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Imperial Sir Edward G. McMullan passed away on March 20th, 2016 at Southwood Hospice.

Imperial Sir Ed McMullan was born on August 11, 1923 in Oshawa, Ontario. He was Initiated into Lodge Renfrew in 1952. He became a member of Southalta Consistory in 1955 and joined Al Azhar in 1958.

He served as Potentate of Al Azhar in 1971 and as Imperial Potentate in 1988/89.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Cilla and family.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by eBlast.

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FROM YOUR POTENTATE

Dear Nobles and Ladies.

As I write this, it has already been two months since I was elected and installed as Potentate of al Azhar Shriners. The ceremony of installation and the Potentate's Evening was very special for me, as I was able to be fezzed by my father and was able to enjoy the night with so many family and friends.

Early into my year, a number of us headed west to watch the Calgary Hitmen play the Vancouver Giants in Vancouver. It was an exciting game, which the Hitmen won in overtime, and I was able to present the Hitmen with the winning trophy. We were well entertained by the Divan of Gizeh Shriners and are thankful for their hospitality.

Next, a number of divan members travelled to Spokane, Washington to attend the PNSA Winter Meetings. It was an enjoyable weekend and much was learned by us all.

More recently, we hosted the Shriners Cup game between the Calgary Hitmen and the Edmonton Oil Kings, which was again won by the Hitmen. As I was unable to attend, being at a unit event in Vancouver, Chief Rabban Karl Fraser briefly returned from Mexico to cover for me I am, thankful to him for doing so. This event was attended by Imperial Potentate Jerry Gantt and his wife Lisa as well as Shrine patient ambassador Carter Brown and his family. A big thanks to Ill. Sir Bob Newman for taking care of Carter and his family while they were in Calgary.

Of note is that the Patient Transportation Fund (made up of the Divan and the chairman of the Board of Trustees) has voted to sell the bus and to go about replacing it with a smaller model. For the cost incurred, and taking into account the fewer trips that the bus is taking, we felt that we should go about "downsizing" the bus.

On a personal note, I am attempting to get out to a meeting of each unit, after which we will start the Divan visits to our clubs. If your unit or club has a significant meeting coming up that you would like the Divan to attend, please tell our recorder.

Lastly, there are a number of events coming up that could use your support, including the 300 Club dinner, Mounted Patrol Jiggs Dinner and our Stated Business Meeting. I hope to see you there.

Yours in the Faith,

Byron Nelson

Potentate, Al Azhar Shriners



Ill Sir Byron Nelson's Fezzing

**AL AZHAR SHRINERS SOCIETY
OASIS OF CALGARY, DESERT OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA
STATED BUSINESS MEETING**

AL AZHAR SHRINERS SOCIETY will hold its Stated Business Meeting
on **Thursday, April 28th, 2016 at 7:30 pm sharp, at the
Al Azhar Centre, Calgary for the transaction of business as follows:**

1. Potentate's Welcome and Introduction of Past Potentates, Visitors & Club/Unit Heads
2. Necrology in Remembrance of those who have passed since our January AGM
3. Financial, Investment and Membership Reports
4. Hospital Reports
5. Trustees Report
6. Review & Acceptance of the Al Azhar Society "Financial Review"
7. Appointment of the 2016 "Financial Review" firm
8. General Business
9. Other Business as per the Potentate

**Wear your fez and a smile
(Also bring your dues card. You need it for admission!)**

Attest:
Brian Shimmons, Recorder

Yours in the Faith
Byron Nelson, Potentate

There will be Cocktails @ 5:30pm and Dinner @ 6:00pm prior to the Business Meeting.

A "Cold Sands Ceremony" will also be held @ 7:15pm prior to the Business Meeting.

All in the Shrine Centre

RECORDER'S RAMBLINGS

Nobles:

In 2013, the Divan approved several Al Azhar Policies and Procedures and these were distributed to Club/Unit Leaders and Secretaries in 2014. Since there have been several personnel changes over the past 2 years, I will use this forum to remind Clubs/Units of some of them.

1. All applications to AGLC must be sent through the Shrine Office. This includes casinos, bingos, raffles and "cash draws". This policy is in place to ensure consistency.
2. Expenditures of "unrestricted funds" by Al Azhar and its Clubs and Units exceeding \$1,000 must be "pre-approved" by the Al Azhar Potentate. There are some exemptions that are contained in the full Policy.
3. Disbursement of gaming funds (aka restricted funds) shall be done consistently by all Al Azhar Clubs and Units. Current disbursement of gaming funds is up to 10% for Club or Unit operation, up to 10% for local charities, Patient Transportation Fund 20%+, SHC Canada 20%+ and Al Azhar Society \$6,000 + per year rent. There are some exceptions to these guidelines that can be approved by the Divan.

These policies were put in place to satisfy our Auditors and AGLC.

Copies of the above policies are available from the Recorder. More to come next issue.

Yours in the Faith

Brian Shimmons PP, Recorder

LOST IN THE DESERT

If you have a current address or phone number for any of the following please contact the Recorder's office

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Nobles and Ladies

With Ill Sir Byron at the helm we will be having an exciting year. His father, Past Potentate Ill Sir Warren Nelson (whom I refer to as "My Potentate") was the Potentate in Red Deer during my ceremonial in 1998. That ceremonial was a joint with Al Shamal and in my class there were over 70 candidates. Wouldn't it be awesome if it could be done again? Now is the time to approach your friends about joining our fraternity.

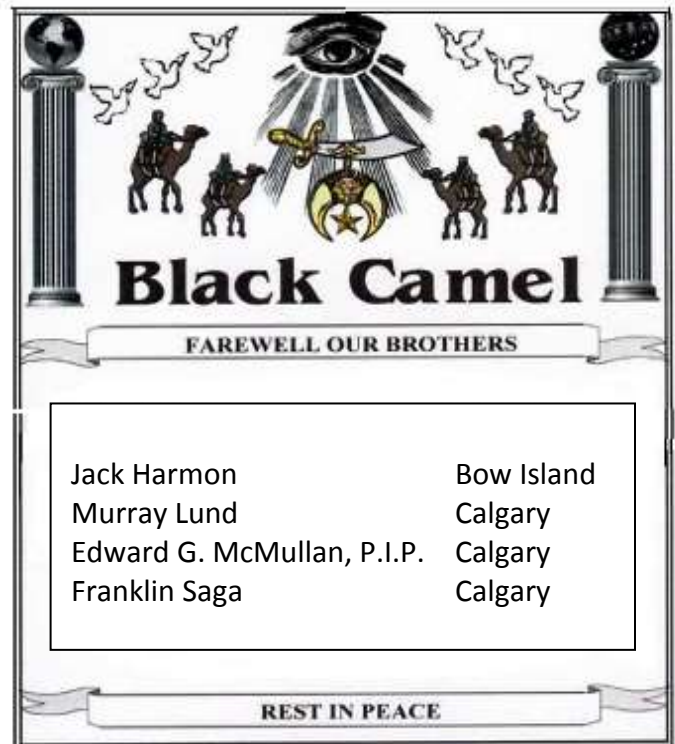
The clubs are all up and running with their new executives. Traditionally the executive changes each year with the possible exception of the Secretary and Treasurer. Having been Secretary here in Red Deer since the passing of Noble Ed Whitenett, I know the work involved. Why not recognize these two elected positions at your next meeting? When you are at it, why not let Pat and Cinde know how much you appreciate everything they do in keeping our Temple running smoothly? As a Secretary, I find these ladies super helpful at answering questions on running our Club and Society.

Past Potentate Ill Sir Gordon Brewer is now looking for Nobles and Ladies to help with our team that go to the PGA in Las Vegas. This year it is right at the end of October and for me personally is one of the highlights of my Shrine year. Why not get in touch with Gordon and he will help you in getting registered? The hotel room is at a lowered rate, the transportation to the course is free and your course meals are excellent and free. I find that this trip can be as cheap or expensive as you want it to be. Summerlin is in NW Las Vegas and is a gorgeous and safe community. Ill Sir Charles Duffin has a home there and he hosts a free evening. As well, there are other evenings that are free or low cost that are arranged for your free evenings. Personally, I love to go to the shows and there are ways to get reduced tickets for these if you want to attend one. ----->

Just give Gordon a shout and he will answer any questions that you may have.

There are a lot of communities having parades this year so our Nobility and their Loved Ones will be busy and travelling a lot. Please drive safely and see you there!

In the light of Grace,
Noble R. Dean Cowan
Chaplain 2016



The World's oldest "recorded" Shriner Noble Charlie Dyson

On March 12, Imperial Sir Gerry Gantt and 1st Lady Lisa paid a visit to Noble Charlie Dyson in recognition of Noble Charlie being the world's oldest "recorded" Shriner.

All in attendance enjoyed themselves immensely



4H CHARITY STEER

Each year, the Alberta 4H Steer Clubs raise and auction a steer for charity. This normally results in a donation to their selected charity in the order of \$15000 to \$20000.

For 2016, through the efforts of Megan and Harry Rawn (grandchildren of Noble Barry Davey) the club has selected the Shriners Hospital for Children Canada as the recipient of all funds collected. This year is the Millarville 4-H club's turn to raise the steer.

Assistant Rabban, Ernie Hilland and Barry Davey made a presentation to the club explaining who the Shriners are, what they do and described the new Canadian Hospital.

On Feb. 13, 2016, Nobles Ernie, Barry and Temple photographer Noble Eric Skagen met the club again at the home of Jeff and Shelagh Blatz with several of the club members to photograph the group and their charity steer, Cooper. The photos will be published in Al Azhar's Fez Sez and in several local newspapers.

The steer will be auctioned off at the annual 4H on Parade weekend at the Calgary Stampede Grounds in early June.

The only efforts required from local Shriners is to publicize this effort, seek out potential businesses in the area to bid on the steer and to show up, in Shrine Fez and dress at the auction.

This is the first for Al Azhar and could lead to a regular participation with the 4H clubs in Southern Alberta.

An interesting side note to the photography session was the discovery that one of the 4H club mothers, Mary-Ellen Beck, is a past patient at the Shriners Burns Hospital in California from several years ago. This makes the partnership between the Millarville 4H Steer Club and the Al Azhar Shriners even more poignant.



GRAND MASTER AND POTENTATE CUBAN EXCURSION

Please join James Ratchford and Byron Nelson for their annual gathering November 14-21, 2016
in beautiful Varadero, Cuba



Details:

7 nights all-inclusive Paradisus Jr. Suite Premium at the 5 star Paradisus Princessa Del Mar “adult only” resort from \$1823 plus taxes (\$391) per person. (Other options available)

Non-stop flights Depart Calgary November 14 at 8:35am Arrive Varadero 4:10pm
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SHC Canada News

Following an international search Montrealer René St-Arnaud, Ph. D. is appointed Director of Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada Research Centre and First Francis Glorieux Chair in Pediatric Musculoskeletal Research

Shriners Hospitals for Children®-Canada is pleased to announce the appointment of René St-Arnaud, Ph.D. as Director of Research and the inaugural Francis Glorieux Chair in Pediatric Musculoskeletal Research. Dr. St-Arnaud is leading a new growth phase in the history of Canada Shriners Hospital's Research Centre as he, along with seven investigators and their teams recently moved into a well-planned, spacious and inspiring facility on the 5th floor of the new hospital.

"I am extremely honoured to have received these two appointments. It is particularly poignant to be the inaugural recipient of the Francis Glorieux endowed Chair not only because this is one of the most prestigious academic appointments achievable, but also because Dr. Glorieux is my mentor," says Dr. St-Arnaud. "I am forever in his debt. He recruited me twenty-six years ago and has been amazingly supportive of my research. When I started my independent career, he generously introduced me to the leaders in our field of research, which led to numerous opportunities for scientific collaboration."



The \$3-million endowed Chair, established at McGill University and based at Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada is amongst the highest distinctions awarded to a scholar in recognition of past and potential original academic contributions. The endowment was made possible thanks to the generous donors who have supported the **Exceptional Care for Exceptional Kids** Capital Campaign. Donors include private companies and foundations as well as Shriners from across Canada and the North-Eastern United States. Today, representatives from Al Azhar Shriners (Calgary, Alberta), Khartum Shriners (Winnipeg, Manitoba) and Mazol Shriners (Newfoundland and Labrador) who collectively donated more than \$555,000 towards the Chair proudly represented their region and fellow Shriners.

This is the first endowed Chair in the history of the Shriners Hospitals for Children -Canada. It was established in honour of Francis Glorieux, O.C, M.D., Ph.D., a brilliant scientific leader whose tireless effort and devotion have helped children around the world. Dr. Glorieux served as Director of Research at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada for 37 years until his semi-retirement. This endowed Chair represents a new permanent financial resource to advance the research, teaching, and care of patients.

“McGill is proud of its longstanding association with the Shriners Hospitals for Children - Canada, which has spanned four decades,” says Dr. David Eidelman, Vice-Principal (Health Affairs) and Dean of Medicine at McGill. “Today, we are delighted to install Dr. René St-Arnaud as the inaugural Chair named in honour of Dr. Francis Glorieux, the Shriners’ first researcher. We are confident that under his leadership the Shriners Hospital will continue to conduct ground-breaking research for the benefit of the children and families we serve.”

Studying metabolic bone disease

Dr. St-Arnaud’s field of scientific research is preclinical models of metabolic bone disease or disorders of bone strength, usually caused by abnormalities of minerals (such as calcium or phosphorus), vitamin D, bone mass or bone structure. He studies bone at the cellular level to better understand the mechanisms involved in the initiation and maintenance of bone and mineral metabolism with the goal of developing efficient drug therapies that will improve the quality and density of bone tissue. Such treatments would benefit numerous patients, particularly those with fractures and low bone mass, such as patients with osteogenesis imperfecta (brittle bone disease).

Committed to pioneering research

The Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada Research Centre has a history of documented success in bedside-to-bench and bench-to-bedside research in genetics of metabolic bone disease. The research program has generated several major breakthroughs, patents and benchmark protocols, including:

- The world’s standard of care in the medical treatment of children with osteogenesis imperfecta;
- Breakthrough treatment for an inherited form of rickets now adopted globally;
- The only exclusively pediatric bone sampling and analysis laboratory (histomorphometry) in the world allowing for both research and diagnosis of rare diseases;
- Fassier-Duval rods used to reinforce long bones in legs and arms; rods inserted through minimally invasive surgery extend as the child grows and are now the standard in more than 56 countries worldwide.

“In 1989, I recruited Dr. St-Arnaud to the Canada Shriners Hospital and I have had the pleasure of working with him for over 16 years,” says Dr. Francis Glorieux, founder of the hospital’s research program. “Dr. St-Arnaud is an exceptional leader with proven experience. He will guide the centre’s team of dedicated scientists as they continue to make discoveries that will change treatment methodologies and improved the lives of countless children suffering from debilitating bone disorders.”

New research centre and new equipment

At the new Research Centre the team of investigators will build on this tradition of excellence. The 29-thousand square foot facility occupying an entire floor of the new hospital offers twice as much space as at the legacy hospital. It houses eight spacious laboratories allowing the hospital to include researchers who were working off-site as well as welcome new investigators. Each lab has access to tissue culture facilities and ancillary rooms for bench top equipment and microscopy, allowing scientists to fully utilize their research laboratory space.

A much-welcomed new addition to the research centre is a microcomputed tomography scanner (micro-CT), the most advanced in the McGill network. It provides high-resolution, three-dimensional images of bone allowing researchers to determine the outcome of their experimental treatments. Previously, Shriners researchers rented time on a lower resolution micro-CT in another research facility.

“This will be a game changer for us. We used to rent time on a micro-CT in another McGill lab. Staff lost a lot of time travelling and waiting for test results. Now, we will have at our fingertips, 24/7, a machine that will provide us with top-notch images. We are quite excited about this new piece of equipment,” says Dr. St-Arnaud. Additional platforms that will be established at the Research Centre include functional loading equipment to study the response of bone tissue to applied forces.

About Dr. St-Arnaud

Born and raised in Montreal, Dr. St-Arnaud earned his B.Sc. in Biochemistry from Université de Montréal and his Ph.D. in Physiology from Université Laval. He then trained as a PostDoctoral Fellow at University of Ottawa and at State University of New York in Stony Brook. He holds cross-appointments as a tenured Full Professor of Medicine, Surgery, and Human Genetics at McGill University, where he is also cross-appointed to the Faculty of Dentistry.

He holds seven US patents and has published 120 peer-reviewed articles and 41 book chapters or conference proceedings. He has supervised 41 graduate students and postdoctoral trainees, of which 24 were international.

Dr. St-Arnaud was awarded the Fuller-Albright Young Investigator award from the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, the Outstanding Investigator Award in the Bone Field from the International Bone and Calcium Institute, and the Excellence Award from the Foundation for Research on Children's Diseases.

About Dr. Francis Glorieux

Francis H. Glorieux's, O.C., M.D., Ph.D., career at Shriners Hospitals for Children spans 42 years of firsts. Dr. Glorieux, a trained Belgian pediatrician, came to Montreal to complete his doctorate and discovered a fascination for medical research. Richard Cruess, C.C., M.D., then recruited him to establish the first research laboratory in the system at Shriners Hospital for Children-Canada in 1973. In that first year, the hospital's research staff consisted of Dr. Glorieux and one research assistant, armed with a budget of \$150,000, where today the Research Centre's funding stands at \$4 to \$5 million with a staff of 50. Dr. Glorieux's research over the last four decades has been nothing short of ground breaking. He mapped out the gene responsible for vitamin D-dependent rickets type I and developed a hormone replacement therapy. Further research led to adapting the use of existing osteoporosis medications on children with brittle bone disease, discovering several more types of the disease in the process. From his graduate work under Charles Scriver, C.C., MDCM, he established a treatment program for Familial Hypophosphatemic Rickets which, 35 years later, remains the standard of care for this condition worldwide. Together with Dr. St-Arnaud, he mapped out and cloned the gene responsible for vitamin D-dependent rickets type I and developed a hormone replacement therapy. Further research led to adapting the use of existing osteoporosis medications on children with brittle bone disease, discovering several more types of the disease in the process.

Academically Dr. Glorieux's published works have had an important influence on a generation of researchers, having published more than 31 book chapters and more than 232 articles in leading scientific journals, including the Neuman Award from the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research and Honorary Doctoral Degrees from the Universities of Amiens and Lyons. In 2004, he was named an Officer of the Order of Canada for his outstanding contribution to Canadian society.

CARTER BROWN FEATURED AT HITMEN GAME

Carter Brown is a patient Ambassador for SHC – Canada. He suffers from osteogenesis imperfecta also known as brittle bone disease.

He has been treated at SHC – Canada since he was one year old and, so far, had made 49 trips for treatment to SHC – Canada.

Carter attended last year's Joint Ceremonial in Red Deer and, this year, was the featured patient at the North South Shrine Hockey Challenge on March 12.

Carter was a hit with fans and enjoyed riding the Zamboni.



Carter being interviewed and hanging out with Farley at the game




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Travel Insurance is recommended



DEPOSIT:

MINIMUM DEPOSIT OF
\$250 PP
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\$500 PP DEPOSIT ON
VISTA
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AMENITIES:

2 COCKTAIL PARTIES
WITH HOT AND COLD
CANAPES

GROUP PHOTO: ONE
PER CABIN

GROUP DINING

ESCORTED CRUISE

Itinerary

Date	Port	Arrival	Depart
May 15	Seattle		4:00 PM
May 16		at Sea	
May 17	Ketchikan	6:30 AM	3:00 PM
May 18	Cruising Tracy Arm Fjord		
May 18	Juneau	12:30 PM	10:00 PM
May 19	Skagway	6:00 AM	5:00 PM
May 20		at Sea	
May 21	Victoria, B.C.	7:00 PM	11:59 PM
May 22	Seattle	7:00 AM	

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November 13, 2015

Dear Fellow Nobles,

This letter is intended to inform you of the actions taken by the Joint Boards to reduce costs and to seek your support for a proposal made by the Joint Boards requesting the elimination of the position of Deputy Imperial Potentate.

We have very deliberately worked to reduce the costs of operating our organizations without losing productivity and efficiency. We have successfully reduced the costs associated with important meetings by replacing travel with technology. This fall, many of our necessary committee meetings were conducted electronically, thereby eliminating the need for a substantial amount of travel and housing.

We also propose to eliminate the position of Deputy Imperial Potentate at the Imperial Session to be held in Tampa in July 2016. The Joint Boards have passed a Resolution expressing the support and desire of the Board to amend the bylaws to eliminate this position. This proposal, if adopted by the Representatives at Imperial Session, will produce some cost savings, will reduce the length of the Imperial line and will more closely resemble the officer positions that exist at your Temple. A copy of this Resolution is attached for your review and consideration.

The Joint Boards believe a unique opportunity currently exists to eliminate this position. The workload now delegated to the Deputy Imperial Potentate will not vanish but will need to be distributed among the remaining Imperial officers. They are willing to pick up the additional workload.

Our efforts to cut costs through identifying opportunities to generate savings will continue. We hope that the elimination of the position of Deputy Imperial Potentate will be one of many initiatives that save money without jeopardizing our mission.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal. Best wishes for a happy holiday season!

Yours in the faith,

Jerry G. Gantt
Imperial Potentate

JGG:alc

Enclosure

Upcoming Events

EASTER BUNNY-YANKEE VALLEY March 24-26	300 CLUB DINNER April 1, 2016	JIGG'S DINNER April 2, 2016	MASONIC SPRING WORKSHOP April 8-10, 2016
BALLOON ART TRAINING April 16, 2016	THE WHO CONCERT May 10, 2016		SAKKARA OFF TO THE RACES May 29, 2016
PARADES, PARADES, PARADES	GRAND LODGE		




Easter Bunny Comes to Yankee Valley Crossing

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Thursday - March 24th - 6pm-9pm
Good Friday - March 25th - 10am-6pm
Saturday - March 26th - 10am-6pm

Pictures with the Easter Bunny by Donation
Live Music Face Painting Door Prizes
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300 Club Dinner

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Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres: 6pm Dinner: 7pm

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The Al Azhar Mounted Patrol Presents:

A Traditional Jiggs Dinner



SATURDAY April 2, 2016

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Masonic Spring Workshop

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2016 Theme:

Freemasonry - A Progressive Science

51st Masonic Spring Workshop

8, 9, & 10 April 2016
Delta Lodge Kananaskis



Bro. Ken McComb, the workshop chairman, cordially invites all Masons to our 51st Annual Masonic Spring Workshop on April 8, 9 & 10, 2016 to be held at the Delta Lodge Kananaskis.

Keynote Speaker 2016

Bro. Adam Kendall

A 6th generation Californian who is an enthusiastic advocate for State and Local history. He has presented at several international symposia and published several essays and reviews. Brother Kendall is a Past Master; member of several Lodges; a 32° K.C.C.H. Scottish Rite Mason and member of all three York Rite Bodies. Bro. Kendall is also very involved in various Non-Masonic organizations and activities.



For more information about Bro. Adam Kendall visit our website:
<http://www.masonicspringworkshop.ab.ca/2016Workshop/2016Speaker-Bios.html>

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June 25 2016

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On The Grass

**Food Trucks Dash Plaques Music
50/50 Draw Stampede Stage**



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(Prop Club)
Beef and Pork Roast BBQ**

Date: Sunday July 24th, 2016

Price \$25.00 Adults

Free for Children under 12

Pot Luck for Sides (BYOS)

Time: 1:00 pm

Dress: Picnic Casual

Where: On the grass at the Shrine Centre
Bring a Friend or neighbour

Our Units will be in attendance for photos





**Sakkara Temple No. 115
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Off to the Races Tailgate Party

May 29, 2016 12 pm

watch the race in progress (starts 1030am MST) on the big screen

**Al Azhar Shrine Centre
\$20 per ticket**

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Silent Auction

May 29, 2016 is the 100th running of the Indianapolis 500 - join us in commemorating the race with fun, food & beverage, car racing, silent auction, door prizes and more.



FINISH

Unit/Club Meeting Dates & News

Al Azhar Units	Al Azhar Shrine Clubs
Air Corps 7:30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday Athletic Club (Rutters) contact the Ramses for dates Clown Unit 7:30 p.m. 1st Thursday Directors Staff 7:30 p.m. 4th Thursday Greeters - as called Legion of Honour – 9:30 am 3 rd Saturday (Horton Legion) Mounted Patrol - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Oriental Band - 7:30 p.m. Thursday Provost Corps - 9:00 a.m. 4th Saturday Sabre Patrol (Call Swordmaster for date) Shrine Patrol - 7:00 p.m. Mondays Tin Lizzie Corps - 7:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday Vintage Cars - 7:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday Medicine Hat Clown Unit – Last Monday of month	Alpine Shrine Club – 4 times/year at the call of President Big Country Shrine Club - 4 th Tuesday Foothills Shrine Club - 4 th Wednesday Lethbridge Shrine Club - 1 st Wednesday Medicine Hat Shrine Club - 3 rd Wednesday Red Deer Shrine Club - 3 rd Wednesday Wild Rose Shrine Club - 1 st Wednesday

SHRINE PATROL

Greetings to one and all from the members of the Shrine Patrol. Parade season will soon be upon us and the Patrol is looking forward to participating in numerous Shrine parades during the summer. As well as the parades, the Patrol will again be preparing breakfast for four Stampede functions as part of our annual fundraising.

The Patrol will again be hosting the annual 300 Club Dinner and fun Poker night on Friday, April 1st, 2016. This year a cut-off date for tickets of Friday March 25th has been implemented. The cost is \$125.00 per ticket. Tickets can be purchased from any member of the Patrol or you can contact me at 403-254-8169. We look forward to your continued support of this annual fundraising event for the Patrol.

The Patrol would like to welcome our newest members, Illustrious Sir Robert Newman and Lady Wendy as well as Noble Toby Stewart and Lady Virgie. We hope that your time with the Shrine Patrol will be both fun and rewarding.

The next Quarterly meeting will be held on Monday, March 21st, 2016 with supper at 6:30 pm. If anyone is interested in finding out about the Shrine Patrol we would welcome you to any Monday night practice sessions or meetings. Come out and meet the members of the unit and give a Segway a try, you might find it a lot of fun.

As we prepare for another busy Shrine year the Patrol would like to wish everyone a safe summer and parade season. Let's have some fun out there.

Noble Andy Pokolinski
Captain, Shrine Patrol 2016

AL AZHAR MOUNTED PATROL – FAMILY DAY GATHERING



AIR CORPS

With spring in the air so are our planes ready to fly. The Air Corps was at the Hitman game and all there had a great time. The parade season is soon upon us with High River being the first outing and we expect to have six planes out for that.

The Air Corps casino was to be in July but gaming moved us up to April 24 and 25 so all who have committed to help please be there.

The Air Corps annual pig roast is slated for July 24th at the Shrine Centre on the grass. Tickets are \$25 per person with kids under 12 free (see poster for more details). Tickets are available at the Shrine Centre or from Alfred Tiong.

Fraternally
Ron Down - Captain

TIN LIZZIES

During the past few months, the Tin Lizzies cars have been receiving special attention and getting a complete overhaul and rebuild. By spring some of the 20 plus vehicles will be completely refurbished from top to bottom and ready for an exciting 2016 parade season.

It all started with Noble Jim Brown's smart thinking and also being at the right place at the right time. Noble Jim Brown is a Logistics specialist and owns JRSB Logistics Consulting Ltd. Jim has been doing volunteer work for the Calgary Board of Education and the Board through Ryan Emond put us in touch with the James Fowler and Lord Beaverbrook High Schools for their auto shop programs. Jim had the opportunity to meet the teachers at both schools and simply asked if they would consider repairing and refurbishing The Tin Lizzie cars to which unit he is the Parade Master for the unit.

They were delighted and through Jim's work with the teachers and the Board, the cars are receiving special attention and refurbishment of a "second to none" nature.

The students will be doing the work of tearing down, repairing, sanding, painting and assembly of each and every unit that the Al Azhar Tin Lizzies can dig out and send over to the schools. It is a rewarding operation as the students are pleased to work on the little cars, gain experience in automotive repair rebuilding the engines and also doing the body work to make the cars look "first class". Each car is also being upgraded to have all parts consistent making future repairs much easier and road worthy. Safety issues are also being addressed and some engineering completed to ensure driver safety and crowd safety when in Parades.

All in all, the board and the Al Azhar Tin Lizzies are working together to provide community services as well as provide an education for the students at the same time.

Several tours and meetings have been completed to ensure everyone is happy with the relationship and work.....All Thanks to Noble Jim Brown for initiating the discussions with the Calgary Board of Education.

The Tin Lizzies and Al Azhar Shriners are planning on rewarding the students with Hitman Hockey Tickets to show our appreciation for work well done as well as putting a finished car or 2 on display at the March 12, 2016 game.

Attached here are some of the excellent pictures of the progress so far done by our very own Al Azhar Photographer, Noble Eric Skagen. Wonderful work by our own Noble Eric Skagen!

Hats off to Noble Jim Brown, President Mitch Legault and the Tin Lizzie Group for thinking "OUTSIDE THE BOX" and also being community minded.

Look for more news in the coming months as we try to extend the program further with the CBE for other units.



RUTTERS

It has been a busy while for the Al Azhar Rutters. Following our successful trip to the Rugby World Cup in Wales in September we had our installation and Noble Gareth Thomas was installed as President (Rameses) and Gio Dicey was installed as Vice President. The Rutters also attended the Potentate's Ball in force.

At the recent celebration of Noble Kevin McGuigan's 50th birthday we had the largest gathering of Rutters Past Queens ever held. Following that, we had a unit trip to Vancouver to watch the Vancouver World Rugby Sevens tournament which was a blast and featured some great rugby. Canada won 5 out of 6 of its games and, as a result, most unit members lost their voices due to the cheering. Included in the weekend was a Rutters pub crawl.

At the actual rugby games, the Rutters dressed up, as is tradition at rugby sevens games. The Rutters dressed up as the lead character in "Kung Fury", which is a 30 minute movie available on Netflix and Youtube. Our president, Gareth Thomas, attended with his father and they dressed up to support their native Wales.

The Rutters are looking forward to an eventful summer as the rugby season will start up, and giving all of our support to our illustrious Potentate whenever possible.

Gareth Thomas
Rameses, Al Azhar Rutters



Past Queens



Better Kung Fury



Pub Crawl



Dodgy Welsh

WILD ROSE STABLE #69

As Chief Keeper of the Pile I would like to thank all those who dug deep at the Annual General Meeting when we were short on Camel Herders. It is again I thank you all for your support. It shows that we all care to support each other. Thank you.

Howard Langdon
Chief Keeper of the Pile

TEAM AL AZHAR

Just a few bits of information in regards to the upcoming Shriners Hospital for Children starting November 2nd to November 6th 2016.

I have been told that the cost for a volunteer (attending in 2016) and who volunteered for 2015; the registration will be \$45.00 (volunteer package) this does not include jacket (can use last years). Not much but some reduction. This offer lasts till April 15 2016.

Would like to have a meeting for those attending and even if you are not would like to have you present. I have set Friday April 29 2016 at 7pm Oasis Lounge.

If you have registered please contact me so I can have an idea who will be present.

Team Leader
Ill Sir Gordon Brewer

SABRES

Thank you to everyone who supported the Sabre Motor Patrol's inaugural Burns Supper celebration back in January enjoying great food, fellowship and philanthropy!

The entertainment was outstanding with music from the Ogden Legion Pipe Band accompanied by exceptional highland dancers! We had approximately 160 in attendance that included about 25 Nobles, so there were lots of prospective candidates!

Our Divan was represented at the head table by Noble Ernie Hilland who offered the "Toast to the Lassies" and Lady Pat providing the reply. We look forward to continuing this tradition in January 2017 ... mark your calendars as this will sell out!



LEGION OF HONOR



GREETINGS NOBLES ALL. 2016 HAS ARRIVED AND WE ARE LOOKING MUCH BETTER FOR STARTERS. LOOKING BACK A FEW YEARS WE WERE STRUGGLING TO CONTINUE AS A UNIT AND A LOT OF THE MEMBERS WERE SOMEWHAT NON CONFIDENT THAT WE COULD PULL THIS OUT AND GET TOGETHER ONCE AGAIN. WELL WE MANAGED TO COME TOGETHER AND ELECTED A COMMANDER NOBLE HARRY DRUMMOND. 2015 WAS A REBUILDING YEAR TO GET THE UNIT ACTIVE AS BEST WE COULD. PROGRESS WAS MADE LITTLE AT A TIME. AND NOW WE HAVE A NEW COMMANDER NOBLE HENRY RETZLAFF, D\COMD NOBLE TERRY DEAN, COMMUNICATIONS NOBLE MAURICE ESBER AND STAYING IN OFFICE AGAIN OUR TREASURER NOBLE KENT GALBRAITH, QM JOHN HORRICK. THE UNIT EXPRESSED THEIR THANKS TO NOBLE HARRY DRUMMOND AND NOBLE CHARLEY FREW FOR TAKING OFFICE IN 2015. We also like to welcome to our unit Noble Neil Webb and Noble Jorge Rojas. We are happy to have them

And hope they enjoy being part of our activities. Parade time is soon to arrive and we are planning which ones we will be attending. This the time our Noble ANDY Sands will be getting his favourite

Vehicle I'll Illtis ready for the parades Ya that's the one with the big Fez on it and the Shrine flags hauling the trailer showing large pictures of our hospitals. Unit members and ladies waving

To the people lining the streets. And driving the vehicle, noble Andy with our Comd Noble Henry. ITS ALL ABOUT: FOSTERING A SPIRIT OF PATRIOTISM AND LOVE OF COUNTRY AND FLAG; TO PERPETUATE THE MEMORY OF OUR COMRADES IN ARMS WHO MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE FOR THEIR COUNTRY

Noble Omar Giroux P/Comd

ORIENTAL BAND



Things are beginning to get back to normal now that our "SUNTANS" are returning from their Winter Escape to the South and Dave Mospany is now back to health after a not so Merry New Years' Experience. Bob Sceviour also had health issues recently but he too will be back parading in May

Soon our Annual Parade season will begin and it will be time to show a new trailer, our uniforms not to mention our "NEW SOUND" to the parade goers & Shriners alike.

"The Sweetest Music this side of Heaven just got kicked up a notch. "

Wait till you see the New Trailer, Boys, It will do us proud.

Charitable Donations



The Oriental Band recently gave some of our charitable monies to the Women in Need Society who helps families get back on their feet after many scenarios.

The Boys And Girls Club of Calgary help kids stay on the straight and narrow by having after school activities which are fun and educational
In the summer they run a camp for the less fortunate
They also run a Breakfast & Lunch program for School kids who may go without.

Clay Frotten – Sultan



NORTH SOUTH SHRINE HOCKEY CHALLENGE



Our Clowns



Our AMP



Our Vintage Cars



The Puck Drop



The Imperial Zamboni Rider



Hitmen Win the Shriners Cup

ROBBIE BURNS NIGHT



Noble Ernie and Lady Pat Hilland at the Head Table



Nobles in attendance were given a rousing applause



Cheque presentation to the Ogden Legion Pipe Band

We thank our SHC partners. Please support them



Calgary Stampede

PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP



AL AZHAR TEMPLE

TO THE POTENTATE, OFFICERS AND NOBLES OF AL AZHAR TEMPLE, SITUATED IN THE OASIS OF CALGARY, DESERT OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in _____ Lodge # _____ located at _____

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Which is a Lodge recognized by or in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore, I have resided at my current address for not less than 6 months, as required by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. I respectfully pray that I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and become a member of your temple.

If I be found worthy, and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of The Imperial Council and the Bylaws and Ceremonies of your temple

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Recommended and Vouched for on the Honour of Noble _____ # _____

Noble _____ # _____