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# *Potentate's Message*

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## **Gerald W. Lower** *Potentate*



With Christmas and New Year's behind us, I hope your holidays were happy ones with time celebrating with friends and family.

The time has come to thank Illustrious Sir Ken and Lady Delores for their hard work and all they have accomplished in the year of 2016. I would also like to thank our Divan for the great work done in 2016.

Being elected to the position of Potentate brings with it a great responsibility, which I am ready to accept. Lady Sandy and I have a great respect for the chair and for Jaffa. Our theme for 2017 is "Celebration Time – C-Mon". The theme has a two-fold purpose; first my election to Potentate and second we are celebrating her fifth year clear of breast cancer. So you see, it's a little personal. We would like for the nobility and ladies to join us this year as we celebrate.

My goals this year are probably no different than some year's past – membership, capital campaign fund, and I would like to add Shrine Clubs to the agenda. All three of the aforementioned programs are in dire need of attention.

A few words about the Potentate's Reception on April 1<sup>st</sup> – I would like a full evening of events from the crescent to some units performing and then returning to the banquet hall to dance the night away with ARNIE, the singing D.J. The Legion of Honor had ARNIE a few years until he moved to Florida. He has agreed to come back for our special night. A great time will be had by all. I personally guarantee it.

Our trip to the Great Smokey Mountains looks like a good possibility. We have had a lot of interest so far. The great fire damage was mostly cottages and cabins on the outskirts of our destinations. The tourist centers assured us of a great trip. An informational meeting for the trip is scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup> in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Lounge at 7 p.m.

With our next publication, Lady Sandy and I are looking forward to a great year.

Yours in the faith,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerry Lower".

Potentate Jerry Lower



*Be active in Jaffa, join a Unit or Club*



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# FROM JAFFA'S UNITS & CLUBS



I trust everyone had a wonderful Christmas. Wishing all a happy, healthy and safe 2017.

The Legion elected officers for the year 2017 are the following; Commander William J. Sheehan Jr., 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Cmdr. Harry L. Chirdon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Cmdr. Is Thomas L. Cook, Adjutant is Robert A. Verbonitz, P.C. Finance Officer is Raymond D. Berkheimer, Financial Officer is Leon Collins, P.C.-PCMASA and Chaplain is Charles "Tim" Lightner, P.C. The Drill Team Officers will be Earl G. Aurandt as Captain, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. is Robert A. Verbonitz, P.C.; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. is Barry A. Leonard and the Warrant Officer will be Thomas J. Noland, P.C.

On behalf of all Legion members and myself. I would like to offer our congratulations to the 2017 Divan. The Potentate, Chief Rabban and Assistant Rabban are Legion nobles. I pledge our support to them all for the ensuing year.

Many Legion nobles (LN) have paid their 2017 dues and for that I'm grateful and appreciative, but have heard nothing from those who have yet to pay their 2016 dues. Please read your dues card for the expiration date. Call me if you are not sure (814-696-1326).

Just a reminder; we have to pay dues to M.A.S.A. Legion of Honor as well as \$2.00 per member to International L.O.H. That takes a big chunk out of our treasury.

I'm sorry to report that since my last report the Black Camel has taken from our ranks Illustrious Sir Donald F. Sharer on November 2, 2016. Don had been Potentate in 2006 and a Legion member since June 1966. Also, taken was Illustrious Sir David A. Holland on December 9, 2016. Dave was Potentate in 1999 and a Legion member since 1967. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

Our Past Commanders and Ladies Night, better known as the Commander's Ball, held on December 10<sup>th</sup> was well attended. Legion nobles from Rajah, Nur, Syria, Zembo, and Zem Zem honored us with their attendance. Food and music was very good, and I'm sure everyone enjoyed themselves. I just wish we had more of our own members in attendance. The Potentate and most of the elected Divan were recognized as well as the M.A.S.A. L.O.H. representative from Nur Shrine.

"Cheers to a New Year and another chance for us to get it right."...Oprah Winfrey

Don't forget our service personnel in your daily prayers. Remember nobles, "It's an honor to belong to the Legion of Honor".

Until next issue,  
Leon Collins, P.C., Reporter





## PROVOST GUARD

The holidays are over, not much to look forward to weather wise until Spring, but there are several Shrine activities to at least give us something to do indoors.

First, The Provost Guard would like to congratulate the Nobility elected and appointed to the Divan, let's work

to have a great year together. We would especially like to congratulate Illustrious Sir Gerald W. Lower and wish him the best for his year as Potentate.

I would like to congratulate our newly elected Provost Guard Officers that will serve for 2017:

Noble Dennis L. George, Marshall

Noble Brock T. Golesich, Captain

Noble Jamie M. Audrey, Quartermaster

Noble Dustin J. Mauk, First Lieutenant

Noble Carl T. Gingrich, Second Lieutenant  
Noble Richard J. Courtot, II, Treasurer  
Noble Justin A. Wilkinson, Secretary  
Noble Charles C. Campbell, Jr., P.M., Chaplain

The Provost Guard have several events to bartend in the upcoming weeks. Cabin fever looks to be well attended and should be a good time along the Ron White Show. If you haven't been to a Cabin Fever, you are missing a great party. The Ron White Tickets are almost sold out as far as I have heard, so that will be a packed house for that event. The Provost Guard really gets out in numbers to bartend, it makes the work much more enjoyable.

Before you know it, Spring will be here and the start of the parading. Let's get out there and participate.

Fraternally, Jason A. Wilkinson, Provost Guard



## HIGHLANDERS

As we sang "Auld Lang Syne" to close 2016 the Jaffa Highlanders embrace 2017 and look forward to a busy, fun and exciting new year.

The Highlanders New Year starts with one of our signature events - The Robert Burns Supper. The dinner is held on Saturday, January 28, 6pm at the Casino at Lakemont. A **Burns supper** is a celebration of the life and poetry of the Robert Burns, the national poet of Scotland and a celebrated Freemason. The suppers are normally held on or near the poet's birthday, January 25th. The first Burns Supper was held in July 1801 when nine of Burns' close friends got together to mark the fifth anniversary of his death. Taking place at Burns Cottage in Alloway, the night included a tasty meal (haggis, of course!), performances of Burns' work and a speech in honor of the great Bard (now known as the Immortal Memory). The night was such a resounding success they decided to hold it again (this time in honor of his birthday), beginning the tradition we still enjoy to this day with Burns Suppers held worldwide.

Everyone enjoys a hearty feast (which includes haggis, neeps and tatties, rounded off with drams of whisky), some of Burns' poems and songs are recited and tributes are made to the great Bard.

Each Burns supper is individual, but the running order normally goes something like this:

1. **To start** – everyone gathers, the host says a few words, everyone sits and the *Selkirk Grace* is said.

2. **The meal** – the starter is served, the haggis is piped in, the host performs *Address to a Haggis*, everyone toasts the haggis and the main meal is served, followed by dessert.
3. **After the meal** – the first Burns recital is performed, the *Immortal Memory* (the main tribute speech to Burns) is given, the second Burns recital is performed, then there's a *Toast to the Lassies*, followed by a *Reply to the Toast to the Lassies*, before the final Burns recital is performed.
4. **To end the night** – the host gives a vote of thanks, everyone stands and sings *Auld Lang Syne*, crossing their arms and joining hands at the line 'And there's a hand, my trusty fere!'.

Of course our Burns Supper features music provided by our pipe band and utilizes a great deal of our local talent. Cost for the event is \$40 per person and tickets may be purchased by contacting Kevin Law at 814 215-0904.

We were delighted to welcome several new members from the "one day class" and are working to include them in our activities. Pipe major Rob Vonada is excited to start rehearsals for the band and we look to a fun schedule of parades and performances. A practice schedule is being put together and will be available shortly. Additional information regarding practices may be obtained by contacting Rob at 814-931-1406.

Finally, a special thank you to Duane Mohny for his long standing service as Clan Chief for the Highlanders. Duane's leadership, loyalty and dedication to our unit are greatly appreciated and we look forward to his continued involvement.

Bruce Kelley, Clan Chief



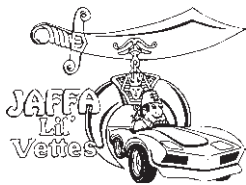
## CHANTERS

We are starting a new year and looking to adopt a new plan of action for the chanters. The black camel was active this year and claimed two of our most faithful members. A number of units and clubs are suffering the same problem. If you ever sing in the shower or sing along with your radio, then we want you in the Chanters.

We are not a bunch of professionals who passed an audition for the privilege to sing. We are a group of men that realize that music is a method to entertain and bring joy to those

that hear it. In the past the Chanters were active in reaching out to the community and providing an interlude of music to be enjoyed by all. Nursing homes, churches and anyone else who needed someone to add a boost to their organizations meeting. We want to revive this activity.

The first step in our plan must be new members, this includes a need for a piano player and a sound tech. We have no dues, we supply any needed uniforms and we ride in the parades. If you would like to participate in this new effort, please contact me, Ron Eckstein, president, at roneck21@aol.com or 814-201-2403 or any Chanter members.



I am writing this submission from the "Sunshine State"...having a nice winter and thinking about what a great year our unit had. Attendance at parades was greatly increased this year. Nice to see all those cars on the road.

The unit will also be helping out at the Sport's Show in February, moving the vendors into the building and back out after the show ends as well as selling novelties at the Jaffa Circus in April. Circus week is always tiring but also can be less so when there are lots of helpers. If you are able, plan on working some shows and bring your lady along too! Everyone is welcome!

We will be having our spring "kick off" dinner at the Bavarian Club in Altoona on March 18. It is always good to see everyone after the winter break and begin planning for the new year. Before you know it, we will be taking the cars out of moth balls and getting them ready for the Spring parades.

We all look forward to working with 2017 Potentate Jerry Lower and Lady Sandra.

Hoping to see you down the road...  
Jim "Spanky" Edwards, Reporter



## BAND



Happy New Year from the Jaffa Band! We hope you all had an enjoyable holiday season with family and friends.

Accolades go to our members that brought holiday cheer to the residents at the Veteran's Home in Hollidaysburg and Hill-view Nursing facility in Altoona. We know the residents all enjoyed the concert and our hope is that we brought them some great holiday entertainment. Also, a huge thank you to Scott and Amy Woomer for hosting lunch for the band between these two performances. We also participated in the Sweat for Vets event at the Brush Mountain Sportsman's in November.

Congratulations to Bob Baranik as he moved up the line to Chief Rabban for 2017.

Just a reminder, we will need the help and support of all our members during the upcoming Sports Show. This is an important fundraiser for the Jaffa Shrine and we will need the help of all members to help make it a success.

As always, we are looking for new members, especially woodwinds. Anyone who is or ever has been an accomplished musician, no matter what the instrument, is welcome to join us. We would love to have you in the Jaffa Band. Come join us on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month.

Don't forget to ask a Brother Mason to come join us and become a Noble of Jaffa Shrine.

Todd Wilkins Sr., Reporter





#### ATHLETIC CLUB

I would like to take the time to thank all who helped out in the first Jaffa Shrine Basketball Tournament in December. For the first year, we think the tournament was a success. Altoona, Bellwood, Bishop McCort and Juniata Valley girls participated with Altoona winning the tournament with a victory over Bishop McCort. A great deal of positive feedback was received during the two-day tournament. Spectators commented on the beautiful floor, the quality of the games, and the overall atmosphere of enjoying a game in such a historic venue.

The 2017 tournament is already being planned for the week of December 11-16, 2017. Currently, for the girls' bracket, we have Altoona, Bellwood, Bishop Carroll and Juniata Valley. For the boys, we have Bellwood, Bishop Carroll, and Bishop Guilfoyle and are working on the fourth team. Likewise, several area teams have already reached out to the Jaffa wanting to participate in the 2018 tournament.

Below are pictures of the tournament's award winners.

Submitted by Mike Colledge



*Bishop McCort's Haley Thomas won MVP honors.*



*Tournament champion Altoona.*



*Altoona's Amber Newberry received the Sportsmanship Award.*



*All Tournament team member – Altoona's Madison Shetrom.*



*All Tournament team member – Bellwood's Allie Campbell.*



*All Tournament team member – Bellwood's Karson Swogger.*



*All Tournament team member – Juniata Valley's Halee Smith.*



*All Tournament team member – Altoona's Paige Whitfield.*



*Tournament runner-up Bishop McCort.*



*Bishop McCort vs. Bellwood.*





### MOTOR CORPS

Another year has come and gone. Congratulations to the new Jaffa Nobles. Any new Nobles interested in becoming a Motor Corp member, can call one of the officers or drop in at one of our meetings. We meet Wednesday following the 2nd. Tuesday of the month at 7pm. There are a few parade cars around for sale.

The Motor Corps Thanks Potentate Ken Costello for his leadership in 2016, a job well done. We welcome new Potentate Gerry Lower, We look foreword to be working with you this year.

The Black Camel passed through our unit taking from us, Noble Bob Campbell from Cresson, and Noble Sam Price from Duncansville. You will be truly missed by everyone. Get Well wishes to Carl Whiteman and John Mallow.

Motor Corps Christmas party was held December 10th. at the Jaffa Blair Room. Entertainment by Steve Aungst and Tina Mare, followed by a fine Ham and Turkey diner by Chef Walt. Motor Corps officers for 2017. Frank Hollingshead President, Elmer Bagley Vice President, John Wyant Treasurer, Art Panaro Secretary, and Charlie Johnson Chaplain. See you at the Parades.

Art Panaro, Reporter



### CYCLE CORPS

Here it is, the beginning of a new year and it only seems like a few weeks since we were at the beach. At our December meeting the 2017 officers were elected, with Greg Hale moving to the President's seat and Paul Diveglia taking the Vice Presidency. Dan Dixon will move into the Secretary position, with Scott Sipes retaining the spot of Treasurer. Adam Husted will serve as Captain, and Dane Noel will have the duties of Sargent at Arms.

We would like to thank our outgoing officers, Jerome Eckardt, Pat Garman and Dave Amos for a job well done as Secretary, Sargent at Arms and Captain, respectively.

We would also like to welcome our two newest members, Rich Greeley and Dale Noel, to the Cycle Corps. We know you will enjoy your time here.

We are looking forward to moving into the new year. Keep in mind the Sports Show is coming up fast, and help is needed for parking. Also, all hands on deck for the Circus and making cotton candy. 2017 is looking like it will be a very exciting and busy year for all.



### BOWLING

First Cycle Bowling is complete with Cycle Corp and the Legion of Honor earning placements in the Championship at the end of season. It looked as though the Greeters team would be in but stumbled the last two weeks of the First Cycle.

Many thanks to the bowlers that helped the Athletic Club with Jaffa Shrines return of tournament high school basketball it was a great success. Also, thanks to Jeff Putt for throwing both sides of his raffle tickets in the drawing pale causing total confusion looking for the winner. He later said it was a donation. Thanks Jeff.

At this writing the Second Cycle bowling has started. Good luck to all teams trying to make the final four.

Steve Slogik, Secretary/Treasurer





## JNY CLUB

Greetings Nobles,

We would like to congratulate all who came in on the One Day Class last October! Many of you were introduced to the JYN Club in late November. We enjoyed meeting all of you and there was great interaction with many questions. That's what the JYN Club is about, educating our Nobles and keeping them informed. It is important that we stay in touch with you, so if you have not been contacted by a member of the JYN Club, it is because we do not have your correct contact information. Please call one of the 2017 officers and let us know your contact information.

To all the clubs and units, a questionnaire was distributed at the December All Units meeting to be completed by each club/unit. Please return them to the Main Office or a JYN Club officer along with a blank petition ASAP. This will help us answer questions of new Nobles interested in your club/unit.

Please thank Jerry Lower when you see him. He was instrumental in getting furniture for the Oasis Lounge in the 2017 budget. The Oasis Lounge should be furnished by the time you are reading this. THANKS JERRY!

The next step will be getting some decorations on the walls. We have some ideas and items, but feel free to bring forth any ideas. If you have an interesting or historic item you would like displayed, let Paris Persun know that you would like it considered.

Remember, the Oasis Lounge is for the use of all Nobles. It would be a great place for fellowship after meetings. Please make good use of the room, be respectful of others, and feel free to stop in and shoot a game of pool.

2017 JYN Club President is Paris Persun cell: 814-931-3103 parismp77111@gmail.com. JYN Club meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm Oasis Lounge.



## SOMERSET COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

The Somerset County Shrine Club met December 8th at the Berlin Community

Building for their Ladies Night and Christmas Party at 6pm. Pres. Don led the flag salute. Chaplain John Fisher did the Invocation. Stan and Bonnie Landis gave the Ladies a little gift. The Berlin Ladies Auxiliary prepared the good dinner.

We had guests from Altoona which included Potentate Ken Costello and his Lady Delores, Chief Rabban Jerry Lower and his Lady Sandy, Asst. Rabban Bob Baranik and his Lady Sue, Oriental Guide Rob Harkins, Marshall and Imperial Rep. Jim Miller and Past Potentate Veron Carey and his Lady Billie. President Don did the introductions of our Jaffa Guests.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Brenda Custer. She donated it back to the club. The new 2017 officers are President and Sec.

Stan Landis, Vice-President Ron Kimble and Treasurers Ron Snyder and Dave Krentz. Thank you men for taking the offices.

Potentate Ken Costello wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. He said our club does good work for Jaffa and the children. Ken said he will be active in the Shrine. Some of the Shrine Clubs are failing. We need to get them back.

Chief Rabban Jerry Lower said Jaffa took in 175 new members. He doesn't believe they know they can join the Shrine Clubs. He wants the Secretaries of the clubs to be in touch with the new members. President Don Gardner presented a check from the Somerset Shrine Club in the amount of \$5000 to Philadelphia Shriners Hospital for their Navigation Fund. Chaplain John Fisher offered the Benediction.

Stan Landis, Reporter



*The Somerset County Shrine Club presented Sir Ken Costello with a check for \$5000 for the Shriners Hospital of Philadelphia. Sir Ken asked Sir Fred Imler to present this check at the Philadelphia Board Meeting. Show here are Sir Ben Kensinger - Emeritus Board Member, Fred Wedmyer - Chairman of the Board, Sir Fred Imler - Emeritus Board Member, and Dr. Jack Rocco - Member of the Board of Governors.*





## INDIANA COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

In our travels we meet many Shriners from other parts of the country. On Wednesdays in Deland, Florida there is

a huge farmers market/flea market at the Volusia County Fairgrounds. Thru the years we have become acquainted with some dedicated nobles who stand at the gates and collect for the Shriners Hospital. They use a “no pressure” approach and just greet folks as they are coming and going and thank them for their donations. The gentleman we talk to the greater part of the time is Larry Allen, who started collecting at the gate January 28, 2009. Larry always has a smile and a handshake for me and a kiss and hug for my wife.

We started talking about the history of the group that collects and he pointed me in the direction of Frank Schroeder, the secretary/treasurer, who also is a charter member of the original group the “Nobel Truckers” as they were chartered in 1995. Out of the original twelve members, Frank is the only one still working the gates. He has been collecting since September, 1995...21 years and seven months...every Wednesday. Also dedicating their time to this endeavor are Dave Eunice (2/3/2009), Paul Lanning (3/25/2000), Dave Milford (3/3/2009) and Nick Nichols (9/6/2006) as well as others who have come and gone throughout the years. They also work the gates for special events at the fairgrounds several weekends a year.

The group “Noble Truckers” was organized and chartered in 1995. The original group paraded in Model T Trucks purchased from Manco in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Frank tells me they paraded up until four or five years ago when most of them decided to sell their cars because either they couldn’t handle them any longer...or couldn’t pull the starter rope! Frank was the last to sell.

Since 1995 this dedicated group of nobles has donated about \$30,000 per year to the Tampa Shriners Hospital. Fantastic job and they do it all for the kids

Speaking of dedicated men, Indiana County Shrine Club members have made 33 trips to the hospitals in 2016...and have three already scheduled for 2017. We had 18 trips in 2015 so this years trip total was nearly double. Rich Hill, trip coordinator, has a big job getting the trips scheduled, talking to the families and contacting members to drive the van. If you able to drive, or ride along, please contact Rich and let him know that you can be contacted when trips are scheduled. When Rich calls, he usually needs to know quickly if you are able to take the trip so he can finalize plans.

The Indiana County Shrine Club meets the second Wednesday of the month at the Eat ‘n Park in Indiana at 7 P.M. Drivers are always needed and it’s never too soon to be thinking about the annual “Paper Drive”...will be here before you know it. Plan on donating a few hours of your time.



Jim “Spanky” Edwards, Reporter

*Spanky and Larry Allen at the Volusia County Fairgrounds gate.*

# NO SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

## UNITS

ATC Unit  
Calliope Clowns  
Color Guard  
Drum & Bugle Corps  
Greeters  
Mounted Patrol  
Oriental Band  
Patrol/Director Staff  
String Band

## CLUBS

Altoona Shrine Club  
Antique & Classic Car Club  
Centre County Shrine Club  
Clearfield Oriental Band  
Clinton County Shrine Club  
Cove Area Shrine Club  
DuBois Area Shrine Club  
Fulton County Shrine Club  
Huntingdon County Shrine Club

Jaffa Camper Club  
Jaffa Concessions Committee  
Jaffa Cruisers  
Jaffa Hillbillies  
Jaffa Road Runners  
Jaffa Wiring Committee  
Jefferson County Shrine Club  
Johnstown County Shrine Club  
Mifflin County Shrine Club

*Billy Martin presents the 78th Annual*  
**JAFFA SHRINE CIRCUS**  
**APRIL 7-13, 2017**

**Circus ticket mailing will  
go out to Nobles**  
in February

**Ticket office open to Nobles**  
Friday, March 10 (9am to 5pm) &  
Saturday, March 11 (9am to noon)

**Circus tickets go on sale  
ONLINE only**  
March 12

**Ticket office open to  
General Public**  
Monday, March 13  
Hours: Monday - Friday 9am to 5pm  
Saturday 9am to noon



## **TICKET OFFICE OPTIONS**

**NO COUPONS NECESSARY USE YOUR SHRINE  
MEMBERSHIP CARD TO PURCHASE TICKETS!!**

Present your current (2017) dues card to purchase up to 20 Circus tickets at half price to any show at the circus ticket office or using the CIRCUS ORDER FORM included in the mailing.

**To purchase tickets online:** You can activate your Shrine number for online ticket purchase for \$3.00 on the CIRCUS ORDER FORM. Once activated, your SHRINE number can be used to purchase up to 20 tickets online at the 50% discount. Online orders are subject to additional processing fees.

**BE A CIRCUS  
DADDY!**

Send in at least \$20 to support  
sending school children to the  
Circus on a school field trip!

**Please note:** The above information is subject to change—please read your Circus mailing carefully. Contact Ron Eckstein (814-215-4478 or roneck21@aol.com) with any questions.



# Aides Planning Dinner

Saturday, February 11, 6:30pm



**March 5th-7th  
at the  
Jaffa Shrine Center**



Save the Date!  
**90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Celebration**  
Sunday, June 4

Join us in celebrating our rich history and  
bright future at our 90th Anniversary Party!

There will be something for the whole family with tours of the medical center,  
entertainment and lots of fun activities for the kids! You won't want to miss it.

# 2017 REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING







## Shriners Hospitals for Children patient and her friend start an online anti-bullying campaign

### Girls raise funds through t-shirt sales



Nine-year-olds, Emma Rows and her friend Elliana Shenefiel, are turning their lemons into lemonade.

After Elliana stood up for Emma recently, when she was being bullied for having three fingers in the second grade, the now best friends decided to take their anti-bullying campaign on the road in hopes of promoting equality and sending a message of hope to anyone that has been bullied or is currently being bullied. These two young ladies have set their sights on changing the hearts and minds of people around the world.

The girls painted a picture using both of their hand prints, to use as their campaign logo and had it applied to anti-bullying t-shirts. They hope that their shirts give kids strength to speak up for themselves and others.

The shirts are being sold online for \$20 with the proceeds being donated to Shriners Hospitals for Children — Philadelphia, where Emma is a patient. Emma is a patient of both Scott Kozin, M.D., and Dan Zlotolow, M.D., at the Philadelphia Shriners Hospital, where she has received care since just a few months old. Emma was born with three fingers on her right hand and four on her left. On her left hand, her thumb and pointer finger were hypoplastic and the bones in her hand were fused, leaving her with no thumb movement and very little movement of her pointer finger. Emma did not have a functional left hand. At age 3, she had surgery to remove her thumb and pointer finger, reattach her pointer as a thumb and increase her web space.

Emma now has a fully functioning left hand! Emma and her family are very grateful for the amazing, talented and caring doctors and staff at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Philadelphia. The fundraiser has been live for a short period and the girls have raised over \$2,000 at the time of posting this story.

One-in-four students in the United States report being bullied and those numbers can be two to three times higher for kids with disabilities. Sadly, many Shriners Hospitals for Children patients experience bullying at the hands of their peers. In 2015, Shrines

Hospitals for Children launched #CutTheBull, a national anti-bullying campaign. Similar to Emma and Elliana's campaign, #CutTheBull serves to initiate conversations, increase advocacy and raise awareness, by promoting the three R's:

- **Respect:** Look beyond our differences and overcome our fears to see ability in everyone.
- **Reach Out:** Talk to, include and get to know someone who is being treated differently.
- **Respond:** If you see someone being put down or teased, do not participate. Instead, show support for the person and tell an adult.

For more information and to support Emma and Elliana's Be the Difference campaign, visit Be the Difference to purchase a t-shirt. Emma and Elliana's story was recently featured in their local hometown news. For more information on the #CutTheBull campaign visit [www.cutthebull.org](http://www.cutthebull.org).





# What's New in Erie!



## A Special Visit from the North Pole

On Monday, November 28th, Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie had a visit from some very special guests. To kick off the holiday season, members of the Daughters of the Nile, Athor Temple No. 19, Buffalo, NY visited the medical center all decked out in their elf attire. They spent the day in the outpatient waiting room visiting with patients and families and distributing holiday gift bags to our patients. Thank you to all of the elves for spreading your holiday cheer!

## Speech-Language Pathologist Joins Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie

We communicate in many different ways – with speech, facial expressions, gestures and written words. Imagine what it would feel like to be unable to communicate basic needs and wants, make choices and interact socially. A person in this situation can often feel closed off from the world altogether. Speech-language therapy can give a child a way to communicate.

## A Team Approach

At Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie we take an interdisciplinary approach to

care. As a team working with families, our goal is to help each child improve physically, emotionally and socially. Every child is evaluated by professionals who work together to coordinate the child's care. In keeping with that approach, we recently added a speech-language pathologist to our team.



Nicole Lewis joined the staff in July 2016. She has a bachelor's degree in communication disorders and sciences from the State University of New York at Geneseo and earned her master's degree in speech-language pathology with teacher certification from Ithaca College. Previously, she was lead therapist at Lifespan Therapies in King Ferry, New York.

Lewis wanted to join the staff of Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie because of the collaborative team approach to care. She said, "Working directly with a patient's occupational therapist and physical therapist really helps to open new doors and make progress with the patient's treatment."

Lewis believes that speech-language therapy goes hand-in-hand with occupational and physical therapies

and "all three play a significant role in helping a child to grow in their physical and communicative abilities."

## What is Speech Language Therapy?

Speech-language pathologists assess a patient's speech, language, cognition, feeding and swallowing functions to identify types of communication problems or swallowing disorders and develop a plan of care.

The goal is to find a way for the patients to communicate, which doesn't necessarily always mean verbally. Speech-language pathologists often look for alternative means of communication, such as sign language, eye-gaze assistive communication devices, computer tablets and even picture cards. These tools allow a patient to use other, non-verbal means, to communicate their thoughts, wants and needs.

## National Philanthropy Day

Congratulations to our very own Rick Leibel, Development Officer, for being selected as this year's Outstanding Fundraising Executive by the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Northwestern PA Chapter.

Rick was nominated by Greg Hall and received his award at an AFP Recognition Luncheon held on November 15 in honor of National Philanthropy Day. Thank you to Rick for all of his outstanding efforts for Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie.





# What's New in Erie!

## Erie Medical Center Celebrates 90 Years

In 2017, Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie will celebrate 90 years of caring for kids. Indeed, one only has to look at the Erie medical center's rich past to understand why its staff and patients are looking forward to an exciting future.

## Where It Began

"Sunshine Valley Camp" is where the Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie story begins. In the summer of 1924, a cottage was built to treat 12 children to a summer of sunshine, good food and physical therapy. The evolution from a summer cottage for 12 to a state-of-the-art, pediatric orthopaedic healthcare facility, complete with surgical services and a residency program, has spanned a period of 90 years.



According to Shriners, the success of that first summer greatly enthused the Nobility of Zem Zem Temple and at a Ceremonial held October 30, 1924, Noble Isador Sobel introduced a resolution to "build and maintain a convalescent home for crippled children." After the Temple unanimously adopted the resolution, construction began in October 1925 under the Potentate of Zem Zem Temple, Emil E. Knobloch. A

completed Zem Zem Hospital for Crippled Children was dedicated on June 26, 1927. "Those first years saw cases of polio, tuberculosis and hip dislocation," says Administrator Mary Jane Antoon. "The hospital was especially busy during the early 1950s with as many as 60 polio patients being cared for at one time."

As the incidence of polio and tuberculosis decreased, the focus of the hospital's treatment program broadened and shifted to meet the needs of other children in the area. To this end, in 1967, the Zem Zem Hospital joined the national network of Shriners Hospitals for Children.



## New Era

As medical treatment protocols and the needs of its patients changed, the leadership at Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie made the decision to transition the facility from an inpatient hospital to a multi-faceted ambulatory medical center.

On April 24, 2012, while remaining part of the Shriners Hospitals for Children system, the facility became known as the Erie Ambulatory Surgery Center and Outpatient Specialty Care Center. "The Erie medical center is the first facility in the Shriners Hospitals

for Children system to undergo this transformation and is serving as a model for other Shriners hospitals that will be making this same transition in the next few years," Antoon explains.

Currently, the medical center serves thousands of children from six states (New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Maryland and Michigan) and the Province of Ontario. Fourteen Shrine Temples are affiliated with and support Erie Shriners Medical Center.

## A Family Tradition of Giving Back

Jack Horner, Associate Member of the Board of Governors, recently presented a \$10,000 check on behalf of his daughter and son-in-law, Michelle and David Carroll, to Bob Lee, P.P., Chairman of the Board of Governors. Thank you so much David and Michelle for your total giving of \$40,000 over the past four years!



## Holiday Spirit Overwhelms

During the holiday season Shriners Hospitals for Children–Erie was overwhelmed by the kindness of the community. From a rock-a-thon that raised over \$1000 to purchase stuffed animals, to a school that collected over \$1300 in gift cards, the number of donations received was staggering.

# DRESS STANDARDS FOR JAFFA SHRINE

*Dress Code: a set of rules or guidelines regarding the manner of dress acceptable in an office, restaurant, etc..  
"Collins English Dictionary"*

In our world of fast changing styles and acceptable standards, dressing for a shrine event can create stress that we all would preferably not want to deal with. Here at Jaffa Shrine membership ranges from 18 to 98 years young. WOW! Consider how men and women dressed for events during the past century. I feel we, as a fraternity, along with our ladies need to keep a level of respect for our wide range of ages, and back grounds when attending shrine fraternal and social events.

By no means do I claim to be a fashion expert, (just ask my lady Sue) but I want to attempt to eliminate some confusion concerning dress standards. I would like to start with dress attire for us nobles.

At all meetings that are tiled, such as business meetings or elections etc., proper attire is masonic dress—dark suit and tie. For unit and temple meetings, acceptable attire is casual. Please remember to respect all shrine and unit officers and to not wear clothing that is soiled, torn or t-shirts with offensive messages.

For social events, the invitation or notification should announce proper dress for nobles. For our ladies attending social shrine events, the best advice is to follow the invitation and if in doubt call the main office. We at Jaffa want all to feel welcome in our building and to enjoy our events.

I have studied social web sites to try and gain an understanding to share concerning accepted definitions of today's proper dress standards.

**WHITE TIE:** the most formal dress code.

- Women—a formal floor-length gown with proper shoes, jewelry.
- Men—a tuxedo, long black jacket with tails, white collared shirt, vest, bow tie, black shoes and white gloves.

At Jaffa this is usually the dress of the divan and past potentates. Ladies attire will be announced by the potentate's lady.

**BLACK TIE:** less dressy than white tie but still formal and usually reserved for evening affairs.

- Women—today many options are accepted, such as an evening gown or a knee length dress and high heels or knee length skirt and shell set can work.
- Men—a tuxedo, black bow tie, cummerbund or vest and black dress shoes. Trendy bow ties and vests may suit the event.

In most cases, a dark suit has become acceptable and a tie is an absolute.

**Creative BLACK TIE:** formal but with a twisty blend of formal and fun.

- Women—a modest but less formal dress or cocktail dress and some nice pant suits are accepted today.
- Men—a tuxedo with mixed accessories or dark suit with festive tie.

**COCKTAIL ATTIRE:** festive and fun, but not formal

- Women—wear a knee-length dress or even dress pants or a skirt with a nice blouse.
- Men—wear a jacket and slacks, with or without a tie

**BUSINESS CASUAL**

- Women—wear dress pants, a casual dress, or a skirt with a nice blouse.
- Men—khakis or dress pants with a collared shirt and loafers.

You may also add a sport jacket, vest, no jacket or a sweater.

**CASUAL:** Anything goes! BUT remember our masonic manners and use good taste.

- Women—wear a sundress, a skirt, pants, shorts or capri's with a pretty top.
- Men—wear khakis with a button-down or polo shirt or sweater.

Summer attire can be nice tailored shorts, a nice shirt or beach type shirt with nice sandals, casual shoes or clean sneakers.

In closing, I hope that this has been helpful to you. This article was written on a recommendation from several new nobles from our recent class. We want you to feel comfortable, yet maintain a level of respect for Jaffa events.



# Celebration Time

*Jaffa Shrine Invites You To Attend*

## *The Potentate's Reception*

*honoring*

*Illustrious Potentate Gerald W. Lower*

*And his Lady Sandy*

*The Divan and their Ladies*

*Saturday, April 1, 2017*

*Starting at four o'clock at the Jaffa Shrine, Altoona PA*

*Shrine Dress Preferred for men (Suit & Tie required)*

*Formal attire for women*



*Entertainment by DJ Arnie, Straight from Florida!*

### *Program*

- 4:00 p.m. *Cocktails*  
5:00 p.m. *Full Course Dinner*  
6:30 p.m. *Grand Pageant*  
8:30 p.m. *Entertainment & Dancing*

Tickets are on sale at the Jaffa Shrine or by mail. Shriners may bring guests to the Potentate's Reception and Dinner. All Nobles, ladies, and guests are cordially invited with a special invitation to our Shrine widows. Dining room seating is on a first-come, first-served basis; no seats or tables will be reserved. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. To sit as a group, come as a group!

**Call the Jaffa at 814-944-4043 or 1-800-JAFFA-11 for more information.**

### *Potentate Reception – Order By Mail*

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ tickets which includes Dinner, Program, and Dance. Participating unit members, who go on the floor, will only pay \$30 for their ticket. The price remains \$40 for their lady/guest. Please make checks payable to "Jaffa Shrine/Potentate Reception" and mail to Jaffa Shrine, PO Box 1984, Altoona, PA 16603. Please place ticket order before March 20, 2017. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope for prompt return of tickets.

Noble \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_



# KIDDIE'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



# NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY





# 2017 JAFFA ELECTIONS





## Potentate Jerry & Lady Sandy's Smoky Mountain Trip

### SMOKY MOUNTAIN ENTERTAINER

*Smoky Mountain Entertainment at its best!*

Sorry we missed you at our informational meeting on January 25. However, the bus will roll! For those of you who are still interested, your reservation must be made soon, and your final payment must be made by the middle of March.

FEATURING FIVE SPECTACULAR SHOWS  
**SIX (6) DAYS - FIVE (5) NIGHTS**  
**JOIN JERRY & SANDY**  
**MAY 8-13, 2017**

**\$684.00 per person** (double occupancy)

#### Package includes:

- Five (5) nights lodging, including overnights
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- Luggage handling in the Pigeon Forge area
- Taxes and meal gratuities, souvenir gift
- Motorcoach transportation

#### Invite a friend! - Open to the public!

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#### For information and reservations contact:

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# A VERY IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The circus committee has already started their plans for the 2017 edition of Jaffa Circus. We have a whole new management staff that I am sure is going to make the 2017 version a stunning success.

My part in this planning is to insure that we have a crew of ticket agents to undertake the critical task of manning the ticket office during the weeks prior to and during the circus. We had a great team last year, but we were under staffed, causing undue pressure to maintain the level of support we needed each day. This year we must try to eliminate this by recruiting more nobles, and ladys. who are ready to donate their time to this task. Too many are are willing to say "I don't know how" or "I don't have time" or "let someone else do it". If you are receiving this magazine,

**WE WANT YOU!**

**We will be holding training classes for:**

- Phone counselors - They will answer questions about ticket office hours, circus performance times and dates and actually sell tickets to the public.
- Ticket window agents – These agents will be selling tickets to the walk-up patrons of the circus.

Ideally, we will be able to recruit at least 25 agents that will work on a rotating schedule to cover two phones and three windows for the full eight hours a day that the ticket office will be open. Prior to the circus, the office will be open Monday Wednesday and Friday 9:00 till 5:00, Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 till 7:00 and Saturday 9:00 till 1:00. We will be closed Sunday. After the circus starts the hours will be regulated to correspond to the performance schedules, including Sunday.

If you talk to last years participants, you will discover that this is not all work, but a continuing building of camaraderie and respect for the critical amount of effort needed to keep the ticket office functioning efficiently, and to insure excellent service to the patrons who are critical to the success of the circus.

If you served last year, and want to again serve, please notify me so I can include you on our roster this year.

Please contact me, Ron Eckstein, at 814 215-4478 or Email at roneck21@aol.com (If contacting by email please include a phone number).

# Demits, Suspensions and Resignations for 2017

## Demits

John H. Cashman	Dublin, PA
David I. Christofor	Reynoldsville, PA
Joseph S. Dell	Hollidaysburg, PA
Harry M. Estright	Altoona, PA
Mark C. Glick	Reedsville, PA
J. David Kline	Elizabethtown, PA
Charles S. Martin III	Millville, PA
David J. Mitchell	Altoona, PA
Paul R. Rankin	Tyrone, PA
Robert M. Wallace	Harrisburg, PA

## Suspensions

Mark A. Adams, Jr.	Johnstown, PA
Tyler Barrick	Johnstown, PA
John C. Beirlair	Olanta, PA
Mark E. Burgan	Sewell, NJ
Brian E. Collins	Clearfield, PA
Bruce E. Cox	Warriors Mark, PA
Ralph M. DeSiano	Revloc, PA
Robert S. Donaldson	Hollidaysburg, PA
Michael H. Duminiak	Port Matilda, PA
Arnold B. Fairman	Bonneau, SC
Benjamin P. Fink	Pittsburgh, PA
Wilmer R. Good	Myrtle Beach, SC
Mark A. Gray	Ramey, PA
E. Dwain Henry	Alamo, CA
Scott T. Hinich	Mechanicsburg, PA
Michael A. Hullihen	Clearfield, PA
Gerald W. Keller	Osceola Mills, PA
Brett A. Kephart	Smokerun, PA
Thomas A. Koehle	Altoona, PA
Robert D. Kountz	Rockwood, PA
Robert C. Krebs	Bellefonte, PA

## Suspensions

Daniel M. Lattieri	Duncansville, PA
Vincente M. Lorenzo	Camp Hill, PA
Bernard J. Mann III	Irvona, PA
Scott C. McClellan	Blandburg, PA
Michael A. McDonald	Curwensville, PA
Dennis K. McMullen	Lewistown, PA
Eric S. Monroe	Altoona, PA
James C. Myers	Duncansville, PA
James R. Painter	Johnstown, PA
Jay B. Reed	Woodbury, PA
Larry B. Scott	Tipton, PA
John A. Searle	Clearfield, PA
Henry A. Simcox	Montgomery, PA
John T. Singiser	Altoona, PA
David R. Turnbaugh	Altoona, PA
John E. Walters	Altoona, PA
Jeffrey K. Welsch	Bedford, PA
Chad E. Whitaker	Enola, PA
Gregory W. Whysong	Altoona, PA
Joshua Wriglesworth	Grampian, PA
Matthew S. Wyandt	Hollidaysburg, PA

## Resignations

Charles R. Benson	Friedens, PA
Samuel W. Harpster	Altoona, PA
Herman D. Luther	New Florence, PA
Terry L. Menear	Somerset, PA
Charles L. Nuschke	Cape May, NJ
Charles H. Reeder	Westfield, WI
Sheldon L. Sharpless	Sandy Ridge, PA
Thomas A. Stojek	Punxsutawney, PA
Robert M. Suckling	Mechanicsburg, PA
John F. Vendetti	Tyrone, PA

## **Jaffa Shrine Membership Committee**

The membership committee would like to invite all nobles to join us at our next meeting. The meetings are held second Tuesdays at 6pm prior to the all units meeting in the 22nd Street Lounge. Your Lady is also welcome to attend. We are looking to get ideas and input from all perspectives.

Units/Clubs please remember to send your representatives to the meetings.

Remember, it will take the entire Jaffa Family to secure a strong future for the Jaffa. Help us put ideas in to actions, many great and positive things are happening at the Jaffa. Let's make membership a part of that success and continue to strengthen the Jaffa as well as our great fraternity.

Any questions contact: David Dodson Jr. • 814-932-0571 • [davidedodsonjr@gmail.com](mailto:davidedodsonjr@gmail.com)



# MEMORIAL ON THE PASSING of Past Potentate David A. Holland

Whereas, on Friday, December 19, 2016 the Supreme Architect of the universe sent the black camel, which carried our esteemed brother, Illustrious Sir David A. Holland to his eternal reward, and

Whereas, That great architect in his infinite wisdom, called our exalted Masonic brother, devoted husband, Father, and eminent Blair County citizen from his earthly labors to rest in that home on high, not made by hands eternal in the heavens, and

Whereas, His untiring efforts, unswerving loyalty and devotion to his Fraternity earned him the esteem and admiration of his brothers and his passing will leave an everlasting void in the minds and hearts of all the Nobility, and as Potentate of Jaffa Shrine in 1999 his sound judgment and sage counsel were invaluable resources to all the Nobles of Jaffa Shrine, and

Whereas, He was born in Altoona, son of the late George Raymond and Mary Catherine (Angermieir) Holland. David married Virginia L. Winslow in Winchester, Virginia. Virginia survives along with two daughters; Virginia Lanora Johnson of Altoona and Brenda Leigh Tolksdorf of Savannah, GA. and three grandchildren: Justin (Jen) Johnson in Virginia, David Johnson (Amy) in North Carolina, and Mara Alexandra Tolksdorf of Savannah, GA; three great-granddaughters: Greer and Stella Johnson in North Carolina and Arabella Johnson in Virginia; a great grandson, Nico Zaval in Virginia; a sister, Joan Carnevale and several nieces and nephews.

Whereas, He was a 1947 graduate of Altoona High School. David served in the United States Navy during the Korean conflict as a hospital corpsman. He also served as officer in charge of Navy Seebies for 10 years and retired after 37 years of service as an E9. In 1984, he was officer in charge of the Mobile Construction Battalion 21. He graduated from Penn State University, Altoona, with an Associate's Degree in business management.

Whereas, He retired from A & P stores where he worked in the shipping and receiving for 32 year. He then became self-employed as owner and operator of Holland Manor for 23 years.

Whereas, David was a member of Sacred Heart Church and a former superintendent of Sunday School at First Lutheran Church, where he also served on the church council as President.

Whereas, David was a member of Hiram Lodge 616 F and A.M of Altoona; Jaffa Legion of Honor, Captain of Jaffa Color Guard, Altoona Court No. 70 Royal Order of Jesters (Director 2000).

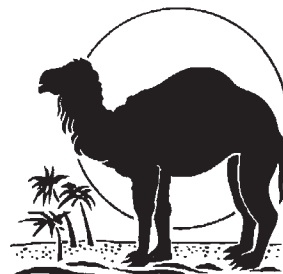
Whereas, friends were received Monday, December 12, 2016 at Mauk and Yates Funeral Home, Inc. Juniata. A funeral mass was celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at Sacred Heart Church, Altoona.

Whereas, The Potentate and Elective Divan unite with the Past Potentates and Nobility in this expression of enduring grief, which has been sustained by the Fraternity of which he was so faithful and prominent member; and be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be printed in a timely issue of the Jaffa Journal and the original thereof be sent to his wife, Virginia.

This memorial was prepared by Thomas M. Foose, Jr., P.P.

# IN REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE VISITED BY THE BLACK CAMEL

*“Death is a black camel that kneels unbidden at every gate.”*



**The Officers and Nobles of Jaffa Shrine express their sincere sympathy to the families of these departed Nobles:**

NOBLE	LOCATION	EXPIRED	NOBLE	LOCATION	EXPIRED
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Charles L. Keller	Bedford, PA	10/1/2015	Harry W. Hanna	Altoona, PA	5/11/2016
Henry H. Evey	Hollidaysburg, PA	12/31/2015	Jay D. Dobson	Punxsutawney, PA	5/13/2016
Charles W. Graffius	Altoona, PA	1/7/2016	Richard E. Nedimyer	Altoona, PA	5/14/2016
Robert D. Ingram	Curwensville, PA	1/7/2016	Russel M. West	Bedford, PA	5/23/2016
Carl Thomas Woodel	Reynoldsville, PA	1/7/2016	Clarence L. Rutherford	Altoona, PA	5/25/2016
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Candidate's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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# JAFFA SHRINE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**FEBRUARY 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 DTRN REH - SR - 5:30PM	2 DTRN - SR - 6PM RON WHITE - AUD	3 CABIN FEVER - BH	4 Q 350 FUNDRAISER - BH
5 ALL STAR CHEER - WB	6	7	8	9 JOBEL COURT - SR - 6PM	10 EVOLVE MAT CLUB - AUD	11 JAFFA AIDES MEETING - BH
12 Q CHICKEN BBQ	13	14	15	16 T.O.T.A. PREP - WB	17 T.O.T.A. - WB	18
19	20 SPORTS SHOW PREP - WB	21	22	23 SPORTS SHOW - WB	24	25
26	27 HOME SHOW PREP - WB	28				

**MARCH 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 HOME SHOW PREP - WB	2	3 HOME SHOW - WB	4
5 CHICKEN BBQ - BBQ PIT	6 DTRN REH - SR - 5:30PM	7 DTRN - SR - 6PM	8 DTRN REH - BH	9 JOBEL COURT - BH	10 PRECIOUS LIFE - BH	11 PRIVATE PARTY - BH - 5PM
12 DTRN INSTALLATION - BH	13	14 RED CROSS	15	16	17 MCELDOWNEY - BH	18 MISS PA PAGEANT - 6PM - AUD
19 JOBEL INSTALLATION - BH	20	21	22	23	24 80's PROM - BH	25 SCI SAFARI CLUB - BH
26 CHRISTMAS CLUB BINGO	27	28	29 ALLEGHENY SUPPLY PREP - BH	30 ALLEGHENY SUPPLY TRADE SHOW - BH	31	

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APRIL 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 POTENTATES RECP - WB
2 POTENTATES BREAKFAST - BH	3	4 CIRCUS PREP	5	6	7 CIRCUS	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 ROJ - BH (RIGHT SIDE)	21 BIG TIME WRESTLING - AUD	22
23	24 TOA CONSIGNMENT SALE (PREP) - BH	25	26	27 TOA CONSIGNMENT SALE - BH	28	29
30					SCOTTISH RITE - AUD	

**DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE: MARCH 1, 2017**

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