

Elf Khurafeh Shrine Center

Arabian Knights



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APRIL 2018

Kentucky Derby

We will have a Kentucky Derby Day on the 4th of May.

There will be a Meal and real live Horse Races!!

Well... maybe not Live, but we will have them on DVD!

You will be able to bet and have the

real feel of Derby Downs.

Ladies Get your best Dress and Hat,
Gents get your best Suit and Derby and come on out.
Cost will be \$13 PP, \$25 per Couple
BYOB, set ups and "Mint Julep" Punch Provided.
Doors open at 6:00PM.





Potentate's Message



Dear Fellow Nobles,

As this is going to Print, our Easter Party and Circus Appreciation Dinner will already be held. A big thanks to Jeff and Laura Downing for their help in planning the Easter Party, and a Elephantine Thanks to Ron Stanley and Brian Sabin for their leadership at the Circus. I want to personally thank all those who came out to put on and helped with, one of the Best Circus's I have seen!

The Potentates Dance is on the 24th of March, I hope you can come out and have some fun with us. I will be going to the Snow Birds Lunch in Sarasota, the next day!

We have our Gun Show on April 7th at Circus Park, there are still Tickets, to buy or get some to sell.

There will be a Kentucky Derby Party on the 4th of May, we have a real Horse Race to bet on. There will be a Dinner, Mint Juleps. Ladies wear you best Hats, Gents get your Derby out! BYOB

Comedy Show on May 7th, more info to come

The Chicago Hospital will have "Hospital Day" there on the 3rd of June. We have a Bus lined up. Get with Betty to get your reservations in. We have room for 50, but we can get another Bus if needed, the cost will be \$25 PP, snacks and water included.

We all had a great time at the Ark Adventure and the Creation Museum last year. I have asked Ill Sir Swartwood to see if we have enough interest in going there again this year, date and price will need to be worked out.

The Finance Committee, Tim Cohee the Treasurer, and I have been working on the Bookkeeping, we are now in Quick Books and we should have a good idea where we stand. We are also working on a 5yr Stategic Plan for the Temple. There is still a lot of work to do, but this will be my main focus this year.

I have been out visiting the Clubs and Units, and trying to visit them all, hope to see you soon at yours. If there are any ideas or suggestions, get with your Divan Rep, or get with me.

God Bless our Children God Bless the Shrine Fraternally Ill Sir John Berry

Oasis Shrine Club

Oasis Shrine Club 32nd Annual Spring Craft Show & Fair, Saturday and Sunday, April 14th and 15th, 2018, - 9AM to 6PM both days, Shrine Circus Park, 4240 W. Wilson Rd, Clio, MI 48420, Call Dan for information at (810) 577-7346 or visit ekshrine.com

Recorder's Message



Spring greetings to all from the Recorder's desk, as I write this message it's snowing but the weather forecaster is promising warm weather for April and May. Our ice fishing season is over for this winter as the ice is unsafe to walk on let alone snowmobile on. Soon fishing from shore, boats or docks will be in order. Nobles while you're out walking, fishing or just thinking about mowing the lawn, it's time to think about who you know that would be a good Mason and Shriner. Declining membership is, and has been the number one concern in our Shrine for over thirty years and NOW is the time for all Shriners to do something about it.

As of today, Elf Khurafeh has no Candidate Petitions turned in to our Recorder for the July 28th Ceremonial in Grayling. What's the matter, don't we intend to pass on the good times and fellowship to other Masons? Nobles the time IS DEFINITELY NOW. PLEASE work on Membership for the good of the Order.

Nobles and Ladies, our Telemed has taken a turn for the better, March 16th is scheduled for several patients to be examined at Covenant Clinic in Saginaw and Shriners Hospital Chicago by Tele-Medicine. A trial run was completed on Jan.19, 2018 and both Hospitals were very pleased with the results along with the parents and patients. This new procedure is going to save many hours of travel for parents, drivers, patients and dollars from the Hospital Transportation Fund. This will not eliminate the trips to Chicago for surgery or braces, at this time, only the Orthopedic Patients will be involved with Telemed. (What a great step forward for our kids.) Elf Khurafeh Shriners should be very proud to be a part of this great undertaking.

Driver Safety meeting will be April 28th Alpena at 10AM and Saginaw June 2nd at 9AM.

Upcoming events; April 7th Gun Show, C.P., April 11th Business Meeting, Saginaw (Dinner 6, Meeting 7), Arab Patrol Raffle, Saginaw, April 21st Circus Park Clean-up 9AM, May 4th Kentucky Derby Party, Circus Park, May 25th Comedy Show Saginaw, 7PM.

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

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Northern Michigan Shrine Club, giving \$5800 in donations from Paper, Onions Sales and a Casino trip to Ill Sir John Berry







Fenton Shrine Club

Fenton Shrine Club will holds its first spring meeting on April 12th. We will have a speaker and details about our Temple Onion Sale in May and our day trip to Meadowbrook Hall in Rochester on May 15th. Maps to the Hall and restaurant will be available. Be sure to attend this important meeting for complete information.

Our Past Presidents' Night will be held on May 10th. We hope to see a good crowd there. Our last meeting before summer recess is on June 14th, Flag Day. President Gene Reid will offer a special tribute to veterans at this picnic event.

All spring meetings are held at the Fenton V.F.W. (second Thursday), open at 5:30. All nobles, ladies and guests are welcome. We all look forward to greeting spring and bidding snow farewell!

The Officers of the Alpena Shrine Club were installed by Potentate John Berry, President, Roy Cartwright, Jr., Secretary, Mike Barnett





Southern & Northern Paper Sale

Don't forget about the Annual Paper Sale, Remember all the proceeds from this go directly to the hospitals. The Southern Paper Sale is June 6th pick up your papers at Circus Park and the Northern Paper Sale is June 20th, pick up the papers in Grayling.

Tentative Schedule

APRIL

7th - Gun Show - Circus Park

11th - Business Meeting - Shrine/Pulaski Hall - Mtg. 7PM - Dinner 6PM

14th-15th - Craft Show - Circus Park

15th - Arab Patrol Raffle - Saginaw

17th - Ladies Tea Luncheon

21st - Circus Park Clean-Up

23rd - Security Meeting - 7PM

26th - Oasis Shrine Club Dinner

28th - Driver's Safety Seminar - Alpena 10AM

MAY

4th - Kuntucky Derby - Circus Park

9th - Business Meeting - Shrine/Pulaski Hall - Dinner 6PM- Meeting 7PM

10th - Arabian Knights - Article Due

18th-19th - Scotish Rite Reunion - Bay City - Cereminial

19th - Outhouse Pig Roast - Whittemore

21st-22nd - Grand Lodge Annual Communications

25th - Comedy Show - Saginaw - 7PM

26th - Past Potentate's Dinner

28th - Memorial Day - Shrine Office Closed

JUNE

2nd - Driver's Safety Seminar - Saginaw 9AM

3rd - Hospital Days

6th - Southern Paper Sale - Circus Park 6PM

8th-10th - Shrinefest - Car & Bike Show, 5K Run & Fun Run

13th - Business Meeting - Saginaw - Dinner 6PM - Meeting 7PM

20th - Northern Paper Sale - Grayling

JULY

4th - Independance Day - Shrine Office Closed

10th - Arabian Knights Article Due

11th - Executive Meeting - Saginaw

15th - Midland Shrine Club Golf Outing - Sandy Ridge Golf Course

15th-19th - Imperial - Daytona Beach, Florida

22nd - Loons Baseball Shriner's Day

28th - Ceremonial - Grayling

TBD - Detroit Tigers Shriner's Day

AUGUST

8th - Executive Meeting - Saginaw 6PM

9th-11th - York Rite - Annual

18th-19th - Potentate's Trip to Mackinaw City

26th - Shrine Family Picnic - Circus Park 12 Noon - 3PM

SEPTEMBER

3rd - Labor Day - Shrine Office Closed

3rd - Harrisville Parade - Harrisville

10th - Arabian Knights Article Due

12th - Business Meeting - Saginaw - Dinner 6PM - Meeting 7PM

19th-23rd - GLSA - Grand Rapids

22nd - Driver's Safety Seminar - Saginaw 9AM

28th - Comedy Show - Saginaw 7PM

Saginaw Circus was a Huge Success



A group of circus enthusiasts

Our Illustrious Sir John Berry at the microphone dressed in his clown character, Shef.





Clowning around as usual.



"Cry Baby" one of our newer Tall Shriner inflatables"

CALLIOPE SHRINE CLOWNS

"International Ambassadors"

This year the Shrine Circus was another good one. It may have been a small turnout but all had a great time inspite of the cold weather and sickness.

The Calliope Clown Unit stayed in Saginaw for the three days of the circus. We stayed at the Spring Hill Hotel near the Fashion Square Mall. When we got back to the hotel after the Friday night show we were met by a woman and a bunch of kids. The woman was probably in her early 30's or 40's. She was so excited I thought she would "wet" herself. She was surrounded by kids in their early teens. She started asking us questions and before we could answer she was asking another, we told her to slow down and take her time and we would tell her anything she wanted to







She wanted to know where we came from and where we were going and how long we would be staying at the hotel. A lot of other questions were asked and we answered them to her satisfaction. When we told her we were Shrine Clowns, she said "in Ontario, Canada" where she was from they didn't have Shrine Clowns or circuses. She wanted to know our ages and I told her we were all in our 80's; she couldn't believe it. When she found out our elder statesman just turned a young 87, she was amazed. I thought she was going to flip out.

Come to find out she was a school teacher and a bunch of the kids were here for a Youth Hockey Tournament. Dusty told her he was a retired school teacher and the conversation was on.

I told her she had to be the woman the Boarder Patrol was looking for who was smuggling in canadian bacon. (Hey! what did you expect? After all I am a clown.)

Saturday when we returned to the hotel they were having a party in the lobby (its a big lobby). They invited us to join them but we were all too tired after such a long day. We thanked them for their offer and said we would see them Sunday morning before we left. Sunday AM we said good-bye, took pictures and exchanged hugs and well wishes.

I tell you fellow Shriners, I have never seen a woman of her age get so excited over a bunch of "over-the-hill" guys wearing make-up.

Have you ever noticed? People just can't resist a clown!

I think we did good in representing Elf Khurafeh Shrine and to bring some more good will to our country.

See you down the trail! God Bless! Rodeo

2018 EK Shrine Sportsmans Raffle

Join the Elf Khurafeh Shrine for a Sportsman's Raffle on Saturday, April 7th, 2018 at Circus Park in Clio.
Doors open at 11:30 AM - Event starts at 12:00 PM
Prizes include pistols, rifles, shotguns, crossbows, and much more.
Your \$20 ticket will get you in the door, food and refreshments, over 50 chances to win!

Look for us at migunshows.com events prior to April 7th, ask any Shriner, or contact the Circus Park office for more info - \$20 Each





Tired of the cold? So are we... come take a Casino Trip with the Sanilac Shrine Club

Need not be a Shriner to enjoy the trip

Motor Coach Transportation Provided to

Odawa Casino in Petoskey

Overnight stay at

Kewadin Shores Casino in St. Ignace
Then Leaving for

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Sun. & Mon., April 15 & 16 \$179 Single - \$138 P.P. Double

All Proceeds Donated to Shriners Hospitals for Children, Chicago

For more details please call 989-635-7279 or

karlaferguson@rocketmail.com





Easter Party



Three Shriner children

Our cooks deserve a little recognition



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3 girls after the Easter Egg Hunt

Brian Sabin and a lady clown (mmmm)



Potentate with the Easter Bunny



Face Painting by the El Said Ct. Clown Unit



Date

Saturday, June 9, 2018 7:00 AM ~ Registration/Check-In 8:30 AM ~ 5k Run 8:32 AM ~ 5k Walk 8:40 AM ~ 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk Anytime/Anywhere ~ Virtual 5k

Location

Circus Park 4240 West Wilson Road Clio, MI 48420

Questions?

Questions or concerns about this event, please email the race directors at shrinersrun@ekshrine.com or you may call the listed phone numbers below:

> Laura Downing: (810) 341-3490 Jeff Downing: (810) 347-5186

Packet Pick-Up

Friday, June 8, 2018 - 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Saturday, June 9, 2018 - Starting at 7:00 AM Circus Park

Comedy Show
This is Andy Beningo, he is a comedian extraordinaire a great fit for Shriners. Andy will appear on stag at the Shrine/Pulaski Hall May 25, 2018 at 7:00 PM. Call Betty for tickets 810-686-2641.



JANUARY 2018 CASH CALENDAR WINNERS

#88	CARTER HIMILL	LENNON	BYRON VOWELL	CLOWNS	\$25.00
#360	MARY KRHOVSKY	CORUNNA	LULHAM	SHIA	\$25.00
#376	RICHARD A REYNOLDS	owosso	PAT FINNEGAN	SHIA	\$25.00
#1018	HOLLY VANVLEET	owosso	LULHAM	SHIA	\$100.00
#183	LEN DEYOUNG	HOLLY	ROBERT DICKINSON	OASIS	\$25.00
#1062	CHARLIE KRAUSE	SAGINAW	DAVID ROE	MINI CARS	\$25.00
#523	VINCE & ROSE AMORE	FENTON	GENE REID	FENTON	\$25.00
#587	JEFF MUMA	FLINT	GENE REID	FENTON	\$100.00
#971	CHUCK GREEN	CLAWSON	FRANK GREEN	LAPEER	\$25.00
#475	JENNIFER DIT CHAMBERLAIN	CLARKSTON	DAN DIMEGLIO	LAPEER	\$25.00
#320	ADAM ORTIZ	SAGINAW	RON REGALADO	ARAB PATROL	\$25.00
#872	ALAN ZACHARIA	ATTICA	?	SANILAC	\$100.00
#926	JEFF & CINDY SCOTT	BURTON	KEN SCOTT	ARAB PATROL	\$25.00
#117	BARRYTHURSTON	MIDLAND	BARRY THURSTON	MINI CARS	\$25.00
#513	STEVEN ROBERTS	EAST TAWAS	JOEL JACOBS	WPSC	\$25.00
#354	TRACY MEYER	SWARTZ CREEK	LULHAM	SHIA	\$100.00

FEBRUARY 2018 CASH CALENDAR WINNERS

Ticket #	Winner	From	Sold By	Club/Unit
#937	Arab Patrol			Arab Patrol
#245	Baker, Beverly	East Pointe		Sanilac SC
#475	Chamberlain, Jennifer	Clarkston	Dan Dimeglio	Lapeer SC
#289	Corcoran, Mike & June	Saginaw	Ron Gardner	Arab Patrol
#614	Hinson, Mike	Holly	Gene Reid	Fenton SC
#81	House, Yolanda	Flint	Ronald House	Clowns
#260	Petersen, Jo	Saginaw	Pangborn	Arab Patrol
#567	Schmidt, Kevin	Clio	Gene Reid	Fenton SC
#383	Schnepp, John R.	Durand	Jim Bowles	Shiawasee SC
#1016	St John, Dave	Corunna	Lulham	Shiawasee SC
#235	Wallen, David	Owosso	Eric Ross	Director Staff
#769	Zirkle, Ellen	Saginaw	Michael Zirkle	Highlanders
February 2	018 - \$100 Winners			
Ticket #	Winner	From	Sold By	Club/Unit
#1164	Bosler, Ben	Atlanta MI	Kurt Hutchison	Northern Michigan SC
#660	MacPhail, Denise	Midland	James Griffiths	Bay Area SC
#649	Rio, Sara	Kalamazoo	James Griffiths	Bay Area SC
#381	Snyder, John	Owosso	Lulham	Shiawasee SC



Ralph R Jackson, Saginaw 1-13-2018
Wallace L Mattison, Flushing 1-22-2018
Ivan W Gwilt, Dowagiac 8-31-2017
Arthur E Summerfield, Jr, Traverse City 10-8-2017
Keith T Hilliker, Alma 1-14-2018
Laurence G Harmon, Columbus, OH 10-28-2004
Dwight A Humm, Midland 2-11-2018
Donald W Skinner, Swartz Creek 9-29-2016
Russell A Helmer, Jr., Alma 2-14-2018
Terry W Lint, Blanchard 2-2-2018
Jerome C Jorgensen, Oscoda 10-5-2016
Charles H Sills, Elsie 7-14-2014
Richard L Williams, Davison 9-11-2017
Jerry L Housewright, Pinckney 12-15-2017
Thomas J Hammond, Punta Gorda, FL 11-29-2016





Scottish Rite Reunion

We will have a Shrine Ceremonial at the Scottish Rite Reunion on the 18th and 19th 0f May.

Please try to be there to promote the Elf Khurafeh Shriners and to encourage the new consistory members to join our ranks. This is a good time to improve membership and also to pick up much needed new Members for your clubs and units.

Clowns attend Zenobia Shrine Circus

Pictures below show EKS Clowns Shef, Tkat, Ashis and others at the Zenobia Shrine Circus.





2017 Cash Calendar Bonanza Best since 2014

The cash Calendar sales went extremely well this year, the circus theme showing Circus Covers from all the eras, since 1944, was the brilliant idea of our Potentate John Berry.

Calendar sales were 1,064 sold, the most since 2014, grossing \$21,300 with a profit after prize money, printing, and commissions of \$4,555.

Commissions paid to the clubs and units was \$3,078. The bad news is 23 calendar coupons came in with no sales person's name or club. This is obviously a problem. By not finishing his job of completing the bottom of the coupon no commission can be given.

On a lighter note the top sales club was Fenton SC with 150 calendars sold, followed by the Arab Patrol with 134. Shiawassee SC was 3rd with 122 and Bay Area SC sold 105.

The top sales person was Eugene Reid of Fenton SC, Jim Griffith was 2nd and Rod Robertson was third.

Thanks for a job well done! Dan Schultz, Chairman

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