. We perform in local parades doing simple maneuvers that as a team look quite complex. All our maneuvers are based off simple U-turns. SO, if you can do a U-turn in the roadway in front of your home, you are ready to do our maneuvers.

We will have a scheduled potluck picnic on Saturday April 27th @ 1:00p.m. at Circus Park 4240 W. Wilson Rd. Clio.

Please call our Secretary W.J. Duncan at 989-737-3969, to advise what you wish to bring for the potluck. Plan on enough for 20 participants.

The Motorcycle Drill Team is one of the oldest units in our Temple. It used to be a Temple sponsored unit. It is now under the umbrella of the Oasis Shrine Club. Due to the members of the Drill Team aging out, we are in need of new members, especially those that can participate in the parades.

A big note of gratitude to our Potentate and Lady Laura Downing, for re-establishing the Arabian Knight news letter. It is imperative to have good communication of all the units and to the general membership.

Fraternally Biking,
W.J. Duncan Sec/Tres

OASIS SHRINE CLUB

*SHRINE CLUB EVENTS
AND
DINNER ANNOUNCEMENT DATES*

APRIL 13-14 SPRING CRAFT SHOW
APRIL 18 MONTHLY DINNER MEETING AT C.P.
MAY 16 AT ANDY'S COUNTRY CHEF IN CLIO
JUNE 20 ANNUAL STEAK FRY AT C.P.
JUNE 22-23 SLOAN CAR SHOW

Oasis Shrine Club
PRESENTS
Spring
Craft Show
April 13 / 9am - 4pm
April 14 / 10am - 4pm
Circus Park
4240 W. Wilson Rd, Clio, MI
FREE EVENT
CANDLES & JEWELRY
GIFTS & CUSTOM ITEMS
Vendors! Reserve a spot by email:
Jami61576@gmail.com

LeDias Clowns El Said Court



The Le Dias Clown Unit of Flint, MI. LOSNA
We Belong to the EL SAID Court of Flint, MI.
We Have done an Easter Event at the Montrose
Elementary School and did face painting. We also
Had 7 Facepainters at the EK Shrine Easter
EVENT from 1pm to 3:30pm.

EL Said Court No. 28 are holding our Court Installation
of Officers on April 6th at Swartz Creek Masonic
Center. 2pm is a Luncheon and Lady Ora Lee Love-Pate
and her court of Officers will be installed
at 4pm. This is an open Installation.

Our next Clown Meeting is April 24, 2024 6pm at
Liberty Restaurant on Peirson Rd Flushing, MI. Our
Hostess is Lady Karla Amos-Smith Please call her to
tell her your coming!

We are looking forward to our Parades starting
up. Our First Parade is Mt Morris Memorial Day
Parade in Mt Morris, MI. 10 AM is K/O and I
will pickup at 9 AM at Clio Big Boy in the Back.
I will pickup at 9:30 AM Behind St Mary's Church in
Mt. Morris. Please be early at both pickups.

Grand Council is May 13th thru the 17th in Grand Rapids.
There will be several of our Court Ladies attending
including me.

June 1st is Swartz Creek Home Town Days 10 AM is K/O
Pickup at Clio Big Boy 8:45 AM and Pickup at the
Swartz Creek Masonic Lodge at 9:15 AM Be Early!
We will then go to Owasso for there Curwood Festival
Parade.



Our June 26th Clown Meeting is at 6pm
Our Restaurant and Hostess will be announced
later. It will be our Birthday Event
We have no meeting in July and so far there
are no more Parades until August.
Enjoy Your Summer!

Lady Evelyn McMullen, PHP
Directress: 810-429-7225



PUTTING PATIENT CARE FIRST!



Shriners Children’s Ohio continues to provide world-class craniofacial care

With winter here, Akikere is bundled up with a warm and fashionable pink pom-pom hat. The 14-year-old doesn’t like the cold weather but says she is enjoying watching the snow fall from the warmth of Ronald McDonald House during her stay in Dayton.

Originally from Nigeria, Akikere was born with Crouzon Syndrome, which occurs when the seams of the skull fuse abnormally. Our skilled surgeons and partnership with Dayton Children’s Hospital allow us to provide specialized, complex craniofacial care to Akikere and other children around the world!

*We’re here to provide the most **AMAZING CARE** anywhere for every child with burn and plastic surgery needs!*

Shriners Children’s Chicago helps Brady drive toward his racing dreams

The work of the Pediatric Orthotic and Prosthetic Services (POPS) team allows patients like Brady to pursue their passions regardless of obstacles along the way.

Brady, 20, can be seen racing three nights a week in stock car #64. In most ways, Brady is just like any other young adult. But when he was 3, Brady was involved in a lawnmower injury and lost part of his foot. He came to Shriners Children’s Chicago as a young teen with a very bowed leg and a foot prosthesis.

Brady had surgery in 2017 when he was 13. They were able to fit Brady with a slightly larger, below-knee prosthetic, which gave him more functional options for a prosthetic foot, allowing him to do the things he enjoys, like racing.



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Chicago

REACHING MILESTONES!

Ohio teen reflects on burn recovery nearly decade after explosion burned 87% of body

Seventeen-year-old Bryson measures his life by typical teen milestones – his first job, first high school dance, making varsity football, and getting his driver’s license learner’s permit. But for Bryson, those accomplishment are even more meaningful, when nearly ten years ago he was given only a 13% chance to live after a gas can explosion caused critical burns over 87% of his body.

“It’s kind of surreal,” Bryson remarked. “I really do remember some of the times in the hospital when I was a kid. Whether it was physical therapy, dressing changes, or more fun times like when the zoo animals came to visit.”

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Shriners Children’s Chicago patient featured in new ‘Salute’ commercial

Peggy, a former patient of Peter Smith, M.D., is featured in a new “Watch Me-Salute” advertisement created by BAM Marketing for Shriners Children’s.

As a child, Peggy’s parents were told she would never walk or talk after a diagnosis of diplegia non-spastic cerebral palsy. “I proved those doctors wrong when I finally started walking and talking towards three years of age.”

After the family came to Shriners Chicago, Dr. Smith performed surgery to help turn her femurs and correct her walking issues. Peggy went on to have a 20-year career in the U.S. Army. She contacted the Chicago hospital to express her thanks to Dr. Smith after her military retirement in 2019 as a sergeant first class.



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UNITS - CLUBS - CLUB SPONSORED UNITS

Do you want Elf Khurafeh members to be involved? Do you want members of the community to join the Shrine? Accurate contact information is vital for communication and growth of our organization.

You can help! Please ask the your Unit & Club leadership to submit contact information (name, role, phone, email) as well as activity details (meeting frequency, time, date, location, when you will be dark) to Recorder@ekshrine.com and ArabianKnights@ekshrine.com

The temple website and next edition of the Arabian Knights will be amended with new information provided.

UNITS

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1st Monday, 7:00 PM - Location TBA

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Pote Rep:

CLOWNS

2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Circus Park Event Center

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DIRECTOR'S STAFF

Date/Time/Location

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HIGHLANDERS

Date/Time/Location

Pipe Major:

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HOSPITAL TRANSPORTATION

Date/Time/Location

Director:

President:

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Pote Rep:

MILITARY PATROL

Date/Time/Location

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LAPEER

3rd Wednesday, 7:00 PM
Leo's Coney Island, Lapeer
 Director:
 President:
 Secretary:
 Pote Rep:

SHIAWASEE

Date/Time/Location
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 President:
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OASIS

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ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

HILLBILLY CLAN 55

Date/Time/Location
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 Pote Rep:

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Upcoming Date of Interest

- 04/20/2024 Sportsman's Raffle Circus Park Event Center
11:00 AM Doors Open, 12:00 PM Raffles Start
\$20 per Advance Ticket, \$25 at the door
100 Prizes to be given away, Meal & Refreshments included
Contact Phil Brack PP (810) 577-3316 pjb4477@aol.com
- 04/27/2024 Hillbilly Spring Fling Circus Park Event Center
5:30 PM Doors Open, 6:30 PM Dinner, \$25/person
Ugly Ducking Contest, DJ, Dancing, Hillbilly Degree
Contact Brian Geiser (517) 715-3345 briangeiser20@gmail.com
- 05/18/2024 Ladies Luncheon Circus Park Event Center
11:30 AM Doors Open, 12:30 PM Lunch, \$20/person
Beach Party - Tropical Attire - Food, Laughs, purse auction,
basket raffles and entertainment
Contact Connie Arnould (810) 397-3361 shopinmom@yahoo.com
- 06/01/2024 Shriners' Run - Canceled
- 06/12/2024 Business Meeting Circus Park Event Center
6:00 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM Meeting
- 06/13/2024 Arab Patrol Steak Fry
- 06/20/2024 Oasis Steak Fry
- 06/21/2024 Potentate's Birthday Party - Canceled
- 06/30/2024 - 07/04/2024 Imperial Session in Reno NV
- 07/20/2024 Childcare Christmas in July Party - Canceled
- 07/21/2024 Midland Gold Outing
- 07/25-28/2024 Shriner's Camping Trip to Gaylord MI
- 08/04/2024 Hillbilly Corn Roast Circus Park Event Center
- 08/11/2024 Shrine Family Picnic Circus Park Event Center

FEZtival of Trees dates have been modified as follows:

Sponsor Display Set Up:

Friday, November 22, 2024 ~ 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Saturday, November 23, 2024 ~ 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Event is open to the Public:

Monday, November 25, 2024 ~ 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Tuesday, November 26, 2024 ~ 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Wednesday, November 27, 2024 ~ 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Friday, November 29, 2024 ~ 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Saturday, November 30, 2024 ~ 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Sunday, December 1, 2024 ~ 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Drawing:

Sunday, December 1, 2024 after 5:00 PM

(Virtual Drawing - details to follow)

**Would you like your activities listed? Parades? Picnics? Fundraisers?
Submit your information to ArabainKnights@ekshrine.com**