



ALGONQUIN SHRINE CLUB



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NEWSLETTER

February 2026

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Executive Meeting
February 17, 2026 – 5:00 PM
Wilberforce Legion

Note: Executive Committee have changed their meeting to the same night as the General meetings. 30 minutes earlier.

General Dinner Meeting
February 17, 2026 – Wilberforce Legion
5:30 PM Zem Zem
6:00 PM Dinner
Ladies are Welcome at all Meetings

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 11 - 14th
Spring Ceremonial
Huntsville, ON

Parades

June 13th
Huntsville
Ceremonial

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK . . .

Greetings Nobles and Ladies:

I would like to thank you Nobles for allowing me to be your President.

I will endeavour to continue working with the Nobles for the benefit of our Shriners Hospital For Kids.

It was a pleasure have Ill. Sir John and Lady Barbara attend our meeting.

Thank you Ill Sir for your dedicated service installing me as President and our Executive for 2026.

A special thank you to the Belleville Shrine Nobles for attending our meeting.

It is always a pleasure to see everyone.

Nobles please remember our Executive meeting will be prior to our General meeting at 5:00pm. Thank you.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting.

President Jim and Lady Jean



"Working For Shriners Hospital For Kids"

COMMITTEES

Public Relations

Dinners
Ed OTTO

News Letter/Website
Dave EARLE

Membership
All Members of Algonquin
Shrine Club

100 Million Dollar Club
Tom HAYWARD
Sick and Visiting
All Members of Algonquin
Shrine Club

Rameses Lottery Tickets
Dave EARLE

Hospital
Dave REEVES
Wayne WIGGINS

Housing Chairman
Dave MOUNT

Golf Tournament
Dave REEVES
Dave MOUNT

Float Transportation
Hal ROBINSON
Dave REEVES

Fund Raising Ideas
All Members of Algonquin
Shrine Club

UNITS

Rock Hounders ATV Unit

Chairman
Vaughn LLOYD
1st Vice Chair
Tom HAYWARD
Treasurer

Clown Unit
Wayne WIGGINS
(Ding-A-Ling)
Chairman
Noble Dave EARLE
(Harley)
1st Vice Chair
Tom HAYWARD
Treasurer



"FROM THE DESK OF YOUR AMBASSADOR"

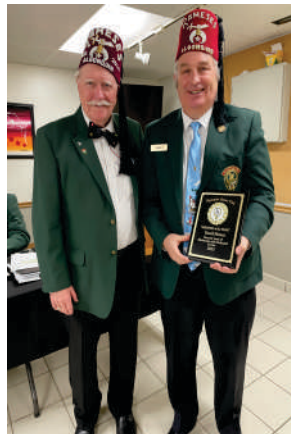
I bring you greetings from our POTENTATE
ILLUSTRIOUS JOHN SLESSOR.

We are sure experiencing an old fashion winter,
with LOTS of Snow and COLD
TEMPERATURES.

I would like to thank our nobles and ladies that
attended our January Dinner meeting, on such
a cold night. Thank you to our Potentate
ILLUSTRIOUS JOHN SLESSOR, accompanied
by his Lady Barbara, for joining us for Dinner
and installing our 2026 Executive, headed by
President Noble Jim Burke.

I wish to thank the Four Nobles and Lady from Belleville Shrine Club that
made the trip to Wilberforce to join us for Dinner.

AMBASSADOR WAYNE WIGGINS



Executive Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2026

The meeting was called to Order at 10:00 AM by Noble President Barry ROBB, with 8 Nobles present.

Regrets: Noble Dave EARLE

Minutes – none presented

Correspondence – none presented

Treasurer's Report – moved by Noble Tom HAYWARD, second by Noble Dave REEVES, the report be presented as circulated. Carried

Cakes – a great success thanks to Noble Ambassador Wayne WIGGINS. All cakes were sold with profits of \$10217.00, \$3606.00 net, donations of \$1521.85. Net profit of \$5127.85

Golf – Tournament set for June 26th

Top Up – Foodland will be available to do a Top Up event again

New Business

Some discussions with moving our General Meetings to noon but decided to remain the same for now

Some discussions with moving the Executive Meetings to half hour before the General meetings. It was decided we try it, effective our February meeting

Float – repairs have been completed by NC Boys at a cost of \$1000.00. Now more repairs needed for lights, speakers, decorations, flags and new skin replacement.

Adjourned at 11:00 AM

BLACK CAMEL

A moment of silence was called in memory of the passing of the following Noble:



Noble C. James WILLIAMS

Passed to Grand Lodge Above January 16, 1026

President 2010 Shiner of the Year 2009

We Cherish Their Memories - We Mourn Their Loss

PASSING OF FORMER LADY



**Anne GRAY passed on January 5, 2026.
She was the wife of Former Noble Andy GRAY
a long time member of this Club.**



General Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2026

The meeting was called to Order at 6:00 PM by Noble President Barry ROBB. Attendance as per the Register. The meeting was opened as per the traditional Shrine protocol, then called off for the dinner.

Meeting Resumed

Noble President Barry ROBB welcomed all citing one of his 'Dirty Harry' jokes. He introduced the head table, which included the incoming Potentate, Ill Sir John SLESSOR, and his Lady Barbara. Other special visitors were Nobles and Ladies from Belleville Shrine Club.

Regular Business

Moved by Noble David MOUNT, second by Noble Tom HAYWARD, all business be tabled. Carried

Installation

Noble President Barry ROBB presented the gavel to Ill Sir John SLESSOR in order to conduct the Installation.

The following Nobles were installed to their respective positions:

President	Noble Jim BURKE
1st Vice	Noble Dave REEVES
2nd Vice	Noble Al FRANSKY
Secretary	Noble Dave EARLE (absent – to be installed later)
Treasurer	Noble Tom HAYWARD
Directors	Nobles Dean LINTON, David MOUNT, Ed OTTO, Barry ROBB
Auditors	Nobles Dean LINTON, Ed OTTO

Ill Sir John SLESSOR declared all, with the exception of the Secretary, as duly installed. He returned the gavel to Noble President Jim BURKE.

A moment of silence was observed for the passing of Noble Jim WILLIAMS.

Noble President Jim BURKE and Lady Jean presented gifts to Ill Sir John SLESSOR and his Lady Barbara. Also gifts to Noble Barry ROBB and his Lady Judy.

Ill Sir John SLESSOR congratulated the new Officers and wished them well for a successful year. He mentioned that the Rameses website is in the works for an update.

Adjourned at 8:45 PM

