



ALGONQUIN SHRINE CLUB



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NEWSLETTER

January 2014

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Executive Meeting
January 8, 2014, 10:00 AM
Wilberforce Legion
General Meeting
January 21, 2014 - Wilberforce Legion
Meet and Greet 6:00 PM - Dinner 6:30 PM
Ladies Welcome at all meetings

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK . . .

Hi Nobles;

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Now that the holidays are over we can get down to business once again. This is the last time I will be writing the president's message for the bulletin. The year has flown by and I thank everyone for their support.

We had a great turnout for the Christmas meeting. Thanks to Nobles Eric Mueller and John Deak for chairing the meeting and for their "fun" entertainment. Also thanks to our musicians for the song fest after the meeting.

Congratulations to Noble Ed Otto on receiving the "Shriner of the Year" award. Also congratulations to Barry Robb and his executive. I'm sure they'll do a great job with the support of the finest club in Ont. We may be small but we're mighty. The cake sales are over and I thank everyone who helped make it another great success.

For the year 2014 -
May your troubles be less,
your blessings be more
and nothing but happiness
come through your door.
Thanks again Nobles for a great year.

Noble Ron Mark - President



Nobles;

I trust you all had a wonderful celebration of the Christmas season with family and friends and that the New Year finds you healthy and happy.

First let me say it is an honour and a privilege to represent the Algonquin Shrine Club as your President for the ensuing year and I thank you for that opportunity.

I would also like to thank the outgoing executive for their tireless efforts on behalf of the club and in particular Noble President Ron Mark for his guidance and support over the past year. Also, congratulations and thanks are extended to those Nobles who have agreed to serve as officers.

I have chosen as my theme for the year "Rekindle The Flame" as a result of my trip to the hospital in Erie. I found it to be a profound and uplifting experience which renewed my enthusiasm for the work we do for the children. Let us then consider this a year of renewal where we challenge ourselves to revisit our commitment to Shrinedom and remember our reasons for becoming a Shriner.

Congratulations also to Noble Ed Otto for being chosen Shriner of the year.

Finally, I would like to thank you on behalf of Lady Susan and myself for the very warm welcome we received upon joining the Algonquin Shrine Club.

Noble Barry Robb
President, Algonquin Shrine Club.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 11, 2014
Annual Meeting/Elections
Rameses Shrine Centre
(still Keele St.)

January 18, 2014
Belleville Shrine Club
Installation of Officers

June 12 - 15, 2014
Spring Ceremonial
Sudbury, ON.



Executive Meeting Minutes

Dec. 11, 2013



No meeting due to inclement weather.

Sick and Visiting

Noble Larry MARLOWE underwent outpatient surgery. Recovering at home.
Noble Frank WILSON brought greetings on behalf of Noble Al BELSON.

Directory Update

Remove:

Noble Keith BROWN (demit)
Noble Dwayne FULFORD (demit)
Noble Ed MacINNIS (demit)

The Algonquin Shrine Club had a Special Occasion at our Christmas meeting. It is rare that a Shrine Club would have two members as presiding D.D.G.M.s at the same time.

*L.to R: Treasurer Dean Linton, R.W. Bro. John Deak, D.D.G.M. of Victoria District, R.W. Bro. Eric Mueller, D.D.G.M. of Prince Edward District each receiving a \$100.00 cheque from Pres. Noble Ron Mark for their District Projects. (Victoria--Prostate Cancer; Prince Edward--Bladder Cancer Scanner Machine) and in-coming President Noble Barry Robb.
by Noble Frank Wilson*



The Algonquin Shrine Club held its Christmas meeting on December 17, 2013 and at that meeting Noble Ed Otto was named Shriner of the Year, for our Shrine Club. Congratulations from all the members of the Algonquin Shrine Club.



General Meeting Minutes

Dec. 17, 2013

The meeting was called to Order at 6:30 PM by Noble President Ron MARK. Attendance as per register. Special guests were: Lady Rose BRUCE, Chrissy BRUCE (daughter) and Karin CARR (Rose's sister). The meeting was opened as per the traditional Opening Ceremonies, then called off for the dinner.

Meeting Resumed

Noble President Ron MARK introduced the two Chairmen for the evening, who were Noble Eric MUELLER, District Deputy Grand Master of Prince Edward District and Noble John DEAK, District Deputy Grand Master of Victoria District. In his introductions Noble President MARK cited this as a very unique pleasure for a Club to have two Grand Lodge Officers as members.

The two Chairmen alternated with the introductions of the Head Table, Secondary Head Table and the Special guests. Both then conducted a series of Christmas theme jokes and skits in a Laurel and Hardy format.

Gavel returned to Noble President Ron MARK. Each were presented with a cheque, in the amount of \$100.00, for their respective District Projects.

Business

It was moved by Noble Dave EARLE, second by Noble Dave REEVES, that any business be tabled to the next General meeting due to the special Christmas entertainment. Carried.

Cakes

Noble Wayne WIGGINS recognized and thanked the BRUCE family for their diligent sale of cakes throughout the season. This was followed by a warm round of applause.

Shriner of the Year

Noble President Ron MARK announced Noble Ed OTTO as Shriner of the Year. He ensured that the Legion was opened for the Executive meetings and provided the Legion Ladies with a headcount for the dinners. He always worked behind the scenes and was ready to assist at any time. Noble OTTO was at a lost for words (unusual for him as he said) but thanked Noble President MARK and the Nobles for this honour, followed by a standing round of applause.

Noble Jim WILLIAMS commended Noble President Ron MARK for his hard and dedicated work as President for the year. This was followed by a standing round of applause by all. Noble President MARK thanked Jim for his kind words and thanked all for their dedication and assistance throughout the year. He wished all a Merry Christmas on behalf of himself and his Lady Margaret.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM – followed by a musical rendition from Nobles Jack HOGARTH, Hald ROBINSON and Wayne WIGGINS.



DUES

***Nobles are reminded that dues were to be paid by December 1st before penalty.
Dues are now \$55.00.***



Victoria District

January 17th
February 11th

AROUND THE DISTRICTS

Verulan Lodge
Faithful Brethren Lodge

Installation
Official Visit

Prince Edward

January 20th
January 23rd

Franck Lodge
Consecon Lodge

Installation
Installation



COMMITTEES

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Larry Donaldson
R. Paul Johnson
Eric Mueller
Charles Mullett
Ed Otto
John Deak

Membership & Newsletter

Dave Earle
Barry Robb

100 Million Dollar Club

John Deak

Sick and Visiting All Shriners

Hospital

Barry Robb
Ron Mark
Ted Bateman
Frank Wilson
Andy Gray

PR

Charles Mullett

Lottery Tickets Larry Donaldson

Fruit Cakes

R. Paul Johnson
Ron Mark
Barry Robb
Ted Bateman
Wayne Wiggins
Larry Donaldson

Golf TBA

Float

Hald Robinson
Ed Otto

E-mail

Correspondence

Barry Robb
Dave Earle

ATV UNIT **Executive**

Chairman

Larry Donaldson

Vice-Chairman Mel Smith

Secretary-Treasurer Dean Linton

"FROM THE DESK OF YOUR AMBASSADOR"

Greetings Nobles

I bring you greetings from Ill. Potentate Terry Lamping and his Lady Joyce.

Christmas is gone and the New Year is upon us. We must all now work towards new fund raising efforts so that we may continue our good work.

January the 11th will see a new Potentate installed and new Club President. Please make the time to come to Toronto and support your new President and Potentate. Also congratulations to Noble Wayne Rose and his appointment as Ambassador-at-Large for Rameses Temple to Egypt Temple in Florida. His appointment will take effect upon the Installation of Terry Fulton as our new Ill Potentate for 2014.

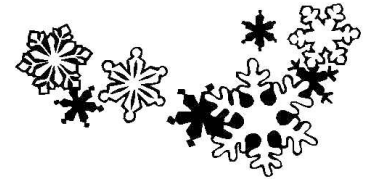
Shriners Hospitals for Children Charity has received a 4-STAR rating from Charity Navigators, putting us in the top 25% of charities in North America.

Also check out <http://10millioncharitymiles.com/> after January the 3rd to see how we made out in this year's voting. On December 31st we were first with Rotary International behind us by only 3,000 votes.

April the 12th is the Potentates' Ball at the Yorkdale Inn. This year the accommodations and the dinner are at the hotel.

Looking forward to seeing you all at Wilberforce for the next meeting January 21st.

Noble Ambassador,
Sean Cook



The Chaplain's Corner – Noble Rev. Larry A. Marlowe

This is my last message that I will be placing in the newsletters as your Chaplain. Your "new" Chaplain is Noble Andy Gray.

I have enjoyed being your chaplain but I feel it is time to take a break. During my four years I have met some interesting people outside the club who have shown an interest by reading some of my thoughts. Some were surprised that we carried a religious theme as a club which is known for parades with little cars and floats and other fun things.

And another thought that surprised me was that we are all thought of as rich folks. Why? Because it takes money to buy those mini bikes and we always seem to be dressed to the nines. And how can we have so many hospitals if we didn't have lots of money to keep them going? In mid December I had my last inquiry on the subject. I explained in part to him that there were donations from people just like him and me who all helped pay for the upkeep when we purchased the cakes we sold at Christmas time with the money going directly to the Sick Kids hospital in Montreal and explained the concern for the physical well being and the mental health of children in special need of physical assistance and healing.

Sometimes I personally feel that we don't stress that part enough to our communities.

There are those youths who could avail themselves of the services available through Shriners if they knew (or their parents knew) of the availability of what we can give to them.

It is a new year. May the G.A.O.T.U. recall to our minds daily our concerns for the children in need.

Noble Larry

