Zuhrah Shrine – 2011 in Review
Friday, December 9, 2011
ZUHRAH December Stated Meeting at Dan Patch American Legion
12375 Princeton Ave, Savage, MN 55378

Dinner served
5:45-6:45 pm
Stated Meeting at
7:00 pm

$10.00 meal
Baked Chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, dinner roll, house salad, coffee & milk
Call make your reservation
Jane at 763-571-3555

Directions: 35W south to Hwy 13
West on Hwy 13 for 3 miles
Turn Left on Princeton Ave
Then 2 blocks Legion on left

Directions: 169 south to Hwy 13
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Turn Right on Princeton Ave
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IN MEMORIAM

Charles Westby
Hans Engelbrecht
Dr. Robert K Ausman
William T Hedeen
Ted Nafstad
Robert Christanson
Richard Raming
Alfred Bakken
Karl Saillblad
Julius Webster
William T Hedeen
Warren D Jensen

Zuhrah’s Unit & Club Information Seminar
Saturday, January 28, 2012
10:30 a.m.
(Right after the Grand March practice)
Zuhrah’s Mardi Gras Ball
Bloomington Doubletree (aka Sheraton aka Radisson) – Edina Room
7800 Normandale Boulevard
Bloomington, Minnesota

What are Zuhrah’s plans for 2012 Stated Meetings? Is Zuhrah still looking for a new permanent home? How are the Units and Clubs to get information from the Temple? From other Unit and Clubs? What kind of support can the Zuhrah Office provide to the Units and Clubs?
Answers to these and other pertinent Zuhrah processes and procedures will be addressed at this year’s Information Seminar. All 2012 Unit and Club Officers (as well as any Noble or interested party) should attend this seminar.

A special breakout session is planned just for the 2012 Unit and Club Treasurers. Unit and Club Treasurers should attend this seminar if possible.

Al Niederhaus; 2012 Ball Chairman
Ted Martz; 2012 Ball Co-chairman

Units and Clubs
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Office Hours at Zuhrah Shrine Center
Hours of Operation
The Zuhrah Shrine administrative office will be closed on Thursdays.
The Office remains open:
Monday–Wednesday and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

VoiceMail and Email Addresses
Zuhrah phone 763-571-3555
You may also email comments and questions as follows:
fraternal@zuhrah.org
accounting@zuhrah.org

It is very helpful to Zuhrah for you to utilize these efficiency measures and it is very much appreciated.

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Opportunity to serve Midwest Shriners Association

The present secretary/treasurer will be retiring at the winter season 2014 in Sioux Falls. SD is looking for a noble to replace him early enough to allow the new noble to spend time learning the responsibilities. We will be interviewing nobles at the summer season August 2012 in Grand Forks, ND.

- Although being a Past Potentate is not a requirement, it is preferred. However, the noble must have served in a leadership role in his Temple.
- Must be willing to make at least a five (5) year commitment.
- Should own or have available a computer, printer and fax, with the ability to use them.
- Will not be able to take an extended vacation during the months of December, January & February as most of the work of the Secretary/Treasurer is done during this time.
- Have good communication skills as you will be working with host Divans and hospital staff, the World of the Winter Season 2014. The winter season and its operation is the responsibility of the Secretary/Treasurer.

Benefits
- You will receive an annual honorarium.
- Your travel and hospitality expenses will paid by the Midwest Shriners Association.
- You will have the opportunity to serve, please contact Del Kroon, 605-332-8929, cell 605-351-0797 or e-mail mandriddo@iol.net. You may also contact me one of the Midwest Shriners Officers.

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ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to that the Annual meeting of Zuhrah Shriners, a non-profit association of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation, and of Zuhrah Temple Trustees, Incorporated, a Minnesota Corporation, will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 13, 2012, at UJFCW Local 653 13000 63rd Avenue North Maple Grove, Minnesota 55369 The Election of officers of Zuhrah Shriners and of the Directors of Zuhrah Temple Trustees, Incorporated, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held on that date and time.

According to the Bylaws of the Shriners International, notice of the election regulations, Section 325.11 are as follows:

(a) Electioneering. The printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets or other devices by a Noble, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited.

(b) Violation. For any violation of (a), the Imperial Potentiates may suspend any offending Noble and he may declare the election of officers void and order a new election.

(c) Notice. At least one week prior to the Annual Meeting or any election, the Temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

December 9th Stated Meeting

December 9th Stated Meeting will return to the Dan Patch American Legion in Savage. Social and dinner begins at 5:30 and the meeting will be called to order @ 7:00. Please contact Jane@Zuhrah.org or call 763-571-3555 with your dinner reservations.

December 10th will find our Annual Breakfast with Santa being hosted by the Nobles of the Bloomington Area Shrine Club. See details elsewhere in the Arabian. January 1st, 2012 will find the Nobles and their guests bonding together at our Annual New Year’s Stag Brunch. This event will be much like the past and held at the Dan Patch American Legion. Check for details elsewhere in this edition of the Arabian.

Zuhrah Arabian Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Zuhrah Shriners will be held Friday, January 13, 2012, at UJFCW, Hall 633, located at 13000 – 63rd Avenue North, Maple Grove, MN 55369 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will include the Annual Reports of Zuhrah Shriners as well as the Election and Installation of Officers for the coming year. Be sure to attend.

Over the last several months Zuhrah Stated meetings have been held in a number of varied locations — The Chautauqua At Medicine Lake, the Kelly Inn of Plymouth, the Dan Patch American Legion of Savage, and the Marriott Minneapolis West Hotel of Minnetonka. Each of these facilities treated a unique ambiance and a varied response from our members.

At our Annual Meeting in January we will be polling the Nobility for their opinions of the future locations to be considered. Please come and have your chance to weigh in on this important issue. The Divan invites your input. Lady Terri and I would like to wish each of you the warmest Holiday Greetings. Although we refer to the Holiday Season by different names and have differing beliefs in the peace and joy the season offers. Happy Holidays! - Gary

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President Tom Gnan, Treasurer Jerry Oliver, Secretary Dean Botts, as well as Past President (from 2010) Jeff Hunt, and Member-at-Large, Adam Kerr. On the Military Side, the band will be well organized with our Pipe Major Ralph Magnuson, and Drum Major Jerry Oliver returning to their respective positions. The five plus officers will be sworn in at our Annual meeting in January. Other important business that took place during the meeting was a discussion of ways to improve our band, and ways to bring new members into the band. Attending its first meeting as a new member of the band was Greg Vokovan, who is an aspiring tenor drummer. If you are a Noble of Zuhrah Shrine who is looking to join a unit which is active, and has far too much fun, join with Greg as a new member of the Pipes and Drums. One last piece of business that was accomplished at our meeting was to add Dan Goodman to the rolls of life membership. Dan has been an active side piper for 20 years, and we congratulate Dan on this fine honor.

A December event worthy of note is the Fall Ceremonial, which will take place as I understand it, at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite on Saturday, December 3rd. Given the Pipe Band’s desire to see as many new members as possible, we would like to re-emphasize that our band is truly the most fun you can have with your clothes on.

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Captain Brad Pohman

They will be installed on December 11th. at our holiday party at Dohn’s Country Manor Restaurant starting at 2 p.m.

The circus was well attended by the working members of the Guardian Unit as 223 man hours were contributed over the four-day event. The unit responded to three medicals, two last children, two disturbances and one theft. Along with that, we also worked the arena floor making sure the ticket sellers were not overwhelmed by the public at they sold tickets for the elephants, ponies and moon walkers. Without those Zuhrah ladies doing their usual great job, the circus could not function.

Not sales are being wrapped up as I write this column and, we had another successful year. 2010 sales were surpassed and profits were up substantially. Thanks to all those who contributed.

Pete Sharp, Scribe
The dreaded Minnesota winter will soon be upon us! We won’t hibernate but concentrate on some inside work around the ranch. We will ride in the indoor riding arena (IRA) weather permits. Some of the horses will grow out their hair, looking like fuzzy bears. Nature has made them excellent insulation against the very cold air.

As they evolved, their genetic makeup gave them what was needed to adapt to cold weather. They acclimate to the day-to-day weather changes as needed and are equipped with an acclimatization process whereby the horse’s body chemicals adapt to the thermal changes. People who are not familiar with horses have a tendency to think of them like their pet cats and dogs, needing shelter and a warm place to live, but Mother Nature has provided very well for our four-legged friends. Even their skin has a natural temperature comfort zone that reflects the climate in which it evolved. Human comfort is 72-78 degrees. The horse comfort zone is 58-65 degrees. Within these limits, a horse need not expend any energy to stay warm. As the temperature falls short of the horse’s comfort zone, its body has built-in mechanisms to warm the blood before it reaches the lungs. Because of what nature gave this magnificent animal, horses will break their skin to maintain their insulating cover. Their thick body retains heat, generates heat, and the horse is built to produce heat. His thick body retains heat, his thick body fur, his sweat glands produce heat, and the horse is built to produce heat. His thick body fur, his sweat glands produce heat, and the horse is built to produce heat, and the horse is built to produce heat, and the horse is built to produce heat, and the horse is built to produce heat, and the horse is built to produce heat.

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The officers for the coming year are President Bill Vicc, Vice President David Hornquist, Secretary Dick Cronstrom, and Treasurer Bob Hagen. Our meeting next year will be held on the third Tuesday of the month. For now they are scheduled for the Park Tavern, but we are considering some other locations that might be more convenient for everyone. A notice will be sent informing you of the time and place of the installation of officers. Dues notices have been sent. They are payable by the first of the year.

ZHRG hunting report: Jerry Horn’s party did very well on the Pheasant opener near Miller South Dakota. They limited out in three hours the first two days and worked a lot longer than the last two days. Other hunters that they talked to didn’t fare so well as South Dakota pheasant numbers were down after a severe winter Jerry’s group found a lot of birds in the sorghum fields. A lot of the crops had been eaten.

Vic Bill has an 8-point buck and a doe down. He has been busy helping Cape Parrots, a hot deer hunt, too far they have seven down at Cambridge.

Ken Kobs reports very good fishing, catching a lot of Walleyes at Green Lake near Spicer Minnesota. That’s about all we have for now. We wish all a very Merry Christmas, and the best of the New Year.

Sven and Ole, ZRG scribes

At the time of this writing, it’s mid November and still no snow. What’s wrong with this picture? Oh well, I guess it’s just Minnesota.

Once again, it was great being President of the Top Men’s Chorus in all of Zuhrah—even if it is the only one. We’ve had a lot of decisions to make this year, and that has kept us busy..

Where to attend parades. Where to sing concerts. Where to have open houses... Where to rehearse... Where to store our equipment... Where to attend meetings... Where to... Where to... Where to... I miss 2540 Park Avenue already!

We have a new slate of officers for next year (2012) and they will be made known in the January Arabian.

Five of our “most important” Chanters have birthdays this month, and they are: Lowell Turner on the 3rd, Chuck Pickett on the 13th, Director Bill Sowden on the 16th, Curt Johnson on the 17th and Cal Sather on Christmas Day, the 25th. The 25th, the 25th.

For those of you who haven’t heard, our Director Bill Sowden came through his surgery with flying colors, so remember his famous words, “Breath through in your nose, and sing in the Ahh position, tongue at the base of your teeth.”

Have a wonderful holiday season, and a safe trip. See you at our rehearsals.

—Chuck Pickett, Pres. 2011

PS. Think new members.

NAPSSAVN—Thank you. Thank you. Thank you, to all of you guys for the special efforts you made to make 2011 such a fun year.—You are the GREATEST.

Zuhrah Arabian

The coolness is just overwhelming when you are with these guys. The October meeting of the Zuhrah Shrine Ceremonial was hijacked by rain once you got on the board. Independent reports have it that we are the coolest unit in Shrinemad, as we even sing in the rain. Out of the blue, and the art of being a gentleman. Old School? Yeah, you bet. Coo-coo baby. The election of new officers for 2012 (or, well, it’s always 2011 now in Zuhrah) was a new Cards Elodino Burritt, top down and ready to ride the right. Nobles Share Words, Thomas Jackson, and Brulp Meer were re-elected with no new bees, respectively Chief Financial Officer, Chief Information Officer and Chief Operations Officer. Our esteemed CEO, Noble Jim Martin, retired from his position but will remain a Chairman of the Board— that is, a full member. Noble Jim Martin was elected the new Chief Executive Officer of the Unit, prepared to serve as an exemplar of style, savvy, and temperamental coolness. Aren’t we all, though?

At the good old Golden Leaf in Uptown, we read through our new Ritual of Which Making which will forthwith be used to initiate new members of the Board. Co-authored by Nobles Brad Graven and Jack Langer, this ritual is a cracker. Filled with just our mix of humor and dignity, the ritual impresses on us that we are imbued with the philosophies of generosity, chivalry towards the ladies, and brotherly love. We will be performing the new initiation ceremony (complete with past Grand Juan d’Arp, in the due guard and the sign of a Chairman) in the coming year.

As we discussed plans to reprise our sponsorship of “Sinatra and Friends” on KBEM radio, the station of the Minneapolis Public Schools, and our local jazz station. With it, we plan to launch the Zuhrah Shrine Charities Scholarship Essay Contest. We will be offering to all the high school kids in Minneapolis a chance to write an essay on the life, style, and music of Frank Sinatra, competing for a prize of $500 to help them in going on to college. At the same time our sponsorship allows us to promote Zuhrah and Masonry itself.

Coming up next month, November ain’t gonna get us down. ‘Cause we are

sweeping with our Osmann noble brothers at the Lost Spur Golf and Event Center in Eagan. Our joint meeting there will take place at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 30th—join us! In December, on the last Wednesday of the month, we plan to have a Christmas Party of similar salubrious, feez-warening parades, joined with our ladies at Joe Cafe in Minneapolis. Give us a ring through our web site if you would like to tag along. (www.thechairmen.org)

January will see the Chairmen sweeping at the Potato’s Bar serving up two fingers of Jack (Frankie’s favorite) and other cocktails along with fine music in our black tie hospitality suite. If you want to do it your way, and really live until you die, stop by and get a petition to become a Chairman of the Board yourself. The club is so Hot you’ll need a little ice in that drink.

Zuhrah Arabian

Merry Christmas! After the Circus not much going on until our Annual Meeting on January 14, 2012 (times and info will be mailed). My November article was not sent to the right email address so we will include it in the December article.

As you can see from the pictures on page 3, we have a good time at the Honor Parade. It was cool and windy all morning. (I wore my long johns.) The parade started at 11 a.m. We were near the beginning of the parade and were done before noon. The Captain bought drinks at Nye’s. “Thank You, Jack.”

The Patrol Christmas Party is Saturday December 3, 2011. At the Bloomington KC Hall Jack and Nancy Ann are in charge. Invitations will be out in November. (Many thanks to Jack and Nancy for handling the Christmas Party). I hope to see everyone there.

—Tim Thorbus, Pres. 2011

Chairmen’s Comments:

It seems the year has just begun, but the holiday season is here again. From our home to yours, Nancy and I sincerely wish everyone warmth and happiness for the Holiday Season and good health for the New Year. I especially want to thank you all for your support, well wishes, cards and prayers though Nancy’s battle with cancer. There are some encouraging signs; the chemotherapy drugs are starting to reduce the tumors.

This is also the time of year when our "snowbirds" begin to head for warmer climates. We will be thinking of them with envy when our temperatures get below zero, and our cars and snow shovels don’t want to start. We wish them safe travel, a good winter and a quick return as we will miss them.

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Circus: This year’s report was a success. The figures have not been finalized yet but it is thought to be very close to last year. Very special thanks to chairman Kevin Erickson and all the Patrols who helped at the circus. If anyone has not paid for their Circus Booster tickets, please do so as soon as possible. Remember those monies stay with Zuhrah.

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It was a visual treat to be able to eat lunch and watch golfers—in November—playing at the Minnesota Valley Country Club. The November weather was beautiful! A couple of the golfers made a fashion statement by wearing knickers.

President Paul Thour opened the meeting and gave the prayer.

Early December events—the December 3rd Zuhrah Ceremonial and our club’s annual holiday party and officer installation on December 4th. We will report on those events in the January Arabian.

Our next regular club meeting will be January 10th at the Elk’s Club with social hour at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. Attend and learn of our upcoming events and enjoy our fraternity fellowship.

The Owatonna Area Shrine Club plans to reserve at least one table at the Zuhrah Potentate’s Ball, Saturday January 28th. If you would like to reserve space at our table, please send your check for $65 per person to OASC, PO Box 238, Owatonna, MN 55060.

Save the date for our annual pancake breakfast fundraiser—February 19th. Check our website at www.oscuzuhrah.org for more information about your club’s upcoming events and photos. Find us on Facebook. Email us at owatonnashriners@gmail.com.

Owatonna area Masons, join your Brothers for coffee, conversation, and camaraderie every Thursday morning from 7 to 9 at the Lodge.

West Minnesota

Greetings, Nobles, and Happy December to you all.

We had a great turnout at our November meeting. Thanks to our special guest speakers Melanie Gornick with Merrill Lynch Wealth Management and Jim Clay with Morrison Fenske & Sund Financial Planning.

The new trailer is lettered and is actually “Parade Worthy” if the club desires to participate in any year. Let us know your thoughts on that. Come to the next meeting to see a couple photos of the finished product. I hope you were able to make the fall social. Thanks, Don, for setting that up. Nobles, any ideas for future socials? What a great year we had at BASC thanks to all of you. We moved the breakfast and turned the numbers around. We hated to leave the Owatonna Shrine Circus. Thank you for a wonderful year.

The Western Minnesota Shrine Club still lives, although the lack of articles submitted to the Arabian this year might make some doubt it. As 2011 draws to a close, several of the nobles of the WMSC are being transferred to another lodge further south where the majority of the population couldn’t tell you what a blizzard is. Lucky devils. But for the more foolhardy—or perhaps hard by—a kinder appellation—the fun is just beginning.

At our November meeting, the nobility elected new officers for 2012. The lucky winners are President Iver Lalim, Vice President Wally Sletten, Secretary Laurel Lund, and directors Larry Moseng, Kent Roy and truly you.

We wish all the nobles of Zuhrah and any families the happiest of holidays and a joyous and prosperous new year.

John Givan
Scribe (sometimes)

Anoka

Our scribe, Arlan Ross, took a full year of September and is now on a slow mend. He is confined to a local treatment facility and requires physical therapy. At least he doesn’t have to rake leaves.

Our regular meeting took us back to a club favorite, Applebee’s in Coon Rapids. Nice crowd of about 25. There was a lot of kidzing at each table, but the noise level of the entire facility was high enough that few knew what was going on at the next table…part of what makes any outing with our club a adventure in itself.

As a result very little business was discussed and our elections were delayed until December. Our VP (Bob Bush) will not be moving up but he did feel he could continue in his present position though. Our Secretary (Wayne Lamagno) and Treasurer (Dave Emery) have also agreed to remain in place. Arlan Ross agreed to be President and we are looking for a Chaplain, but now all the works out will be finalized at our December meeting. Ken Roush has just become the newest board member.

Our next meeting will be December 13th at Ken’s Anoka Coffee Shop, on the northwest side in the Owatonna area. Join your OMSC, Owatonna Railway Station, with the social starting at 5:30. Ken will be serving his famous “Hot Beef” dinner.

Scribe in training, Ernie Ridens
Pres. Monte asks, “Have you brought in your new member to the West Suburban SC yet?”

Ahh, it is time for all of WSSC and our guests to party it’s holiday time in the big city. We’ll gather at noon at the Minnesota Valley Country Club on 7 December. Mark Stiffsman will serenade us with his accordion—I’ve heard Mark play many times and he is marvelous, so I know we are all in for a treat. President Monte has promised us hors d’oeuvres and dinner with a selection of walleye or chicken breast. Look for 1/2 scribe Lew Sampson’s newsletter to make your reservation. Monte also promises we will have good weather for the 7th. That Monte’s way of bowing out in style because very shortly he’ll end his reign as president this second time around.

Also in December see Thursday, the 29th, at noon at the Hopkins/VFW for our Nobles luncheon. In January, see Friday, the 13th, for Zuhrah’s Annual Stated Meeting, location to be determined.

Finally, and most important, join me in thanking President Monte for his outstanding job this year leading us. Monte, you done good and we, your underlings, compliment you. So, Monte, are you ready to do it a third time around? I thought not, but please know you did it well and could again lead us, should you be willing.

Sincerely,
Tom Parry, 2/2 Scribe

Canby

In November we held elections for 2012 officers. President-elect David Peterson will be in the helm for 2012, along with Robert Briggs as Vice President and Jerome Bottelberghe as Secretary/Treasurer.

The club would like to thank our 2011 Officers for a job well done. We want to especially thank Frank Josephson, who has been Secretary/Treasurer for many years. Frank has done a great job, and we are looking forward to his continued support as we begin the new year.

As we plan for the coming year, we look forward to our annual fun events. We are looking to “make good men better” so we have new members join, and as we are encouraged by the update this month from Divan Jim Burlingame on the new membership initiative led by the Shrine Center.

Traditionally the Club does not meet in December with the holidays. Our next meeting will be January 17th (3rd Tuesday) when we will hold the 2012 Installation of Officers; we hope to see you there. We meet at Rusty’s Corner Café in Inver Grove, Minnesota; Social at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m., and Meeting at 8 p.m.

The holiday season is upon us, and Canby ASC wants you to wish you all Happy Holidays!

Bob Briggs, VP Canby Area Shrine Club

Minnesota Valley

Greetings, Fellow Nobles:

Well, here we are at the end of another great year. Zuhrah has entered a new phase of existence following the sale of our Temple, but, as the phoenix will arise to new and greater beauty. With many of our Divan and Nobles searching for a new permanent home, it can only be a matter of time.

MVASC held our annual elections at our October meeting. The 2012 Officers are as follows: President – Frank Hepler, Vice President – Robert Radebach, Secretary – Ken Carlson, Treasurer – Craig Van Meter, and Directors – Jim Berg and Robert Sparks. Congratos to all the new Officers. Prez-elect Frank is busy planning a great year for our Club More on this in your upcoming monthly Club communica- tions and the Zuhrah calendar.

By the time you read this article we will be returning from our Christmas dinner at Mancini’s Char House and looking forward to the Holidays and the Ball in January. Here we go again—busy, busy, waiting—down another year. Keep safe during the Holidays, watch your diets (hah) and watch out for each other and our Kids. See you in January.

T.D.
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**Zuhrah Arabian December 2011**
UPCOMING EVENTS

Zuhrah's Annual New Year's Day Breakfast
Sunday, January 1, 2012
Serving 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Savage American Legion Post 643
12375 Princeton Avenue, Savage, MN

Same Menu
Freshly Carved Ham
Scrambled Eggs
Sausage
Biscuits and Gravy

Same Price
$5.00

New Location
Savage American Legion
(5 minutes West off I-35W on Highway 13)

YES! YES! We will be having Zuhrah's traditional New Year's Day Breakfast.

We're in a new location but our Host is promising Zuhrah our familiar breakfast at last year's familiar price, with familiar entertainment, great friends, oysters (yes, oysters!) and great memories.

This is breakfast is limited to Nobles, and their male guests. Any prospective new Noble will be free of charge (see Ted Martz at the door).

Your 2012 dues card will be required for admittance. You will be able to pay your 2012 dues at the door.

The proceeds from this event are for the benefit of Zuhrah Shriners. Payments are not allowable as tax deductions.

Zuhrah Devotional Sunday

Come and celebrate the start of the New Year. Nobles, Ladies and guests are invited.
Sunday, January 15, 2012
Service will begin at 10:00 a.m.
Minnesota Masonic Home
11501 Masonic Home Drive
Bloomington, MN 55437

Brunch follows service – Cost: $10.00
RSVP by January 8, 2012
To: Tony Krall
673 Hilsedge Drive • Eagan, MN 55121
Questions: tonyeag@aol.com or 651-686-7921
Dress: Business attire, no Fez

Zuhrah Shrine Potentate's Trip

MAY 16-21, 2012 (6 Days/8 Meals) DEPOSIT $250
Double Occupancy $1,669 Single Occupancy $2,279

Book your American Riviera trip now!

Contact LORI MARTZ at AAA Minneapolis for additional information or reservations.
(952) 927-2741
Lmartz@aaamnneapolis.com

COUNTRY ROADS OF TUSCANY & UMBRIA

TOUR PRESENTATION
Saturday, January 28, 2012
1:00 p.m.
Douglas Theatrical
7600 Normal Road
RSVP for details

Chief Rabban, Tony Krall, and Lady Bev, invite you to join them on a fly-way trip to the California Coast in May 2012. Discover the American Riviera® from Santa Barbara to San Simeon. Red-tile roofs, swaying palm trees, and California beaches reflect a Mediterranean feel. The valleys boast more than 100 wineries in settings that rival the beauty of Tuscany.

TOUR INCLUDES:
Round-trip air from Minneapolis to Los Angeles, motorcoach transportation, a 3-night stay in Santa Barbara and a 2-night stay in Pismo Beach in oceanfront properties, 2-full days of wine touring in the Paso Robles region and the Santa Ynez Valley, Hearst Castle tour, San Luis Obispo Farmers Market, “Land & Sea” tour of Santa Barbara, and leisure time in both Santa Barbara and Solvang.

Zuhrah Shrine Potentate’s Trip

OCTOBER 26 – NOVEMBER 5, 2012
11 Days/16 Meals DEPOSIT $250
Double Occupancy FROM $4,139 Single Occupancy FROM $4,629
Book your Italy trip now—space is limited to 24 guests!

Contact LORI MARTZ at AAA Minneapolis for additional information or reservations.
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Save the Date .... Planning Ahead for 2012

January 13  Annual meeting and Installation
January 15  Devotional Sunday
January 27-29  Zuhrah Mardi Gras Ball
February 9-11  Winter Midwest Session – Grand Forks
February 24  Wine Tasting
March 10  Irish Pub ‘Krall’ – Twin Cities
April 12-14  Grand Lodge
May 16-21  American Rivers (Santa Barbara) Trip
July 1-5  Imperial Session – Charlotte, NC
August 9-11  Summer Midwest Session – Grand Forks
August 26  Potentate’s Golf Stag
October 5  Wine Tasting
October 18-21  Zuhrah Shrine Circus
October 26–November 5  Country Roads of Tuscany & Umbria (Italy Trip)
December 8  Ceremonial

2012 Imperial Session
July 1–5, 2012
Charlotte, North Carolina

• Staying at the City Center Marriott Hotel
• Several great restaurants within 1 block of the hotel
• 9 minute walk to the Charlotte Convention Center
• Hospitality Suite available on Saturday – Wednesday
• Several other attractions and places to see
• Fun and Fellowship

If interested, please contact Ross Hjermstad for more information at (612) 221-2889 or e-mail rossh@pro-ns.net

Zuhrah’s 2012 Mardi Gras Ball

Banquet Reservation Form
January 28, 2012

Menu – Surf and Turf
$65.00 per person or $320 per table (8 guests)
Classic Caesar Salad
Sirloin Steak, and Crusted Tilapia
White Chocolate Champagne Cake
Dinner entertainment by Long Time Gone Band

Saturday Night
Grand March followed by poolside dancing to the Brian Kenny Band
Mention Zuhrah for Special Room Rates of $79.00
Call the DoubleTree by Hilton 952-883-7800

Name ___________________________ Number of Tickets ________
Address ______________________________________________________
City __________________ State __ Zip __________
Home number ___________________________ Check # ______
What Unit/Club ___________________________ Email Address ___________________________

Questions, contact Ball Chairman
Al: Niedraus, (763)439-9991 a.niedraus@comcast.net

Mail this form and your check to:
2012 Pot’s Ball
13115 6th Ave SE
Prior Lake, MN 55342

Fall Ceremonial
Saturday, December 3, 2011
Scottish Rite of Minneapolis
2011 DuPont Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55405-2709

Candidate Registration 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast with the Candidates 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
Orientation 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Ceremonial From 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Lunch with the Candidates 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Candidates Hospital Tours 1:00 p.m.

Ladies and Nobles
Breakfast cost is just $5
And will be more than coffee and rolls.
Lunch will be $7 or for $10 partake in both.
Please RSVP to Jane by November 30, 2011.

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Join us for the Winter Midwest Session
In Grand Forks, North Dakota
Thursday, February 9, to Saturday, February 11, 2012

Trip includes:
• Transportation via Motor Coach
• Lodging at the Canada Inn
• Hospitality Room
Check future Arabian and eRabian for price and departure details!

Contact Adrian Skyttland
612-770-5343
ars2112@yahoo.com

Don’t forget your Boat Race Card!
Don’t have one? Winter Midwest is the only place you can get one!