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POTENTATES MESSAGE

Don Gordon, Potentate

As I write this message to you from the Potentate's office, the first weekend of the 2021 Feztival of Trees is officially open. I can report to you that there has been a wonderful turn out from the public. Steady crowds have passed through our doors and ticket sales are looking great! The best part that I have observed is everyone looks to be happy and having fun. As usual the trees are beautiful and the gifts under them are awesome. We anticipate next weekend to be just as busy.

I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to Dave Gulya, the Feztival Committee, and all the nobles and ladies that worked at this event. Your dedicated work has made Anah's Feztival of Trees a true success. This event has and will continue to be a great fundraiser for Anah.

December is shaping up to be another busy month. The Aroostook Shrine Club will be hosting a Divan visitation on December 5th. Lady Gail and I will be traveling there along with other Divan members and their ladies. A brunch meal is scheduled and I will be installing the 2022 officers for the Aroostook Shrine Club during their scheduled meeting.

The following weekend the Facts and Figures Unit will be hosting a Feztival of Trees at the Veteran's Club in Franklin. During this same weekend the Schoodic and the Washington County Shrine Club will also be hosting a Feztival of Trees. I will be visiting

both of these events.

The December Stated Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 21st at Anah Shrine. Please plan to attend this important meeting as the election of officers for 2022 will also be held.

Lady Gail and I want to wish all the nobles and ladies of Anah Shrine a very Merry Christmas. It is our hope that you are able to spend this special time of the year with family and friends. As always, stay safe. Changing lives together

"FROM THE RECORDER'S DESK"

Charlie Pray

With the ink barely dry on another successful "Feztival of Trees", the time is now to thank all those who participated in our 9th annual fundraiser. Heartfelt thanks to the dozens of nobles, lady's and family members who willingly gave of themselves over the last two long weekends in November to put on a fabulous Feztival. Isn't it amazing how our fraternity comes together for the betterment of the organization to successfully put on a world class event? Additionally, an even bigger debt of gratitude to the 61 Tree Sponsors, who without them the overwhelming success of the event would not be possible. From the voices of the several thousand attendees, "What an amazing display of Christmas spirit". And, a special congratulations to all the Tree Winners!

Now for a bit of "House Keeping": In accordance with the By-Laws of Anah Shriners, our December "Stated Meeting" will be held on Tuesday December 21st beginning with a meal at 6:00pm followed by the business meeting at 7:00. During the normal run of business, the meeting will include the presentation of the proposed 2022 budget along with the election of the Nomination & Election of "Elected Officers" for the following year. Also, new to the

program, the membership committee will begin its efforts to enlighten the nobility of the work being done to promote and maintain the ranks of the organization. We have an excellent Membership team who is charged with the task of retaining our numbers and growing our ranks. As noted in our by-laws, it is imperative that each unit and club have two or more representatives in attendance at all Stated Meetings. Please join us as we elect your upcoming leadership and get the new year off to an exciting start.

The Divan would like to thank all nobles who have satisfied your dues for the coming year. Please note, if you are having difficulty paying, or are aware of someone who is struggling to keep up, Anah Shrine is proud to support its "Heritage Fund" with which we can assist worthy brothers in their time of need. With that said, in accordance with the by-laws of Anah Shriners, any Noble who falls 2 years in arrears with their dues, risks the possibility of suspension as of December 31st. By now, hard copies of dues notices have been mailed to all nobles who have not previously paid this year's invoice. If you haven't already done so, please take a minute to update your email address prior to mailing in the voucher, that will enable us to avoid the processing and mailing fee associated with the hard copies being sent. Please keep in mind, if you didn't receive an emailed version of the dues notice, it's because we do not have an accurate email address for you. Please contact the recorder at charlie@anahshriners.com to update your profile and give us correct contact information, including mailing addresses, phone numbers as well as the afore mentioned email addresses.

Everyone at the Temple wishes you a safe and wonderous Christmas Season, enjoy the comforts of home and the warmth of being with loved ones.

Have a Merry Christmas!
Fraternally,

Charlie
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SCHOODIC SHRINE CLUB

Greetings from Schoodic Shrine Club:

The monthly meeting of Schoodic Shrine Club was held on October 20th at St. Croix Lodge in Calais. A delicious spaghetti dinner was served. Our thanks to Noble Ike Winchester for preparing the meal and Ladies Kim and Angela for dessert.

The meeting began with a moment of silence in memory of our Brother and Noble, Todd Alley.

The Treasurer's report was given by our Noble President, Todd Smith, as Bill Cody has moved to Orono for work. We thank him for his work as Treasurer and wish Bill and Gayle all the best.

Election of Officers for 2022 was conducted, with the following results:

President: Mark Cook
1st VP: Richard Ramsey
2nd VP: Ike Winchester
Treasurer: Todd Smith
Secretary: Jim Myers
Reporter: David Beckett
Chaplain: Frank Theriault

We also learned that Noble Frank Theriault has been appointed Outer Guard of Anah Shrine. We wish him all the best as he works through the line.

The meat raffle (side of beef) is going well. The tickets are \$10.00 each, with only 400 tickets being sold. It will be drawn on December 12th, at the Festival of Trees.

There was a lot of discussion about the Festival of Trees, to be held jointly by the Washington County Shrine Club and Schoodic Shrine Club at the former Congregational Church on Calais Avenue, Calais, December 10th, 11th, and 12th. The two clubs will be putting a tree in the festival, as well the Second Masonic District. Also, I am pleased to announce that a donation of \$2000.00 was presented to our President from the Pratt Family of Dealerships here in Calais. Some of these funds will be used to purchase tickets for our Festival and will have the dealer logo on them. Please set these times aside so you can join us to put on this event. Many volunteers will be needed to insure that things go smoothly. Face Book, a float in the Lioness Santa's Helper Parade December 3rd, Street Beat on WQDY, coverage in the local papers, and posters in the local communities are all being used to promote the Festival of Trees.

Check with one of the officers to see when and where the next meeting will be, and plan to attend. 'Til next time!

Anah Highlanders

Greetings Nobles and Ladies. As of 10-30, I'm not sure I made the "cut-off time" for last months Anahgram. Therefore, I'm going to briefly summarize our activity over the last few months. On September 30th, your Highlanders participated in Deputy Luke Gross' solemn funeral service. Your Highlanders joined with elements of other Maine pipe bands in a stirring tribute to the late deputy. On October 2nd, your Highlanders

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participated in the Carmel Days parade. I was unable to make my work schedule cooperate to allow me to participate in this event, but I'm told that it went well. Now that the Imperial Shrine has relaxed rules for family members of Shriners to participate in "non-Shrine" events (so long as they are not in the same uniform as the Shriners), piper Lady Robyn Dulac was able to join us. After the parade, Robyn and Doug invited the band to their house for a cookout. The band is also scheduled to participate in Noble Todd Alley's memorial service on October 10, 2021.

I went to a rehearsal for a memorial service for a departed brother the other day. The brothers that were in attendance need to be commended for their work and dedication. I've learned that many, many lodges are on the verge of collapse. Many lodges consist of a small handful of brothers that are getting smaller every year. Lodges have a hard time filling the chairs for degrees. I recently had to help a brother, who lives on the other side of the state, with his E.A. lesson. They gave him his book and said see you next month. Over the phone, I went over his lesson with him. I asked if they had appointed an elder brother to help him. He said no. I said, "I'll gladly help you with anything that you need, but you need to have someone locally to help. It is best to go over it in person." I followed up a couple weeks later, and he had made arrangements to meet with a brother from that lodge. All is well, and he is enjoying his journey.

This however begs the question. What does it mean to be a MASON? In most instances, NOTHING, absolutely NOTHING. The rally cries for more members, more members, more members is WRONG. Being a Mason, or a SHRINER needs to mean something FIRST. To many of us being a Shriner or Mason does mean something. Thinking about the lives that you and I help and improve on a daily basis is truly humbling. Next to the Church, the Shrine is probably the single greatest charity on the planet.

I was recently talking to a high-ranking retired member of the U.S. Military. I was told that when the officer went to a basic training camp (a few years ago), they watched the recruits step off the bus. Some of them were with it and looked snappy, and some others were just there, with the remaining in the middle. This officer was shocked to see that 20-30% of the recruits couldn't do 5 pushups. Recruits, like those, have to go to physical training for 3 weeks, at taxpayer expense, just so the military doesn't kill them during basic training. This officer was even more irritated at the number of recruits that could barely read. High School graduates no less. The officer's complaint? We shouldn't be lowering our standards.

So I ask, how many of the "new members" of any given lodge in this state can fluently read their cypher (questions, answers, opening and closing) after they complete their degrees? How many members in any given lodge, if they have a lodge brother with a business or practice, patronize that



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brother? If you know of a brother that is ill, how many lodge brothers call on them or help them? I know there are hundreds of brothers and lots of lodges that make being a Mason mean something. Thank you for your service.

I'm guilty of not doing what I should, are you? If your busy, work a lot of hours, have family commitments, you may not be able to take an office in lodge or participate in weekly practices. But maybe you could take a chair or give a lecture during degree work. Maybe you could be an "elder brother" to a new member. All of us doing a little, will make a big change in the meaning of Masonry and the Shrine.

If you want to help, even if you are not a Shriner or Mason, you can help this noble charity. WE NEED DRUMMERS AND PIPERS TO START INSTRUCTION NOW, SO THAT WE WILL HAVE DEEPER RANKS NEXT SPRING, WHEN PARADE SEASON RESUMES. If you know of ANYONE, SHRINER OR NOT, that would like to DRUM or PIPE, we can use them. In the 20+ years that I've been in the band, we have instructed scores of pipers and drummers. All of them were/amazed and the wonderful CHARITY that the SHRINE is, and many of them subsequently join the Masons and Shrine as a result. Piping and Drumming is a wonderful way to increase the exposure of this honorable charity. It is also a great way to spread brotherly love, and to have an AWESOME time.

Until next time, Be Blessed.

Kampers Korner

As we approach Christmas, it may seem difficult to write a camping column. But in my experience most campers are always thinking camping; whether it be here in Maine, or Florida, or somewhere

In between. Christmas also lends itself to an opportunity to add or replace a piece of equipment to your gear.

In the last few years; and I do mean years; the club has been led by a very dedicated group of campers who need to be recognized now for their steady leadership abilities and devotion to Anah Kampers. They include Walter Ash, Wagonmaster: Runtz Farnsworth: Trail Boss: Don Wiswell: Treasurer; and Allen and Bonnie Chase: Scouts.

Mark your calendar for the spring outing, May 20 and 21, 2022, at Katahdin Shadows Campground, Medway, Telephone 746-9349.

Due to the continued impact of the pandemic, we will not be having a Christmas dinner this year.

I will be writing this column in the future to let you know what trouble we've gotten into, or out of, lately.

All errors, omissions, or outright lies may be attributed directly to me. For now, we hope you all have very happy holiday season.

Birthdays for December: Walter Ash, Jolene Doran, Lois Dutch, Jan Thompson, Bonnie Whitney, Dan Wilson, and Janice Young.

ANAH STATED MEETING FOR ANAH SHRINE FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 2022 ANAH SHRINE

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STATED MEETING NOTICE

ANAH STATED MEETING is scheduled for Tuesday, December 21, 2021

6pm -Dinner by donation which will be salad, Roasted Pork, Mashed Potatoes, Pork Gravy, Glazed Carrots and Dessert.

7pm- meeting for the purpose of conducting the business of Anah Shriners and disseminating information to the membership on matters relating to the membership on relating matters relating to current Shrine events and activities. 2022 Officers to be elected and appointed.

All Nobles are invited to attend the Stated Meeting.

All Unit / Club members are required to attend along with one other member of the club or unit.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR FEZ

Donald "Don" Gordon



Donald "Don" Gordon, Potentate Anah Shrine 2021

Charles Pray



Attest; Charles Pray, Recorder Anah Shrine

AGENDA

6pm-Invocation/Dinner

7pm- Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome

Stated Meeting

Deaths since May 12, 2021 Stated Meeting

Restorations

Demits

Associate Members Dropped

Associates with Anah

2022 - Officers to be elected and appointed

2022 - Budget Presentation and Review

Temple Updates

Questions/Comments

Meeting Adjourns

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The Anahgram

Wedding Anniversaries for December: Charles and Paula Billings, and Clayton and Gail Wallace.

Academicians

Hello Fellow Academicians and Ladies

Dues dues dues, If you have not already paid 2022 dues, you can send a check to me for \$10 made out to Anah Academicians to Ron Bilancia 59 Allison Park, Brewer, ME 04412. This is appreciated as we will have less to pay on billing materials and postage. The more we save, the more we can do for the unit and send to the hospitals.

The next meeting will be Wed. December 15th at 6:30pm. It will most likely be via Zoom, but we are looking into getting back to some live meetings so please stay tuned. It's an important one because we will have updates on the trailer and signage for it, and we will vote on our annual donations to the hospitals, etc.

The October Zoom meeting was good. The same slate of officers is still aboard for 2022. That means Donnie Copeland as Director, Micah Swallow as President, Jon Swallow as Vice President, and myself as Secretary/Treasurer. Section Masters remain Ron Cook for Technicians, Donnie Copeland for Make-Up, Shawn Spratt for Properties, and myself for Ritualists. The new trailer is all paid for, and we have it. We are now working on the plans for getting the stuff out of the old trailer and into the new one and getting the signage put on the sides and back of it. We are also looking at getting the signage for the parade float trailer re-done. So it's all in the works.

As of this writing we haven't yet had the Festival of Trees so more on that later. However, thanks to everyone who helped with that!

From the Wonderful World Of Donnie (Copeland, not Disney): "Got everything here in "The Hollow" ready for the winter 'cept "The Thing". Found a high performance exhaust system for it. Should work wonders???. Stay safe go Lodge bring a friend to the Shrine."

Well, that's all folks, for now. Have a happy holiday season! 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 207-989-2617. My snail mail info is Ron Bilancia 59 Allison Park, Brewer, ME 04412.

Widows Club

What a great turn out we had in October for the Widow's luncheon. We went to Countryside Restaurant. Everyone was pleased with their meal. We had 17 at this outing and the group continues to grow.

Growth is not what we want but it gives these ladies an opportunity to talk with others who truly understand what it is like to lose the spouse they shared a life with. No one

"What if, today, we were grateful for everything?" - Charlie Brown

can say they understand because no one does unless you are walking those shoes.

There may be ladies out there who have had the loss but have not had anyone reach out.

Please don't hesitate to contact me. Sometimes names may be overlooked.

We are all here for any of you who just want someone to listen.

This group has been set up as a support group for you and we just want to continue to support the Shrine and the children.

Our next outing is at Seasons in Bangor on the 17th. of November which will have passed when you receive this.

Our December will be on the 22nd. It will be a pot luck at my home ,19 Frenchmen Lane in Orrington. We will be having a Yankee swap, \$10 limit. Come and have fun with us. If you need to reach me , 989-3664 or 745-8819

Have a wonderful Holiday with your family. Stay Well and Safe, Lorena.

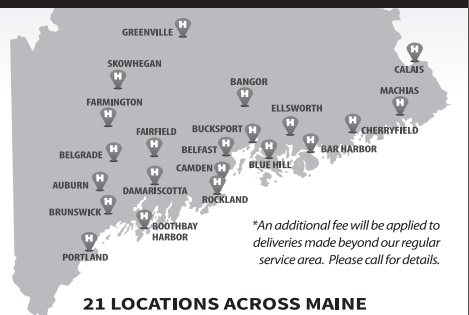
Tri-County Shrine Club

Tri-County Shrine Club held their Ladies Night and Divan Visitation on October 20th at the Shrine Center. We had 60 Nobles and Ladies present. After a Libation Hour under the direction of Libation Master Corey Roberts, the meeting was called to order by President Ralph McNaughton. A moment of remembrance was held for Second Ceremonial Master Todd Alley and Assistant Treasurer Daryl Briggs who recently arrived at that Celestial Lodge above where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides. May our two departed Brothers Rest in Peace. Invocation was given by Noble Donald "BOBO" Young. Salute to the flag of our country was led by the President. After a great meal by Rollic's Remote, introductions were made. When I mention the Divan, it is in their positions out of the Nutshell. Representing Tri-County was President McNaughton and his Lady, Secretary David Mosley and Master of Libations Corey Roberts and his Lady. Representing the Divan was Chaplain Darin Ingersoll and his Lady, Outer Guard Rich Johnson and his Lady, Captain of the Guard Tom Woods and his Lady, Marshal Dan Costain and his Lady, Director Tom Seymour and his Lady, Orator Ed Huntley and his Lady, First Ceremonial Master Bruce Walls and his Lady, Recorder Charlie Pray and his Lady, Oriental Guide Ryan Otis, High Priest and Prophet Adam Beals, Assistant Rabban Doug Dulac and his Lady, Chief Rabban Galen White and his Lady. And saving the best for last, Illustrious Sir Potentate Don Gordon and his Lady Gail. Noble Rich Johnson won the 50/50 Raffle. Eric Curtis of Guilford won the Presidents Libation Basket. Noble Greg Lawson graciously volunteered to deliver the Basket. Due to the passing of Officers on the Divan, many Nobles were moved up to different positions. New Outer Guard of Anah Shrine is Frank Theriault. Potentate Gordon gave pleasing remarks. Festival of Trees was discussed and Noble Power is needed. Our

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next meeting in November will have Moose Meat on the menu. After the Potentate's pleasing remarks, the meeting was closed in ample form by the President. Have a Happy Thanksgiving. PLEASE ALWAYS WORK ON MEMBERSHIP FOR BOTH THE SHRINE AND YOUR LOCAL BLUE LODGE.

Springfield Hospital Report

Well here we are with the last report for 2021 and it couldn't come fast enough. What a crazy year. New protocols, changes in care classification etc... As I've said before Springfield continues to have good volumes and a lot of kids are getting Shrine care and it doesn't get better than that. Our staff is still full of smiles and tons of love for our kids.

I need to tell you all about how generous and caring a Levant couple has been to our Temple and our hospitals. Robin (the owner) And her husband Larry Frost (I'm guessing that makes you a farmhand Larry, LOL) put on a rodeo for the second year at their facilities on Union Street in Levant and made a very handsome donation to ANAH, Springfield and Boston. These folks are nothing short of amazing. The enthusiasm and love they showed in doing this event is a true inspiration. I've known Larry since high school and only met Robin four or five years ago. I'm truly honored to call them friends. The plans are as of now to do it again next year and knowing these two it will be even better than this year.

According to Home office the Board of Governors may start meeting again face to face in Springfield in March or April. I'm keeping my fingers crossed because seeing the staff and kids is a very rewarding venture. It truly is Love To The Rescue. In closing I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving, that big buck is all wrapped and in the freezer, your winter's wood is all stacked and you're ready to hop aboard that snowsled for many hours of safe fun. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year. I trust your future will be guided by God's grace and all your family and friends will be dropping in to share their love and caring. Until 2022 Ta Ta. Bob

Aroostook Shrine Club

Hello to all Nobles and Ladies,

The first thing I want to do is thank those who came out and braved the elements for the Trunk Or Treat at the Aroostook Shrine Club on Halloween day on the 31st! Richard "Sprinkler" Wark and his Lady had a trunk, Shawn "Mega Byte" Lahey and his daughter Kiara Lahey had their own trunks going, and Jesse "Fix-It" Clark and his Lady did as well! Jim "Jinks" Iverson brought out the Klown Kar, and Earl "Hi-Line" Twiggs and Derek "Jumble" Boudreau helped us man the Klown trunk. Jinks had brought out about 120+ packages of candy to give out and those were gone in the first 20 minutes. We dumped out about 8 large bags of candy that I brought into our buckets and we immediately knew

"Thanksgiving isn't just a day. It's a way we can live our lives every day." - Katrina Mayer.

that wasn't going to last, so I ran to the store and grabbed 12 more!!! Not bad considering the weather!

I appreciate those Klowns that were able to make the monthly Shrine Club meeting on November 7th, and as always it is great to see my brothers. Just as an FYI Randy "Stripes" Brooker has generously volunteered to have our Klown Kar all lit and ready to go for this year's Presque Isle Light Parade on the evening of December 4th at 6PM! Thanks Stripes!!! We are planning on having a couple Klowns in costume to walk alongside it, and we are looking to have another few additional guys bundled up with their Fez on to help "fly the flag" of the Anah Shrine!

Thanks to primarily Stripes and Jinks we added the Klown Kar to our arsenal this year. Something I thought would be fun to do as a unit, and get the public involved with is "The Klown Kar" doesn't really roll off the tongue, and like all of us, I think it is deserving of a Klown name! My thought is to have the Klowns recommend some ideas for names and we can select our favorite few. Then "we", and when I say that I mean Mega Byte can make a public poll to have the public vote for their favorite name! The name with the most votes will be selected, and we can pick a random voter of the name selected to win some sort of a prize.

As a final note since I was elected to be the next Boss Klown, Jesse "Fix-It" Clark is our new secretary, and he probably won't know it until he reads this article that he will be submitting future articles for the Anahgram! Oh, don't worry I will probably let him know before then... maybe!

That's it for now, keep smiling, and here's a tip of the red nose from Rowdy!

Smart Team

Thank you to all individuals, units, and businesses that participated in this years Trunk-or-Treat! We had 23 trunks in Bangor and 13 in Presque Isle with a great turnout at both. Congratulations to winners of the trunk decoration contest! Bangor: 1st - Keystone Cops, 2nd - Daughters of the Nile, 3rd - Bangor PD. Presque Isle: 1st - Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce.

The SMART team is looking for individuals interested in joining our membership and retention efforts. If interested, please contact Lee and Lorraine Klug at lorraineklug@hotmail.com or any members of the team.

January Ceremonial is right around the corner. Keep talking to interested Masons and submit applications to the office. We hope to see you there!

BANGOR BREWER SHRINE CLUB

Hello everyone,

I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. Since our last article we held our October meeting. We enjoyed some fellowship over Dan's homemade meatloaf dinner. It was an amazing dinner followed by some of Doris's homemade apple crisp. If you missed the meeting and meal you



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missed a great time.

We will not be having a November meeting due to the Festival of Trees going on, some of us are going to travel down to Belfast for Waldo county's famous fried turkey dinner. More on how that trip was in next month's article.

December will be our annual Divan visitation with Ladies. The meal info is not quite done yet as of the deadline so keep an eye on your email and facebook for info as it becomes available.

Our December meeting will be Thursday December 16th at Anah Shrine 6pm social hour 7pm dinner with announcements afterwards, no official meeting.

As the year comes to a close, the BBSC would like to congratulate our own Ill Sir Don Gordon for a great year.

The January Ceremonial will be here before we know it so if you know of a Mason who is interested in joining the Shrine get their application into the office as soon as you can. Until next month

WALDO COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

Greetings Nobles and Ladies from WCSC. Hope everyone has adjusted to sunshine at 6 am and naptime at 4:15. Hopefully, this "fall back" will inspire us to "spring ahead". The light at the end of this prolonged tunnel is getting brighter, so let's all stay focused and let it shine.

Although activities at the club have been a little slow, we are experiencing some levels of normalcy. October's treat was a superb lobster and clam dinner hosted at Young's Lobster Pound by noble Ray Young. Excellent, is the only way to describe Ray's seafood extravaganza.

This month's meeting will feature a turkey dinner with all the "fix-ins". Have to pre-condition for Thanksgiving.

Because things have been slow, WCSC is currently conducting a fundraiser to facilitate some needed repairs to the club. We are selling tickets for 200 Gallons of Fuel Oil (or \$500.00 cash), to be drawn on January 15, 2022. Tickets are available from club members and several business locations. There will be a total of only 500 tickets sold. We have already done some needed repairs and calibrations to the kitchen stoves. A hearty thanks to Bill Farris for repairing some damaged shingles to get us through the winter. This spring the whole roof will need to be re-shingled, which will probably necessitate some form of a capital campaign.

WCSC will also be sponsoring a Gun Show at the ANAH TEMPLE on February 26 & 27th.

That about wraps it up for this session, so I will end by wishing you all health, happiness, and a wonderful Thanksgiving.

LOBSTER BOAT

The Lobster Boat Unit did not have a meeting in November. Christmas party planning is ongoing.

Those celebrating birthdays in December are Naomi Daries, Geddes Simpson, and Joe

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Our only December honeymooners are Bill and Faye Geel.

Hope the deer hunters had a successful season.

This is a quiet time for the unit; not much going on. Hope to have a longer report next time.

We trust that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas.

Stay safe and well.

**HANCOCK COUNTY
SHRINE CLUB**

I did not attend the last meeting, so have nothing to report. Maybe some news next time.

Hope all the deer hunters had a successful season.

December birthdays are Karen Merrick, Rob Rochon, Wes Chute, John Driscoll, James Edgerly Sr., Geddes Simpson Jr., Nelson Grindal, Cory Cirard, Carol Cirard, Julie Mosley, John Ashmore, and Debra Smith.

December honeymooners are Bill and Faye Geel, Richard and Evelyn Hardison, Carl and Gloria Gomm, and Chuckles and Cheryl.

We hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and wish all a Merry Christmas.

Stay safe and well.

ANAH CLOWNS

Hi Nobles and Joeys,

Its that time again to let everyone know what is going on in the Clown unit. As always, we are having fun helping kids. Most recently was Trunk or Treat. If you did not get a chance to stop by, the crowd was huge! What a great time it was. Thanks to everyone who participated.

We turn our attention to Festival of Trees. Hope to see everyone there and make this another great event. Next will be the unit Christmas party which is always fun. Then we have the New Years Eve party. In February we will be at the I.S.C.A mid-winter meeting and competition.

Now for birthdays and anniversaries. Happy Birthday to Alison Baker and Heather Mott. Happy Anniversary to Tagalong & Erica, Dim Wit & Jennifer and Scooter & Dena.

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Attest:



Charles Pray
Recorder Anah Shrine



Donald "Don" Gordon
Potentate Anah Shrine 2021

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT

Friday, January 14th, 2022

7pm-10pm- Hospitality at Anah Shrine (sponsored by the Aroostook County Shrine Club)

Hospitality at the Hilton Garden Inn after 10pm

Saturday, January 15th, 2022

7:30 am – Divan, Directors, Aides, Membership Committee, and Candidates report to the Anah Shrine 1404 Broadway Bangor, Me.

8:30-am Shrine opens for the Annual Meeting

8:30-am Candidates to meet at ANAH Shrine for orientation. Ladies to meet at Bangor Hilton Garden Inn for orientation.

9:30-am Recess

9:45-am Temple reopens for Introduction, Degree Work and Awards

11:00-am Ladies Luncheon at the Hilton Garden Inn -250 Haskell Road Bangor, Me. \$25.00 per person with Candidates Ladies guests of Lady Susan (all attending must call Anah Shrine Office at 207-942-2254 by January 10th, 2022 to purchase tickets to attend. Candidates Ladies are asked to call to confirm they will be attending for meal count) Dress will be Casual Elegant

11:30-am Recess for Lunch for All Nobles and Candidates

12:45-pm Divan, Past Potentates, Nobility and guests assemble in the Main Hall

1:00-pm Shrine reopens-semipublic honored guests presented, presentation of the Unit Heads, and Club Presidents. Fezzing of the new Shriners. BLACK CAMEL CEREMONY

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF 2022 -Installation of the 2022 Divan

3:30-pm – 4:30-pm Hospitality and Camels Milk at the Shrine

6-pm-Social Hour at the Shrine by the Anah Aides Unit

6:45-pm Introductions of Divan, Past Potentates, Visiting temples and Special Guests

7:00-pm Ceremonial Dinner (dress will be Formal) with Fez for all the Nobility

Tickets are \$30.00 per person- dinner will be choice of Broiled Scallops or Marinated Tenderloin Tips, Peas, Garlic Mashed Potatoes with Cream Puffs for dessert (all Candidates are the guest of Potentate Galen and Lady Susan. All tickets will be sold at the Anah Shrine 207-942-2254 until January 10th, 2022. Please call early to reserve you tickets for a fun filled evening.

8-pm- 11:00- pm Dance to the Music of Teddy & the Boys

11:00- pm Hospitality at Hilton Garden Inn.

Sunday, January 16th, 2022 -Safe Travels Home

Luncheon and Ceremonial Dinner Tickets will be available until January 10th, 2022 at the Anah Shrine Office 207-942-2254

The Shrine office will be open the morning of January 15th, 2022 until 10am to receive dues payments, you must have your dues card for admission to the Annual Meeting and Ceremonial. Your FEZ is required at all events during the Ceremonial

(Proceeds from this event are for the benefit of Anah Shriners and donations are not deductible as a charitable contribution)

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Donald S. Merrill Milo, Maine
 April 15, 1938 – Nov. 14, 2021
 Euclid Lodge #194 Raised 12/6/1965
 Created Anah 6/16/2001

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 Sept. 16, 1938 – July 25, 2019
 Piscataquis Lodge #44
 Raised 5/8/1981 Created Anah 6/2/1984

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 Mar. 2, 1934 – May 11, 2021
 Lygonia Lodge #40
 Raised 10/9/1975 Created Anah 6/23/2007

Douglas K. Smith Hermon, Maine
 Oct. 29, 1936 – Nov. 2, 2021
 Lynde Lodge #174
 Raised 1/11/1969 Created Anah 6/16/1973

Arthur M. Freeman Bangor, Maine
 Oct. 9th, 1928 – Aug. 20, 2021
 Rising Virtue #10
 Raised 4/14/1964 Created Anah 6/7/1974

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 Jan. 13, 1940 – Nov. 7, 2021
 Horeb Lodge #93
 Raised 6/9/1981 Created Anah 6/5/1982

Walter E. Campbell Hope, Maine
 June 7, 1936 – Nov. 11, 2021
 Federal Lodge #06
 Raised 6/1/1972 Created Anah 9/19/1994

Charles I. Decker Washingtonville N.Y.
 Oct. 29, 1931 – Sept. 19, 2021
 N/A Lodge
 Raised N/A Created Anah 6/21/1997

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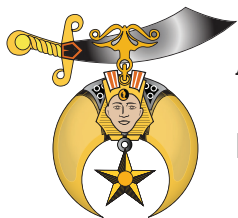
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