

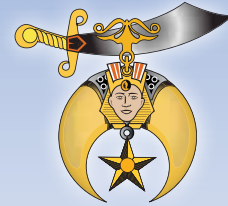
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POTENTATES MESSAGE

BRAD E. PROUT, POTENTATE

Shannon and I would like to thank everyone for making the January Ceremonial, a weekend we will not forget with friends and family! We would also like to thank Illustrious Sir Steve Trimm and Lady Betty for their many years of service to Anah. We would like to thank each and every Noble for the honor you have bestowed upon us to serve as Potentate and First Lady of Anah. I would like to thank Imperial Sir Ralph Semb and Lady Pat for coming and being a part of our ceremonial weekend. Also would like to thank Ill. Sirs Edgar "Bud" Prouty, Jr. and Edward Pellon for being a part of the installing suite. The year is gearing up to be very busy as our clubs and units are planning events and we commend all of you for the hard work you do for Anah and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

We would like to welcome the 15 new Nobles and their Ladies to the Shrine and to our Anah Family. Please check the Anahgram for the many activities our clubs and units have to offer.

As we navigate through 2018, your Divan would like each of you to think about the impact that we have on children's lives and their families. Just think you are an owner of 22 of the best hospitals in the world with an operating budget of \$886,000,000 per year! We hope this gives you a warm feeling in your

heart knowing you have made a difference in the life of so many. If you have not been to a hospital do not miss your chance to Get on The Bus, April 19th and 20th with the Anah Smart Team's trip to the Springfield and Boston Shriners Hospitals for Children. Look inside this issue of the Anahgram for more information.

The goal for Anah this year is to work on membership and to have fun, fun, fun and more fun! We have created a sign for the front lobby of the Shrine Center showing the clubs and units their goal for membership this year. Soon there will be a photo of the board in the Anahgram and it will be updated on the Anah website. It is time for all of us to make every effort to put membership as top priority. The scale has been sliding the wrong way for far too long. With your help we can have a positive gain in membership in 2018. I would challenge every Noble of Anah and his Lady to help make this happen. You might be asking, "how can I help?" You may have a family member, good friend or someone in the community that would make a good Mason and Shriner. We cannot continue to just keep talking about this, let's make it happen.

Let's welcome Tim Potrias and Lady Paula; Bruce Walls and Lady Cindy; and Todd Alley and Lady Sandy to the Divan. I look forward to this year in working with the Divan and the Nobility of Anah.

In closing, a special thank you to Washington County Shrine Club Members and Ladies for all the support you have shown us over the past 10 years. Thank you to Walter and Nancy Merritt, Jake and Velma Orcutt and Mike and Debbie Murphy for putting together a 1st class spread on Friday night and in the hospitality rooms on both Friday and Saturday nights. Terri Huntley, Linda Tracy, and my wife Shannon for the Blueberry Muffins in a jar. Thank you to Terri Huntley and Sheila Alley for helping to put together the centerpieces for Saturday night and to the many who helped me to cut down and rebuild the blueberry boxes. To my sisters, Debra for the floral designs on the head tables and Bethany for the Blueberry Vinaigrette dressing on Saturday night. The room would not have been complete in time on

Saturday evening without the help and hard work of Bobo and Janice Young, Terri and Ed Huntley, Lee and Lorraine Klug. Also, thank you to Ed Huntley, Joe McDonald, Brian Smith, Todd Alley, and Brian Strout for helping with the bar in the hospitality rooms and throughout the weekend. Thank you to the Clowns and their Ladies for the wonderful meal including the blueberry cheesecake. Thank you to Director Dan Costain and Chief Director with the planning of Saturday morning and afternoon Ceremonial. To all the Units that took part in the Ceremonial great job and Thanks You!

Yours in the Faith

Brad E Prout

Brad E Prout, Potentate



"FROM THE RECORDER'S DESK"

Charlie Pray
Recorder

Greetings, Nobles, Ladies and friends of Anah Shrine,

I am very pleased to announce that our January ceremonial, as previously promised, was indeed a most splendid and great celebration. Our very well attended weekend was filled with fun and comradery, not to mention that we welcomed 15 new nobles (Along with their ladies & families) into our beloved fraternity. Of the numerous highlights of the weekend, in which there were many, the effervescent personalities of "Imperial Sir" Ralph Simms and his lovely Lady Pat certainly lived up to his billing. For those lucky enough to take part in the installation of officers in the afternoon, I'm sure you'll agree, he's a tough act to follow.

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Anah Shrine is incredibly grateful for the fabulous work the nobles & ladies of Washington County Shrine Club did putting on the reception Friday night. The food was excellent, the hospitality superb, and the environment was a truly exciting way to start off a most fabulous weekend. Thank you to the Washington County Shrine Club!

The morning and afternoon activities being held off property in the famed Peaks Auditorium @ Bangor High School proved to be well worth the extra effort it took to host the events there. Having the grand ballroom of the temple free of activity for the afternoon allowed those responsible for decorations to prepare the tables for a most beautiful reception Saturday night. The twenty some nobles and ladies from our neighboring temple to the west (Kora) were treated to a beautiful celebration. With nearly 200 people in attendance, the auditorium was a gracious host.

The Aides Unit of Anah Shrine did a fabulous job throughout the weekend. Mr. Huntley's staff once again, did their unit proud. Also to be noted, the Clown Unit, under the direction of Anah's own Mike "Gumpy" Robshaw, along with the many ladies and friends, put on a phenomenal meal Saturday for the 300+ in attendance. A great deal of thanks to those two units!!! As a quick note: Please, if you haven't already sent in your 2018 dues payment, please consider sending it along as soon as possible. And, while you're in the mode, take a minute to update all of your contact information on the back of the notice. We are gaining in our efforts to obtain a more thorough email address portfolio but we've got a long way to go. If any of you that have already paid your annual dues would like update your information, simply send me an email to charlie@anahshriners.com I'd be glad to include you in our membership mailings.

Until next month, **THINK MEMBERSHIP!**

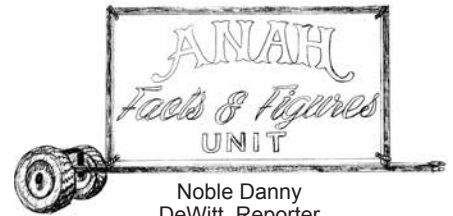
Your's in Faith,

Charlie Pray


Reporter Noble
Harold Adams

Hello everyone. I didn't make the last meeting, busy, busy, with all the snow we have had. Very low on news for this month. So, I will wish everyone a Happy Valentines.

See you next month, til then stay safe and warm.



Noble Danny
DeWitt, Reporter

Hope you all had a merry Christmas and a happy new year. Our second annual festival of trees is behind us and it was better than last year. Things went very smoothly thanks to the huge amount of help we had. Events this size would not be possible without all the help, unit members and ladies, non-unit Shriners and ladies, and all the others to numerous to list. Thank you one and all. A special thanks to the Franklin Vets Club, Wallace Events, Hometown Fuel, and Billy Hooper.

Once again, the weather tried to put a damper on things, but in the end, we prevailed. Our tree sponsors really stepped up their game and the public appreciated it. Again, thank you one and all.

Up next is our cribbage tournament on February 11th at the Franklin Vet Club. Sign up is at noon, play starts at 1 p.m. This is a fun time as is everything we do, for a worthy cause, the children. Until next month, stay warm and be safe.

SCHOODIC SHRINE CLUB

Noble David G. Beckett, Reporter

Greetings from Schoodic Shrine Club:

Those of you who missed our December meeting on December 10th missed a great time. Fourteen Nobles and ladies enjoyed the Yankee Swap Christmas Party. This was a pot luck luncheon and the food was delicious. We discussed what a huge success the 1st Annual International Festival of Trees, held at the K of C Hall in Calais, had been. We hope to hold the 2nd Annual Festival this coming November 30th, December 1st, and 2nd. Tentative plans are to hold this at the WCCC in Calais, in order to have room for more trees. Several businesses and organizations expressed an interest this year, but our space was limited. The Festival was a great joint effort for the two clubs and would not have been so successful without the cooperation and participation of both Washington County and Schoodic Shrine Clubs. Plan now to be a part of the festivities.

As we look ahead, there will not be a meeting of the Club in February – Tournament Week. By the next printing of the Anahgram, we should have a new slate of officers and a schedule of meeting dates for 2018.

Our tentative meeting for March will be at the New Friendly Restaurant in Perry on Wednesday, March 21st, 5:30 pm. This will be a Ladies night, so plan on making this a family time. Remember, guests are always welcome.

Plan to make an effort to attend as many of the meetings of Schoodic Shrine Club for 2018 as possible. Without you there, our numbers are diminished.

'Til next time!

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Who is it ???



Last month's subject was a goofy looking dog, nobody guessed this first. The first one to identify this 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!!

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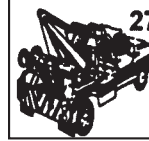
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2018 Illustrious Sir Brad E. Prout



2018 Potentate Brad Prout

Born March 2, 1967 at Down East Community Hospital in Machias, Maine to James and Hope Prout.

He resides with Lady Shannon and three children, Makayla, McCartney

and Joceyln and her husband Aiden McIver in Jonesboro, Me.

He is the Manager of Blue Bird Ranch, Inc. and now leases Barren View Golf Course.

He graduated from Washington Academy in East Machias 1986. He received a degree from Washington Community College in Heavy Equipment Repair.

He was President of the Jonesboro Booster Club, Volunteer Coach Girls Basketball, Coaching Girls and Boys Basketball at Machias High School, Coaching Little League Softball and Assistant Coach for ASA Softball.

He was raised as a Master Mason in 1992 at Harwood Lodge #91 in Machias. He is a member of

Washington Chapter Royal Arch Masons, Blanquetfort Commandery #13 in Ellsworth. Scottish Rite Bodies and he joined Anah Shrine in 1993. He served as President of the Machias Masonic Corp., Master of Harwood Lodge #91 in 2000. President of Washington County Shrine Club in 2000 and Chairman of the Screening Clinic in Washington County. He was District Deputy for the 3rd. Masonic District. He was appointed to the Director's Staff in 1998 by Past Potentate Ed Pellon and served as Director of Unit 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004, and Director of the Temple in 2007. He was Appointed Outer Guard on January 19, 2008 by Past Potentate the late Edward E. Sprague.

2018 Outer Guard Todd Alley



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Born March 23rd, 1970, in Machias, Maine, the son of John and Laura Alley. Todd attended Jonesport schools, graduating from Jonesport-Beals High School

in 1988. Todd graduated from Washington County Community College in 1990 with degrees in plumbing and heating. He is employed by J. L. Huntley, Inc. where he serves as shop foreman for twenty-nine years.

Masonically, Todd was raised to a Master Mason May 19th, 1997 in Jonesport Lodge #188 by his grandfather, Malcolm R. Pratt with the assistance of friend and classmate, Cary Carver. Todd joined Anah Shriners on June 21st, 2008 and joined Anah Mini-Cars in August of 2018, becoming second Lieutenant in 2009 and served as Captain from 2010-2013,

and Washington County Shrine Club President in 2012 where he assisted Noble Tom Clukey with Northeast Field Days lobster feed. He served an Anah's Membership Committee in 2011 and 2012, having been appointed by Past Potentate Illustrious Richard "Dick" Hallett. Todd has been a member of the Order of the Quetzalcoatl since 2010 and a member of the ROJ Court #150 since 2014.

Todd married his best friend, Sandy Anne Farnsworth, February 26th, 1993. They have a son, Travis Dwayne and a daughter, Bayleigh Elizabeth.

2018 Captain of the Guard Bruce Walls



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Noble Bruce Walls was born on July 8, 1956 in Bar Harbor, Maine. He is the son of Milton "Putt" and Jeri Walls. Bruce graduated from Mount Desert Island High School in 1974. In 1975 and 1976 he attended Eastern Maine Tech. (now EMCC) where he studied Electronics Technology. In 1978 he moved to Ventura, California and worked for 9 years as a lineman for Kinkade Korp. Bruce moved back to Bar Harbor in 1987 and began dating his

best friend and wife the former Cindy Carey. They were married on June 24th, 1989. They have three children, Whitney, Taylor and Benjamin. They also have one grandson Jayden, who is the light of their lives.

Bruce's business career has been down many roads. After moving back home he and his father started their own construction company, B&P Builders. In 1992 he became the head of maintenance at the Atlantic Oakes Hotel. In 1993 Bruce and his two brothers-in-laws bought Carey's Variety Store from his father-in-law. They changed the name to Burwaldo's. After 7 years at Burwaldo's he moved to G&G Electric where he has been an electrician for 18 years.

Bruce has always been involved in sports. He played basketball, baseball, and golf all throughout school. He also played fast pitch and slow pitch softball along with golf and skiing after he got out of school. Once he had children he began coaching. Bruce has coached Little League baseball, Middle School basketball and softball. He started the Emerson Golf Team, coached AAU

basketball and was the Mount Desert High School Varsity Softball coach for 6 years. Bruce was on the Board of Directors at the MDI YMCA, Acadian Youth Sports and Kebo Golf Course. Masonically, Bruce is a member of the Bar Harbor Lodge #185 AF&AM, Acadia Royal Arch Chapter #31, Blanquefort Commander #13. He became a Noble of Anah Shrine in June of 1989 in Millinocket under Past Potentate Irvin L. "Cut" Foster. He is a past member of the Flag Unit. Bruce was one of the founding members of the Nascar Unit. He was a Past Director and is a lifetime member of the Hancock County Shrine Club. He is also a lifetime member of the Bangor/Brewer Shrine Club. Bruce was appointed to Potentate's Aide in 2012 by Past Potentate Tony Bowers. He was appointed to the Director's Staff in 2017 by Past Potentate Stephen Trimm. He is also a member of Anah's SMART Team. Bruce is a member of the Royal Order of Jesters Court #150 and is a lifetime member of Jesters on Wheels.

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				1 WASHINGTON COUNTY SHRINE CLUB	2 SECOND SECTION	3 POTENTATE'S PARTY SNO-RACE KEYSTONE KOPS
4 AROOSTOOK COUNTY SHRINE CLUB HIGHLANDERS INDY CARS KLOWNS	5 BAND WALDO COUNTY BOD	6 HANCOCK COUNTY SHRINE CLUB PROVOST GUARD	7 GO-KARTS NORTHERN PENOBSCOT SHRINE CLUB	8 CHANTERS CONVERTIBLES WALDO COUNTY SHRINE CLUB	9 WHEELERS	10 ANAHGRAM DUE WHEELERS SUPER SUPPER
11 HIGHLANDERS ORIENTAL BAND FACTS & FIGURES CRIBBAGE TOURNEY	12 BAND	13 NASCARS SMART TEAM	14 MINI-BIKES	15 BANGOR/BREWER SHRINE CLUB	16 CLOWN MEETING	17 CLOWN COMEDY NIGHT
18 HIGHLANDERS	19 ASSOCIATION MEETS BAND	20 DIVAN MEETS	21 FACTS & FIGURES TRI-COUNTY SHRINE CLUB	22	23	24
25 HIGHLANDERS	26 BAND	27 KEYSTONE KOPS	28			

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 WASHINGTON COUNTY SHRINE CLUB	2 SECOND SECTION	3 WALDO COUNTY FISHING DERBY
4 HIGHLANDERS AROOSTOOK COUNTY SHRINE CLUB INDY CARS KLOWNS	5 BAND WALDO COUNTY SHRINE-BOD	6 HANCOCK COUNTY SHRINE PROVOST GUARD	7 GO-KARTS NORTHERN PENOBSCOT COUNTY SHRINE	8 CHANTERS WALDO COUNTY SHRINE CLUB	9 RENTAL-McDONALD'S ALL STARS WHEELERS	10 ANAHGRAM DUE HIGHLANDERS MUSICAL TOURNAMENT
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25 HIGHLANDERS DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE	26 BAND	27 KEYSTONE KOPS CONVERTIBLES	28 ACADEMICIANS RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE	29	30	31 SMART TEAM PARTY

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SECOND SECTION



Noble Rich Johnson, Reporter

Hello fellow Shriners!

The January Ceremonial is over and the Second Section welcomes all new Nobles of Anah Shrine along with the entire appointed Divan for 2018. Congratulations to our new Potentate, Illustrious Sir Brad Prout and the First Lady, Shannon.

A regular January meeting of the Second Section was called to order by Director Harford at 6:30 PM with 10 nobles present. Special guests, Captain of the Guard, Adam Beals. Director Ron Harford opened the meeting by welcoming all nobles. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

Under Old Business, Director Harford mentioned the Festival of Trees was a success and a check was received for our contributions. The Christmas Party was also success as well and Director Harford thanked members for their contribution towards the gifts for the children.

Under New Business, Second Section Gun Raffle is coming up and tickets will be available at the February meeting. Members are needed to make this a success. Also discussed was the Wheeler's Super Supper, scheduled for February 10th. Director Harford asked members for their thoughts in terms of purchasing a ticket as we have in past years for the unit and members voted in favor of this.

Also, discussed were the Second Section dues. 50.00 covers the dues and 2 Potentate party tickets.

For the Winter Ceremonial, Nobles were asked to wear formal wear and Fez for the day and evening. Dues will need to be paid before the day and we will need to show dues cards to get in. The Arch Production for the Ceremonial requires 15 to 20 Nobles to assist. We will need to get the production down from upstairs and inventory everything. Along these lines we also discussed the Parade of Checks and what we donated last year and what we are able to donate this year.

Next was the Potentates Party on February 3, 2018. Formal wear and Fez was the attire recommended for the evening. Silent Auction items were requested. Set up was scheduled for the night of the February meeting. This is a pizza party with the ladies and short meeting that evening. Door Greeters, Ticket Takers, Demolay for coat check and cleanup crew was discussed, along with the need of gifts for the incoming and outgoing Potentates and flowers for the head table.

Jerry Hayes asked for members to think about purchasing a new kitchen stove. No motion made at this time.

Director Harford is going to be handing

out nomination papers to other units for the 2018 Noble of the Year. For new members, the Noble of the Year is an award given out every year to an outstanding Noble, which will be followed by an evening of appreciation for all this Noble has done. All units have the opportunity to select a Noble for this.

In other news, Director Harford mentioned he would like to update wall photos and there may be an opportunity to do this at some of the upcoming events. Director Harford nominated Lady Suzette to take the photos.

Under open session, Noble Jerry Hayes made a motion to have minutes sent to all members so that members unable to attend would have access to minutes. Along these lines, Noble Krayton Allen encouraged Nobles to participate in Second Section function as much as possible in the upcoming year. Noble Tom Woods, on behalf of the Membership Committee, encouraged all members to work on bringing in new members. Also, on behalf of the Waldo County Shrine, Tom mentioned there is an inside ice fishing derby on March 3, 2018. Adam Beals spoke that he and Ryan Otis would like to have a table at the Sportsmen Show and asked if Second Section would be interested in splitting to costs of the table for the purpose of selling tickets. No motion was made at this time. Adam Beals also reminded members of our responsibility to bring in new members. Under Sick and Distressed, Earl Bishop, Jr (Hefty) and Miles Smith passed away. A moment of silence was taken to recognize these members.

February birthday wishes go out to Ladies Annette Marin, Rachel Ranco, Tammy Redmond, Elizabeth Sherman, Lynn Scripture, Duffy Woods and Nobles, Charles Sisson and Mark Taplin. February anniversary wishes go out to Dennis & Debbie Hill, Joe & Novilla Rollins, Krayton & Carol Allen.

If members have any news or something they wish to share, please contact me anytime at 717-5570 or email me at secondsectionshriners@yahoo.com.

Until next time, stay warm and think spring!!

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Rich Johnson

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WASHINGTON COUNTY SHRINE CLUB



Noble Warren Orcutt, Sr., Reporter

Winter has landed with vengeance—extremely cold temps, snow, you name it, we have had it! And, there is more on the way. Condolences go to the family of Charles Curtis, Sr. who passed on January 3rd. Charlie was a Cherryfield icon and surely will be missed by all. He was also a member of the Anah Wheelers since they were formed, along with sons Barry, Garry, and Charlie Jr.

Greeter Robert Look and Lady Sandi escorted the Wreaths Across America caravan to Arlington National Cemetery in Washington DC in December. They reported that the days were long but an awesome experience and well worth the time spent.

Our January 4th monthly meeting was postponed until the 7th due to a blizzard in down east Maine. This was a ladies night and was held at the Bluebird Family Restaurant in Machias. President Dave Weaver welcomed everyone. Attendees included Brad Prout, Chief Rabban; Frank Theriault, Bangor Circus Chairman; Directors David Weaver and Donnie Wright; Greeters Warren Orcutt, Mike Bailey, Troy Huffman, Todd Alley, and Robert Look.; Ron Dunphy, Joe McDonald, and Brian Smith, Mini Cars; Mike Murphy and Walter Merritt, Aides; and Buddy Mills, Wheelers; and Jonathan McClure. Several spouses were also in attendance.

The Fuel Oil Raffle tickets, the 2018 membership letters, and 2018 monthly WCSC Meeting Calendar have been approved and can now be mailed out. The Fuel Oil raffle will be drawn on April 5th, and the winner will be announced in the Anahgram.

The 2018 WCSC Meeting Dates and locations are:

Feb 1	Helen's Restaurant,
	Machias / Ladies Night
March 1	Stewart's Restaurant, Jonesport
April 5	Addison Town Hall,
	Divan Visitation (subject to change) fuel
	raffle drawing
May 3	Blue Bird Restaurant,
	Machias
June 20	Lubec American Legion Hall /
	Ladies Night
	Joint Meeting / Schoodic Shrine Club
July 5	Stewart's Restaurant,
	Jonesport
August 2	Kelley Point, Jonesport
	/ Joint Meeting w/Mini Car Unit / Ladies
	Night and Potluck (everyone should bring
	something to share)
August 19	Annual Bob Smith
	Family Picnic / Kelley Point (11am to 3
	pm)
Sept 6	Blue Bird Restaurant,
	Machias
October 4	Pellon Center, Machias,
	Seafood Chowder / Ladies Night
Nov 1	Good and Plenty,
	Milbridge / Joint Meeting w/ Hancock
	County Shrine Club

Dec 6 Bluebird Ranch
Restaurant, Machias / Ladies Night
(Yankee Swap)

Social Hour begins at 6 pm, followed by 7 pm meetings unless otherwise noted. Callingpost messages will be delivered 5-7 days in advance of each meeting as a reminder.

The Shrine Club is also raffling off 2 nights lodging at the Machias Motor Inn for the June Ceremonial, plus meal tickets for 2 for Friday and Saturday nights, a \$350 value, and the drawing will be held on May 10th. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and can be purchased from Shrine Club members.

The next big event at Anah was the January Ceremonial, where 2018 Potentate Brad Prout and Lady Shannon began their year. Our Shrine Club was responsible for the Friday night reception at Anah and Hilton Garden Inn. Congratulations Brad and Shannon, we look forward to a busy but fun year. The Potentate's Party will be held at Anah on Saturday, February 3rd and sponsored by the Second Section. The Potentate's Trip to the Dominican Republic is April 7-14th and will be a fun trip.

WCSC members and their ladies are canvassing businesses throughout Western Washington County and selling Shrine Circus Ads. Joe McDonald is our contact person for the Circus. Support your Shrine Club and the kids by becoming a sponsor for the Shrine Circus or by purchasing tickets. Three of our members were presented Shrine Circus apparel for their successful ad sales for the 2017 circus, including Joe McDonald, Donnie Wright, and Warren Orcutt. They were complimented for 100% collection for all ads sold.

Birthday greetings for February go out to Joyce Bradley, PP Guy Chapman, Dawn Degenhardt,

Thomas Fernald, Sidney Foss, Gus Francis, PP Albert Gibson, Jeannine Haskins, Gary Huntley, Linda Leighton, Keith Lentovich, Roger W. Mathews Jr., Ann Quimby, Renee McGuire, Sheila Mitchell, Stanley Mitchell, Ann Quimby, Karl Addler, Marilyn Schevenius, Olivia Spencer, PP Jesse Thomas, and Pauline Wood.

Those with Anniversaries include Raynard & Candace Alley, Todd & Sandy Alley, Mark & Lori Cote, Jason & Andrea Faulkingham, Brent & Renee McGuire, Warren & Velma Orcutt, Lee & Rebecca Sinford, and William & Maren Whitlock. Wishing you all love and happiness on your special day.

As a reminder to all snowmobilers, remember to dress appropriately, keep your sleds under control and yourselves safe, respect landowner rights, and stay on the marked trails. You abuse and we all lose! Accidents can happen and we do not want to see your name as a statistic! No matter what winter sports activity you enjoy, dress appropriately and be safe.

And to all you snowbirds who are already in warmer climates, enjoy your winter months and hopefully warmer weather. The south has had a lot of cold this year. Spring is just around the corner and you will soon be returning to Maine.

THE CONVERTIBLES



Noble Gaylord E. Sundt, Reporter

Writing in January, I can report that as of this date no unit members wintering in warmer locations have managed to steer any warm weather this way. Maybe it's because they haven't any to spare. Cold prevails all up and down the East coast. Friends in Virginia reporting a minus three

this morning, January 5th. Also snow in Tallahassee, Florida this past week! At least we here are prepared and equipped to deal with it.

I've been busy feeding the wildlife, which used to be cheap entertainment. They keep inviting their friends. Between the deer, crows, ducks, seagulls and other critters we've had a crowded back yard. Fun to watch, but getting expensive!

We've also been heating the front yard this past month, thanks to three 4" exhaust fans piped from the basement which have been

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running 24/7.

Had a new oil tank installed seven years ago so that the fill pipe was within five feet of the back of the delivery truck. Makes it easier than the 60' distance to the old tank. Hired the work done by a local plumber who is now retired. Wanted it done correctly and paid dearly to have it done.

Local oil company was notified of the new location and for seven years, things were fine. A new driver delivered a month ago and as the delivery instructions were never changed on the delivery ticket, filled the old tank. When the plumbers disconnected the old tank they didn't plug the tank or shut off either shut off valves. When we arrived home five hours after the delivery, 100 gallons had run into the basement. Talk about a mess. An expensive mess. It's now a finger pointing mess.

I've been doing a lot of push-ups as I've got a good idea who's going to be left holding the bag. Seems no one wants to be accountable anymore and that long term loyalty means nothing. Kind of sad!

There isn't much else to report at this time. The January Ceremonial is history now as well as the Potentates party. I'm sure that they were both, as usual, a great time.

A few members are celebrating birthdays this month. An all Fernald month. Jean, Tom and Bill will all be lighting candles this month. We wish you all well.

No unit wedding anniversaries this month. Congratulations to all others in our Shrine family who are celebrating an anniversary this month.

Guess that that's it for February. Don't think any members down south are doing topless now with the weather reports I see. I know none of us that stayed behind are! Remember to keep family and friends in need in your thoughts and prayers.

THINK SPRING! It's bound to happen sooner or later. I hope sooner!

Reporting for the cold convertibles, Gaylord E. Sundt

ACADEMICIANS



Noble Ron Bilancia, Reporter

Hello Academicians and Ladies ☺,

It is with deep sadness that we mourn the loss of our member Andy Mays who passed away much too young in late December after a courageous three-year battle against colon cancer. We have made our customary donation to the Springfield Shriners Hospital in his memory. In addition, those members who would like to make a donation which will help support the future education of Andy's three young sons may make a check payable to Andy Mays Family Fund and

send it to Andy Mays Family Fund, C/O The First, P.O. Box 86, Southwest Harbor, ME 04679.

The next unit meeting will be Wed. March 28th at 6:30pm at Governor's Restaurant on Stillwater Ave. in Old Town. It's right by the Tim Horton's and the VIP tire place. Let's please have a good turnout.

Annual dues are due. Please make out checks for \$10 payable to Anah Academicians and mail them to Anah Academicians, C/O Ron Bilancia, 59 Allison Park, Brewer, ME 04412. The more we receive though this announcement the fewer bills we have to send and the more we save on envelopes, paper, and postage which means more money that we can donate to the Shrine Hospitals for Children and our other organizational causes. It is much appreciated.

The December meeting at Governor's Restaurant in Old Town was a good one (even though they got their signals crossed and we were seated at a long table in the dining room instead of in the party room). We moved things right along and re-elected all current officers as a slate. So our officers are: Director Jon Swallow, President Micah Swallow, Vice President Clint Richardson, Secretary/Treasurer Yours Truly, Master of Properties Clint Richardson, Master of Make-Up Donnie Copeland, Master of Technicians Ron Cook, and Master of Ritual Yours Truly. We were pleased to make annual donations of \$100 each to the Springfield Hospital, Sunshine Club, and Anah Operations Fund. (We had also already made a \$100 donation to the Bangor Masonic Learning Center and some \$25 donations to the Springfield Hospital earlier in the year.) We were also very pleased to present Jon and Micah Swallow each with a belated card and gift certificate in honor of Jon and Heather's new baby son and Micah and Mikayla's wedding last summer.

As of this writing we have not yet had the January ceremonial, so more on that next time.

Have a great February, and may the force be with you! ☺ Please don't 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 by email at rbilancia@roadrunner.com or by phone at 989-2617.

Springfield Shrine Hospital News

Noble Robert "Bob" Pullen - Reporter

By the time you read this, Springfield's EOS radiology machine will be up and running. This is truly one of modern medicine's wonders. It takes whole body images using 1/9th the radiation of a traditional xray. To all of you who showed

interest and made donations to this device I want to thank you. With the amount of xrays our kids have taken this will make the whole process much safer. We continue to make strides in opening our Acute Care Unit. We have received approvals from several of the governing bodies making the end become more visible. Springfield, with it's widening spectrum of services is rapidly becoming a flagship for the Shrine Hospital System.

A heartfelt congratulations go out to Illustrious Sir Brad and Lady Shannon. I'm looking forward to working with you in the upcoming year as I know how dedicated you are to the hospitals. I'm sure it will be a very productive year. I know the hospitality shown to the hospital staff will be great again this year when they visit Anah for the Outreach Clinic on June 1. We have set the bar high for our sister Temple Kora to match the fellowship and dining experience show this fantastic group of people.

For those of you who missed it in my last column, I am not hosting a trip to Springfield in April. The SMART team is doing that. For more information contact Anah's office or Adam Beals. I'm sure you will not regret this event. They are a first class group of folks. Until next time put another log on the fire, a blanket on the bed, and try to envision a nice warm evening at camp around the campfire contributing minute amounts of blood hundreds of times to our friends the mosquitos. Your in The Faith, Bob

S.M.A.R.T team

Lorraine Klug, Reporter

Welcome to 2018 and the SMARTeam has a busy year coming up. The hospital trip April 20-21st still as openings and we would love to have as many masons and nobles attend as possible. The trip is \$60 per person and the hotel is \$79. If you are interested, please contact Adam Beals at 478-9559 or adambeals1@gmail.com.

We have a Legacy Wall ready to go up in the temple and now we just need legacy photos to go on it. If you have many family members that are Shriners please contact Robyn to get your family photos on the wall. We are especially looking for generations!

Hospital night is scheduled for June 23rd so mark your calendars. Last years presentation was impressive and there was not a dry eye in the house after hearing from some of our Shriners Kids. We will also be having a hospital night in the county as well but do not have that date yet.

Another event not to miss is the Penobscot Music Festival that will be May 27th. Last year we had 10 bands play for 1 hour each and also had food and drinks. If anyone is interested in being a sponsor, please let Adam know. A \$300 sponsor will get their names announced on KIT and Q106 as well as their name on a banner. Last year we raised about \$7500

and the entrance fee was by donation so this is a big fundraiser for us. We hope to have it outside this year if the weather is nice.

I am hoping by the time this February Anahgram comes out that winter will be over and spring is on its way! A girl can dream right!

MINI-BIKES



Nobel Herb Libby Reporter

The Mini Bikes annual meeting was held at Seasons Grill & Lounge, Bangor on December 27, 2017. In attendance were Nobel Chad Barker, Captain & Lady Ashley, Nobel Herb Libby & Lady Judy, Nobel Cory Pelletier, Secretary, Nobel David Pelletier and Nobel Scott Tanguay.

The unit wishes to congratulate Chad & Ashley Barker, they are expecting their first child in June. Congratulations to a nice couple.

The unit discussed the future of the Mini Bike Unit. We are in need of riders. Anyone interested in riding a bike or at least give it a try, call Cory Pelletier at 951-0096 or myself at 343-3649. If you would like, you may attend one of our monthly meetings at the Shrine on the second Wednesday. The lack of riders is our major concern. Almost anyone can ride our Mini Bikes. If Herb at the age of 76 can stay on two wheels, than I am sure you can, and have fun doing it. The unit has the bikes, we just need Nobels' to ride them.

The following officers were elected for 2018: Cory Pelletier, Captain. Scott Tanguay, 1st Lieutenant. Chad Barker, 2nd Lieutenant/KOCM, Weldon Long, Treasurer. Herb Libby, Reporter.

We have four birthdays to celebrate: Scott Tanguay, Jan. 13th. Lady Pat Alley, Jan. 27th. (we will omit the year) happy birthday, young Lady. Nobel Guy Chapman, PP, Feb. 11th. And Sid Alley Feb. 28th. Happy Birthday to all, stay healthy.

We have one Anniversary, February 14th, 1980, Nobel Raymond and Lady Ellen Sanborn. We must congratulate Ray for choosing a date that would be hard to forget, right Ellen?

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 14th, what a coincidence, Ray and Ellen.

If anyone has any articles of interest to our readers, please text me at the phone number above. I will send to the Anagram any clean stories, they may be factual or lies, as long as they do not hurt anyone.

Until next month, forget about the cold and snow, think parades, spring will be here, I promise.

Support your Shrine and please do not forget to support your Blue Lodges, and travel to other lodges.



Noble Erik Lauritsen, Reporter

Greetings to all! Hopefully everyone made it through January and the bomb cyclone okay! For those of you spending your winter in warmer climates that experienced this extreme weather, I'll trade our minus 15-degrees below zero for your 30-degrees any day.

Onto business. Our annual Cabin Fever Super Supper is February 10. Captain Todd has posted any available tickets on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/anahwheelers/>. As a reminder, our regular meetings are on the second Friday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Lygonia Lodge in Ellsworth. Questions? Call Captain, Todd Bridges at

207-299-6153 or send us a message through Facebook.

Our hearts, thoughts, and prayers are with the Curtis family as we mourn the loss of Noble Charles Curtis Sr. In few short months we have lost two our own Wheelers – great men who will be tremendously missed.

Our wishes for a happy anniversary goes out to Noble Brett and Lady Renee McGuire, and congrats to Noble Dale and Lady Kim Jordan who are renewing their vows this year. Happy birthday to Lady Renee McGuire, Noble Barry Curtis and Noble Gary Curtis. If I have forgotten anyone, it was unintentional and please let me know.

Stay warm and don't forget to keep the shiny side up and the rubber side down!

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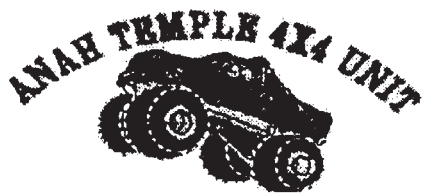
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Ken Hanscom Jr. Reporter

Well now that all the Ho, Ho, Ho's, and the Happy New years have gone by the way side, here we are, February. Hope the new year has been to all. Our annual meeting will be April 7th, at Anglers in Hampden, at 6:00. Their address is 91 Coldbrook rd. Hope everyone can make it. Should have a parade list at that time.

Congratulations to our new Potentate, Brad Prout and his Lady Shannon, may you have a great year.

News Flash Talk about News Flash! My sister in law threatened me with bodily harm if I did not write this. January 5th as I was plowing snow, I proceeded to bust through the bank by the road, but did not make it all the way. Could not go forward or backwards, could not open either door. Prayed that the windows were not frozen, as my phone was in the house, luckily they were not. "THEN" this old fat guy had to go out the window and roll down the bank into the road. With the help of the plow I was able to get onto my feet. Sure was glad that the Lincoln news did not go by. As I was starting to feel a little better, I saw the shovel behind the truck. Thanks to Scot Averials brother, and my neighbor, Dave, they got me unstuck. Thank-you very much. How was that Suellen?

When you don't see many of the unit members during the winter it's hard to find any good gossip! Birthday wish's this month go to Gloria Blake, Scott Folsom, and Jane Russell. Ill tell you one thing, if Scott is suppose to be the rose, that is one ugly ROSE! The only anniversary is Don and Darlene Emmons. Where would he be without her.

Hey, if anyone needs to get a hold of me, information about the unit, rumors, truths, or just plain lies, contact me at 794-6675 home, 794-2222 cel, or kdh6367@live.com.

The days are getting longer and starting to warm up. Check out your local Blue Lodge, as the temperature may be rising there too!

Until next time,
SEE YA!

Ladies Welcoming Program

Duffy Woods, Chairperson

As I write this the January Ceremonial is just a week away. Again I struggled to get the information I need to contact the candidates ladies in a timely fashion. As a member of the SMART team and Membership Committee I am passionate about informing and educating our new

ladies so that they and their noble will become and stay active members of the temple.

With that being said I am putting out a plea to everyone. There are different versions of the application for membership and they don't all ask for the ladies contact information, so I am asking for help. If the top line signer, or his lady, of a new candidate could get the lady's contact information to me as soon as you know of the candidate I could get the lady set up with a mentor and provide her with important and valuable information regarding the upcoming Ceremonial. This isn't limited to top line signers, everyone is encouraged to help me reach out to these ladies. I do realize that sometimes candidates don't finish their Masonic degree work until just before the ceremonial but if you know he is going to be a candidate please let me know. Also a reminder to look around your own clubs and units to see if any of your members have a new lady in their lives. Although he is not a new noble she probably hasn't been through the welcoming program, we would love to have her join us at one of the programs at any Ceremonial. Thank you!

TRI-COUNTY SHRINE CLUB Noble David Mosley, Reporter

Tri-County Shrine Club held their monthly meeting on the 20th of December at the Dexter Club. After a Libation Hour under the direction of Libation Master Scott Folsom, the meeting was called to order for the last time by President Arthur "COOTA" Watson. Invocation was given by "BOBO" Young, Flag Salute was led by the President. The 19 Nobles in attendance were treated to a Baked Bean, Ham and Macaroni and Cheese Meal. Food was great, but the fellowship was better. President introduced the head table: VP Rich Johnson, Treas. Marty Taylor, Sec. Dave Mosley and Master of Libations Scott Folsom. Other dignitaries attending were PP 2013 Lee Kaufman and representing the Divan was Director Dan Costain and 2nd Ceremonial Master Doug Dulac. Unit Head of the 4X4's present was Scott Folsom. Winner of the 50-50 drawing was Noble Don Mitchell who donated his share back to the Club. A tip of the Fez to Noble Don. As this was also our Annual Meeting, the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were given and accepted. Nominating Committee presented the following slate of Officers for 2018-2019: President Rich Johnson, Vice President Ralph McNaughton, Sec. Dave Mosley and Treas. Marty Taylor. The slate of officers were voted in by the Secretary casting one ballot as directed by the Nobles in attendance.

Gerald "Chummy" Jackson and Don Merrill were voted to be Emeritus on the Board of Directors. Tri-County would like to express their thanks and appreciation to

these two Nobles for their many years of service to Tri-County. Tri-County voted to give the following donations: \$1000.00 to the Anah Building Fund, \$500.00 to the Sunshine Club, \$1000.00 to the Potentates Fund and \$500.00 to the Dexter Club. A round of applause was given to outgoing President Arthur "COOTA" Watson. President Watson has surely earned the title of Past President. Job well done for the past 2 years. January Ceremonial will be past by the time you read this article. Unit Seminar will be held in January. The Smart Team is planning a Bus Trip to visit both Shrine Hospitals, more info to follow. Membership is a big and important topic for 2018. At the end of the meeting, the new officers were installed by PP Lee Kaufman. ALWAYS WORK ON MEMBERSHIP, IT'S THE LIFE BLOOD OF ANY ORGANIZATION.

HANCOCK COUNTY SHRINE CLUB Noble William Geel, Reporter

The last meeting was held at Pat's Pizza on January 2nd. Twenty-six members braved the zero-degree weather for food and fellowship. New President, Scott Edgerly, opened the meeting at 6:30. Circus awards were presented. Past President, Ed Huntley, introduced guests. New and old business was discussed. Voted to have a spring fuel raffle. The well. Remember, now is the time to buy your loved one a ticket for Valentine's Day. The meeting adjourned around 7:00 with Past Potentate Geddes Simpson winning the 50/50 raffle. I suppose he'll head out on vacation with Lady Carole (with an e).

The Club extends its sympathies to the families of Gene Carter and Andy Mays who passed away recently. Gene was a long-time member of the Lobster Boat Unit.

Tom Fernald has gotten rid of all his chickens because he couldn't afford a rooster. Allen Fernald is on the mend from a minor accident. Noble Steve Fernald and Lady Wanda's daughter, Emily, was home for the holidays.

Congratulations to new Potentate Brad Prout and his Lady Sharon, and to outgoing Potentate Steve Trimm and Lady Betty.

The next meeting will be held on February 6th at Pat's Pizza. Let's get out, bring a fellow noble, and have a good time. Also remember to get your tickets sold and the money turned in.

Hope everyone is staying warm in this frigid weather.

Birthday celebrations in February are for David Neal, Sandra Neal, Jesse Thomas, Tony McKim, Ed Coolidge, Holly Savage, Pat Coolidge, Danny Taylor, Barry Hamilton, Elizabeth Trimm, and Nancy Robbins.

Honeymooners are Tom and Carroll Fernald, Jeff and Alice Dow, Noyes and Grace Albee, and Dan and Ellen Duff.

Until next time, think spring, and warmer days.

"True strength is keeping everything together when everyone expects you to fall apart." – Unknown

WALDO COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

Tom Woods, President

The Annual meeting of the trustees was held prior to our January meeting. Reports were given by the President, Secretary and Treasurer. New officers and board members were selected for the ensuing year. The President Tom Woods VP Keith Pooler, Secretary Charles Plourde and Treasurer Dave Bowen will remain the same. The board members are Bill Kirby, Keith Pooler, Ryan Otis, Greg Dutch, Bill Farris, Alfred Reynolds, Chad Otis, Corey Chase and Charlie Pray. Greg Dutch will also serve as our assistant treasure. I want to thank Ray Young and Reginald Withee for their years of service on the board.

We will be hosting an indoor "fishing derby" on March 3rd from 3pm to 8pm at the Shrine Club. Dinner and derby entrance will be \$25 per person and a cash bar will be available. All the rules and information can be found on the Waldo County Shrine Club Facebook page. If you are not a member of the page yet please join us. This is open to everyone 16 years of age and over, ladies too.

The February 8th meeting will see Secretary Charles Plourde wearing his chef's hat in the kitchen.

"Cheers to another year and another chance for us to get it right" Oprah Winfrey



HIGHLANDERS

Noble
Mike Murphy
Reporter

Greetings Nobles and Ladies!! 2018 is here, I'm not sure what it will bring, but I'm holding on in faith believing that it will be better than 2017. I'm not sure when this article will appear, but I may have missed last month's deadline, they may print last month's article again, or they may print both. So our annual meeting is still fresh in my mind. Due to the untimely passing of our beloved long-time Pipe Major Paul Hazard, Mike Grant will go from acting Pipe Major to Pipe Major. Mike has been in the band for well over 2 decades, maybe 3. He schedules practices and directs the band. Ernie Smith will move up to Pipe Sergeant. Ernie is another very skilled piper and has written some of the tunes we play. Cliff Wells moves to Pipe Corporal. Cliff is another of our key pipers and he is also serving again as the band President and Treasurer. He does a masterful job of both. On the drum side, Tom Sawyer will remain Drum Major. We will have

co-Drum Sergeants: Kreg King and Joe Dutrum. Joe has done a great job the last few years. He attends weekly practices and really helps the pipers by providing a solid beat. Tony Smith will remain Drum Corporal. Richard Bowden will remain vice-president, and I'll remain reporter.

During the meeting, Past Potentate Al Gibson and current Potentate Steve Trimm updated the band on the progress of paying the mortgage on the new Shrine Center. The Divan has done a great job of raising funds and working that down. They said, once the building was paid off, they would be able to do some of the upgrades that needed to be done. I for one think the building was made to look like a Shrine Center more so than a church. It is an impressive looking facility from the road.

Our organization is about helping kids. All of our activities are geared to help increase awareness of the Shrine. The more public awareness, the better our success of raising money to help kids. I had a thought the other day that I'm going to share. I realize that due to building codes, insurance, maintenance, and funds this idea may not be practical, but it is a vision none the less of a way to increase awareness of the Shrine, Masonry and to help kids. Imagine a nice kids park. Not the normal crappy ones that we all see in school yards, but something really nice and largely handy cap accessible. Something that is practical enough to do, but awesome enough that every kid in northern Maine, when their parents venture to the "center of the universe," will demand that their

parents drop them off at the "Shrine Park" to play. It could potentially have, slides, swings, jungle gym, maybe a pool with some water park features. All laid out with Shrine and Masonic Logos. It could also serve as a pseudo day care when in use. So parents could shop or attend doctor appointments, knowing their kids were going to be well cared for and have fun.

Reality hasn't escaped me, I mentioned upfront that practicality was in question, but there is a message here that can help the Shrine, Masonic Lodges and Kids. Most small towns have little to no affordable day care. Millinocket has NO day care at any price. Most Masonic lodges have a building that is underutilized, and membership that is largely retired. With a little training, help from wives and or the Star (making it a true family organization), many Masonic lodges could offer affordable day care and increase membership. As parents see how wonderful the Masons, Shrine, and Star are, membership is bound to increase. This isn't for every lodge, and insurance is an issue, but I know of licensed day care operations that people run from their houses that do well. The beauty of tying it to the Masonic Lodge and Shrine is that members could be trained by our dyslexia centers to potentially pick up kids that are "at risk". It is a pie in the sky thought.

Until next time, be blessed. If you would like piping or drumming lessons, please contact me at pipingleprechaun@hotmail.com.

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KAMPERS KORNER

Noble Allen Hayward, Reporter

Happy New Year. Hope everyone had a great Christmas.

Also, hope you had a good time at the Ceremonial. It was a great year with Steve and Betty and wish them well.

Now we need to attend functions to support Brad and Lady Shannon Prout and get new members to join the Shrine.

Our leader, Wagon Master, Walter Ash and his lady, Joann are in a warmer climate while a lot of us are shoveling and trying to stay warm. This is a year for an old fashioned winter.

Birthdays for February: Patty Catell, Carole Green, Betty Shedd, Jesse Thomas and Duffy Woods.

Anniversaries for February: David & Betty Bowen, Charles & Selma Larson and Dale & Carole Miller.

Please note that there a few that haven't paid their dues - please contact Don Wiswell, Treasurer @ 989-6828 to let him know if you intend to remain a member.

If you have any news to report, please call Allen/Irene @ 323-9742.



Aarron "Elmo" Mower Reporting

Hello everyone, not a whole lot to talk about this month. As I am writing this we have just had our January meeting. Since the last article we have had our annual meeting in December. It was held at the Sea Dog restaurant in Bangor. A few of the ladies got together for dinner while we had our business meeting, a good time was had by all.

The slate of officers for 2018 will stay the same as last year.

Captain Ryan "Scooby Doo" Wilson
1st LT. Mike "Super Grover" Nickerson
2nd LT. Brandon "Olaf" Lane
Treasure Shane "Mario" Jordan
Secretary Aarron "Elmo" Mower

Thank you to Potentate Steve and Lady Betty for a great year and for joining us at our meeting.

Now we move on to 2018
We just had our meeting at Pats pizza in Ellsworth, despite the snow storm a good group showed up to the meeting.

I was not able to attend, due to a conflict so thank you to Mike for taking notes for me.
We voted to go "dark" for the months of February and March, this is a trial as these months are pretty slow for business and bad weather can effect attendance if there is bad weather.

This being said when we meet back in April it will be right into action getting

ready for the circus. We will once again plan for a April weekend family get together meeting to discuss the circus and start to the parade season.

We have tentatively set Sunday April 8th at 2pm as the time depending on availability and approval of the Shrine Hall. Stay tuned to the face book page or a email from Capt. Ryan on this to confirm.

The Funsters would like to congratulate our new Potentate Brad Prout and his Lady Shannon. We are looking forward to a great year with you.

A thank you from the desk of Elmo, On January 6th some of the Funsters came to Mystic Lodge #65 in Hampden to see me get installed as Master of the Lodge. Thank you to those who came or sent their wishes and for the Masonic Bible that they presented me as a gift.

Birthdays for February are Bob Hasey, Dave Hasey, Israel Badger, Jesse (Pink Panther) Thomas, Olivia Spencer, John (Sponge Bob) Storen and Samantha Meurer.

Anniversaries for February are Kenny and Louene Fitzpatrick

Thats all for this month

Sincerely

Aarron "Elmo" Mower, Secretary



CLOWNS

Noble
Martin "Fou" Perfit
Reporter

You will surely not be surprised to learn that Saturday December 2 found a trio of Anah Clowns at the Bangor Home Depot Children's Workshop. This month's capable crew consisted of these zealous zanies: Div-It (Duane Young), Jappo (Mike Samiya), and Spiffy (Kerry Spofford). The distinguished directorate of capable, committed clown leadership for 2018 has been determined. Sluggah (Curtis Haynes) is Boss Clown with the able assistance of Pooch (Pat Kelley) as Captain. Reprising their seemingly perpetual roles are, as treasurer, SlapShot (Dale Hatch), with Div-It (Duane Young). The Board if Directors now consists of Papi (Stan Baker), Gizmo (Lorne Noiles), and Piggy (Tom Vanchieri). February Birthday Greetings: Gumpy (Mike Robshaw) KoKo (Brian Mushroom), Pop Fizz (Troy Devoe), Gizmo (Lorne Noiles), & Pooc (Pat Kelley).



Widow's Club
Lorena Fenlason, Reporter

As I write this article the temperature has warmed up a little. Unfortunately we will get a little rain. There is nothing good about rain in the winter. By the time you

read this the new Potentate will be well in his position.

We hope all is going well.

Quite a few of the widows enjoyed the time at the ladies luncheon and the banquet in the evening. We are very well received by all in the divan and all the Shriners and their ladies. We thank them for that.

We enjoyed a good lunch at Anglers at our January get together. There were many of us here.

We will go to Timbers on the 21st at noon this month, please let me know if you will be joining us, 989-3664.

If any of you need help with snow issues or anything, we have the Widow's Sons we can call upon.

A reminder also that the Masonic Day Lodge in Bangor does have a lunch the second Monday of the month. This is free for the widows and they really want the us to come and join them. Keep it in mind.

Unfortunately we have new widows, if I have not made contact with you please call me anytime, my number 989-3664 or 745-8819.

Have a good month and try to keep warm.

Stay safe stay well,

Lorena



Noble Carl Stewart, Reporter

I hope all you nobles are enjoying the new year. By the time you are reading this the Ceremonial will be over and I'm sure we had a great time. I'm sure the weather is better than it was when I wrote this article, below zero with a wind and a new foot of snow. Welcome to all you new nobles and your ladies. I am sure you will find membership in the Shrine is a great source of pride and enjoyment. The Chanters are always looking for new members so please think of us when considering joining a unit. You don't have to be a great singer, just be ready to enjoy yourself.

Happy Anniversary wishes to Mary and Dale Hadlock

LOBSTER BOATS



Bill Geel, Reporter

All the lobster boats are in storage waiting for springtime to arrive. The unit is in recess mode for the next two-three months. Hope everyone is staying warm.

We would like to extend our sympathies to the family of Gene Carter, who passed away recently. Gene was a long-time member of the Lobster Boat Unit.

Yours Truly has had my first taste of deer-track stew. It probably would have

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— Arnold Schwarzenegger

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tasted better if there was some real meat in it.

Congratulations to Brad Prout as he takes on his role as Potentate for 2018. Thanks to outgoing Potentate Steve Trimm. Hope he had a good year.

The unit is getting ready to manufacture

a few more new boats. Startup on this project will begin soon.

Congratulations to Scott Edgerly, new President of the Hancock County Shrine Club.

Remember, don't forget your lady on Valentine's Day. If it weren't for our ladies, we'd be rowing somewhere.

Only one birthday celebrator in February – Nancy Robbins.

Honeymooners are Lyle and Polly Dever, Scott and Nicole Forbes, and Jeff and Alice Dow.

Until next time, think spring, and warmer weather.



Some of the Anah Nascars visited the Springfield Hospital back in December and presented a check for \$12,000.00 to sponsor a room in the new Inpatient Acute Rehab wing in honor of Dave & Theresa Violette from Kathadin Shadows Campground in Medway, Maine for all they do in their fundraising efforts for Shriners Hospital for Children.



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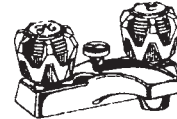
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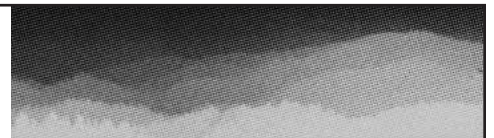
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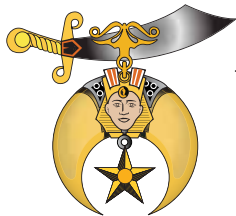
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