

Korein Klarion

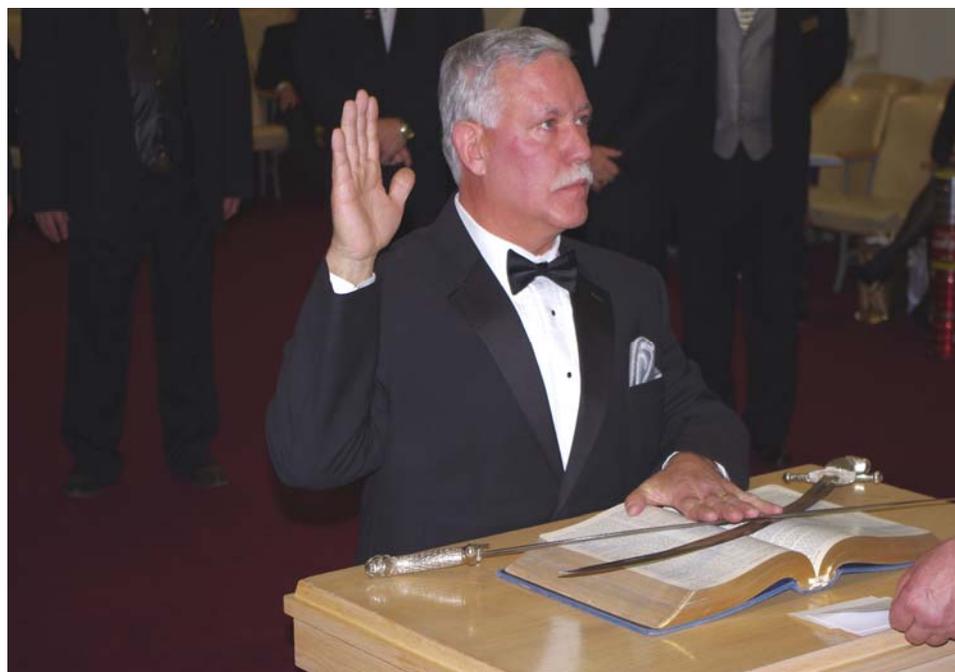
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On January 9th, 2016,
Todd Bennett was sworn in as
the 124th Potentate of
Korein Shriners.



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Pote's Notes

Nobles and Ladies.

I am honored to be serving as your Potentate of Korein Shrine. 2016 is off to a rapid start. It was just a few weeks ago that I was installed as your new Potentate in Rawlins. Lady Monica and I had a fantastic time, starting with a party at Past Potentate Rod Waeckerlin's home. We were blessed at installation to have in attendance the Divan, Past Potentates, and Ladies, Shriners from around the state, our families and friends. What a celebration!!

During the ceremony my brother, Guy, presented me with a gavel he had handmade. This remained in my possession for a very brief period of time after which it was absconded, perhaps by the Cheyenne Indians or so it seems. There is presently a ransom out for it. I received a ransom note from the "Destroyer" with pictures indicating that the gavel and the cane I received are in peril. The ransom is that of \$5,000.00 that must be earned for Lady Monica's project for durable medical equipment, specifically wheelchair parts. This amount must be achieved by Ceremonial in June for return of these items. Thus far the Indians have not indicated that they are party to this thievery as they have generously donated to Lady Monica's project. They are a tight clan.

VISITATIONS

Shrine Club visitations started. The end of January we had the privilege of being chauffeured by Chief Aide Bob

Spicer and Lady Debbie across the state. We enjoyed a cocktail party at President Monty Branson's home, followed by a wonderful meal, meeting, and evening of dancing in a movie themed Cheyenne Shrine Club. How fun this was! So as you can see, January was a month of celebration for Shrine. Lady Monica and I look forward to our next Club visits. We hope to see continued enthusiasm and participation as we visit each of the Clubs across the state.

NEWS

I want to share with you some exciting news. The latest Shriners Affiliate is now at the Memorial Hospital in Rock Springs, Wyoming. Our local paper, The Rocket Miner, recognized that the hospital is only one of seven new affiliates in the United States. Under the new affiliation, children who were previously treated at a Shiner's Hospital will be able to do follow up appointments at Memorial Hospital Sweetwater County. This will shorten the distance traveled for follow up appointments for our patients in the surrounding areas. What a great way to be able to help our kids and get the word out about Shriners locally.

FUNDRAISERS

Our regular fundraisers are starting, or being organized. Assistant Rabban Frank Selby is continuing to head up the 52 Club ticket sales. Remember this is one way of generating income for care of the Temple. You can sell these tickets to non-shriners. My fa-

ther just won \$200 from the last draw and was very excited. Also purchase of your tickets to the North-South Shrine bowl reflects on the dedication we have collectively for the Intermountain Shrine Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Local fundraising includes your Shrine Circuses, and onion sales. Remember to make yourselves visible to the public and grow your Clubs while having a great time together.

BUSINESS

On the business side of things, I want the Shrine Clubs to be aware that Treasurer Dave Mertz will be sending some correspondence regarding updates to insurance and accounting forms. Please complete and return as soon as possible to be in compliance with IRS and Imperial.

COMMUNICATIONS

Oriental Guide Tim Forbis has designed a Wyoming Shiners website, to include all shriners in the state Korein and Kalif Temples.

Shrinerswyo.com

Take a moment to look at this. The site is a great place to see what is happening around the state.

In closing, Lady Monica and I look forward to our continued journey as we serve Korein Shrine this year.

Yours in Faith,

Todd N. Bennett
Potentate

Masonic Calendar

February 2016

13-14 Cutter Races, Jackson
13 DeMolay Sweetheart Ball
18-20 Shrine Winter PNSA, Coeur d'Alene, ID
27 Western Wyoming York Rite Festival, Green River
27 Central Wyoming Commandery Festival, Riverton

March 2016

5 Crab Crack (Pote's Visit) Rawlins
11 Guernsey (Pote's Visit)
12 Torrington (Pote's Visit)
20 Holy Royal Arch Knights Templar Priests, Casper
20 Immanuel Conclave, Casper
24 Scottish Rite Maundy Thursday Observance
27 Scottish Rite Easter Sunday Observance
31 Burns Lodge No. 41 Table Lodge

April 2016

2 Southwest Wyoming Table Lodge
2 Tamah Temple #73, Daughters of the Nile
9 Casper (Pote's Visit)
22 Evanston (Pote's Visit)
23 Rock Springs (Pote's Visit)

May 2016

12-14 Cheyenne Valley Scottish Rite Reunion
20 Lander (Pote's Visit)
21 Pinedale (Pote's Visit)
21 200th Anniversary Knights Templar Celebration

June 2016

10 Shrine Bowl Banquet, Casper
11 Shrine Bowl, Casper
12 AMD, KYCH, Casper
15-18 Job's Daughters Grand Bethel, Casper
24-25 Ceremonial, Rock Springs



On Friday January 22 Noble Jim Frew was honored to drop the ceremonial first puck at a local hockey game between that Cheyenne Stampede and Casper Coyotes to promote cancer awareness. This was an event dear to Noble Frew's heart as he is battling this disease.

If you ever want to know how he feels about cancer, just read his tattoo.

From the Recorder

Nobles, have patience - - your dues cards are coming (**IF** you have paid your dues!)

Under the new dues card program, Tampa is mailing them out and, with the volume of members, it takes a little longer than when we did them from our own Temples.

They are really nice plastic cards now.

There are some that didn't get the titles or Jr. or Sr. etc., on their cards but Tampa is correcting that with another mailing shortly.

If, however, you would like to avoid paying your dues

annually, there is a lifetime payment to address that.

If you are under 65, pay \$2,000.00 for life membership. If you are over 65, pay just \$1,000.00.

Per capita life time = \$900.00. Hospital life time = \$150.00.

You can pay these separate if you wish. Contact me for further details.

I had a few notices come back because of bad addresses. Please, let us know if you go south for the winter and send me the address..

The new Webfez program is starting to make sense and I am able to work

with it better...after making several mistakes!

You can access your page and see what information is there - you will not be able to make changes though.

If you have not sent in the Transportation Fund reports please do. Unit and Club reports are also due at this time. Please send all reports to David Mertz Treasurer PO 2129 Casper, WY 82602

Thanks for your continued support and help!

Dugan Simmons
Recorder

Local Girl to Benefit from Shriner Golf Outing

By John Roark
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SARATOGA — When Dan Marquart noticed Abby, his then-seven-year-old daughter, walking awkwardly, he immediately knew something was wrong. “She had a very stiff, pronounced walk and was leaning forward quite a bit,” said Dan, the guidance counselor at Saratoga High School. “It wasn’t right at all.”

A local physician diagnosed Abby as being intoed — more commonly known as being pigeon-toed — and told her parents the condition was something she’d grow out of, that all that was required was being patient. “I wasn’t convinced that what we were told was a good answer,” Dan said.

After some advocating from her father, Abby was seen by an orthopedic surgeon, who noticed a peculiar angle of the femur. It was from that point that Shriners Hospital in Salt Lake City — and eventually the Rawlins Shrine Club — became involved with Abby and her family.

The Marquarts are one of several families who benefit from the yearly Rawlins Shriners Scramble tournament at Rochelle Ranch Golf Course. This year’s two-day event begins Saturday. Hole sponsorships benefit the Rawlins Shrine Club transportation fund.

Abby had turned 10 when she was referred to Salt

Lake City’s Shriners Hospital in March 2014. At that point, she was dealing with a great deal of pain — “there were days she couldn’t stand and go to school,” Dan said — while continuing to walk while leaning forward. “They performed a full range of X-rays,” Dan said. “The hip joint wasn’t a concern, but she was significantly knock-kneed. It was determined that she had enflamed nerves over the top of the hip bone that were causing her to lean forward.

The doctors also discovered that she had a 14-degree lateral scoliosis bend in the spine.”

Shriners doctors determined that in order to straighten the knees, the inside growth plates inside the knee had to be restricted. “They brought us back to Salt Lake City in May (2014),” Dan said. “The doctors placed a figure-8-shaped titanium plate over the growth plates on the inside of the knee. What that did was freeze growth plates from working, while the outside plates continued to grow. Essentially over time, the knees would straighten out. They also removed a quarter-inch of nerve running over her hip bones. That relieved her pain and allowed her to straighten up — both with the knees and spine.”

Doctors noted that the surgery had to be performed before Abby realized a growth spurt. “The doctors said they had a small window to perform the procedure before

Abby grew anymore,” Dan said.

As it turned out for Abby, her body’s post-operation maturation was a blessing in disguise. “We were told the entire process would take 18 months to two years,” Dan said. “Abby went back for a follow-up last August, and we were shocked.” That’s when doctors discovered that because of being in the stage of growing, everything had straightened out.

“She was done with the plates and they were removed in September,” Dan said. “The pain she’d experienced as a youngster was gone. What was supposed to take 18 months, took four months.”

Though Abby’s condition had improved tenfold, the follow-up trips to Salt Lake City continue.

“The doctors want to make sure the growth doesn’t put things out of whack,” Dan said. “Abby has a check-up every six months, as well as getting local X-rays every three months.”

That’s when Dan began reaching out for local assistance.

It didn’t take long for local Shrine Past Potentate Rod Waeckerlin to get involved.

“I started poking around locally,” Dan said. “I hooked up with Rod pretty quickly. The local support of whatever we needed in terms of travel funds, or what need-

A Message From Your Public Relations Chairman

Dear Fellow Nobles,

Happy New Year to each one of you! We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and is rested and ready for the work ahead. But first, we just want to say – one more time – thank you for your dedication and commitment to both Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children® last year.

We firmly believe that gratitude and appreciation are extremely important and likely cannot be expressed too often.

A New Year is the perfect time to once again resolve to be an active participant in your fraternity and support the efforts of your local temple and the national office.

It is also very important that we support the work of our amazing health care system. Not every noble or temple is close enough to a Shriners Hospital to visit and volunteer, but there are plenty of ways every one of us can support our hospitals.

We can participate in fundraising events, help with patient referrals and work to raise awareness in our communities. Thousands of children are born each year with the conditions our hospitals care for and treat, still more sustain injuries we can help with. And yet, after more than 90 years, we still hear variations of “I didn’t know about Shriners Hospitals.”

We need to do more to raise awareness everywhere we can – individually and as an organization.

For the sixth consecutive year, our national efforts started on the very first day of the New Year, with our participation in the iconic Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, Calif. Viewers around the globe had the opportunity to see our float, Fezzy Races to Adventure, which featured a gigantic fire truck driven by Fezzy, our Love to the Rescue® ambassador and mascot.

The engaging float illustrated the commitment of Shriners Hospitals for Children to the overall health and well-being of their patients.

We are very proud of everyone who worked so hard to create the eye-catching, award-winning float.

The 91st edition of the East-West Shrine Game just concluded. This popular event also has the potential to raise awareness globally. In addition, it has strengthened our relationship with the NFL.

The NFL and Shriners Hospitals for Children collaborated in 2015 to create an All-Ability guide to encourage kids with disabilities to be more active, and to make it easier for them to participate in PLAY 60 events (PLAY 60 is an effort of the NFL that encourages kids to be active for 60 minutes each day.)

Proving that the East-

West Shrine Game truly is “more than just a game,” a PLAY 60 event was held during game week, helping to increase understanding of the abilities and needs of kids with disabilities.

The Rose Parade and East-West Shrine Game are also tremendous ways to bring our extended Shriners family together, and to share our story.

The potential impact of these two events is limitless.

As the New Year progresses, we will continue our efforts to make Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International household names through various forms of advertising, communications, events and outreach.

We will also depend on each of you to reach out and share your own stories on an individual level. If we all resolve to be active members and participants, and make the fraternity and philanthropy a priority in some way, each day, it will be a great year, and we will accomplish great things. Thank you for all that you do to support our two amazing organizations.

Yours in the faith,

Chris L. Smith

Deputy Imperial Potentate
Public Relations Chairman

2016 \$52 Club Ticket Sales

November 27th, 2015

Greetings and Salutations, Nobles!

In recapping our HUGE ticket sales success in 2015, I'd like to again thank all those who helped us surpass previous year's sales by approximately \$7,000! Without your involvement and without the support of Illustrious Sir Mike Reed, we would not have seen such success.

Funds available at the Business Meeting in October enabled the Divan to approve a major building expense. This expense not only provided repair, but potentially increased the property value of our Temple. The end result will also make the environment inside the Temple much more inviting and comfortable for members and guests.

In the spirit of raising the bar and striving to maintain this very positive pace, we are going to get an earlier start on our 2016 \$52 Club Ticket Sales. Our ticket distribution, sales period and ticket/money return strategy is summarized below:

- *December 12, 2015- TICKET SALES KICK OFF!!!! - Tickets will be distributed to Divan Members in Rawlins, WY at our Business Meeting.*
- *December 13-19, 2015 - I will be mailing remaining \$52 Club Tickets to your designated local Noble (who we will call your "\$52 Rep") for distribution to respective areas.*
- *December 12, 2015 – March 28, 2016- Ticket Sales Period*
- *March 28, 2016- Tickets and Money due. Turn in tickets and money to your "\$52 Rep". He will consolidate tickets/ proceeds and return to Frank no later than March 31, 2016.*

To improve checks and balances, we have streamlined this process. Once your tickets are sold, please submit tickets/ proceeds only back to the Noble that distributed them to you.

Our goal is to sell all 800 tickets, but it will take full participation. By kicking off the sales period this early, we are greatly increasing our chances of meeting this goal. For clubs that did not participate last year, I highly encourage you to take this opportunity and extra time to breathe excitement into the cause.

Let's take advantage of the excitement of this time of year, and the celebration of the incoming year to really kick this off. I thank you again for your participation, and look forward to seeing awesome sales results in the spring.

Yours in the faith,

Frank Selby
Assistant Chief Rabban

From the Chairman, Board of Trustees

As Shriners, our connection with Shriners Hospitals for Children is also a huge source of gratitude and thanksgiving. We are part of something that has a worldwide impact, and has provided hope, healing, compassion and expert care to children for more than 90 years. We want to thank the staff of our 22 hospitals and headquarters, and all of our volunteers. Whether in a supportive, administrative, medical, clinical or research position, your work is important to the children entrusted to our care. It takes every one of us to bring the mission statements of Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International to life.

Sometimes it's hard to see the difference that our efforts, from medical care to signature events, make.

But the difference – the impact – is real, and can be seen in the lives of the more than 1.2 million children we have helped since opening our first hospital in Shreveport, La., more than 90 years ago. And we continue to do all we can to continue to provide our patients with the best possible care, and to do it efficiently and effectively. Toward that end, several hospitals are undergoing changes:

***Canada** – The new hospital in Montreal opened on October 5, after a very successful dedication ceremony in August, attended by

more than 2,000 people, including the premier of Quebec. The hospital, with 22 single patient rooms and four surgical suites, gives us the opportunity to care for more patients, which is always a primary goal. I know Shriners throughout Canada are very proud of the new facility. We want to thank everyone who worked on the hospital project and the successful capital campaign. We want to thank our Imperial Potentate, Imperial Sir Jerry Gantt, who oversaw this project from beginning to end.

***Lexington** – construction of the new ambulatory surgery center and clinic that will be located on the campus of the Univ. of Kentucky and replace our Lexington hospital is under way; the “topping out” of the structural steel is set to take place on December 1. The anticipated opening date is the first quarter of 2017 – and we look forward to the opportunity to care for more children in the region. Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder is overseeing this project.

***Los Angeles** - A new medical center is being built in Pasadena, Calif., to replace our aging Los Angeles hospital. The new facility is located just south of Huntington Memorial, and the two hospitals will work together in a shared services partnership, which will greatly benefit the children in this region. Structural steel is now being set over

the underground parking and the “topping out” will take place in late January. Imperial Sir Chris Smith is overseeing the construction on this project.

***Honolulu** – We are currently adding seven parent housing units to accommodate a definite need. Many of our patients and families travel significant distances to receive care at our hospital, and, at the present time, we are forced to lodge the overflow of families at offsite locations, which is very costly. The Aloha Shriners were instrumental in receiving a grant that is covering over fifty percent of the cost of this project that will be completed in the spring of 2016.

When completed, all of these new facilities will help us operate more efficiently and give us the opportunity to care for more children, enhancing the mission and reputation of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

In terms of operating efficiently, we continue to work to reduce transportation costs, and unnecessary trips to the hospitals. We should be able to conduct follow-up visits and other routine appointments via telemedicine, and are working to make that happen more readily. Pilot programs at the Salt Lake City, Galveston and Philadelphia hospitals are under way that will lead to a system-

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From the Chairman, Board of Trustees (continued from previous page)

wide telemedicine program that will benefit all of our hospitals as well as reduce the cost of temple transportation. We hope to implement the system-wide program in 2017.

We take pride in being on the leading edge of medical technology, and providing the best care possible. Along those lines, our hospitals are implementing state-of-the-art EOS imaging systems. The EOS system provides the sharpest, full-body X-ray images that help ensure the best possible treatment plans and patient outcomes. Most importantly, the EOS system uses radiation doses that are approximately 85 to 90 percent lower than traditional X-rays. This is very important to us because orthopaedic patients, especially, undergo several X-rays throughout their often long-term care.

The machine has been installed in four of our hospitals with approval for ten other locations. In some cases, our hospitals have been the first in their regions to have this technology. It would be great to have this machine in all of our hospitals by the end of 2016. That would set us apart from others, and further our reputation as innovators in pediatric health care.

Another area that is significant to raising awareness is our signature events. The annual Shriners Hospitals for Children Open was held in November in Las Vegas. In addition to being a

prestigious golf tournament, the event is a perfect opportunity to showcase our two organizations. This year, 23 patients and former patients were part of the tournament in various ways – from being standard bearers to sharing their stories. We were honored to have these patients with us and be such an integral part of the tournament.

We have received so many appreciative comments from them, and from their families, but the reality is we need to thank them. Their presence was a powerful visual testament to the work of Shriners Hospitals for Children and to the potential of people with disabilities.

Televised on the Golf Channel, the tournament could be seen in more 70 countries, potentially reaching more than 200 million homes. In addition, the Open generated immense media coverage, and had a tremendous social media presence, with more than 750,000 impressions on Facebook and more than 2 million impressions on Twitter, involving more than 1.7 million accounts.

In other events, the Donor Development seminar recently concluded. The success of our DRTV (direct response television) advertising campaign is largely due to the leadership of the donor development team; and that effort will continue; a new set of ads will run throughout the holidays. We look forward to the donor development team fur-

ther improving and enhancing our fundraising efforts. The new ads have been available on YouTube, beginning Dec. 1. Here is the link: youtube.com/user/shrinershospitals.

Our Chicago hospital recently celebrated its 90th anniversary with a spectacular gala event, attended by many dignitaries, including the Governor of Illinois. We were honored by his presence, and proud that our hospital is clearly held in high regard.

Looking forward, we are preparing for the Leadership Conference. One important topic that will be discussed is increasing the effectiveness of our screening clinics. We will introduce new materials that will help the temples conduct screening clinics in their areas. It is important to remember that, as Shriners, we have a responsibility to Shriners Hospitals for Children, and must find the most effective ways to assist the health system.

We are thankful for each one of you, and your dedication to helping us fulfill the missions of both Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International. Most especially, we are thankful to have the opportunity to change the lives of so many children.

Yours in the faith,

Dale W. Stauss
President and Chairman
of the Board of Trustees

Casper Club Officer Installation

New Club Prez Dillon Reed (pictured below with his Lady Meghan) was installed in early December. Immediately right are the Club's Board of Directors for 2016.

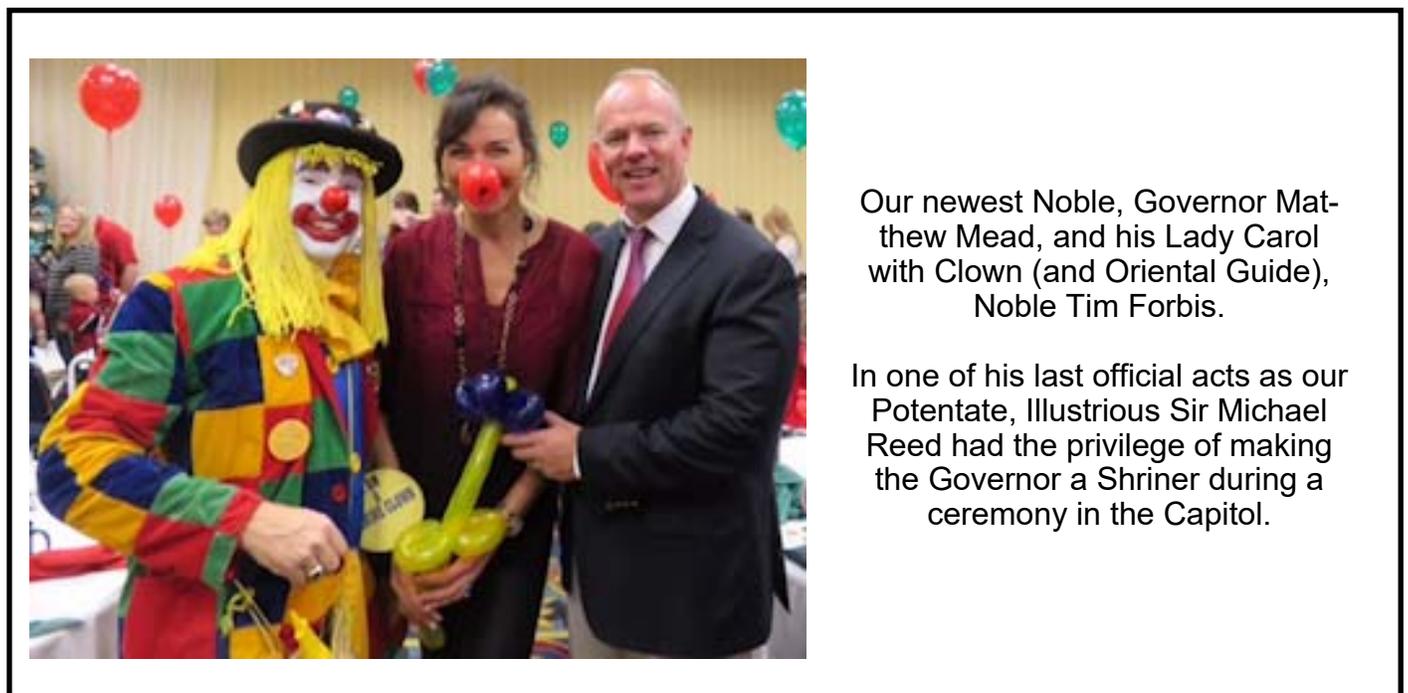


Cheyenne Club Officer Installation



Korein Shrine Installation





Our newest Noble, Governor Matthew Mead, and his Lady Carol with Clown (and Oriental Guide), Noble Tim Forbis.

In one of his last official acts as our Potentate, Illustrious Sir Michael Reed had the privilege of making the Governor a Shiner during a ceremony in the Capitol.

Rock Springs Shrine Club Hospital Donation



On October 19, 2015, members of the Rock Springs Shrine Club presented a check to be used towards purchasing a new custom van for the children of the hospital. The money donated came from several of our previous Jordan World Circus performances of which we put on each summer.

Thanks to local businesses and surrounding

mines and plants, we were able to present a check for thirty thousand dollars to the hospital board of directors.

Pictured left to right: Sonny Gold, Treasurer; Keith Santa, President; Albert Shedden, Vice President; Graham Taylor, and Bob Spicer, Treasurer of the Board of Directors; Leon Crockett, Chairman Board of Governors; and Kevin Martin, Administrator.

Local Girl to Benefit from Shriner Golf Outing (continued from page 5)

ed to happen in terms of getting contacts in that area, were first-rate. Rod took a special interest in making sure that surgery went well. It wasn't just a case of 'Here's a check, and good luck.' The Rawlins Shrine Club takes a genuine and sincere interest of wanting to be in the know," Dan said.

Waeckerlin said he and the Rawlins Shriners are always lifted by the personal stories of local Shriners Hospital patients. Abby Marquart's tale is no different.

"It's a wonderful story of Abby's recovery," Waeckerlin said. "The Shriners love doing this for the children."

Dan said when Abby had the plates removed, she had no fear upon her return to Salt Lake City. "On the first trip, Abby was nervous," Dan said. "The second trip, though, was so funny. When

it was time to take the plates out, she was a surgical veteran by then. She wasn't nervous at all about being put to sleep, like she was the first time.

These doctors know how to work with kids like this, several times a day. It's nice to know that you didn't have to be the reassuring parent. The doctors do a top-notch job of reassuring the child and the parents," Dan said.

"When you visit Shriners Hospital, you see so many young patients who are facing so much, from growth defects to traumatic injuries," Dan said. "We saw some burn victims, too. You see a lot of orthopedic work going on. The Shriners doctors do so much for those kids. It was overwhelming and a blessing to see."

Dan said Abby, who

was unavailable for comment, has made six visits to Salt Lake. Each trip, each contact and each experience delivers a new lesson for Abby, who's now 12. "It gave her a perspective on what goes on at a Shriners Hospital," Dan said. "She told me 'Some of those kids have it far, far worse than I do.'"

Abby continues to stretch the measuring tape, which the doctors closely monitor.

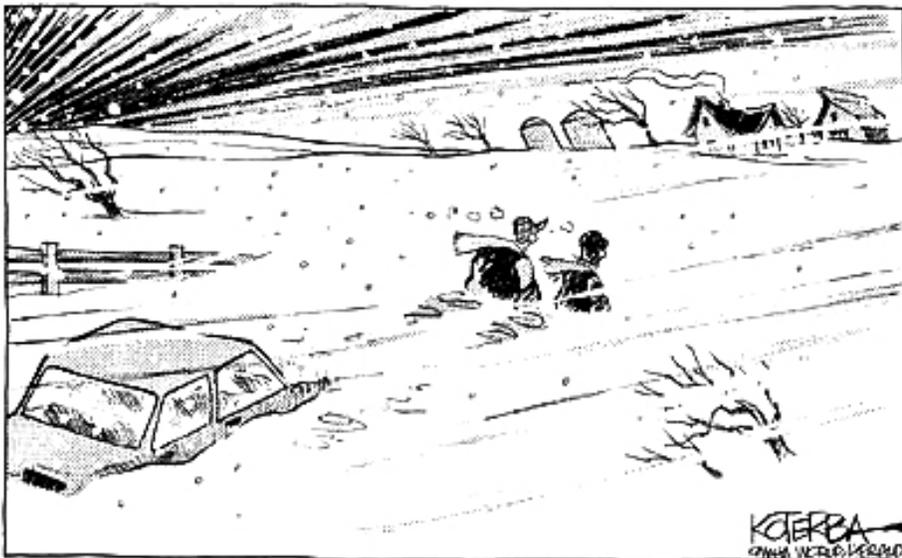
"They'll keep an eye on things," Dan said. "As for me, it's a good thing it's summer. It's hard to keep her in a pair of pants, she's growing so much."

This weekend, funds raised help those in need, such as the Marquart family.

"We can't thank them enough," Dan said. "The Rawlins Shriners have been so encouraging and helping in every aspect, which of course includes the financial portion. A hospital like Salt Lake City's is affiliated with their organization, which is there to help children. I can't thank them enough and it continues to be a blessing."

Thanks to the Rawlins Times and John Roark for allowing me to reprint Mr. Roark's article from last summer.

And thanks to PP Rod Waeckerlin for getting it forwarded.



"REPEAT AFTER ME: AT LEAST WE DON'T GET HURRICANES...
AT LEAST WE DON'T GET HURRICANES...AT LEAST...."

Burn Awareness Week Kicks Off in February

During the first full week of February, our public relations efforts emphasize Burn Awareness Week, the kickoff of a yearlong educational campaign aimed at burn awareness and prevention, including offering free educational materials via our website, beburnaware.org.

The items, including activity books and fact sheets, are designed to be a resource for firefighters, teachers, parents and others concerned with the safety and well-being of children. Many of the items are available in both English and Spanish.

Helping Children and Adults Be Burn Aware

The 2016 Burn Awareness campaign will begin the week of Feb. 7-13. We are

once again using the theme "Be Burn Aware," and focusing on preventing burn injuries in the home, because the vast majority of preventable burn injuries continue to occur in residences.

Homes are the sites of thousands of burn injuries to children every year, including scalds, fire-related injuries, and even electrical burns. Many of these incidents could have been easily prevented by following and implementing some basic safety tips.

Materials Emphasize Safety

The campaign features two child-friendly characters who showcase and share our messages. Boots and Brewster – a caped, cuddly bear and a googly-eyed teapot – are featured in activity books for children ages 3-7 and 8-12. The coloring pages, word

searches, cartoons and other activities are designed to grab children's attention and present the information in a memorable, age-appropriate manner.

The campaign also includes various tip sheets and materials that emphasize prevention of scalds, fire-related and electrical burns. New this year is an animated video featuring the clever pair, Boots and Brewster, which kids are sure to love.

In the new video, available on our website, the entertaining duo takes viewers on a fun and educational adventure to help them become more burn aware. All materials will be available for viewing and ordering at beburnaware.org. Resources for Shriners to Promote Burn Awareness Week can be found on [Shriners Village.com](http://ShrinersVillage.com).

The Astros Foundation and the Houston College Classic

The Astros Foundation and Shriners Hospitals for Children have announced a multi-year naming rights agreement for the annual Houston College Classic held at Minute Maid Park, renaming the tournament the Shriners Hospitals for Children College Classic.

The Astros Foundation will continue to operate the tournament, and will donate

\$1 from the sale of each ticket directly to Shriners Hospitals as well as provide other fundraising and awareness opportunities.

The Astros Foundation has also reached an agreement with MLB Network to air all nine games of the 2016 tournament. The Shriners Hospitals for Children College Classic will be played at Minute Maid Park, home of the

Houston Astros, Feb. 26-28, 2016.

This event is regarded as one of the top collegiate baseball tournaments in the nation, as it continues to draw fans, top-ranked programs and scouts from every major league organization each year. To purchase tickets go to:

astros.com/collegeclassic.

The 2016 East-West Shrine Game

Created by the Shriners in 1925, the East-West Shrine Game is the longest-running college all-star football game in the country. For more than 90 years, some of football's greatest athletes and coaches have contributed to what has become a time-honored tradition.

Another Great Game in the Books

The 91st East-West Shrine Game took place Saturday, Jan. 23, 2016, at Tropicana Field in beautiful and sunny St. Petersburg, Fla.

The memorable event was a great success, and we thank everyone for their support of the game, which is so important to Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Game day began with a classic Shriner-style Pre-Game Tailgate Party at 11:30 a.m., which included great food, refreshments, music and plenty of fun for the entire family.

The game officially kicked off at 4 p.m. EST, with 23,106 fans in the stands – our biggest attendance yet at Tropicana Field. The West was victorious, with a final score of 29–9. In an exciting all-star matchup, two performances stood out.

Oregon quarterback Vernon Adams Jr. accounted for more than 200 yards of offense, earning the William H. Coffman Award for Most Outstanding Offensive Play-

er.

The E. Jack Spaulding Award for Most Outstanding Defensive Player went to Wisconsin safety Mike Caputo, who grabbed two interceptions, returning one 67 yards to set up a West 24-yard field goal to end the first half.

More Than Just a Game

Every year, players and coaches participate in a game week tradition that takes place off the field – a visit to the local Shriners Hospitals for Children before the game.

On Sunday, Jan. 17, the players visited the Tampa Shriners Hospital, and experienced first-hand the true purpose of the East-West Shrine Game.

The event was also a time to recognize and honor both past and present East-West Shrine Game participants. The East-West Shrine Game Players'/Hall of Fame Banquet was held the Friday before the game, and was a wonderful and inspirational evening.

This year, Chris Chandler and Rickey Jackson, two athletes with long NFL careers that were preceded by East-West Shrine Game performances in the 1980s, were inducted into the East-West Shrine Game Hall of Fame.

Navy quarterback Keenan Reynolds was presented with the Pat Tillman Award, in honor of his achievements

and conduct on and off the football field.

Broadcast on NFL Network, the East-West Shrine Game generates massive exposure and interest in both Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International, and is one of our most important events and traditions.

We thank everyone involved in the 2016 East-West Shrine Game, including all our staff, volunteers, players and coaches, and all of those who either watched the game from the stands or at home. We are proud of all of our 2016 players, wish them the very best and look forward to watching their performance in the NFL Combine and NFL Draft this season.

If you missed the game this year, be sure to start planning now to be part of the next East-West Shrine Game experience. We look forward to seeing each of you there next year.

For more information about the game, please visit shrinegame.com

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52 Club Winners

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------|--------------|
| Jan 1 New Years Day | \$200.00 | Peggy Jereb | Rock Springs |
| Jan 2 | \$100.00 | Chris Ransom | Casper |
| Jan 9 | \$100.00 | Todd Ingram | Casper |
| Jan 16 | \$100.00 | Nicole Wade | Laramie |
| Jan 23 | \$100.00 | Walt Bond | Casper |
| Feb 6 | \$100.00 | Bill Cowley | Cheyenne |
| Feb 7 Super Bowl | \$100.00 | Miles Bennett | Greybull, |
| Feb 13 | \$100.00 | Al Snedden | RockSprings |
| Feb 20 | \$100.00 | Earl Sanford | Casper, |
| Feb 27 | \$100.00 | Jonathan Carrier | Cheyenne, |
| March 5 | \$100.00 | Hank Estevo | Casper |
| March 12 | \$100.00 | Dick Yates | Torrington |
| March 19 | \$100.00 | Gary Whiting | Cheyenne |
| March 26 | \$100.00 | Dale Brackenrich | Casper |
| April 1 April Fools Day | \$100.00 | Wayne Flagg | Cheyenne |

From the Grand Secretary

Brothers,

You have no doubt heard of the terrorist threat that was thwarted by law enforcement officials in Wisconsin. The would-be terrorist planned to attack a Masonic building which housed the Scottish Rite Language Clinic and kill everyone in sight.

In light of this information, Most Worshipful Grand Master Mike Johnson has directed all Lodges to tile

accordingly; and the section of the ritual instructing all Masons to bring nothing offensive or defensive into the Lodge should be tempered with using proper caution in a world where a direct external threat exists.

Fraternally,

Beynon St. John
Grand Secretary
Grand Lodge of Wyoming



North Roster as of January 22nd

| | | | |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Brice Beisher | Big Horn | Cody Wilkinson | Natrona |
| Collin Powers | Big Horn | | County |
| Trey Schroefel | Buffalo | Wes Richner | Natrona |
| Dalton Holst | Campbell | | County |
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| | County | Baylor Beers | Riverton |
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| Caleb Hett | Natrona | | |
| | County | | |

Coaches for Shrine Bowl 2016

The Board of Directors and John Cundall, the Executive Director, of the Shrine Bowl of Wyoming are pleased to announce that the coaching staffs for the 43rd Annual Wyoming Shrine Bowl Football game to be played June 11th, 2016, in Casper at NCHS have been completed.

The head coaches for the respective North and South Teams have picked these coaches to assist them.

North Coaching Staff

Jon Vance - HC Kelly Walsh 4A
 Ryan Meyers - - AC Kelly Walsh 4A
 Rob Hammond - - AC Buffalo 3A
 Marty Wrage - - AC Greybull 2A
 Tony Truemptlet - - AC Shoshoni 1A
 Andy Ray - - AC Ten Sleep 1A

South Coaching Staff

Mark Lenhardt - - HC Torrington 3A
 Russell Stienmetz - - AC Torrington 3A
 Drew Severn - - AC Cheyenne Central 4A
 Aaron Makelkey - - AC Big Piney 2A
 Will Gray - - AC Pine Bluffs 1A
 Michael Bates - - AC Little Snake River 1A

Go South!!!

Black Camel

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Davis C. Foose | 6/26/15 | Dr. Rodney Rutt | 11/10/15 |
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| Robert C. Gittinger | 7/27/15 | Raymond Lee Malody | 12/30/15 |
| Hiram W. Thompson | 10/24/15 | Harry B Neeff | 12/11/15 |
| Robert Halliburton | 8/2/15 | | |
| Harold L. Kelly | 9/30/15 | | |
| William A. Rosensweig | 1/14/15 | | |

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South Roster as of January 22nd

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------|
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| William Shafer | Big Piney | | River |
| Jake Brownell | Cheyenne | Kyle Jeffres | Pine Bluffs |
| | Central | Caleb Raney | Pinedale |
| Jacob Carbaugh | Cheyenne | Brett Penman | Rawlins |
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