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Potentate's Message



At our Winter Ceremonial in New Bern, we were blessed with (55) Candidates, (4) Affiliates and (2) Associates. Please remember to continue to mentor each one of our new candidates and invite them to join Sudan's Clubs and Units.

The Leadership Seminar was held in Wilson on Saturday, February 6th and I would like to personally thank Teeny Jones and Cale Grady for their presentation. There was a good attendance from the Clubs and Units and information was given to them to make their year successful. Thank you each and everyone who participated.

Lady Karen and I are very grateful to the Elizabeth City Shrine Club for their hospitality at the annual "Venison Feast" on February 13th, honoring the newly elected Potentate and his Lady and the appointed Outer Guard and his Lady. James Carawan gave an informative presentation, bringing to everyone's attention the need for new membership, working on NPD's and getting the message out to the public as to what we do as shriners.

Nobles, on Sunday, February 21st the Potentate's Reception was held at the Cumberland County Shrine Club in Fayetteville. Lady Karen and I would like to thank the Cumberland County Shrinettes for their contribution for the reception, "Thank you". We would also like to give a great

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word of praise and thank you to the Sudan Playboys and their ladies for catering the reception. Nobles and Ladies, the food and decorations were outstanding. I would like to thank everyone for attending. The support and attendance were greatly appreciated.

Our Spring Ceremonial will be held in Fayetteville on May 14-15. The three clubs: Cumberland County, Hope Mills, Fayetteville and their Shrinettes are now hard at work to make this Ceremonial a great success. Please make plans to attend.

As most of you are aware, Buddy Shaw, Director Emeritus has been in the hospital since February 4th. As of today's date, he has shown great improvement, but no date of his release yet. If you get a moment, please send him a card. Howard Shaw, Wake Med, 3000 New Bern Ave., Raleigh, NC 27610. Our thoughts and prayers have been with him and Virginia.

Remember Nobles - "Help the Kids Win in 2010"

Sincerely and fraternally,

Michael G. "Mike" Farrell
 Potentate

Club & Unit News for March

5	Dunn Clowns - Spring Fling Dance w/Holiday Band - Contact: Donald Smith @ 910-892-5362
8	Playboys - Catering at Cumberland Co. S/C
9	Playboys - Catering at Sampson Co. S/C
11	Hillbillies 2 - Pancake & Sausage Breakfast - Contact: Earle Balkcum @ 910-579-7410
11	Hillbillies 2 - Hillbilly Initiation - Contact: Earle Balkcum @ 910-579-7410
13	Pamlico Co. S/C - Oyster Roast - Contact: Bob Sanders @ 252-745-3647
13	Pitt Co. S/C & Desert Rats - Car Show - Greenville Convention Center - Contact: Mike Robinson @ 252-321-7000
13	St. Patricks Day Parade - Wilmington - Drum & Bugle Corps
19, 20, 21	Elizabeth City S/C - Mystery Dinner Theater - Contact: Burnette Forbes @ 252-336-4739
20	Tomcats - Pheasant Hunt - Contact: Dayton Wilson @ 910-272-9530
25	Cart Caravan - Annual Golf Tournament - Contact: George Avery @ 252-527-3059
26	Harnett Co. S/C - BBQ - Contact: Dewayne Lee @ 910-893-5475
26	Roanoke Chowan S/C - BBQ Chicken - Contact: Dick Collier @ 252-539-2861
26-27-28	Horse Patrol - Trail Ride at Fraizer Farm at Aventon - Contact: Allan Harper @ 252-238-3246
26 - 27	SASA Mid-Winter - Savannah, GA
27	Seymour Johnson AFB - Garden Show - Mini Rigs

I RIDE SO CHILDREN CAN WALK CHALLENGE



I ride so children can walk is a fundrasier by the Elizabeth City Shrine Club. Noble Syd Hill will be riding a touring bicycle across the Southern United States. We as a club will be collecting donations for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Noble Hill will fly to San Diego, California on March 2, 2010 and then ride his bike back to Camden, North Carolina. Progress across the country will be tracked on two websites, 1) www.ecshrineclub.com and 2) www.facebook.com/i_ride_so_children_can_walk. The journey will take 65 riding days and up to 10 rest days from March 3 to May 16, 2010. The event has been kicked off with newspaper and television interviews. Additional interest is being generated by posters placed all over the city and counties and by the Facebook site. This is the first time that a member of the Elizabeth City Shrine Club has undertaken such a feat. Our club has set a goal of collecting at least a dollar per mile – a minimum of \$3800. The club is also issuing a challenge to other Sudan clubs and units to match our goal of a minimum of \$1 per mile. Please Contact Barnette Forbes at **252.619.4627** if your club or unit is interested in taking on our challenge.

Schedule of Events 2010

March 10 - 14	Oriental Guide Seminar - Tampa
March 14 - 18	Assistant Rabban Seminar - Tampa
March 26 - 27	SASA Mid-Winter Savannah, GA
May 14 - 15	Spring Ceremonial Board of Directors / Trustees Meeting, Widows Fund & Stated Meetings Fayetteville, NC
June 5	6th Annual Charity Ride & Poker Run
July 4 - 8	136th Imperial Session Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Sept. 11	Cold Sands Ceremonial Board of Directors / Trustees, Widows Fund & Stated Meetings Sudan Shrine temple
Sept. 16 - 19	SASA Annual Convention Myrtle Beach, SC
Nov. 19 - 20	Fall Ceremonial Board of - Directors / Trustees Meeting Widows Fund & Stated Meetings Dunn, NC
Dec. 18	74th Shrine Bowl Game Spartanburg, SC



Hillbilly Clan # 58 Outhouse 2

What: Initiation Thursday, March 11, 2010

Where: South Brunswick Island Shrine Club

Time: 7:00pm

This event is open to all Nobles of Sudan Shriners.

The cost is \$35.00 and the ladies are invited to join also, at a cost of \$15.00.

Refreshments will be served after Initiation.

Please contact Earle Balkcum at 910-579-7410 or e-mail ebalkcum@atmc.net



SUDAN CART CARAVAN
of Lenoir County Shrine Club
8TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

THURSDAY, **MARCH 25, 2010** (Rain Date April 1, 2010)

Shotgun Start at 1:00 pm
 Four Man Superball
 \$70 Per Player
 Includes one Red Tee Buster and Two Mulligans

Place: **Falling Creek Country Club**
2359 Falling Creek Rd.
Kinston, NC 28504

A Player _____ Hdcp _____ Pd _____
 B Player _____ Hdcp _____ Pd _____
 C Player _____ Hdcp _____ Pd _____
 D Player _____ Hdcp _____ Pd _____

Cooked on the Course - BBQ available for lunch and during the tournament
 Free refreshments available on course

Merchandise Certificates for first, second and third place

Gross	1 st \$300	2 nd \$200	3 rd \$100
***Net	1 st \$300	2 nd \$200	3 rd \$100

**Net receives 10% of total handicap

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Sudan Cart Caravan Golf
 PO Box 412
 Kinston, NC 28502

Tee Box Sponsor signs \$100.00

Name on Tee Box _____ Pd _____
 Address of tee box sponsor _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Cart Caravan Member _____

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Shine Ham 252-560-1926 - Cale Grady 252-560-275 -
 George Avery 252-559-2834

Proceeds Are For The Benefit of Sudan Cart Caravan and are not Tax Deductible

*Sudan Cart Caravan "Carting for the Kids"
 "We ride so Kids can Walk"*



Hillbilly Clan No. 58

What: Initiation March 13, 2010

Where: Cumberland County Shrine Club

Time: 5:00pm

This event is open to all Nobles of Sudan Shriners.

The cost is \$35.00 and the ladies are invited to join also, at a cost of \$15.00.

A Hillbilly Dinner will be served - \$5.00 per person or \$7.00 per couple.

If interested, please contact:

John R. Franklin - HP: 910-425-0022 or CP: 910-489-9600 or Bill Ivey Sr. - HP: 910-822-1905.

Petitions will be accepted at the door, but it would be nice to have a headcount prior to that day.

The Shamrock

The Shamrock, at one time called the "Seamroy", symbolizes the cross and blessed trinity. Before the Christian era it was a sacred plant of the Druids of Ireland because its leaves formed a triad. The well known legend of the Shamrock connects it definitely to St. Patrick and his teaching. Preaching in the open air on the doctrine of the trinity, he is said to have illustrated the existence of the Three in One by plucking a shamrock from the grass growing at his feet and showing it to his congregation. The legend of the shamrock is also connected with that of the banishment of the serpent tribe from Ireland by a tradition that snakes are never seen on trefoil and that it is a remedy against the stings of snakes and scorpions. The trefoil in Arabia is called shamrakh and was sacred in Iran as an emblem of the Persian triads. The trefoil, as noted above, being a sacred plant among the Druids, and three being a mystical number in the Celtic religion as well as all others, it is probable that St. Patrick must have been aware of the significance of his illustration.



Shriners Classic Car Show

Hosted by Pitt County Shrine Center
Saturday, March 13th
(Rain date, March 14th)



The Greenville Convention Center
Registration 9-11am
Judging @ 3pm
Cars, Trucks & Motorcycles
25 years & older

Awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd
from each Class

For Information Contact:
Barry Mitchell
252-452-0033

*Proceeds are for the Benefit of the Shriners
Hospitals for Children*

Dunn Clowns Fundraiser



*The Sudan Dunn Clowns are
having a fundraiser on Friday, March 5th
at 6pm at the Dunn Shrine Center.*

*A steak dinner and live band (The Holiday
band, beach music) plus a \$200 cash
giveaway.*

*Doors open and the meal is served from 6pm to
7:30pm.*

The band starts at 8pm to 12 midnight.

Tickets are \$25 per person.

*At 7:30pm any available tickets will be at the door for
\$15 with no meal or cash drawing.*

**CALL JC Wood at 910-391-4299 FOR YOUR
TICKETS**