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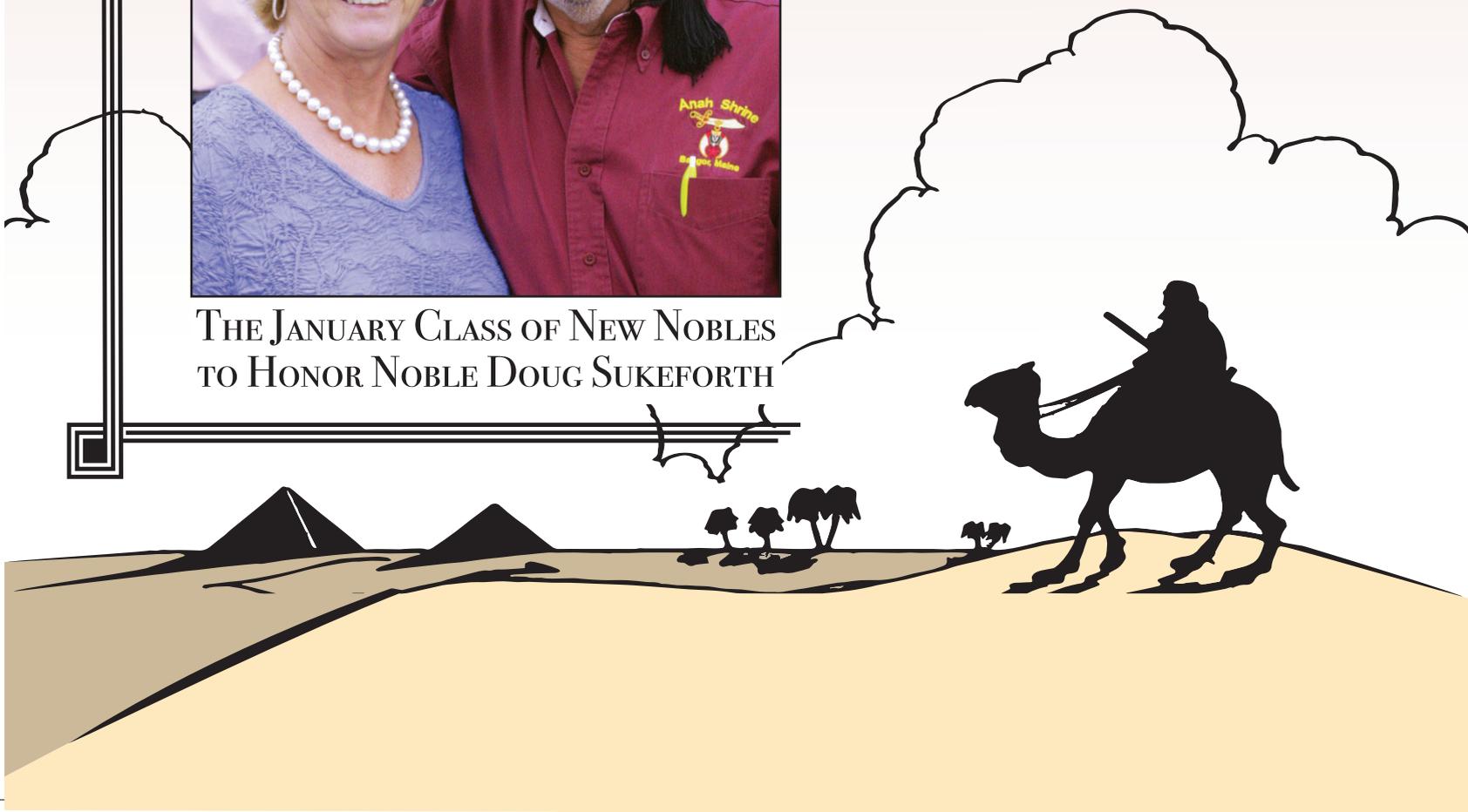
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JESSE THOMAS, POTENTATE

Greetings Nobles, welcome to January 2016, Lady Brenda and I hope you and your families had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. We can't thank everyone from Anahland enough for a great 2015, it's had to believe this is my last Potentate's monthly report, time truly has flown by.

November was Feztival of Trees month with Thanksgiving thrown in the middle. Lady Brenda and I hosted a great Thanksgiving with family at our home, but an even better Feztival of Trees, what a fantastic event. A big 'Tip of the Fez' to Noble Bob Pullen and his crew for all the hard work to make this such a success, especially our ladies, this event would not happen without our ladies, they're all very special and we owe them so much, thank you doesn't seem to say enough. The net figures of what we made are still being calculated as I write this report, they will be available at the annual meeting when all the reports are read on Saturday morning, January 16th.

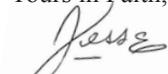
A brief recap of 2015, what a great year we had. The Second Section's Pote's party on Valentine's Day, the Pote's cruise the first week of March with 116 nobles, ladies and friends joining us, the Pink Party at the end of March with over 250 people attending. May started with the Circuses, another success for Anah. Probably the biggest May event was the Special Meeting called to vote on buying a new building. We also hosted our annual pre-screening clinics and Hospital night, plus our Outpatient clinic at EMMC in May. June was summer ceremonial month another fantastic event. July we were off to Houston, Texas for the Imperial Session and after returning we signed papers on the purchase of 1404 Broadway. We also had the annual Lobster Bowl East-West football game hosted by Kora Shriners. September 12th was our Noble Appreciation Night and starting the evening off with the Cornerstone laying

for the new building attended by our Imperial Potentate and First lady, Imperial Sir Jerry Gantt and Lady Lisa. We also had a great showing from Anah at the NSA field days hosted by Kora in September.

In October we hosted the SCAFRA's annual meeting plus a fantastic Potentate's reception. November was the Sunshine Club's annual Craft fair and the Feztival of Trees, both over the top events. December will be the annual Kids Christmas Party and many Unit and Clubs parties. This is just a highlight of what's happened. What a year, 2015 has simply been the best.

Every other month when I finish writing this report and I say 'If you can read this thank a teacher' I'm thinking of all the teachers we need to thank. First and foremost is my wife, First Lady Brenda, for her thirty nine years dedicated to teaching kids, our daughter-in-law Suzanne, her mom and sister, Betsy and Beth, my sister Cindy, our close friends, Julie Grindle, Marge Smith, Rochelle Sprague, Di and Steve Haskell, Noble Josh and Lady Susan Frost. Let's not forget Lady Libby Hersom, Lady Janice White, and Lady Jess Ingersoll. This is just a few, I know there's plenty more and too many to list, but thank them all they are special people. In closing always, always remember "We never have so much fun..... Doing so much Good".

Yours in Faith,

  
Jesse Thomas, Potentate



## "FROM THE RECORDER'S DESK"

Larry L. Hersom  
Recorder, P.P.

Is it the first of a New Year again? It

seems like just yesterday we were ringing in 2015, and here we are in 2016 already. We want to thank Jesse and Brenda for a wonderful year. A lot was accomplished, with many good times, and we wish them well in the future. We soon will be electing new officers for 2016, and are looking forward to a very special year as well, as we accomplish much as a Shrine Team. Let's keep the momentum going.

We want to thank all of the Nobles, and especially their Ladies, for the amount of work that was put into making the Feztival of Trees the most successful one yet. There are many couples that worked many, many hours, but I would be remiss if I didn't thank Shelia and Andrew "Frenchie" St. Amant. They were there every morning, usually before anyone else arrived, to vacuum, pick-up, fluff, clean, and whatever else needed to be accomplished to make the Shrine temple look fresh and ready for the busy day. Thank you Shelia and Frenchie for all you did, it certainly did not go unnoticed.

It also is that time of year when the units and clubs need to get their financial reports and lists of the 2016 officers and members to the Recorder's office. The financial information is needed by January 15 so it can be prepared for our accountant by February 1st. The list of officers and members need to be in by February 1st so they can be listed correctly in the 2016 Nutshell which is published with the March Anahgram. Please, please get them in early to assist the office in preparing this enormous yearly task.

Thank you to all that made our new home such a great success, and look forward to many years as one of the most successful and leading Shrine centers in the Northeast. Enjoy the year, and we look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting and Ceremonial, Jan. 15 & 16.



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# THE JANUARY CLASS OF NEW NOBLES TO HONOR NOBLE DOUG SUKEFORTH

S. Douglas Sukeforth was born April 21, 1942 in Camden, Maine. He lived in Burkettville and graduated from Appleton High School in 1960. Doug married his high school sweetheart, Rita Pease in 1962. In 1963, he graduated from SMVTI (Southern Maine Vocational Technical Institute.) He and Rita have four daughters, Donna, Annette, Yvonne and Pamela.

Doug is a member of the China Baptist Church. Doug also spent many hours in the 1970's coaching Little League Baseball in his hometown along with building his business.

In 1964 he accepted employment with Keyes Fiber Company as a machinist in Waterville, Maine. In 1968 while working at Keyes Fiber Company he bought an old lathe and moved it into the basement of his home. He proceeded to open his own shop in the old mill in North Vassalboro, which then became Mid-State Machine Products. In 1978 he outgrew the Vassalboro plant with 30 employees and purchased land on the Augusta Road in Winslow from which Mid-States now operates in the WD Industrial Park. In 1979 he opened on the new site in Winslow allowing for expansion to 30,000 square feet nearly doubling in size. In 1980 Doug was named Small Business Person of the Year by the Small Business Administration. This award was announced by former Governor Joe Brennan at the Blaine House with the Commission of Small Business,

Doug and Rita then traveled to Washington, D.C. where he was presented the Small Business award by then President Jimmy Carter. His business continued to grow through the 80's and 90's. In



Class of 2016 Noble S.Douglas Sukeforth & Rita

1998 he sold the company with about 200 employees.

Doug now spends most of his time on charitable projects. There is a long list of commendable civic organizations that he started and/or supports. These include Hospice Volunteers of Waterville, the Christian Civic League, Sukeforth New Life Center, Sukee Arena and Events Center, and the building of the new Central Lodge in China, Me. More charitable organizations that Doug helps with include the House in the Woods, Spectrum Generations Meals on Wheels,

Waterville Area Boys and Girls YMCA, Camp Fairhaven, Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers, and the Boston and Springfield Shriners Hospitals in Massachusetts. Doug has raised over a quarter of a million dollars hosting the Sukeforth Family Pig Roast and Auction for the past several years.

Doug started his fraternal journey in March 1967 where he was initiated as an Entered Apprentice he then passed to the Degree of a Fellow Craft in April of 1967. In May of 1967 he was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. He holds dual membership from Vassalboro Lodge #54 and Central Lodge #45 in China. Doug's enrollment in Anah Shrine is June 7, 1974 where he joined the Shrine in a duel ceremonial held on June 7th at Philae Shrine in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Doug became a member in a class of 197 Nobles in the Class of Past Potentate Lloyd O. Coffin in

the International Ceremonial. Behind the scenes of the Anah Shrine, Noble Doug Sukeforth has spent countless hours on the phone in support of the membership committee, helping to sustain and grow the Anah Shrine Membership. On October 3, 2015 Noble Doug Sukeforth had the honor to receive the Noble of the Year presented to him by the Anah Second Section. He was honored with his family, friends and fellow Nobles with an evening of roasts and fellowship.

# ANAH SHRINERS ANNUAL MEETING AND CEREMONIAL JANUARY 15TH & 16TH, 2016

## OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

By order of the Potentate of Anah temple All Nobles are instructed to assemble on January 16th, 2016 AD at 1404 Broadway Bangor, Maine at the Anah Shriners to Convene the Annual Meeting of the Anah Shriners for the purpose of hearing reports for the year 2015. Election of Officers and the Initiation of Candidates.

Attest;

Larry Hersom



P.P., Recorder

Donald "Jesse" Thomas



Potentate



JESSE THOMAS  
POTENTATE

## Schedule of Events

*Subject to adjustments*

### Friday, January 15, 2016

7:00pm – 10PM Hospitality at the Anah Shrine (sponsored by the Bangor-Brewer Shrine Club)

### Saturday, January 16, 2016

7:30am- Divan, Directors, Aides, Membership Committee and Candidates report to the Shrine

8:30am- Shrine opens for the Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

8:30am- Membership Committee Orientation of the new Candidates and their Ladies

9:30am- Recess

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

11:00am- Ladies Luncheon at the Bangor Ramada Inn Poolside 357 Odlin Road

Tickets are \$18.00 each (available at the Shrine Office until January 8th, 2016) Candidates Ladies are guests at the Luncheon

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

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

1:00pm- Shrine reopens- semipublic, honored guests presented, reception of Unit Heads and Club Presidents.

Presentation of Arch Production with the "Old Red Fez" - Fezzing of new candidates- Black Camel Ceremony

Announcements of 2016 - Installation of 2016 Divan

3:30pm-4:30pm- Hospitality and Camel's Milk at the Shrine

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

6:45pm- Introduction of Divan, Past Potentates, visiting temples and Special Guests

7:00pm- Ceremonial Dinner

Tickets are \$25 each (choice of Sliced Roast Beef, Baked Stuffed Chicken or Baked Stuffed Haddock) at the Shrine office 207-942-2254)

8:00pm-11:00pm- Dance to the Music of the RetroRockerz

Luncheon and Ceremonial Dinner Tickets will be available at the Shrine Office until January 8th, 2016

Candidates Ladies will be guests at the Ladies Luncheon. Candidates and their Ladies will be guests at the Saturday Evening Dinner. Candidates and their Ladies need to contact the Shrine office if attending to reserve tickets. 207-942-2254

The Shrine Office will be open the morning of January 16th, 2016 until 10am to receive dues payments.

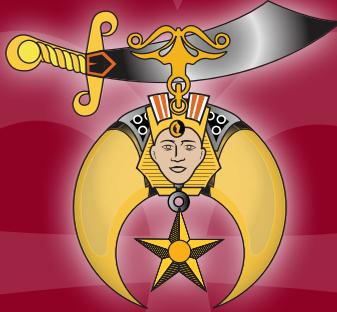
2016 dues cards required for admission to the Annual Meeting and Ceremonial. A Fez is required.

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

# THE 52ND ANNUAL POTENTATES PARTY

will be held on January 30, 2016 at 1404 Broadway Bangor, Me. we will be honoring the

## 2016 POTENTATE AND HIS LADY



We will be serving Chicken Pot Pie and all of the fixings.

Ticket cost is \$20.00 per person.

6:00pm - 7:00pm Social Hour

7:00 PM dinner and Dancing until 11:30 to DJ JR Mitchell.

Please get your tickets by January 22, 2016 from any Anah Second Section member or the Shrine office at 207-942-2254

( Proceeds of the event benefit Anah Second Section and are not deductible as charitable contribution)

### ANAH SHRINE TRIP – APRIL 2016 – RIVIERA MAYA MEXICO



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Thank you,  
Chief Rabban Robert Turner and Lady Bonnie  
Cindy Hardy /Bangor Travel Services

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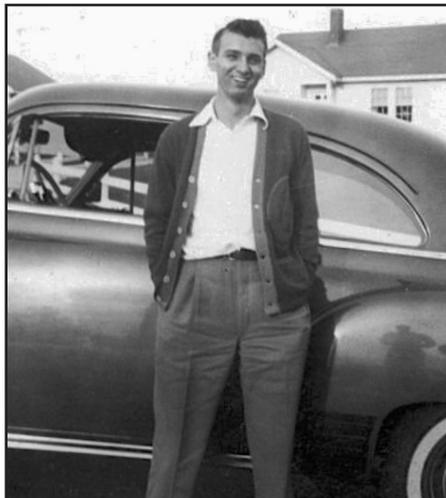
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*"No man stands so tall  
 as when he stoops to  
 help a child."  
 - Abraham Lincoln*

**Who is it ???**



Last month's subject was Bob Mott. Ed Hewes guessed this first. If you know this month's person, or think you do, call Recorder P. P. Larry Hersom at 942.2254 or e-mail the Editor at anahgram@anahshriners.com. The first one to identify the person wins a free Booster listing for one year. The supply of pictures is low so if you have someone you would like to feature send it to the Editor by e-mail or drop it at the Recorder's office. This feature can only continue with your help!!

**LOBSTER BOATS**



Bill Geel, Reporter

The November 10th meeting was held at the Ed Pellon Center in Machias. Members present were Captain Carroll Chandler, Secretary Scott Johnson, Treasurer Bill Sinford, and Yours Truly, Reporter. Members Runtz Farnsworth and Scott Edgerly also attended. Old and new business was discussed. Nomination of officers will be reported next month. Hope everyone has a safe and joyous Christmas and Happy New Year.

Highlights for 2015. Scott Edgerly and his Lady Naomi came aboard. Wilbert and Joan Terry donated the Coast Guard cutter back to the unit. Once again, a special thanks to both of them. June ceremonial brought three new members aboard: Scott Edgerly, Jr., Sean Dow and his Lady Candice, and Jacob Day and his Lady Amanda. Commander of the Coast Guard cutter, Bill Geel, tried to figure out all summer who was dressed as Santa Claus and where he was hiding his reindeer. The only one that seemed to be missing during parades was Scott Johnson. Could it be or was it not? Yours Truly along with Scott Edgerly, Bill Sinford, and unspeakable Runtz Farnsworth attended Crescent Lodge where we met up with Hiram on the third floor and I still don't think he can hold a turn to me. At the Northeast in Lewiston, someone showed up with a pink boat. It wasn't Santa Claus driving that one either. The last parade of the year was at Harrington's Octoberfest and I was still having a problem figuring out who Santa Claus was. Last but not least, I finally got the lyrics of "O Canada". Now all I have to remember is to carry my passport next year in case I hit the boundary line.

Special thanks to Past Potentate Ed Pellon for the use of his building in Machias. Thanks to Noble Runtz and Lady Ora for their annual lobster boat picnic. Hopefully, the sun still shines in Jonesport and someone will send me an updated manual on how to turn starboard to port. You guys have to realize I've always had navigational problems. P.S. I still have Noble Forrest DeMeyer for special navigational problems. As 2015 season comes to an end, we hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I think I was elected as your reporter for next year as I am trying to figure out where the Coast Guard cutter Wilbert Te4rry will be stationed and who Santa Claus is disguised as. P.S. I survived my anniversary trip with no battle scars.

The only birthday celebration held in January is for Melissa Merchant.

Honeymooners are Gene and Diane Carter.

Oops! Time to go-phone's ringing. Must be Noble Runtz telling me the pond is frozen over and the sun won't shine over the harbor of Jonesport until June.

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*"Youth is the gift of nature, but age is a work of art." - Stanislaw Lee*

JANUARY 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day-Office Closed	2
3 Aroostook County Shrine Club Indy Cars County Klowns Highlanders Meet	4 Provost Guard meets Four x Four Unit Band Meets	5 Hancock County Shrine Club Meets WCSC Board of Directors Meeting	6 Northern Penobscot County Shrine Club w/ Ladies at East Branch S.C. Go-Karts Meet	7 WCSC Stated Meeting	8 Second Section Meets Wheelers Meet Clown Meeting	9
10 Oriental Band Meet Highlanders Meet Past Masters Meet	11 Funsters Meet	12 Nascars Meet Mini-Cars Meet Lobster Boats Meet Divan Meeting	13 Mini -Bikes Meet	14 Convertibles Meet Chanters Meet Bangor/Brewer Shrine Club Meets Waldo County Shrine Club Meets	15 Winter Ceremonial	16 Winter Ceremonial
17 Highlanders Meet	18 Martin Luther Day-Office Closed Band Meets	19	20 Tri-County Shrine Club Meets Schoodic Shrine Club Meets Facts & Figures	21	22	23
24 Highlanders Meet	25	26 Keystone Kops Meet	27	28	29	30 Potentates Party
31 Highlanders Meet						

FEBRUARY 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Anah Band 4 x 4 Meets	2 Provost Guard Meets Hancock County Shrine Club	3 Northern Penobscot S.C. at Lincoln Snow Hounds w/Ladies Go-Karts Meet	4 W.C.S.C. Meets	5 Second Section meets	6
7 Super Bowl Sunday Aroostook County Shrine Club \Klowns\ Indys Meet Highlanders Meet	8 Funsters	9 Nascars Meet Mini-Cars Meet Lobster Boats Meet	10 Mini-Bikes Meet Anahgram Articles Due today	11 Convertibles Meet Waldo C.S.C Chanters Meet	12 Wheelers Meet	13 Wheelers Super Supper
14 Past Masters Meet Highlanders Meet	15 Office Closed President's Day Band Meets	16 Divan Meeting	17 Facts & Figures Meet Tri-County Meets at Countryside Restaurant Ladies Night Casual dress (not divan visitation)	18 Bangor/Brewer Shrine Club	19 Anah Clowns Meet	20 Anah Clowns Comedy Night
21 Nile Session Highlanders Meet	22	23 Keystone Kops Meet	24	25	26	27
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Keith L. Gove 12/16  
Ron and Carole Green 09/16  
W. Louis and Judith Greenier II 09/16  
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IMO Jim Halkett 12/17  
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David and Kesley Halm, Jr. 06/15  
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Ken and Donna Hanscom, Jr. 09/16  
IMO Charles E. Harmon 09/15  
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**Noble Ron Bilancia, Reporter**

Hello Academicians and Ladies,  
Happy New Year! The next meeting will be the last Wed. of March at 6:30 at Dysart's.

If you have not done so already, please pay your 2016 dues as soon as reasonably possible by writing a check of \$10 payable to Anah Academicians and sent to Anah Academicians C/O Ron Bilancia 59 Allison Pk. Brewer, ME 04412. Remember, we do not generally send out bills because of the cost of postage, envelopes, and labels which is money we can use instead to further our charitable mission, so your response to this and other communications rather than a mailed bill is greatly appreciated. Also remember that we do not operate in order to collect funds, but we must collect funds in order to operate.

We had a good meeting on Dec. 9th at Dysart's in Bangor with about 22 people in attendance. We thank Dysart's for being so accommodating, and we would recommend them to any unit or any other group. It is a very good new facility for such meetings or other types of gatherings. At the meeting we elected the officers for the year who are: Director, John Swallow; President, Micah Swallow; Vice President Clint Richardson; Secretary/Treasurer, Yours Truly; Master of Technicians, Ron Cook; Master of Properties, Bud Young; Master of Make-Up, Donnie Copeland; Master of Ritual, Yours Truly.

Welcome to our newest member Jason Snowdeal from Blue Hill who was voted in as our newest member at the Dec. 9th meeting.

It was very nice to see Diane Daniels at the Dec. 9th meeting, and thanks to her for a donation she made to the unite, and then she won the 50/50 raffle and donated that as well. We can really use the funds, and it is much appreciated.

Thanks again to everyone who made the Feztival of Trees so successful, it having grossed over \$300,000 with about 20,000 adults and children in attendance. AMAZING! We look forward to participating again in 2016.

The January ceremonial is coming right up. The ritual cast will meet at the Shrine Center on the Sunday before the ceremonial as always at 4pm for practice.

The annual calendar fundraiser is still underway, and anyone who can purchase and/or sell calendars can contact me or the Shrine office for calendars to buy and/or sell. Please remember to write

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10-ANAH HIGHLANDERS.....	VELMA JORDAN
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14-SUNSHINE CLUB.....	JILL GUERRETTE
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16-RUDMAN WINCHELL.....	AMANDA MATTHEWS
17-DARLINGS AUTO GROUP.....	SUSAN MCGOWN
18-ANAH CLOWN TREE.....	STEPHANIE HOLT
19-GRAND CHAPTER OF MAINE OES.....	TARA SMALL
20-TPC-SMORE,LLC.....	TRACY WEIRS
21-VIKING LUMBER.....	BOB PEER
22-ANAH FUNSTERS.....	JANICE BLAIS
23-AME MANAGEMENT-HILTON GARDENS.....	MISTY LARY
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43-ANAH WHEELERS.....	CHERYL ROBINSON
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54-REALTY OF MAINE-TRICIA LARGAY.....	JEAN FITZGERALD
55-BJ'S.....	TAYLOR MORRISON
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“Academicians” on the return ticket for these so that we get our share of the funds. We can really use the revenue, so any help with this is much appreciated.

Have a wonderful 1 January everyone ! Remember, never hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, news, gossip, stories, drama, intrigue, nonsense, or just plain outright foolishness that you would like to generously share with our Nobles, Ladies, and Anah Shrinedom in general. I can be contacted at rbilancia@roadrunner.com or by phone at 989-2617.

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**SHRINE CLUB**  
Noble William Geel, Reporter

The annual meeting was held December 1st at Lygonia Lodge in Ellsworth with 32 members present. A great meal was enjoyed by all. Steve Mosley won the 50/50 raffle. I hope he told his Lady Julie of his new found wealth. A good time was had by all.

New officers for the coming year: Steve Mosely, President, Ed Huntley, Vice President, Secretary Joe Marshall, Treasurer Jay Sutter, and your one and only famous reporter, Bill Geel. For anyone that doesn't want to call with updated news, my number is 667-5125.

Gun raffle tickets are on sale for the March raffle, available from any member.

Local news: On January 9th, Scott Edgerly will be installed as Master of Lygonia Lodge in Ellsworth. Heard that Carole (with an e) and Past Potentate Geddes Simpson are doing major remodeling at their home in Mount Desert. Also heard they had problems with shutting their water down and had to have a “his and hers” porta-potty delivered. Rumor has it that Noble Tom Fernald is remodeling his bedroom and bathroom. Also Noble Steve Fernald is remodeling... not sure what he is doing. Alonzo Walls is doing well after surgery and is recuperating in Florida. Lady Joelle Nolan is finally retiring. She must be staying home to keep Noble Jim in line. Heard that Alice Fernald has been decorating a Christmas tree for her grandparents, Past Potentate John Fernald and Lady Betty. Noble Cecil Fernald and Lady Julie are proud parents of an adopted dog. Somewhere in the Molasses Pond area, someone tried to stuff and 7 ½ ft Christmas tree into a 2 ft woodstove. How do you do that anyway? He realized Christmas wasn't over and had to go buy a Christmas tree before his lady got home. Also, Past Potentate John Fernald still has a yard full of geese and thinks Noble Bill Fernald is still running late on his departure to Florida.

Birthday celebrators are Margaret

*“Everything that is new or uncommon raises a pleasure in the imagination, because it fills the soul with an agreeable surprise, gratifies its curiosity, and gives it an idea of which is was not before possessed.”- Joseph Addison*

Smith, Alden Bunker, Jr., Gladys Kelley, Richard Carlisle, Sr., Cecil Sprague, Sr., Melita Staples, Merlin Brown, Jeff Dow, William Leach, Steve Tobey, Richard Landesman, Sally Blake, Roger Grindle, and Chad Cirard.

Honeymooners are Steve and Elizabeth Trimm and Steve and Pam Tobey.

Remember the January ceremonial is coming up. Let's get out and support the incoming and outgoing potentate.

Would like to extend our sympathy to the family of Noble Bob Buck who passed away recently.

Oops! Gotta go. Thought I heard the phone ringing but I'm not sure. My wife says I have hearing problems.

## Directors Staff

Noble Dave Weaver - Reporter

Greetings to all from beautiful Downeast Maine !! The closest thing to snow that we have had so far, is a couple of chilly nights. Much different than last year and this is good news to me.

I hope that all the hunters were as successful as they wanted to be. I didn't even take my rifle out of its case. I had plenty of chances to shoot a deer right behind our house but I declined. I told myself I didn't want one. I did gather up my old friend Vern Scott and we went riding the roads in search of birds. He introduced me to some areas that I hadn't been to before. We didn't see any deer or moose but we did see a few birds. Notice I said saw. We did manage to find several great places for lunch. My kind of hunting. I heard that my good friend Bob Young got a nice buck at his hunting camp in Belfast.

The Feztival of trees continues to outperform all expectations. Noble Bob Pullen deserves a huge tip of the fez for his outstanding leadership in making this event bigger and better each year. I also want to give a big thank you to all the nobles and ladies who donated their time and energy toward making the event so successful.

The Directors, Aides and clowns had a very enjoyable Christmas party. Many gifts were collected for the hospitals and good food and renewed friendships were enjoyed all evening by all.

Next up is the January Ceremonial. Who will be the next Outer Guard?? I think I know but I'm not telling. Good luck to all the elected and appointed Nobles for the year 2016. There will be more on this in February.

That's it for this month. I hope Santa Claus was kind and generous to you and yours. Be good to one another and attend your Blue Lodge because that is where it all starts.

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President

Greetings from Chalmun's Cantina, where the Oriental Band is getting ready to take the main stage for tonight's performance. Before the music starts I thought I would bring you up to speed on our recent activities. The band held elections for new officers and all are excited for the upcoming year. We took a break from touring to have our annual Christmas party at Noble Ed and Lady Lana Avery's house on December 12th, check out some of the pictures on our facebook page.

The band has several events in the works and it is shaping up to be a very busy year, we already have our first Casino Night scheduled for January 22nd in Fort Kent. If you are involved with organizations or businesses that are looking for entertainment for functions, please suggest a casino night, it is lots of fun for all. Interested individuals can contact David Spooner at [dwsponer@gmail.com](mailto:dwsponer@gmail.com) or by phone 207-896-5291 with questions or to schedule an event. Rehearsals for the January Ceremonial are well underway, we know you are all waiting to hear us weave our haunting songs over the sea of Nobles and Candidates alike... Oops that is our cue, we will have to chat more then, but now it's time to give our fans what they came out to hear! On behalf of the Oriental Band have a happy and healthy New Year!!!

**WALDO COUNTY SHRINE CLUB**  
By Charlie Pray, President

Happy New Year from the Waldo County Shrine Club.

Admittedly, one year ago I had slight reservations about accepting the position of president for a second term. Having been through the previous year as a relatively "New Body" to the club, seemingly the 2nd year would be a bit simpler. The learning curve had certainly served its purpose and indeed, the board of directors had done exactly that, directed me through the year with relatively little confusion.

With the "New Year" upon us, the shareholders of the club will select it's new board of directors, usher in a new club president and vice president and send it's previous

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 president into the moth balls. I truly believe that the nominating committee has done a wonderful job of replacing the 3 members leaving the board with 2 new fresh faces and 1 grizzled veteran. We have had a relatively new board member step up and accept the position of vice president who seemingly puts 110% into everything he touches as far as his efforts with shrine business and fund raising are concerned.

It seems only fitting that the announcement be made next month in the Anagram, after the shareholders have accepted the new members of the board of directors and given the new slate of officers their blessings.

As for December and our annual "Ladies Night" dinner and gift swap, it appeared to have gone off with great fanfare. We were treated to the company of our newest "Little Angel" Shrine Hospital patient Kyra and her grand parents for the evening. Being bashful isn't one of her personal traits so the little girl with the big personality explained her spinal issues to us and proceeded to slip into slap stick comedienne directly after. To everyone's surprise (Almost) she even held the winning 50/50 ticket which greatly pleased everyone in the room.

We had another wonderfully catered meal from the Otis Group which allowed the usual cast of guest chefs to sit back and enjoy the evening as normal attendee's rather than scurrying around trying to connect all the dots and put on the meal.

The members of the Board of Directors of the Waldo County Shrine Club made 3 very special presentations that evening. Donations and certificates to the 100 Million Dollar Club were presented to the families of Ryan Otis in the name of Lady Brooke and Raymond Young in the name of Lady Katrina for their endless philanthropy to the club. Also, our treasurer, Dave Bowen's wife Lady Betty was similarly acknowledged for her tireless work in and around the club. All 3 awards are greatly deserved and more...

Lastly, I'd like to thank my board of directors for all their guidance over the last two years. The position of President is really just a title as these guys are the ones that drive the unit (All I had to do was hold on).

My "Special Thank You" goes out to Charlie Plourde for a ll of his work, his attention to the details of the club, all of his efforts with dues notices, monthly meeting announcements and countless special communications between the temple, the board and the membership. The hundreds of hours he invests into Waldo County Shrine Club seemingly go un-noticed as it's made to look so easy. Due to the fact that he simply does his job, WCSC is very fortunate to have him as its secretary.

With mixed emotions, I present this, my last post to the Anahgram as President of this wonderful club. I feel as though I'm leaving this position with a great person at the helm, a committed member lined up to follow and a wonderful new board of active directors. The Waldo County Shrine Club is in very good hands as it looks to the future.  
 Yours in Faith,  
 Charlie Pray, Soon to be, "Past President"



## Reporter Noble Harold Adams

Happy New Year to everyone.

We had a lovely December meeting, and there was a nice turn out of members. Thank you all for coming it was nice seeing all of you some we haven't seen in a while. New officer positions were voted on and accepted. Congratulations to all of you, we know you will do a good job in 2016 for us.

The Fesztival of Trees was huge success, some of us spent a lot of time helping out and I say thank you for your time. If you missed this event go to Anah's web site, there are pictures of every beautiful tree and then some.

Also, thank you to our members that decorated the outside of the building, it was cold but not as cold as last year.

Judith Pratt is doing better, and still mending after her surgery, we missed her at the Christmas get together and it will be nice when she can join us again.

Happy Birthday to Noble Harry W. Pratt, and Lady Tavia Lessor. We hope you have a great day.

Happy Anniversary wishes going out to Noble Doug and Lady Jean Segee, congratulations to you both.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 5, 2016, 7 o'clock at the Shrine center.

Stay safe as the new year is upon us.



## Noble Ted Russell, Reporter

I'm sure by now everyone knows that the Festival of Trees was a massive success. There's no denying that our improved parking situation was a mitigating factor. Needless to say we Wheelers bore our share of the freight in making this annual event worth repeating.

We Wheelers celebrated Christmas together at the Bangor Motor Inn on the 5th of Dec. Attendance was outstanding. Ted and Rhonda dedicated a dance to their 28th anniversary and Garry and Sheila Curtis announced that while registering their truck they may as well get married, too! After all, it saves a trip. Congratulations. Warren "Sugar Bear" Calder and Antionette have moved back from Pennsylvania and now live on Deer Island, Canada. We know we'll be seeing more of you now, and our

combined Wheeler hearts a flutter with joy.

We Wheelers are also very happy that Jerry McLain could make our Christmas party after suffering a brain bleed requiring emergency surgery. Kudos to his wife Carla for noticing that Jerry was behaving differently, than his usually way of acting differently. Your timing was poor, Jerry. That scare is more appropriate for Halloween!

Capt. Bill Holyoke has done a very nice job for us this year and we Wheelers wish very much to thank Louise.

Here are Januarys celebrants. Happy Birthday to Nobles Chuck Wood, Ricky Robshaw and Elmer Farren, and a happy Anniversary to Noble Barry Curtis and Lady Morgan.

Hope we all had a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Teddy TaTa Reporting



## Widow's Club

Lorena Fenlason, Reporter

Happy New Year, welcome to 2016. Time certainly goes by fast.

I hope you all had a great holiday with family and friends.

A few of us were able to make it to the Aroostook Shrine Club Christmas party in Presque Isle. The traveling was good and so was the party.

Some of us were able to get together for a meal and gift exchange at Anglers in Hampden. We had a good time.

This month will welcome a new Potentate. January 16th. will be the day for the ladies luncheon and the reception in the evening. Let me know if you would like to attend. It would be nice to have a full table of widows show our support.

My number is 989-3664, call me anytime. Stay well and safe.

Lorena

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Ankh Temple No. 160 Ceremonial: L to R: Pr. Holly Taylor, Pr. Janice Maxwell, Queen Betty Trimm, Pr. Casey Getchell, Pr. Rebecca Trimm



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## Daughters of the Nile

Princess Irene Chandler, Reporter

Ankh Temple No. 160 held a Ceremonial in November and welcomed four new princesses: Holly Taylor, Janice Maxwell, Casey Getchell, and Rebecca Trimm.

The So and Sew Club's most recent project was to sew 25 chemo hats for the Springfield's Children Hospital. The Temple also sent "Jar Money", spare change collected by Temple members, to the hospitals to help fund the Christmas party for the children at the hospital.

Temple members were pleased to be asked and enjoyed assisting Anah Temple during the Festival of Trees by manning the wreath table.



Ken Hanscom Jr. Reporter

Well here we are a brand new year, HAPPY NEW YEAR to all. Before you know it we will be getting our trucks ready for parades. Our next meeting will be the first Saturday in April, at the Happy China in Bangor. In the next anahgram I will have a time.

If you all read last months anahgram, you remember that I whined about not having much to write about. After I received the December anahgram I read it again. I think maybe the whining got in the way of the birthdays and anniversary's. Starting in December, birthday wish's go out to Scot Averill, Betty Averill. Deb Curtis, Jodie Patterson, Ronald Dow, Janice Day, and my sister in law, Sullen Leighton. HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY. As in November, nobody got married in December. Birthday wish's in January go to Vikki Ryder, William Cooper, and the ELDERY Dale Porter. I better not forget anniversary's this month. Congratulations go to Gary and Ramoa Sudsbury and myself and my lovely wife Donna. This will be "47" years.

I have talked with Rhonda Scott and she is back on the mend. Dr. say that if all goes well, she can go back to work the first part of January.

If any of you know something that you would like to see in the anahgram, just contact me at 794-6675, 794-2222, or kdh6367@live.com.

Do you remember where it all started? Visit your next Blue Lodge meeting and renew old friendships!

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## THE CONVERTIBLES



Noble Gaylord E. Sundt, Reporter

Greetings to all and to all a HAPPY NEW YEAR! Here's hoping that we all have a better year this year than last. Even if you had a good year, there is always room for improvement!

A nice gathering of about 50 Nobles and their Ladies arrived at Betty's Hilltop in Ellsworth on December 6th for the convertible units annual Christmas party. It was a wonderful time and the hosts did a great job. Good service, good food and a great waitstaff made for a real enjoyable evening. We missed having Nobles Sped, Walter and Ross in attendance.

A few of us met at the Shea's before heading out, where we were entertained with stories from unit trips from years ago. Sounds like it was a real wild bunch at one time. Lady Donna even started in about Ladies in the same bed, but you'll have to ask her. I got too red in the face. Seems like the unit has calmed down since its early beginnings.

We held our last meeting of 2015 prior to dinner and the list of business to cover was long. New officers for this year were announced. Noble George Boyce will take over as Unit Director with myself as Assistant. You'll have to ask Noble Sambo what my duties will be. Noble Scott Hawthorne will become Secretary and Noble Terry Wessel will remain as Treasurer. Noble Yogi asked for a page of blank checks as his name is still on the account from years of past services. Thanks but no thanks was pretty much the consensus.

Thanks to Noble Jesse for a fun year with his guidance as Potentate. Also congratulations to Noble Roger Grindle on his announced retirement.

Lady Deborah brought homemade wine for everyone and homemade jam for the teetotalers. There were more bottles of wine than jam if that's any indication as far as that goes. Lady Doris brought large platters of her scrumptious homemade fudge. Great stuff and those platters didn't make it around the table twice. THANKYOU to them both.

Thanks to outgoing Unit Director Noble Dick Dunham and outgoing Secretary Noble Ross Grant and to those who helped run the unit last year. Almost forgot our Quartermaster, Noble Sped Seymour. He continues in that position and does a flawless job. It's an entire unit effort that makes us tick, but thanks in particular to those who do the extras for us.

The only one celebrating a birthday this month is Noble Don Goss! Just think,

you've got the whole month to yourself. And I guess it will not only be warmer because of the candles, but because you will be celebrating in a warmer location. No wedding anniversaries this month. Must be too cold for nuptials.

It was good to have Noble Scott and his Lady with us at the party after his health scare this past summer. Our thoughts are with you, Noble Walter, as you recover from your procedure.

Please remember to keep all of your friends and relatives and fellow Anah members in need in your thoughts and prayers. And take time to stop and smell the roses.

I guess that's it for another month. Just think. Only 4-1/2 more months and we can go topless again.

Reporting, Gaylord E. Sundt for the Convertibles.

**NORTHERN  
PENOBSCOT  
SHRINE CLUB**



**Noble John Farrington, Reporter**

For those of you that could not make it to the NPSC November meeting in Lincoln, you missed a fantastic meal and some great door prizes for the Ladies. There were 26 Nobles and Ladies in attendance.

Derward Shedd and Burt Weed have both been under the weather for the past week or so. Burt did attend the meeting and a card of "thinking of you" was circulated for Derward. We do hope that these two Nobles will begin feeling better in the near future.

Noble Ron Thornton held the lucky ticket for the 50/50 raffle for the evening. We sincerely thank him for donating his share back to the club.

President Dickie and Lady Denise had a nice array of gifts for the Ladies this evening. Every Lady in attendance went home with a nice gift. Those receiving gifts were Ladies Carmel Bowers, Denise Elwell, Donna Hanscom, Gayle Hooke, Suellen Leighton, Perlene Libby, Nancy Noyes, Lynn Sanderson, Joyce Thornton, Mrs. Tim Thornton, and Jackie Weed. The Club certainly appreciates your attendance at our meetings.

Old Business this evening was the sharing of information for the upcoming "Festival of Trees" on the weekends of November 20 and November 27. Several of the Nobles of NPSC, with their Lady, plan on being in the Temple on the afternoon of November 13, to set up and decorate our tree for the festival. Please feel free to show up and join us in this fun time.

New Business for the evening consisted of President Elwell naming to the Board of Directors and swearing in Noble Tim Thornton. Thank you Tim for stepping up as we can use your valuable assistance. I made a presentation of the 2015 Circus Awards to those Nobles that were present. Receiving the Circus Cap, for sales ranging from \$60 to \$600, were Tony Bowers, Ken Hanscom, Raleigh Hanscom, Byron Sanderson, Alton "Tash" Stanley and Paul Thornton. Jerry Anthony received a cap and a shirt for sales of \$777, Jamie Graham received a cap and shirt for sales of \$792, I received a cap and jacket for sales of \$2,337 and the Club's top seller, with sales of \$2,751, and thus receiving a Shrine Watch is Ken Perkins. Congratulations Ken. It was noted during this presentation that this Club, in joining drives with Noble Tony and Lady Carmel Bowers, together have pledged \$20,000 (\$10,000 each) over the next five years towards the new Temple. The Club plans on meeting its obligation each year with the proceeds from our Circus Commission. We really are in need of more Nobles stepping forward to help with the sale of advertising in the Circus Book as well as selling tickets for either the Bangor or Presque Isle circus.

The next NPSC meeting will take place in Medway at the East Branch Snow Rovers Club House on December 2. Once again the Ladies and guests are invited. The Club's Circus Kick-off Supper will take place at Gilmore's in Lincoln on December 9 with attitude adjustment beginning at 6:30. Please feel free to join us and become a Circus Salesman. This meeting will also include time for a Board of Directors meeting. Until the next time please remember to keep Masonry and Shrine Dom in your life.

**SCHOODIC  
SHRINE CLUB**

**Noble David G. Beckett, Reporter**

Greetings from Schoodic Shrine Club:

Welcome to a brand new year. I learned from several sources what a huge success the Feztival of Trees was. Congratulations to all who worked on this terrific event.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Noble and Past Master Paul R. Johnson. Paul was a 50-year member of St. Croix Lodge No. 46, serving as Master in 1966. He died on November 18, 2015. Our condolences go out to his family.

There was no meeting in November and this column is being written before the December meeting. As we look ahead to the new year, we have a meeting on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at the Nook and Cranny Restaurant, which is 2 miles out on Route 9. This is the meeting where we set the dates and places for the

meetings for 2016. This will be a ladies night, so plan to attend and bring a friend. All the best in the New Year to all Nobles, their ladies, and their families. 'Til next time!



**Noble  
Martin "Fou"  
Perfit,  
Clown Unit  
reporter**

It was a stupendous turnout of kids and parents for our monthly Home Depot Children's Workshop on Saturday, November 7. Two dedicated, committed clowns in the persons of Div-It (Duane Young) and Fou (Martin Perfit) managed to entertain, amuse, divert, interest, distract and regale an unusually large turnout of kids.

Anah Shrine had a record turnout for our fourth annual Feztival of Tress, the first in our new home. Many members of the Clown Unit along with several of our ladies were on hand assisting in every way possible. A special nod is due to Boss clown Piggy who supervised and coordinated security while Bo Bo (Donny Young and lady Jan kept things humming along for the Photo with Santa enterprise. Back to Home Depot for an additional Children's Workshop on Saturday, November 28. A special appearance by Emeritus clown Jappo (Mike Samiya) was well appreciated by not only the children and parents but even more so by Fou (Martin Perfit) and Div-It (Duane Young) for his much needed assistance in managing the unusual turnout of kids.

January Birthdays: Hearty congratulations to our January Birthday namely Scot Boucher (Scooter), Curtis Haynes (Sluggah) and Dave Dennis (Busta). Aon the distaff side we have Dara Perfit.



**ANAH FLAG UNIT**

**Andrew St Amant, Reporter**

Happy New Year! As the new year begins we begin a new journey welcoming our new captain Noble Joe Briggs. Thank you Noble Arthur Herbest with the guidance of your leadership skills for the past three years. Thank you Lady Julie Herbest for all of your support with the flag unit.

Thank you to the Clown unit for cooking a fantastic meal for us to enjoy during our meeting this past month. We voted to purchase a paving brick for the seven life members of the flag unit. Plus money for the hospital and bikes for circus.

There were no other Noble changes within the flag unit positions. We welcomed Noble Jason Berry and his Lady Lisa Scott, Noble

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Bob Berry and his Lady Susan to our unit during this meeting. They have supported during some of the parades this year but had yet to meet all of us. WELCOME!

Who is blowing out the candles this month? Noble Lewis Higgins. Ladies Gladys Kelley, Cecil Sprague, Pauline Kennedy, and Bonni MacDonald. Happy Birthday!

No one wanted to celebrate any romance this month.

Reporter Andrew St Amant

## **ANAH SHRINE NASCAR NEWS DAVE GULYA REPORTER**

Brother Nobles of Anah Shrine!

My name is Dave Gulya and I was just elected as Secretary /Reporter for the Anah Nascars. We have had a great year and with the end of the year nearing, it is time for Unit Elections. But first, the entire Unit would like to recognize Lee Klug for his many years of service to the Shriners and more specifically to the Nascars. Lee has served as Captain for several years and it is with deep regret that we accept his request to transfer to Emeritus Status. Lee ensures us that his presence will still be felt as he transitions to "retirement" but he will still be available to help us by belting out our favorite Karaoke hits. Lee wasn't the only big change, Treasurer Bryon Saunders and Secretary Perry Fowler also "retired" from their positions. Both of these men have done an admirable job with the work they have done for the Unit for 10-15 years each. Thank you guys. 2nd LT Vinnie McIntyre steps aside to allow other members the opportunity to help lead the Unit. Will Blaisdell has also given another member a chance to participate by "retiring" as Quartermaster.

Elected to Unit Captain was former 1st LT Ken Worden. Ken brings a fresh set of eyes to the leadership of the Unit. Stay tuned for more on that! New 1st LT is former Reporter, David "Big D" Varnum, and working in tandem as 2nd LT will be Bob Williams and Wayne Cameron. Brian Savage has stepped up to be Treasurer and our new Quartermaster is Greg Varnum.

It's been a great year for the Temple and the Unit! We have exceeded our goals on almost every front. Congratulations and a big Thank You goes out to our Illustrious Potentate Jesse Thomas and Dean Hoke our Divan Rep. Remember that We Never Have So Much Fun Doing So Much Good! Until next month, be good or be good at it!



## **HIGHLANDERS**

**Noble  
Mike Murphy  
Reporter**

Greetings Nobles and Ladies. December is here. We are blessed that the snow and cold haven't come sooner. Praise the Lord that fuel prices are low. What a blessing that is for our low income families here in the People's Republic of Maine. Energy costs are not only a huge part of family budgets, but they are one of the biggest expenses that most businesses and organizations have. I know that there a lot of Masonic Lodges that are forced to close in the winter instead of the summer, because of the cost of fuel. I know of churches that meet in smaller rooms or combine services with other churches, because of the cost of fuel.

I finally got to a practice a few weeks ago and I am really impressed with the new Shrine Hall. Well done to the team that orchestrated the moved. It is on one floor, has lots of parking and it is much newer construction. I'm thinking that some of the operating costs may be better than one would expect from such a large facility. I'm going back about 10 or 15 years, but if memory serves me correct, the heating system was installed by a Millinocket company. I saw pictures of an install, I think they installed 3 boilers and had them hooked to a manifold. The boilers would progressively start as the heat demand grew. In other words, it would run on just one "cold start" boiler and when more heat was needed another one or two would kick in to provide the heat. Again, if it is they building I'm thinking of, the heating system is a real work of art. It is a little like a turbo charger in some cars. You feed a smaller motor and when more power is needed, the turbo kicks in and gives a boost.

I did get some firsthand comments from a regular "Festival of Trees" customer. They liked the new building. They really liked having enough parking. The person was amazed that the crowd was so large that they had to wait 20 minutes just to get inside. AWESOME. I don't know how much money the Shrine raised, but I hope that it is a lot more than in the past. I know the Highlander Ladies did a spectacular job of decorating a tree for the event. We started planning it during our last Christmas party.

Our annual meeting this year is scheduled for the 13th. I don't know who the new officers will be, but I am sure that whoever they are, they will get support from the other members. I found that anytime I needed help with some Highlander business, I could always count on the other band members to help. I couldn't always say that about other organizations that I am a member of.

Mike Grant has done a great job over the last year. He was the one who brought up

entering a tree in this year's festival. We have a lot of events and practices, and each one involves canvassing the band members to see if we have enough participation to give a "good show" for a particular event. The Highlanders have high standards, and we have a reputation of quality performances. It requires not only having enough members, but enough of the right members to provide the rich sounds that you all enjoy. Every Highlander is important, and every Highlander contributes. But it requires enough seasoned members to "carry" some of the tunes.

I've always said, the Highlanders is the most fun you'll ever work at. I encourage anyone who reads this to consider joining our drum or pipe section. We have instructors that will teach the necessary elements of drumming or piping. If anyone would like drumming or piping lessons, please contact me at [pingleprechaun@hotmail.com](mailto:pingleprechaun@hotmail.com)

Until next time. Have a blessed Christmas or Hananukkah, and a blessed New Year.



## **PHOTO UNIT**

**Noble  
Merland Clark,  
Reporter**

Greetings from the Cub reporter. I know you will all be feeling bad after reading this report as it may be the last report I do. Its one of those age qualified retirement things.

I have been reporter two or three times as well as holding all the other offices of the Unit since it was chartered some thirty years ago after requesting its own identity from the Acadamecians. Trust me , its been a beautiful ride and I have had a lot of experiences in photography and learned a lot that would have otherwise probably never happened. My thanks to all the people I ve worked on both sides of the lense.

News wise, most of it by word of mouth-that is to say, I did visit the Feztival of trees but not as a "shooter" of images but doing a walk through. What great progress they have made in four years.

When you read this, Santa will have come and gone, eaten the cookies and consumed the milk and we will be getting ready for the January Ceremonial and installing a new Potentate. Our Thanks to Sir Jessie for a great year., lets extend that to all the office holders of Units and Clubs. You do great work for a great organization.

One of my last requests as the replorter is one of trying to recruit some new folks.. I know a lot of you out there now have digital cameras and all the other goodies so consider this - it will only take a little commitment to become a member or we

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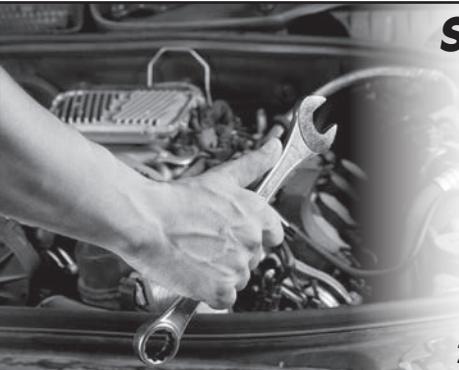
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also offer an "at large" status in the unit. You don't vote, no dues, and you only shoot when asked on special occasion for your area or when you think something is happening in your area worthy of showing up in the Anahgram

Well Nobles and Ladies, I bid farwell, hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and lets hope the trend of a soft winter continues unlike last year. Hugs and kisses/cub reporter



## KAMPERS KORNER

Noble Allen Hayward, Reporter

Annual Meeting and Christmas Party of Campers was held at Jaspers Restaurant in Ellsworth on Sunday, December 6. There were 21 present. It was an honor to have Potentate Jesse and Lady Brenda join us.

Wagon Master, Walter Ash welcomed everyone and also welcomed former members, Douglas and Cheryl Monson to the club.

A great thank you to Ora Farnsworth who donated a beautiful wreath and centerpiece. Harlan Emery won the wreath and Allen Chase won the center piece. 50/50 was won by Harlan who gave his winnings to the club. Thank you Harlan.

We voted to donate \$500 to the Shrine Building Fund. Also, \$90 donation by Searsport Shores Campground is designated for the hospitals.

Officers for the 2016 year: Wagon Master: Walter Ash, Treasurer: Don Wiswell, Secretary: Allen Hayward, Scout: Douglas Monson, Trail Boss: Runtz Farnsworth.

It was voted to amend Article VII, Section 3 of Bylaws: Quorum changed from 15 to 5 at meetings.

It was noted that Frank Braley is in a nursing home in Zephyrhills, Florida. Our thoughts are with Frank.

January Anniversaries: Gene and Dianne Carter, Dennis and Sue McCurdy, Ed and Esther Pellon, Algy & Amy Wood.

January Birthdays: Julie Antworth, Mike Doran, Lorena Fenlason, Maggie Hoyle, Phyllis Jordan, Dana Smith, Clayton Wallace.

Please note: Anyone interested in joining the Campers Club please contact Wagon Master Walter Ash at 338-3485 or 322-4131. Also, those of you who are members, please try to join us in our travels this year.

Hope all had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Don't forget the Ceremonial in January.  
Noble Allen Hayward, Reporter



## Capt. Todd "Ernie" Foster Reporting

HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope the holidays brought you all some comfort and joy this season. We just had our annual meeting at Dysart's in Bangor, right down the road from the Shrine Center. The annual secretary and treasurer reports were read and accepted. We decided to donate all of our money this year in memory of Bucky "Kermit the Frog" who recently passed away. Congratulations to the new officers of 2016. Captain, Steve "Buzz Lightyear" Dewitt; 1st Lt., Travis "Cowboy Woody" Frost; 2nd Lt., Aaron "Elmo" Mower, Secretary, Doza "Olaf" Lane; Treasurer, Sam "Stewart the Minion" Cannon. I will stay on as reporter for now. Capt. Buzz has some pretty good incentives to be a little more active this year, so let's get out there and support your new Captain! Speaking of support, thank you all for your support these last three years as your Captain. This past year especially, supporting our own Illustrious Sir, Jesse "Pink Panther" Thomas. I think it was a very successful year and you guys helped tremendously!

I've been remiss these last few months, and I would like to send out a huge thank you to Colby "Dale" Palmer for buying a stone in the Funsters name at the new building!

New year birthday wishes go out to, Kate Foster, Tracey Cammack, Donna Washburn, Kyle Buck, Roger Grindle, Beth Lindsey, Tab Lindsey, Lee Wilson, Brittany Boyington, Olivia Fascione, Isabella Frost, and Stephanie Jordan. No anniversaries this month, must have been too hung over from New Years!

Be sure to come to the January meeting as we will be discussing how much money we will be donating this year and setting up schedules to sell shirts at the January Ceremonial. That meeting will be held on Monday, January 11th, at the Shrine Center on Broadway at 7:00. Hope to see you all there! Just remember, only 304 days 'till "Huntin" Camp 2016."

## TRI-COUNTY

## SHRINE CLUB

Noble David Mosley, Reporter

Tri County Shrine Club held their monthly meeting on the 18th of November at the Dexter Club. We had 15 Nobles and one guest, Richard A. We also had the distinct pleasure of having Phyllis Watson grace our presence that night, Phyllis was the chief cook that night. After the Libation Hour, the meeting was called to order by President Dan Costain. Noble Donald "BOBO" YOUNG gave the invocation.

President Costain led the salute to the Flag of our Country. After a delicious meal of homemade mac & cheese, red hot dogs, Mrs. Greens famous baked beans, homemade rolls and homemade cake and ice cream for dessert, the meeting was called to order by the President. The President introduced the head table, VP Arthur Watson, Sec Dave Mosley and President Dan Costain. Unit Heads in attendance were Scott Folsom of the 4X4's and Dick Dunham of the Convertibles. Ameritous Nobles that joined us that night were Bob McGreavey of the Greeters and Ron Green of the Aides. Past Potentates in attendance were Larry Hersom and Lee Kaufman. A big thank you was given to Phyllis and Arthur Watson for putting on the meal. PP Hersom brought us up to date on the new building and the Festival of Trees. This year looks to be a banner year with 80 trees expected to be set up. Winner of the 50-50 was none other than old BOBO himself. No further business meeting was closed by President Costain.



Noble Doug Brockway, Reporter

Anah Band has still been working on some new music that we will be playing at Ceremonial this year. My personal favorite is Pink Panther and we are sure that everybody will recognize that one when it's played. We will always play our old favorites, but we enjoy adding some new and more challenging music to our playlist.

We have been putting the time in practicing our songs together and enjoying each other's company. Music is the thread that keeps us together. Most importantly, we love raising money for the children that receive care at our hospitals.

We are still looking for others will take on learning a new instrument and come and play with us. The more people we have, the more we can earn to give directly to the children at the hospitals. Practice times are every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month in Newport.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

Noble Warren Orcutt, Sr., Reporter

Happy New Year to one and all! I hope that each of you had a wonderful holiday season with your family and friends. We all have much to be thankful for-- health, happiness, our families, and our wonderful Shrine family.

We certainly have had a fantastic fall

*"Beauty is unbearable, drives us to despair, offering us for a minute the glimpse of an eternity that we should like to stretch out over the whole of time."- Albert*

Camus

season and early winter so far. No measurable snow in down east Maine yet but we will most likely have received some by the time you read this article.

The December WCSC meeting was a ladies night and held at Helen's Restaurant in Machias with the following Shriners present: High Priest and Prophet Brad Prout; Donald Wright and David Weaver of the Directors Staff; Mike Murphy, Aide; Joe McDonald and Ron Dunphy of the Mini Cars; Troy Huffman of the Lobster Boats; Buddy Mills from the Wheelers; and Greeters Warren Orcutt, Mike Bailey; Ambassador BJ Cherry; Brian Strout, Michael Doran, Tony Santiago; Jason Faulkingham, and Jonothan McClure, as well as many of their ladies. A Yankee Swap was done and one item seemed to get swapped a lot! Any guesses as to what that gift was from those not in attendance?

Officers for 2016 were elected, as follows:

- PRESIDENT: Brian Strout; 1st VICE-PRESIDENT: Ronald Dunphy; 2nd VICE PRESIDENT: Dave Weaver; SECRETARY: Warren Orcutt, Sr.; TREASURER: Richard Kilton; and REPORTER: Warren Orcutt Sr.

It was quite the sight to see the lights and gifts on all 80 trees that were decorated and displayed at Anah's "Feztival of Trees". The Feztival Committee is to be commended for a job well done, especially Chairman Bob Pullen. Committee members spent many days preparing for the event, as well as attending all six days of the Feztival when people viewed the trees----a job well done by all Shriners who volunteered their time to make this such a successful event. As we reported last month, the theme for the WCSC tree was "Ice Fishing" and the winner was Mike Emery. The tree was very well received and we heard a lot of wonderful comments about the items on it, which had a value over \$1800. Thank you, again, to all the members of WCSC who either provided items or cash for items for the tree. From all reports, this was another worthwhile fundraising project for Anah and WCSC members look forward to participating again in 2016. Congratulations to all the tree winners, as well as to the 50/50 winner who went home with \$10,000.

The Annual Winter Fuel Raffle will be held and tickets will soon be sent out, along with dues letters for 2016 to those who are not Life Members.

The January 15th & 16th Ceremonial weekend is all planned and when our new Potentate will begin his year at the helm of Anah. Get your candidates signed up. Meal tickets are available for the Ladies Luncheon and the Temple Feast so call for yours today if you haven't already gotten them. Outgoing Potentate Jesse and Lady Brenda have had a wonderful year and we wish them well deserved rest now

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### After more than half a year in Boston, Belizean patient returns home... Michele's Story

This week marked a major milestone on one Boston patient's journey to recovery. After many months away from her family, her friends and her country, she returned home.

Katerin Michele, known as Michele around the hospital, was burned over 50% of her body in an accident at her home in Belize. Like many of our patients from Belize, Michele

was identified as needing urgent care in the U.S. by Belize Gift of Life. Arrangements were made for her at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Boston and the Rotarians in Central America generously paid her transportation fees.

Since April, 10-year-old Michele has undergone extensive burn treatment and rehabilitation. At times, it was grueling but Michele approached every day with a smile and a positive outlook. Even on the toughest days, Michele's care team was impressed by how polite and pleasant she was. Staff around the hospital enjoyed her visits, her bubbly personality and her incredible sense of fashion.

One of Michele's nurses, Allison, says her favorite thing about Michele is how thoughtful she is. Allison recalls one day when a friend brought in t-shirts and paints as a fun activity, Michele made it a priority to paint a shirt for another patient who had a big surgery that

day so that her friend would know she was thinking of her.

During her stay, Michele took part in the Boston Shriners music therapy program. Working with our music therapist, she wrote lyrics that helped her express her feelings. She also went horseback riding with Team Brave, Boston's community reintegration program. Because many rehabilitative therapies are unavailable in Belize, the Boston care team has made arrangements for Michele to do yoga when she returns home. This will help her continue with her physical rehabilitation. The staff packed her up with all the supplies she'll need to continue her care at home until she returns to Boston in early 2016 for additional treatment. When asked what she was going to do first upon arriving in Belize, Michelle said, "Eat!"

Good luck Michele. Your friends in Boston will miss you.

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that it is over. They have been at the head of the TEAM "making things happen" for Anah. We know that they will remain extremely active and ready to help when needed. We look forward to 2016 under incoming Potentate Robert Turner and Lady Bonnie.

Shriners and their ladies will be soliciting ads for the 2016 Shrine Circus. Joe McDonald will head this up for WCSC and get the information out to members. Something new for 2016 is that a business can have a discount coupon as part of their ad copy.

If you have not purchased a Shrine Cash Calendar for 2016, they are still available at the Shrine Temple in Bangor. Call for yours today. You can't be a winner without a number.

Happy Birthday wishes for January go out to Alden Bunker Jr, Mike Doran, Raymond Fox, Mary Beth Gaddis, Margaret Gardner, Mike Gooch, Helen Hatt, Robert Mawhinney, Carolyn Wright, and Richard Mahan.

Anniversary wishes for January go to Past Potentate Ed & Esther Pellon.

## KEYSTONE

### KOPS

Noble  
Fred Beylerian  
Reporter



A New Year is upon us and as of this writing, the weather outside is not frightful. The temperature is 40 degrees and it's partly cloudy. It's leap year, election year and the year of the Summer Olympic Games. It's a year for a new golf tournament, new steak feeds, a new gun raffle and renewed fellowship. However what is not new is the climate of election year politics, so bad weather is in the forecast.

Happy Birthday wishes for the month of January go out Kops Eric Robinson, Mike Whitman and Ladies Nina Dalton, Candy Beylerian, Sally Buck and Lisa Jackson. Happy Wedding Anniversary to Steve and Betty Trimm. Congratulations to all and may you many more.

Now to the trivia question of the month. Last month's question was: What was the original name of Pepsi Cola. Answer: Brad's Drink. It was named for Caleb Bradham who owned a Drug Store in New Bern, North Carolina. In 1893 he invented Brad's Drink and in 1898 it was renamed Pepsi Cola. Being right smack dab in the middle of the holidays this month's question is: Which country buys the most greeting cards per capita?

The time has come to close the "Blotter" for this month and to remember, "IT'S ALL ABOUT THE KIDS".

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### Letter from Santa

I was one of the many Santa's that helped with the Festival of Trees this year and I wanted to say a big thank you to the many elves that helped out with the pictures with Santa and the elves, as while I was sitting in the Santa chair just watching how the elves mingled with the children as they were coming up to tell Santa what they would like for Christmas and the having their picture taken. This gives you a kind of behind the scenes view of what the elves do as to watch them take to the little children to help overcome their fear of having to see Santa and have their picture taken. The elves took the time to talk to the children, make funny faces, noises and even got down on their hands and knees to make the children feel comfortable so the families could have the picture taken with Santa. I want to say thank you so much. I came away with joy in my heart and a smile on my face as to how wonderful these elves are. They helped make memories of this wonderful event.

Santa

## THE FESTIVAL OF TREES

Bob Pullen, Reporter

Greetings from one happy chairman. As some of you know we set a record this year at the Festival of Trees. Figures are being fine tuned but we did great! We had a new high payout for the 50/50 drawing, more tree tickets sold, the cafe was extremely busy, wreathes were flying off the table and Santa almost wore out his lap by having so many children tell of their wishes for Christmas morning.

The crowds were huge but very friendly. They were very interested in the new building and almost everyone was talking about all the parking we have. The weather was in our favor except for seasonably cool mornings. On our first Saturday we had folks lined up from the ticket table in the foyer, out the door and out to the parking lot via the Silent Messenger.

By the time you read this we will have had 2 meetings planning next year's extravaganza. We are restructuring our committee to include more concrete descriptions of duties and try to fine tune any speed bumps we incurred this year. With the implementation of a manpower chair our supply of workers was "Practically Perfect" sorry Jesse I couldn't resist. I want to say that this event would never have come to fruition had it not been for the Festival of Trees committee, they were superb and it was my honor to work with them. I want to thank all the sponsors for the generous donations on and around the 80 trees we had. I also want to send out a heartfelt thanks to all who helped make Anah's 4th Festival of trees this huge success it was. I want to wish you all a most prosperous and healthy New Year. Thanks , Bob

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The Potentate has the power and authority under the Imperial Shrine Law to replace every appointee; or he may, if he believes it to be in the best interest of the Shrine to retain all appointees by reappointment.

Traditionally, for the sake of efficiency, many Nobles of demonstrated ability are continued in office or appointed by reappointment. But this is at the will and pleasure of the incoming Potentate.

In no case is he, or can he be bound by his predecessor. By the same token in no case can any Potentate bind his successor.

If it is the will and pleasure of the incoming Potentate that the Noble is to continue in his office or position by reappointment he will be notified by the Potentate to that effect.

Should any Noble not holding appointment by the current Potentate wear a Fez carrying any title such as "Aide" or any other designation he does so in violation of the code.

Some Nobles seek to perpetuate an appointment fictitiously by adding to the lettering on the Fez the year or years of their appointment. This is a violation of Imperial Law. The offending may be informed; but "...Ignorance of the law is no excuse."

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these, 'It might have been.'" - John Greenleaf Whittier

**SECOND SECTION**



**Noble Fred Patterson, Reporter**

Happy New Year to all Ladies and Nobles, I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday spent with friends and loved ones. Since May of 2010 when I took over the Secretary's position, I have written these articles and have enjoyed doing it, but this will be my last one. As of our December meeting we had a changing of the guard at the head table. The unit voted me in as Director and I am honored to chosen to do this job in the coming years for this great unit. Noble Rich Johnson was voted in as Secretary and Noble Chris Robison was voted in as Treasurer. It has been a great ride to sit as Secretary beside the previous Directors of the unit and also alongside our long standing Treasurer, Noble Jerry Hayes. Jerry has been a great friend of mine for many years and he was a pretty darned good and dedicated Treasurer for the unit. Director Adam Beals was at the helm for three years and the Second Section was lucky to have him on board for us. Adam decided to step down as he has two young boys and is a new business owner and he has to put his efforts into his family and his new business. Good luck to both Jerry and Adam and I look forward to seeing you among the craft at our meetings and most likely heckling me during our meetings. New Secretary Rich Johnson will take over the Anahgram duties and I am looking forward to the February publication as he gets underway. Congratulations to all of the new officers for 2016, I look forward to working with you.

Congratulations to Second Section Past Treasurer Jerry Hayes for being awarded the 2015 Bob Mott award at our Christmas party in December. The Bob Mott award is an award given to an outstanding member of the unit and Jerry was more than deserving of the honor for everything he has done for the unit over the years. Jerry's name was inscribed on a perpetual plaque and we hope it will be displayed soon at our new temple.

How bout that Feztival of Trees in November. Last year I stated that it was unbelievable to see the wave of people coming into the temple to see what was displayed. Well that was last year, this year it was more like a tsunami of people coming to our new temple to view all of the 80 trees we had this year. It was unreal to see the amount of people mingling around the hall, but even more amazing were the lines of people outside with some waiting as much as an hour to get in. How about the number of tree tickets sold. Last year I reports that there were over 220,000 tickets sold. Well that was blown out of the water with over a half million tickets sold this year. Just absolutely mind blowing numbers. Cafe had a very successful two weeks and we served up a

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**PAUL R. JOHNSON, Meddybemps**  
 Aug. 8, 1926 – Nov. 18, 2015  
 St. Croix Lodge #46, Calais Raised 3/2/1959  
 Created Anah June 19, 1999

**LLOYD D. JOHNSON, Baring Pt.**  
 Sept. 30, 1924 – Sept. 13, 2015  
 Raised 3/7/1968 Affiliated St. Croix Lodge  
 #46, Calais 9/5/1985 Created Anah  
 June 5, 1971

**MILTON C. WHEATON, Hampden**  
 Oct. 16, 1928 – Nov. 22, 2015  
 Aurora Lodge #50, Rockland Raised  
 9/19/1961 Created Anah Jan. 19, 1985

**HARVEY G. HANINGTON, Danforth**  
 Aug. 19, 1939 – Dec. 1, 2015  
 Baskahegan Lodge #175, Danforth Raised  
 6/1/1976 Created Anah June 13, 1987

**ROBERT G. BUCK, Bar Harbor**  
 Dec. 4, 1951 – Dec. 7, 2015  
 Bar Harbor Lodge #185 Raised 6/2/1983  
 Created Anah June 2, 1984

**JONATHAN P. CANFIELD, Bangor**  
 Oct. 14, 1947 – Dec. 8, 2015  
 Trumbull Lodge #22, New Haven, CT Raised  
 11/22/2003 Affiliated with Seminary  
 Hill Daylight Lodge #220 9/9/2013  
 Affiliated Anah July 29, 2013 from Sphinx

**VERNON A. SMITH, Carmel**  
 Aug. 22, 1948 – Dec. 11, 2015  
 Ralph J. Pollard Lodge #217, Orrington  
 Raised 5/26/1994 Affiliated Benevolent  
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lot of great meals and the unit really came together and made it happen. We had times where we actually had too many in the kitchen. A huge thank you to all of the Ladies who were there to help. Without our Ladies we would certainly struggle to pull all of this off. I think Noble Albert Higgins' trips to Sam's Club were less than 2014, but he still made plenty of trips to pickup items that were needed. Thank you Albert for your commitment to our Unit. We look forward to the 2016 Feztival and can't wait to hear how we can beat what we did this year.

Looks as though we are going to hit the ground running as the Winter Ceremonial is on January 16 and we will be performing the Arch Degree once again this year. By this publication, practices will be pretty much over so we can be in top form at the Ceremonial.

The 52nd Annual Potentates Party is scheduled for January 30, 2016. Tickets are available now from either a Second Section member or at the Secretary's office. It will be a wonderful evening of fun, food and dancing so don't miss out. We decided to go back to old times and serve a meal of Chicken Pot Pie w/ fixings served by Anah Clowns. It's looking to be a great night, and for the low cost of \$20 per person, it can't be beat. Look for a special advertisement in this publication with further details.

The Wheeler's Super Supper is scheduled for February 13 and the Second Section will be doing their supper. Please mark your calendar so you can be available as we will need a good showing of members to pull this dinner off.

The Second Section is starting our second annual Gun Raffle for 2016. Drawing will be done in the month of September and the guns are through Willey's Sport Shop in Ellsworth. Tickets are available now and they are \$20.00 each and we are only selling 1000 tickets. Drawings will be done very day in September and the tickets drawn will be put right back into the drawing so there will be multiple chances of winning.

January birthday wishes go out to Ladies Penny Dunn, Lori-Ann Kirby and Deanne Merrill and Nobles Henry Babcock, Nick Dakin, Darren Nason, Chris Robison and Clayton Wallace.

Happy January wedding anniversaries go out to Mark & Veronica Taplin and Jay & Tammy Redmond.

Lastly, don't forget to get out there and sell those 2016 calendars. Remember for every calendar sold, the unit gets \$5.00. Please do your part and sell them for Anah and our unit.

Our next scheduled meeting will be held Friday, January 8, 2016, February 5 will be our first Ladies night of 2016. All meetings are the Shrine Hall at 6:30 PM meeting time. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please try to get it done at the meeting. Until next time, be safe and stay warm.

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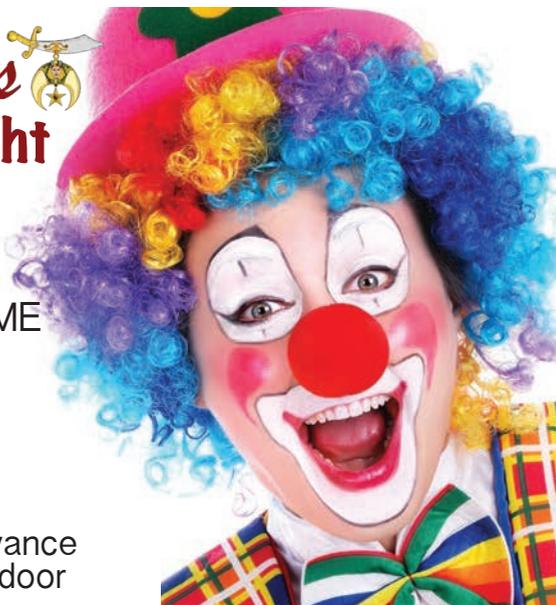


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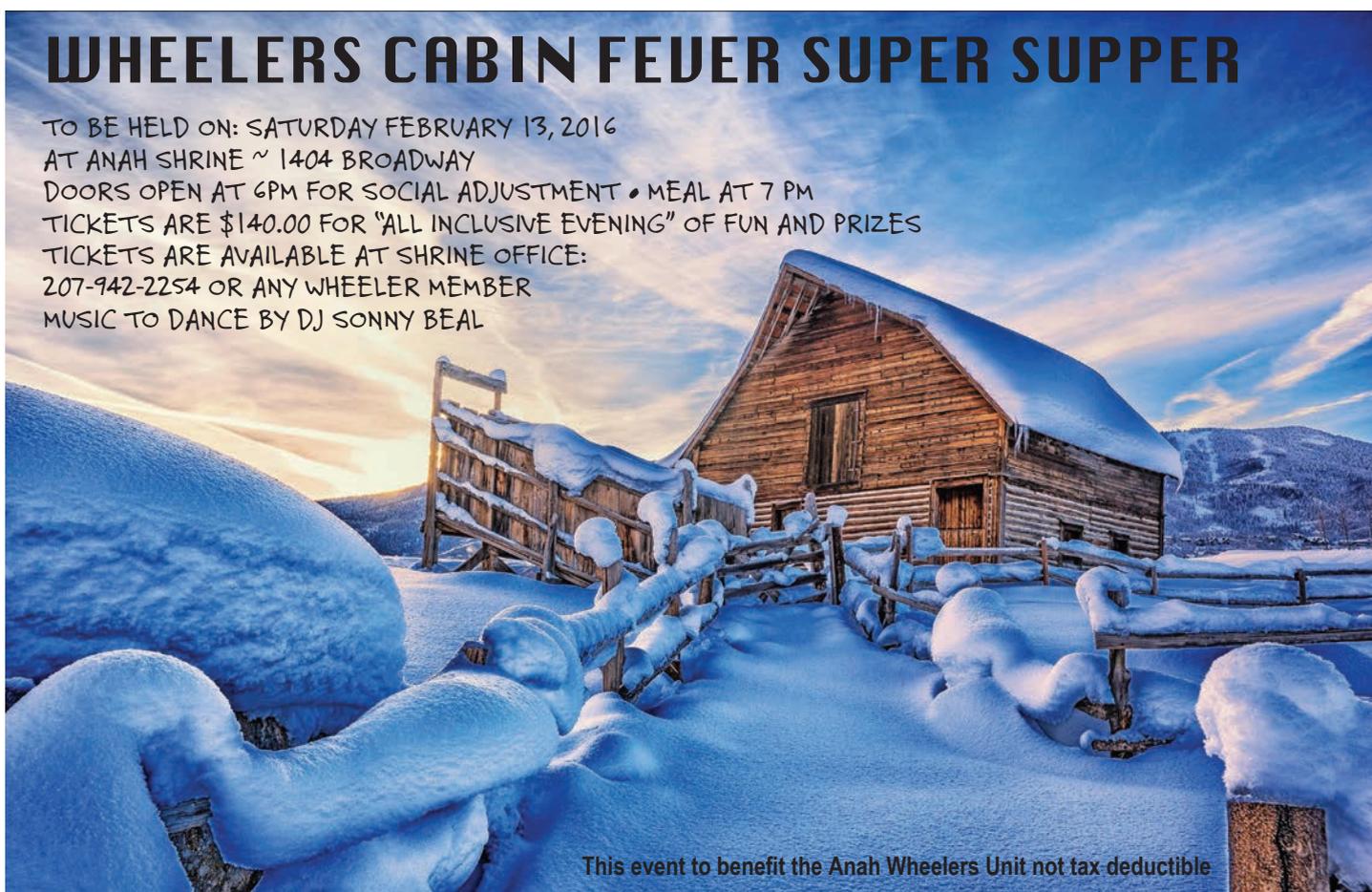
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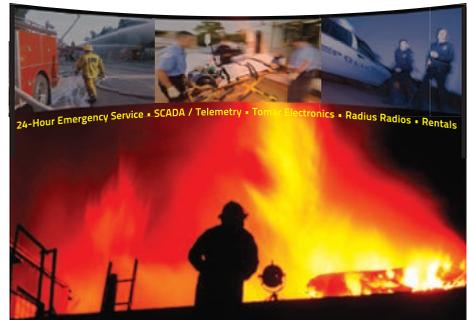


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