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We are trying to keep our ANAHGRAM published but with the COVID-19 we are sending you a newsletter instead trying to keep the news out there for you. This will help with costs of the publication and mailing; we need to send a thank you to Rich Armstrong and Ben Pollard from Snowman's Printing with making this newsletter possible.

Anah Shrine is ANAH STRONG! and will make it through this staying safe and staying your distance. I know it is hard to put a hold on your life, but we will make it better and by helping all our advertisers when they are open you will help your Anahgram with future editions.

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We will have dates and events soon to make everyone busy with the Shrine get-togethers that will help us donate to the Shrine Hospitals. The Anahgram will survive this and come out stronger along with all of vou.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR ADVERTISERS! Rich Armstrong, Editor "The Anahgram" Janice Young, Anahgram Ad Manager Illustrious Sir. Tim Dutch. Potentate Anah Shrine 2020 Anah Shrine Divan and all the Anah Shriners



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THE ANAHGRAM

POTENTATES MESSAGE

Sir Tim "Timothy" Dutch, Potentate



Hello Anah Shriners, Ladies and families,

I hope this finds you all safe and healthy. Your Divan and I decided on a condensed version of the Anahgram this month for reasons related to the Covid-19 pandemic. Our intent is

to save Anah publishing and mailing costs, but we wanted to be sure we published something to keep you in the loop and connected thru our Anahgram.

We thank Snowman's printing and Janice (Mrs. BOBO) for their help and assistance. We asked the reporters from each unit and club to send us a list of sick or distressed folks, so that we could keep them in our thoughts and prayers as well as help, aide and assist anyone we could thru these troubling times.

Anah Shrine and all its units and clubs have had to cancel many of our activities and fundraisers so far this year. It is my hope that when this Anahgram reaches you there will be at least some normalcy in all of our world. We must continue to be diligent in our daily lives following the guidelines of the CDC, Federal and State Government.

As you know our Circuses have been cancelled. This was a difficult decision, but one that had to be made. The Circus Committee and Divan considered many ideas, but with the unknown circumstances of the corona virus it was decided that we need not gamble with Temple resources.

The Divan also made the decision to apply for the Payroll Protection Plan loan program made available from the Federal Government. Tim Poitras and Charlie along with assistance from Beth Hayward at Machias Savings completed the application process for us.

Tim Poitras's report follows: Thank you Tim,

We have been looking into the various programs that were recently enacted by the federal government to help businesses and individuals get through the crisis. Unfortunately, because of our status as a 501(c)10 non-profit organization, we found that we are not eligible for funding through the paycheck protection program. This program could have provided funding to cover payroll costs for 2 months. We believe that we are eligible for a \$10.000 economic injury disaster loan and we are currently looking into that option. Like the paycheck protection program this funding begins as a loan but the loan will be fully forgiven if the proceeds are used for eligible expenditures.

Additionally from Membership: Thank you Tom Woods.

Please keep in mind the membership of our tem-

ple during these stressful and confusing times. Some of our members might be struggling with the events going on. If you know of anyone that might be struggling please reach out to them and if you can, assist them. Currently the June ceremonial is still a go. Please get your candidates applications into the office as soon as possible. This gives us time to contact them and get them the needed information for the event. Also if you brought in a new noble in January please contact them to remind them of the June ceremonial, the importance of finishing their degree (2nd section), and to make sure they are informed of this important event. This is part of being the top line signer. During these times stay strong (ANAH STRONG)

In Mid-May we will be faced with yet another big decision. Do we host the June Ceremonial in Belfast or cancel it. This has to be decided on sooner rather than later as there are a lot of things to finalize but more importantly June 1st is the cutoff date for canceling room reservations. Lady Jean and I will be greatly disappointed, but the health of our family, friends and community is first and foremost.

Here's hoping for things to be back on track for June. But we are Anah Strong and will survive and look to our future.

If you have been following my Facebook page. Lady Jean and I had some fun with our "Dream or Fantasy" trip to Aruba. Many that were to go on the original trip in April and others that decided to join our fantasy journey, shared many wonderful thoughts and comments. This made our canceled trip a fun time while still at home in Maine. Thank vou to all who shared and brought us joy we will always remember this!

And finally I leave you with some thoughts from an article I read and wanted to share.

There's no place like home, there's no place like home... there's no place like home...

During these unprecedented times we are all experiencing, let us remember how important our homes and families are. Our home provides us shelter, warmth & amp; comfort and family are those we can rely on.

Through this chaotic time, let's challenge ourselves to look for good, good always comes from adversity. It is not an easy choice, but an important choice - to look for the gifts in life we are blessed with every day. A beautiful sunrise and sunset, chirping birds, the warmth of the spring sun.

We miss everyone and look forward to a future that we can all be together again.

Be safe, stay healthy & happy - Anah Strong -Remember Why

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"FROM THE RECORDER'S **DESK"** Charlie Pray

Greetings and wishes of safety from your Recorder's desk,

Short of reiterating what everyone is saying in this turbulent



As you all aware, we submit an annual budget to Imperial in January. This document outlines our expected income derived from our membership and fundraisers such as the Circus, Golf Tournaments, Feztival of Trees, Building Rentals and as is typical from annual donations. On the expenditure side of the ledger, items such as maintenance, utilities, salaries & wages, costs of ceremonials and the various annual association meetings all factor into the entire financial picture of Anah Shrine.

as it pertains to loss of income. Namely, the Circuses

and the numerous building rentals lost to COVID 19.

Obviously, several of the expenditures are static and differ only slightly whether the building is open or closed. The electric bill as well and the cost of heat will be down but these very large expenditure items are down just that, only slightly. The issue arises when we realize the loss of Circus & Rental Income. All told we will be adjusting the budget by some \$120,000.00 in loss of revenue.

In a few short months, (August) we will all be receiving our 2021 membership invoices from Tampa. As in the past, the statement includes your annual dues of \$70.00 (Of which only \$35.00 is the portion dedicated to Anah Temple), along with the area for dues remittance there are options in which you can donate additional monies to either the Shriners Hospitals for Children or to your Shrine Temple itself. Your fraternity is asking you to consider the possibility of increasing your check amount to help offset the loss of income by the various activities noted above. Please take into consideration that if ALL #2.500 members were able to contribute even \$10.00 over and above the statement amount, Anah would only realize \$25,000.00 (Some 21% of our expected loss in revenue). In order to maintain one of the lowest annual membership dues in all of Shrinedom, we ask you to please consider this worthy cause. A sincere "Thank You" in advance for your contribution...

In closing, we pray for the safety of the entire Anah Shrine extended family as well as the families of your loved ones. We can only hope that some semblance of "Life as we once knew it" can return to our world and we can continue to do the wonderful work that we Shriners are so used to accomplishing.

Remember: Mason's make men better, Shriners make the world better!

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CLUB NEWS

WASHINGTON COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

Noble Warren Orcutt, Sr., Reporter

This certainly has been a scary two months for most people and something that we have never experienced before. Health and personal safety is at the forefront for all of us. Keep your families safe and healthy! There was a lot of disappointment from those who had planned to go on the Potentate's trip to Aruba and now the question arises, will there be a June Ceremonial. Fundraising efforts have come to a standstill for Anah and we do not know when they can be resumed.

Money that was anticipated from the planned events will not materialize. I guess it is best not include "anticipated earnings" into budgets until you actually have the money in hand.

It will definitely be a different spring and summer, and even fall, for us. We have been self-quarantined for the past several weeks and now the "Stay at Home" order has come down until the end of April. Those returning from their winter residence are also under quarantine, something they had not planned on.

The weather is warming up and hopefully we will have a better May and June than we did last year. We do have more snow and mixed precipitation early next week but the good thing is that snow won't last now with daytime temperatures in the 40-50 degree range.

Many of the snowbirds have returned from Florida and other warm areas. With a potential scare of becoming ill and possibility of border closings, plane flights cancelled, and now bus schedules being cancelled, people want to be back home.

Easter is normally a time when families get together and this will be a change for all this year. Have a wonderful Easter with your house mates! It is best to be safe as all ages are being affected by the coronavirus. Very sad time for our country and the world.

On a brighter note, a meeting was held in March with the Travel Agent on the 2021 Potentate's Trip to the Iberostar Rose Hall Beach Resort in Montego Bay, Jamaica, scheduled for April 12-18, 2021. If you are interested in this trip let Don Gordon know.

Our Screening Clinics scheduled for March 28th were also cancelled. We referred our grandson to Springfield to have a birth defect assessment made and he had surgery this past June to have a pectus excavatum repair done, which was very successful. He is scheduled to return for his one-year check-up but the corona virus may change that date.

The scheduled June Ceremonial, June 18-20, is fast approaching. Plans are for it to be held in Belfast and housing is at the Yankee Clipper Motel, with a two-night stay requirement for Friday and Saturday nights. If you haven't already reserved your space you may want to do so.

If we cannot hold the event, you can always cancel your room. Just a reminder, get your candidates lined up now for June. Potentate Tim is hoping for 75 candidates.

April Birthday wishes go out to Stacey Cherry, James Crowley, Ubbie Crowley, Jason Faulkingham, Julie Fernald, Bethany Foss, Ricky Foss, James Gibson Jr., Carolyn Hayward, Kevin Joy, David Keezer, Robert Lobley, Bimbo Look, Kathy Peabody, Shannon Prout, Randy Sawyer, Carole Simpson, Sped Seymour, Nicole Sinford, Kenneth Stewart, Frank Theriault, Earl (ET) Tracy, Linda Tracy, Bob Young.

Anniversary bells rang out in April for Dean & Elizabeth Alley; Carroll & Susan Chandler; Mike & Jolene Doran; Gerry & Linda Moores; Larry & Teresa Nichols; PP Geddes & Carole Simpson; and PP Robert & Bonnie Turner.

Until next month, wishing you all good health, "warmer weather", and much happiness. Keep the faith.

AROOSTOOK COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

Hello from "The County",

First, I would like to say that we all wish and hope everyone out there is safe and doing well! With the recent pandemic of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) we all have to make sure that we are doing our part and keeping our family's safe. With that said, I know everyone is aware of the "social distancing" rules. Unfortunately, we had to cancel ALL of the county events for the safety of the Nobles and Ladies involved and everyone from the community and surrounding areas attending. These are tough times for Anah, Clubs, and Units but most importantly the Children's Hospitals! What money we are able to raise from these events that are now being canceled takes away from the children. The VERY reason WE do what WE do. But, together, we shall overcome this. Together, as Shriners, we will still make the difference that we do! We have to understand that when faced with difficult times, know the challenges are not sent to destroy us. They are sent to promote. increase and strengthen us. Together, this is what we will do! Together we are Anahstrong!

DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

The Ankh Temple No. 160 Daughters of Nile have an editorial comment, we did not in fact meet in March due to the Covid-19 guidelines and rules. Elections were held via mail and we congratulate the new officers! The celebration of our new Queen Judith Getchelll will be scheduled at another date once we are safe to meet as a group again.

Ankh Temple ladies of the household continue to support Shriner Hospitals by collecting gift cards, toys, and other handmade goods to help children and their families stay that much more comfortable. In fact, Daughters of the Nile is second only to Shrine itself in donating to the Shriners Hospitals. In addition, some of the Ladies have been making cloth

masks for the community and local hospitals to help during this Covid-19 pandemic. Our hospitals need our support more now than ever before. We thank all those working in health care, first responders, fire and police, truck drivers, and retail associates during this difficult time.

If you are interested in joining or coming to a stated session, please contact Jane Ritchie, Past Queen and Membership chair at 207-848-7117 or by emailing: janejritchie@gmail.com

Stay healthy and be well! Respectfully submitted by-Princess Katie Rossignol, Public Relations Chair

ANAH INDYS

Bill Greaves, Reporter

We are into April with covid-19 and there hasbeen some subtle signs that we are making progress. Although social distancing and essential travel only mandates have hampered Anah Shrine activities, it has certainly benefited the health and safety of all of us. On behalf of the Anah Indys, we hope this finds all Nobles and Ladies well in this unusual time.

Just prior to the cancelling of Shrine activities, the Indys were able to begin necessary maintenance on our cars. Several bodies were in need of repair and we continue to resolve clutch issues. The annual maintenance will take place as soon as we can get together again. Given the current situation, we have not begun to plan a parade schedule but will keep everyone informed should one develop. We would like to give a big shout out to Keith, glad to hear that you are feeling better. Hopefully we will see you this summer. Also, Mike retired after more than 40 years as a paramedic with Houlton Ambulance. He has rescued more people and delivered more babies than we ever thank him for.

Lastly, we have all heard the importance of the 6-foot rule, social distancing, and washing our hands, so I won't repeat it. I will mention that if you are finding a little extra leisure time that it could be used to re-read your Cipher or contact a member of your blue lodge. Spring is here, get some fresh air and stay healthy.necessary maintenance on our cars. Several bodies were in need of repair and we continue to resolve clutch issues. The annual maintenance will take place as soon as we can get together again. Given the current situation, we have not begun to plan a parade schedule but will keep everyone informed should one develop. We would like to give a big shout out to Keith, glad to hear that you are feeling better. Hopefully we will see you this summer. Also, Mike retired after more than 40 years as a paramedic with Houlton Ambulance. He has rescued more people and delivered more babies than we ever thank him for.

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WIDOW'S CLUB

As we come into May let us all hope that the peak of the Coronavirus is heading in the correct direction, downward. I hope all of you have been spared the virus. I know that we have had to cancel all in our lives but the best way to stay well has been to continue to do what the CDC recommends us to do.

We will not plan anything for this month as a group. Let's us keep doing as we are to stay safe. Let's hope by the time June rolls around that we will be starting to get our lives back on track.

My friends, I miss you all and hope you are all well. If you need me don't hesitate to get in touch with me. I'm only a phone call away.

Stay well, Lorena.

SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL REPORT

Good day to you all. And that's what I truly hope it is for you. In my last report I was excited that our clinics would be held and several children would be on the fast track to living a better life without having to travel to Springfield. A week after that report was complete I received notice all meetings, travel, and clinics were postponed until further notice. This does not mean the hospital closed. Essential operations and medical necessities would go on but a new set of precautions were initiated to insure our kids and staff were kept safe from the Corona Virus. I am very proud of the lengths our employees are stepping up and have become an even more cohesive unit to fight this invasive disease we are all facing. Our administrative staff and our medical staff have daily meetings to stay abreast of the methods that are to be used according to local, state and federal quide lines. We are taking in supplies and so far we are in an excellent position to cope with this daunting task.

Our Board of Governors still meet monthly via Skype and phone in order to take care of the operational and logistical items. The Imperial Divan and executives are working tirelessly to do the best for our patients and staff. I give a heartfelt Tip Of The Fez to them all. The board is a family and we check on other members often. Not blowing my horn but I feel you are represented in a fashion not found in normal medical establishments.

I hope this information will put your concerns to rest. If you have any further inquiries I'd be willing to answer what I can. In conclusion I want to wish you all good health, good citizenship as well as caring for those less fortunate than we are. You do not have to wear a Fez to be cared about by those who do. God Bless. Bob

ANAH WHEELERS

As I sit here writing this article, Mother nature can't decide if its Spring or Winter.

In the 50's and sunny today...foot of snow in the forecast tomorrow. I hope everyone is taking advantage of the rare terrific weather while practicing their "social distancing", let's hope that this horrible virus is on its way out by the time you are reading this.

Before the suspension of unit meetings, we were able to hold our March meeting, attended by the III. Sir Timothy Dutch. We discussed our very successful Super Supper held in February, Congratulations to all the Winners!! The Circus was a hot topic that night and the very next day the decision was made to cancel. The effects this invisible threat is having on our beloved fraternity is overwhelming. Although our Temple may be closed at this time we are "Anah Strong!", we WILL get through this together and gather again to support our amazing philanthropy.

Hard to believe but parade season is just around the corner, and the requests are already rolling in. The Wheelers have already voted on five parades, the calendar is filling up quickly. So, with that being said... it's time to dust off those rigs and tune them up, remember to Contact Quartermaster Kevin Crowe 356-9006 if you need any parts to get your rig ready for the pavement.

Are you new to Anah Shrine? Are you looking for a Unit to join? Come check out the Wheelers when we get back to "normal". We have a few empty trucks just waiting for someone to drive them. If you are interested, we meet the second Friday of the month at Lygonia Lodge in Ellsworth, contact our Captain Corv Roberts 485-2777 for more information.

Best Wishes to our Nobles and Ladies celebrating Birthday's this month; Rich Nadeau, Todd Cotier, Tom Bouchard, Claire Kennedy.

To quote my predecessor "Keep the shiny side up, and the rubber side down!"

ACADEMICIANS

Hello Fellow Academicians and Ladies

As of this writing, as with all Shrine events, whether or not we have the May meeting obviously depends on the status of the Corona Virus situation and the directives we get from the Divan and the State. If we do it, it will be Wed. May 27th at 6:30 at Dysart's on outer Broadway in Bangor.

As of this writing, we would not have it. If anything changes, I will announce it by email. Yours truly has been working from home. Like so many people, I have become an expert user of Zoom for online conferencing. And I think my typing speed has increased by about 300% since I have to do EVERYTHING by computer. (And then again, so don't we all.) *My wife Sally, a real estate broker, has become quite an expert at creating virtual house tours, a skill that has become marketable for some extra bucks which always comes in handy. (Other realtors will pay her to do them for their house listings.)

Until we meet again, stay safe and healthy. And let's always remember, now more than ever, to help others as best as we reasonably can under the circumstances, treat each other well, keep some humor, and, as best we can, do some things we enjoy. There is a lot of fun to be had right at home.

Have a good May everyone, and may the force be with you! And remember, never hesitate to contact me with any news, questions, concerns, gossip, nonsense, or just plain outright lies you would like to generously share with the rest of our Academicians family and Shrinedom in general. I can be contacted via email at rbilancia@roadrunner.com or by phone at 989-2617.

AROOSTOOK COUNTY KLOWNS

Hello again to all Nobles, and Ladies!

Oh, what a strange trip it's been! First and foremost I truly hope all of you are healthy, and doing as well as possible! I can only hope that the Corona Virus has not touched you or any of your loved ones directly, and that you are navigating this "new normal" as well as possible! I, like many, are having to work from home which seems very odd to me, but things could be much worse.

If you had the chance to read my article from last month... yeah, you can pretty much scrap all of it! I think the only thing that has not been canceled is progress on our Klown car, and that's only due to our Klown super powers! Well, I made that last part up, we don't really have super powers. Man, I wish I had super powers, that would be cool! I digress...

So, looking forward virtually everything is on hold. I'd like to tell you about some fun, positive things that we have on tap, but that is yet to be determined, and we have no timeline to work with. All I can tell you is that once this storm has passed, I suspect Aroostook County will be full of folks who are tired of being cooped up at home, and will hit the ground running! The same can be said for we Klowns! Normally, right about now, we are up to our red noses with requests for Klowns, school visits preempting the circus, and getting into parade mode! Ah, the good old days!!!

I suspect that when we get the green light to start Klowning, it will be like releasing the hounds on the first day of hunting season!

Keep smiling, and here's a tip of the red nose from Rowdy!



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ANAH SHRINE STATED MEETING

MAY 19, 2020 - TUESDAY

ANAH SHRINE

1404 BROADWAY BANGOR, MAINE 04401

STATED MEETING NOTICE

Anah Shrine Stated Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 19th, 2020

6pm- Dinner (by Donation)

7pm-STATED MEETING for the purpose of conducting the business of Anah Shriners and disseminating information to Membership on matters relating to current Shrine activities and events.

ALL NOBLES are invited to attend.

ALL NOBLES ATTENDING MUST BE CURRENT WITH 2020 ANAH SHRINE DUES

All UNIT LEADERS are required to attend along with one other member of the unit.



Please remember your FEZ for the Stated Meeting.

This tentative meeting may have to take place via zoom due to Covid 19 virus