

February 2016



# AAD NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS  
2016 POTENTATE  
RON PETE !!!!!

**“Pulling For Our Kids”**



# AAD Shrine Officers 2016 Divan

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**Aadzuhman Shrine Club**  
(Brainerd, MN)  
Meeting 3rd Mon., 6pm  
Justin Knippel, 218-330-5591

**Band**  
Contact John Hussey,  
218-729-7854  
Duane Ege, Pres., 218-387-2177

**Border Shrine Club (MN/ONT)**  
Meeting 2nd Mon. (except Jul/  
Aug) 6pm  
Tom Haugland, 218-283-3897

**Chequamegon Shrine Club**  
(Northern WI) 2nd Thurs. 6pm  
Ted Callahan 715-372-4412

**Director's Staff (Ceremonials)**  
Ladies Night Out, 4th Tues. 6pm  
Meeting 1st and 3rd Tues., 7pm  
David Hartwick 218-525-5669

**Drum & Bugle Corps**  
Meeting every Thurs. start in  
March, 7pm  
David Hartwick, 218-341-5302

**Aad Shrine Building**  
**Dune Buggy Patrol**  
Meeting 2nd and 4th Tues., 5:30pm  
Chuck Swanson, 218-391-9551

**Fun Razors Club**  
Meetings Quarterly  
Jack McNally, President  
218-348-3856

**Headwaters Shrine Club**  
Dick Labraaten 218-556-2881  
[labraat@paulbunyan.net](mailto:labraat@paulbunyan.net)

Meeting 3rd Monday of Month  
**Hospital Dads**  
Roger Kurrle, 218-525-4414

**Lake Superior Clowns  
of Aad Shrine**  
Meeting 2nd Weds., Aad Shrine  
Bldg.  
Dan Johnson 218-349-5927

**Mariners**  
Meeting 3rd Mon., 6:15pm  
Chuck Haslerud, 218-525-3418

**Mesaba Rangers**  
4th Tuesday (except Jul, Aug,  
Nov, Dec)  
5:30pm social, 6:30pm dinner  
John Sordi, 218-263-4428

**North Star Cycle Patrol**  
Brian Schmidt, 218-259-5345  
Meeting Tuesday's ( May-Oct)  
6:30pm

**North Star Shrine Club**  
Earl Machart 218-654-3336  
**Oddmen**

Meeting 2nd Weds. (Sept -  
May)  
Paul Reinier, 218-391-6955

**Oriental Band (Brainerd)**  
Meeting 4th Weds., 7:30pm  
Don Crust, 218-831-6637

**Pipes & Drums**  
Meeting Weds., 6:30pm  
Chuck Bergquist, 218-390-9971

**Provost Unit (Golf Carts)**  
Meeting 2nd Weds. (except Jul  
& Aug)

Nick Katich, 218-310-7401  
[nikatich@yahoo.com](mailto:nikatich@yahoo.com)

**Range Shrine Club (Hibbing  
Area)**

Jesse Baker, 218-929-2199

**Range Shrine Patrol**  
Karl Hnatko, 218-262-3374

**Range Shrine Motor Patrol**  
Robert Mayry, 218-231-2262

**Ritual Divan**  
Dick Sellman, 218-929-1624

**Superior Shrine Club (WI)**  
Meeting 4th Mon., 6pm  
(Jan-May, Sept-Nov)  
Kevin Baker, 715-392-6575, or  
218-590-6669

**Ver Saba Shrine Club  
(Rangers)**  
Lauren B. Jallen, 218-865-6139

**Vikings Shrine  
(Cloquet Area-Fire Truck)**  
Meeting 3rd Tues., 6pm  
Dick Kern, P.P., 218-624-0971



# Potentates Message

Greetings Nobles, Ladies and Friends:

Installation of officers is now history and what a great day it was! Our annual meeting was held in the Red Fez Lounge due to the fact that we had so many guests who were not Shriners present for the day. Following a very brief meeting, we joined the others. We were welcomed by Potentate Richard Sellman and then he turned the installation over to Past Potentate Dwane Schultz who installed me, your new Potentate, then the Elected Divan and followed that with the installation of the Appointed Divan. It was a great ceremony with each member of the Elected Divan receiving his fez from a special person in his life. When I joined Aad Shriners in 1992, Illustrious Sir Dwane was the Potentate so it was only fitting that he shared in placing that special fez on my head with my sister, Joanne Freiman, Aad's First Lady for 2016. Following the installation ceremony, Joanne had the distinct pleasure of presenting a gift to Illustrious Sir Dick Sellman for his wife, Judi. This special presentation was from the Divan Ladies of the past year. Then it was to everyone's joy that Joanne called Darlene Carlson forward and presented her with a bouquet of carnations on behalf of Aad. Darlene has always been a great supporter of our Temple and she has done so many "behind the scenes" things for the betterment of our Shrine that it was only fitting she be recognized for her loving kindness. It was pleasing to see 165 people present for the installation and I am sorry that some had to leave before dinner was served. We did serve 150 for a great dinner prepared by my family, my friend Lori Ulvi and Christian Freeman, a member of our Chef's Unit. Many compliments were received for the food and it was extremely gratifying when many of our own members came up to me and said, "We have never had an installation like this. We are here for you and her to support you and this Shrine." The one thing which I stressed in my acceptance speech is here repeated because you will be hearing it throughout this year. "Remember why you joined." The Shrine is the

playground for Master Masons. Over 150 years ago, some Master Masons recognized that we needed a social outlet and the Shrine was created. About 50 years later, we were having great fun, but decided that we also needed a philanthropy and the first Shriners Hospital for Children was built in Shreveport, Louisiana. From that time, we have grown to 22 hospitals in the United States, Canada and Mexico. The hospitals are worthy of our support, but if we, as Shriners, do not "remember why we joined" and if we do not remember to support our local Shrines, then who will be here to support those hospitals as Shrines become extinct? "Remember why you joined."

You joined to have fun. The best way to have fun is to attend our meetings, support our clubs and units with your membership in at least one of them and mostly to SUPPORT OUR SHRINE!

I look forward to attending as many of your club and unit meetings as possible and I would personally like to give each of you one of the new Potes pins. Please let me know what is happening in your club or unit and I will do my best to participate. The best way to reach me is by email: [CreekCoveRA@aol.com](mailto:CreekCoveRA@aol.com) is my personal email. Use it!

I could not go without thanking all those who have made my journey through the elected line of this Shrine go so smoothly. To Illustrious Sir Dick Sellman, a true gentleman in every sense of the word, I thank you for your service and for being such a great friend to me. To those, elected and appointed, who said "yes" when asked to serve, I thank you from my heart. Each of you is the best we have to offer and your willingness to serve makes me proud to be a member of Aad Shriners. Until next month, I am

Yours in the Faith,  
Ronald Pete, Potentate



## **SUPPORTERS**

Kenneth Spangler  
P. P. William and Doris Luhm  
John and Bonnie Gibson  
Robert S. Mars, Jr.  
Donald Grubich  
Ronald Burnard, P.P  
Gerald Veillet.  
Cliff and Mickey Wiklund  
Audrey and Cliff Kolquist

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Office.*



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## **MEMORIALS**

In Memory of:  
from:  
to:

**Earl Renquist**  
Bill & Lorraine Clements  
Twin Cities Hospital

**Earl Renquist**  
Donald Brandt  
AAD Shriners

**Mary Ann Olsen**  
Duluth Masonic Chorus  
Twin Cities Hospital

## **DONATIONS**

From: Dave Lucia Trucking  
To: Twin Cities Hospital  
Amount: \$100.00

Gerald Veillet  
Twin Cities Hospital  
\$70.00

Nick-148th Fighter Wing  
AAD Shriners  
\$100.00

## **Shrine Websites**

[www.aadshrine.org](http://www.aadshrine.org)

Info about AAD Shriners

[www.shrinersvillage.com](http://www.shrinersvillage.com)

Membership number required

[www.beashriner.com](http://www.beashriner.com)

For potential new members

*Articles for the next AAD News are  
due in the office no later than the  
15th of each month*

## Chiefs Corner

Greetings Nobles of Aad Shrine. I am writing this the day after the installation of officers at Aad Shrine. Our new Potentate, Ron Pete, treated us to the Superior Singers as well as some outstanding Serbian treats for dinner including sarmas and slivovitz! Your Divan will be heading to Marquette, Michigan February 4, 5, & 6 for the Winter Midwest Shrine Association meetings. At these meetings, the plans will be made and finalized for the Summer MSA meetings and parade also in Marquette, August 3-5. Our new Potentate has also served as our Membership Chairman and I can assure you that membership will come up often this year at our meetings and events. The first date to keep in mind is the Hot Sands Ceremonial scheduled for April 30. We can all make a Lodge meeting before then to find a few good candidates for the Shrine. I am honored to have been chosen as Chief of Staff for 2016 and I look forward to seeing everyone at all the events throughout the year!

Nick Katich

Chief of Staff, AAD Shriners

### Nobles,

Please contact the office if you know of any brothers that are either homebound or residing in an assisted care facility. Brotherhood is what binds us together, so help us stay informed.

## Attention Nobles!

2016 Hospital Dads dues are now being accepted. Please consider joining this great Unit if you are not a current member. Your small yearly dues helps get the word out about our great Shriners Hospital System.

Roger Kurrle, P.P.



**6th Annual Winter Wine Down**

**Aad Shrine Wine Tasting Event**  
*Thursday, February 25, 2016*  
*from 5-8 p.m.*

**Aad Shrine Center**  
*5152 Miller Trunk Hwy*  
*Duluth, MN 55811*  
*218-722-7488*

*Wine sampling, live music, hors d'oeuvres, silent & live auction*

**Cost: \$25 in advance**



The image shows a collection of wine bottles and glasses. On the left, a glass is being filled with red wine, with a splash of liquid. In the center, there are two bottles: one labeled 'ARNAZ' and another labeled 'ANTANO'. To the right of the bottles are two more glasses, one containing red wine and the other white wine. The background is dark with some red confetti or petals scattered at the bottom.

At the Installation of Officers on January 16, it is customary for the new First Lady to present a bouquet of flowers to the outgoing First Lady. In the absence of Lady Judi Sellman, First Lady Joanne Freiman presented a bouquet to Honored Lady Darlene Carlson for her continued support of Aad Shrine. On an annual basis, Darlene provides a semi tractor to haul our circus trailer to Bemidji and to the DECC at no charge to us. This is a tremendous savings to the Shrine, and this is only a small part of what she does to support us. Many thanks, Dar!

## Nobles and Friends of AAD Shriners

This February Edition of the AAD News comes to you in full color. Enclosed in this mailing is also a sheet with advertising donations that will be available in the March 2016 Edition of the AAD News. Our goal is to receive enough support from our Shriners as well as any member of the local business community to proudly display an ad to promote their businesses as well to help provide AAD Shriners Nobles and friends to enjoy every issue with a full color and larger format so we can include every article, every month. Please consider this new opportunity and contact the Editor or AAD Shriners Office with any questions.

## What's on the Horizon

- Jan 16** Annual/Installation meeting
- Feb 4-6** Winter MSA
- Feb 25** Winter Wine Down
- Mar 8** Divan/Stated meeting
- Apr 7** Bemidji Circus
- Apr 8-10** Duluth Circus
- Apr 30** Hot Sands Ceremonial
- May 10** Divan/Stated meeting

## 2016 Officers Directory

POTENTATE	<i>RONALD PETE</i>
CHIEF RABBAN	<i>DONALD EWALD</i>
ASSISTANT RABBAN	<i>PAUL VIZANKO</i>
HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET	<i>KEVIN BAKER</i>
ORIENTAL GUIDE	<i>JUSTIN STOKKE</i>
TREASURER	<i>GARY BUBALO</i>
RECORDER	<i>GORDON GRANMOE</i>
FIRST CEREMONIAL MASTER	<i>ED BUSHEY</i>
SECOND CEREMONIAL MASTER	<i>ROGER D. JOHNSON</i>
DIRECTOR	<i>DAVID HARTWICK</i>
MARSHALL	<i>DAVE MATTSON</i>
CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD	<i>RAY DOLSEN</i>
OUTER GUARD	<i>DENNIS SCHULTZ</i>
CHIEF OF STAFF	<i>NICK KATICH</i>
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF	<i>KEEGAN MACNALLY</i>
HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVE	<i>JACK BYRD</i>
HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVE	<i>ADREN MANN</i>
CHAPLAIN	<i>DARRELL O. KYLE</i>
ORATOR	<i>RICHARD HARRI</i>
HOUSING DIRECTOR	<i>JUSTIN STOKKE</i>
TEMPLE ATTORNEY	<i>RICHARD SELLMAN, SR.</i>
INSURANCE CHAIRMAN	<i>KEN MERTZ</i>
DONOR RELATIONS	<i>RICHARD EISENMANN</i>
CIRCUS COORDINATOR	<i>RYAN KERN</i>
RANGE CIRCUS CHAIRMAN	<i>JIM FISHER</i>
MEMBERSHIP	<i>RONALD PETE</i>
PARLIMENTARIAN	<i>RICHARD SELLMAN, SR.</i>
HOSPITAL BOARD	<i>RICHARD EISENMANN</i>
CHIEF POTENTATE'S AIDES	<i>WM. "BILL" CONNER III</i>
	<i>MIKE DAIGLE</i>

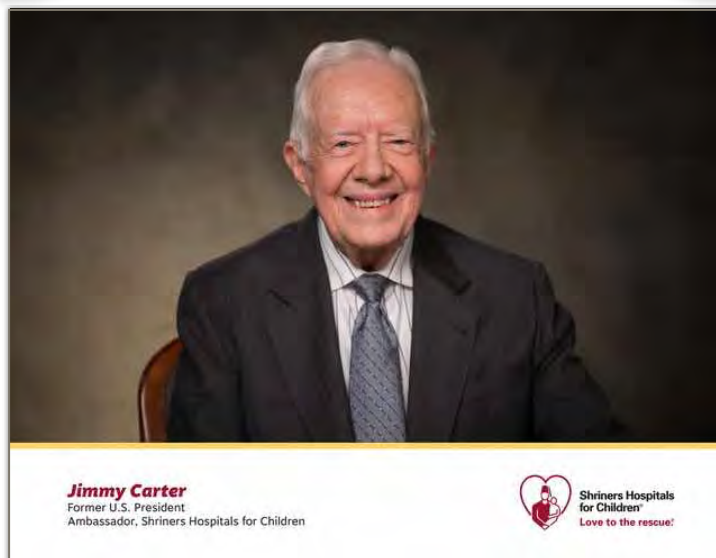
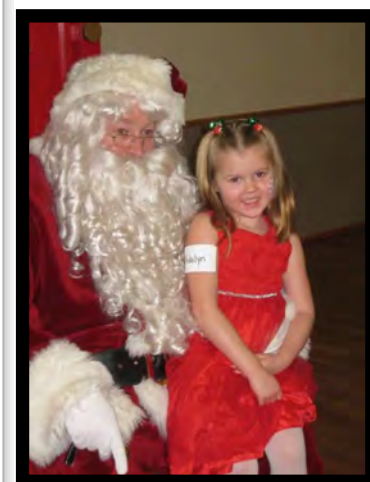
## Dues Update

Our monthly payment plan is now up and running. Call the Shrine Office to sign up now for this new and exciting way to pay your annual dues and your Circus tickets too. Only \$10.00 monthly for the dues or \$15.00 to pay for both. This is for the 2017 year but if you pay \$15.00 the Shrine will include your 2016 Circus tickets. You can call Chief Rabban Don Ewald @ 218 324 3248 with any questions about this new and exciting program. This makes it easy to pay your Dues and Circus Tickets and benefits your AAD Shriners.



# AAD Shriners Clowns Holiday Party

The party was held on Saturday, December 5th with attendance of over 165 people. This was twice the attendance of last year. Santa was played by Todd Johnson and 4 AAD Shriners Clowns, Bumbles, Pepper, Rails, and Boxcar entertained the children and adults. The children enjoyed live music, cookie decorating and face painting. All of the children received a toy for a early Christmas present as well. \$2,300.00 was raised for the Second Harvest Food Shelf with a large box of perishable food donated by attendees. Special thanks to the Shrine Ladies Auxiliary, Hospital Dads, Directors Staff, Roger Oman and everyone else who made this great event a overwhelming success.



## Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter shares a Legacy of Love

President Jimmy Carter and Mrs. Carter continue their legacy of philanthropy by helping the next generation receive the medical care they need by raising awareness as ambassadors for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

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