

# Tebala Gram



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**Bill Robertson, Potentate**

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Shown above from left to right: Potentate, Bill Robertson; Chief Rabban, Dave Babcock; New Noble, Jon Miller; Assistant Rabban, John Milliren; New Noble, Dave Galica; High Priest & Prophet, Loy Rice; New Noble, Ferald Bryan; Oriental Guide, Larry Keyser.

The 2011 Spring Ceremonial was held on Saturday April 16th. Three new nobles joined the ranks of Tebala during the ceremonial, Ferald Bryan, David Galica, and Jon Miller. A good time was enjoyed by all as fellow Nobles welcomed our newest members.

Remember the fall ceremonial is coming. Please begin the process of finding a new member. If every Noble worked to get just one brother mason to become a member of Tebala we could really begin the process of increasing our membership and thereby enabling us to better assist the hospitals.

## **Schedule of Upcoming Events:**

Mother's Day Dinner Dance	05/06	Tebala Shrine Circus	June 03,04,05
Spring Clean Up Day	05/07	Directors Staff Golf Play Day	06/18
Casino Trip	05/08	Blackhawk Farms Race Day	June 18,19
Tebala Temple Meeting	05/18	Rock River Hill Climb	06/19
Chicago Shopping Trip	05/21		

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**Kids are Key . . .**

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Wow, where has the time gone? This has been a very busy month. Most of the Divan attended the Scottish Rite in Freeport on April 8 & 9, 2011, and then on Saturday, April 16, 2011, we took in 3 new Nobles at the spring ceremonial. WELCOME new Nobles! The Ritualistic Divan and the Chanters did a fantastic job with their presentation of

the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> sections from the Ceremonial Ritual. We had a nice time and enjoyed a great ham and chicken buffet with sweet potatoes, salads, vegetables and apple or cherry pie, prepared by Hoffman House.

My Lady, Barbara, and I attended the Jo-Carroll Shrine Club meeting held in Warren. We received a very warm welcome and the meal was delicious.

Those good Vidalia onions will be here soon. Last year, we sold out in about a week; hopefully, they'll go fast again this year. The Mother's Day dinner is coming up on Friday, May 6, 2011, with lobster & prime rib. Be sure to get your reservations called in right away.

I extend a big thank you to all who have helped in any way on past events. One person cannot do it all – it takes teamwork. I continue to encourage all Nobles and their families to come out and enjoy the many events planned for the year. I welcome your attendance and look forward to seeing you at some of the events. **THE CIRCUS IS COMING SOON!**

Yours in the Faith,

Bill Robertson, POTENTATE

**Note from the Potentate**

I would like to request that all Nobles please wear their appropriate fez during the monthly stated meeting. As masons we understand how important the apron is in blue lodge and its importance as a badge of a mason. I feel the same applies to the fez for the shrine.

Thank you, Bill Robertson Potentate

TEBALA SHRINE TEMPLE MEETING APRIL 20, 2011 : 7910 NEWBURG ROAD, ROCKFORD, IL 61108

BILL ROBERTSON, POTENTATE \*\*DAVE BABCOCK, CHIEF RABBAN \*\*JOHN MILLIREN, ASSISTANT RABBAN \*\*LOY RICE, HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET \*\*LARRY KEYSER, ORIENTAL GUIDE \*\*TOM BRAWNER, P.P., TREASURER \*\*MARK TORRANCE, RECORDER

THOSE PRESENT PER REGISTER

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 P.M. BY: BILL ROBERTSON, POTENTATE**

**MINUTES**

Motion made by Bear Barker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ziggy to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE: & TREASURER'S REPORT**

The finance committee – Pete Holms reported that the report is incomplete, Project Tebala is not present & the bills were not e-mailed to the committee. An e-mail vote will be taken to pay bills.

Tom Brawner, P.P. reported on the Treasurers report. Investments up \$500, reports are on the tables for the Nobility to review, any questions just ask. Motion made by Bear Barker & 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

**PRESENTATION OF BILLS**

Motion made by Bear Barker & 2<sup>nd</sup> to pay the bills. Motion passed

**DEATHS, DEMITS & RESTORATION**

Started month with 1267, 0 deaths, 0 restorations, 12 associates. Ended month with 1279.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Circus-Loy Rice Circus June 3-5, 12:30, 4:00 & 7:30. Vouchers are in the mail, tickets are available. Changed the Ringmaster Club Table of 6 is \$135.00 includes 1-pizza, 2-pitchers soda. Individual seats are available in the Ringmaster Club for \$20. This is for adults & children, and does not include food or drink.

Blackhawk Farms – Dave Babcock Fathers' Day weekend. Fees are \$10 per day or \$25. For weekend for electrical hook up, camping is free. Advertising to cost \$1,000. - \$1,100. The old car club is assisting with promotions, and we are expecting same number of airplanes as last year 27-28.

Rockford Speedway – Hollie Guist reported that July 16<sup>th</sup> is kid's night, dinner at 5:30 – 7:30. Lots of fun planned, i.e. kids ride along, 50/50 t-shirt giveaways. Need 30 sponsors @ \$100.00 each. Sponsors will receive 1 polo shirt, 10 kids tickets & 5 adult tickets. A chance to drive Jack's car at a later date, silent auction. Lightning Graphics donated 200 shirts to promote transportation fund the rest of the year. Speedway is going to help with advertising the event.

Tebala Golf Play day – Martin McDaniel, P.P. reported the date as August 20<sup>th</sup>, at a cost of \$80.00. Also, reported there are 2 -\$50. Passes you may purchase for golf at Westlake Village anytime. Shrine Golf Scramble is July 29<sup>th</sup> – limit to 144 golfers, 20 spaces are currently left.

DeKalb County Shrine Club along with Kelly Wright are hosting a Sycamore Street Dance on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Cost of admission is \$5.00 all proceeds go to Hospital.

Hospital – Gene Gambrel reported that last month was the Divan seminar, and there was representation from Tebala. Still have no new administrator. June 5<sup>th</sup> is Hospital day, which has been toned down a bit due to budgetary constraints. It will be an afternoon event, no lunch but there will be tours, and of course the worlds shortest parade. Parade at 4:00 p.m.

Loy Rice reported on the Divan meeting at the Hospital. Two of the largest Insurance Companies will not enter into a contract with the Hospital unless we add the following verbiage. "Are you aware that your insurance company requires a co-pay or deductible"

Sportsmens Raffle – Chuck Slater Tickets are now available, view the website for a list of prizes. There will be a return receipt with the tickets. A return form will need to be filled out with the return of tickets & money. A commission of 5% will come back to the Unit/Club that is specified on the ticket stub.

KOK – Matt Thomann Our volunteers for the KOK had their 1<sup>st</sup> softball game Monday night at Forest Hills Diamonds. If you want an interesting evening, come out and cheer them on.

Onions – Paul Thorne Onions are due in Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, this is a week early. All units & clubs have been notified, and they can pick up their onions after 9:30 that morning. We have cookers available also. Signs are been made, and we have plenty of recipes.

Rock River Hill Climb – Have had to tighten their belts so to speak, but assured Tebala that we are not forgotten.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Letter from Imperial was read, according to Potentate, this issue is done.

Spring Ceremonial netted 3 new candidates, hope for more in the fall.

Hollie Guist & Jack Atchison reported on the Rockford Speedway event on July 16<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$10., we get half. Sponsor fee is \$100., and with that you receive 5 tickets, golf shirt, and a drawing to drive Jack's race car. If inclement weather, we have permission to use the enclosed room, which has a/c and holds 250 people. Posters advertising this event will be here next month.

Dave Babcock is still working on the recycling, we have made 2 drop offs that have netted \$48.90. This money as previously reported goes toward the Children's Christmas Party. Silver Recycling is giving us top dollar.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Jack Atchison reported that the cost of getting the race car going is fairly steep, and requested some sort of sponsorship. Bob Bell made a motion and Bear Barker 2<sup>nd</sup> to sponsor Jack for \$1,500.00. Motion carried. Jack offered to bring car out to any business that is working with the Shrine.

Building clean-up is May 7<sup>th</sup>.

Mother's Day dinner open to public Friday May 6<sup>th</sup> \$30.00 per person, times are 5:30 social, 6:30 dinner

Roof bids were presented – much discussion, this issue has been laid over for further investigation and review.

Tony Kerby presented 3 bids for lawn care services, after much discussion a motion was made by Leonard Gowers, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bear Barker to reject all bids and allow lawn care to remain as is.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Meat drawing – John Milliren reported that a profit of \$4,119.00 was made on this venture. The winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Roger Palmer 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Paula Brazeal 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Brad Huddleston

DeKalb County Shrine Club President reported that the club will now pay ½ of initiation fee to those petitioning to join Tebala.

Edward Keenan was the dinner winner

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:55P.M. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: TONY KERBY, RECORDER-PRO TEM

## NOBILITY BIRTHDAYS IN MAY



<p style="text-align: center;"><u>1<sup>st</sup></u></p> <p>Clay W. Cooper Donald B. Lockhart</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>2<sup>nd</sup></u></p> <p>David Hayes Dean Miller Marty Thomas Henry Twombly</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>3<sup>rd</sup></u></p> <p>Curt D. Barnes David J. Erbes Donald M. Mueller Terry L. Ridenour</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>4<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Kenneth E. Ellis Ralph Pabon Donald Umphryes</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>5<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Clifton C. Bender Dale E. Kilgore Robert T. Metsker Robert D. Rutz</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>6<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Jay B. Haka Reinhold Peterson John A. Swanson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>7<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Darwin Baker Fred Fleming Wayne Olson Ronald Thompson Edward Watne</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>8<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Larry Flowers Donald Kimes, PP Donald F. Martin</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>9<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Bob Harkness William Johnson George Koehler William Nichols</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>10<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>William Gambrel Stewart S. Olson Michale Rumney Armer Severin, PP Donald G. Swanson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>11<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Terry L. Behling Raymond Cain Terry R. Irwin Vernon Prestegaard</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>12<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Donald E. Arn Robert Bittermann Dean Chavez Wendell Court Brandon Johnson Roger L. Miller</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>13<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Franklin Hedberg Marvin Leopold, Sr. Joseph I Musser</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>14<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Henry Hemmingsen Ardian Like Marc Mongan John H. Shockey Richard K. Webster</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>15<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Howard Bell William Bellomy Adam Keenan Dale Sievert</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>16<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Elbert Barrett James Gaffney, Jr.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>17<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>William McCorkle Michael Senter</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>18<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Bert Ballard Jr Clyde Clubb Omar Wilhelms</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>19<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Thomas Jones Bruce Knipple</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>20<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Jerry Boose Louis Cervený Ned Dickey Roy C. French Norman K. Hughes Donald L. Miller Craig Robertson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>21<sup>st</sup></u></p> <p>Henry Lanan Richard Zenzen</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>22<sup>nd</sup></u></p> <p>Terry R. Butz Paul D. Hill, Jr. Edward J. Keenan Duane G. Ohlen Mervin Rhoads</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>23<sup>rd</sup></u></p> <p>Paul W. Conrad Lewis DeGraff Levi Heinemeyer</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>24<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Robert Donaldson Lee Felski James Truninger</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>25<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Norman Oehler Elzie Ulrey Donald Vogeler</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>26<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>George Darling Jon Delano Troy Feece Daniel Martinez</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>27<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Ronald Asche Edwin Benson Gary Mitchell Dale H. Wacker</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>28<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Forrest Burtner Brian Golwitzer Richard Jordan Kenneth Kevern Jack Wilson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>29<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Harold H. Readel Greg Stanbury Elmer Ward</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>30<sup>th</sup></u></p> <p>Leroy Embry Jr Charles Owen Thomas I. Webb</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>31<sup>st</sup></u></p> <p>William Fisher, PP Charles C. Rowland Willaim Shaffer Sr</p>
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## *Chaplain's Call - Chaplain Les McClelland*

Greetings from your Chaplain:

As I am writing this communication the NCAA Basketball tournament is in full swing. At this point I understand the odds makers in Vegas are nervous about some of these teams making it to the final four. As of Sunday night it looks like Kentucky, UConn, Butler, and VCU are slated for that contest. What a trip for these athletes and their respective coaches and schools. The achievement of simply being invited to this annual contest is a great honor and all of the Colleges who were deserve our respect. They received their invitations due to hard work, commitment, and team-work. No one individual from any of the respective teams is responsible for their success. It takes everyone and the contribution they make for the success of the team to be realized.

Like you, I realize that everyone who is a member of Tabala makes it possible for all of us to experience the joy of being a positive presence in the lives of those for whom we serve. When we demonstrate respect, patience, honor, and patience with one another we are making a valuable contribution to the good for all. Any time we step outside of these four behaviors we depreciate the value of our fraternity for everyone including those we are helping. Behavior actually does one of two things. It invites support for the goals we believe in or eliminates support for the goals we support and believe in. This is an important point for all of us to remember .

Like the members of each of the teams playing basketball in the NCAA including all those who were not invited to the tournament we will achieve our goals only when we function as one!

In the recent communication in the Scottish Rite News John A. Reining, Editor quotes Enrico Fermi when he wrote "Let us hope and pray that those who come to join the Masonic Fraternity in the future ages will still understand that the core values of the Masonic Fraternity are a belief in God, the assistance of a worthy brother in distress, and the care for his widows and orphans."

It is with great humility that I am proud to say that many in our fraternity remember these core values, and it is not by their words that I make this statement but by their deeds. There are times when I have reached out and requested assistance on a project that I believed to have great value for our organization and received it without hesitation. I want to thank each individual who has responded to those requests.

The greater effort we demonstrate by choosing to be the one that gets things done, or the one that asks what can I do and then follows through the stronger and more productive our fraternity becomes.

May God's Blessings be evident in your life and great joy be experienced by all who interact with you on your journey in life.

Respectfully,

Your Chaplain,

Rev. Les McClelland

### **A Message from Chief Aide, Barry Kasmar**

**"Truly great friends are hard to find, difficult to leave, and impossible to forget."** Author Unknown

So I lied about Spring in the last Tebalagram. As I'm writing this letter, it's snowing. But Easter is just around the corner. Trust me on this one.

Pat and I had the pleasure of having dinner at the spring ceremonial with Jon Miller (a new noble) and his grandfather, Don Miller. The conversation was spirited. Don had many interesting stories about growing up as a farmer and about thresher reunions he attends each year. I hope I am as sharp and interesting to visit with when I'm 94. I am glad we made the effort to sit and dine with both of them. We have two new friends now, and I hope to get to know the other two nobles soon as well.

Remember, if you choose to arrange it – the World, You can change it!

# MONTHLY TEMPLE MEETING

Wednesday May 18, 2011

7:30 P.M.

At Tebala Shrine Center

Attitude Adjustment 5:30 P.M. in Oasis Lounge

Dinner served at 6:30 P.M.

III. Sir Bill Robertson invites all Nobles to attend.

Buffet Dinner prepared by the S, H, B, G, & Co.

Reservations are **required**, by Monday May 16, 2011

Nobles with reservations will eat first – those without are welcome to what is left.

**NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

\$5.00 DONATION REQUESTED to offset costs.

Call the Tebala Office at 1-815-332-2010 for Reservations

Hosted by: Dekalb County Shrine Club In Charge: Aide – Tom Whitaker

## **CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IN JULY!**

Sunday, July 17

Tebala Shrine Center

10:00a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Vendors will include Gold Canyon Candles  
and a variety of local artisans.

**\*If you are a crafter or have a home business and would like to apply for table space, contact Annette Hosmann 815.633.261.**

Cost is \$40 per table and you keep what you make.

Registration deadline is June 1.

Open to the public.

*Proceeds will go to the general fund of Alabet Temple No. 31 Daughters of the Nile*

## **Alabet Temple's Scoopie Night at Culver's**

Once again Alabet Temple will be serving you and your friends at a Scoopie night at the State Street and Phelps Culver. You simply come into Culvers between 5 and 8 p.m. on Monday, May 2nd and choose what you want to eat for dinner and give the free ticket you have received from Alice Alfredson to the person that takes your order. One of your lovely Alabet friends will bring your order to you. We, Alabet, will receive 10% of the cost of your order. Just call or see Alice Alfredson for a free ticket for Scoopie Night. It costs nothing but the cost of your food.



**2<sup>ND</sup> NORTHERN DISTRICT MASONIC PICNIC**

**JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2011**

**11:00AM**

**LOCKWOOD PARK**

**5201 SAFFORD RD**

**ROCKFORD, IL**

**FOOD WILL BE SERVED AT 12:00PM**

**FAMILY EVENTS AT THE PARK INCLUDE**

**TRAIL RIDES – 8 YEARS OLD TO ADULT \$22 (\$24 NON-RESIDENT) PER PERSON**

**PONY RIDES – 1-7 YEARS OLD \$2 PER PERSON**

**CHILDRENS FARM – NO CHARGE**

**HAY RIDES - \$2 PER PERSON**



**ALL BROTHERS AND FAMILIES INVITED. IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FREE MASON THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE THEM.**



**Hospital Transportation Drivers Needed!**

Tebala has a fabulous group of Nobles who donate their time transporting patients to the Shrine Hospital in Chicago. Due to the retirement of some of Tebala's long-time drivers, and a continuing need for hospital transportation, we are looking for several new Nobles to become part of Tebala's Hospital Transportation Driver group. The time commitment varies depending upon the number of patients that need transportation, and drivers can work with Tebala's Hospital Transportation Chairman, Jane Whitaker to drive as their schedule permits. Please contact Jane: 815-970-1592 if you are interested in helping this great cause.

**Sign up a new Noble!**



## ATTENTION LADIES

SHOPPING AND LUNCH WITH THE FIRST LADY

Saturday, May 21, 2011

Leave from Tebala by Motor Coach 8 AM  
 Shopping downtown Chicago  
 Late lunch at the Rosebud  
 Arrive back at Tebala 7 PM



\$69 per person – includes transportation, donuts and coffee on the bus and lunch  
 The lunch includes choice of a soft drink, tea or coffee, tax & tip  
 If we have at least 27 ladies, the price goes down to \$57 per person  
 There will be games with prizes & snacks and water on the bus  
 Did I hear somebody say something about Mimosa's?

FUN FUN FUN

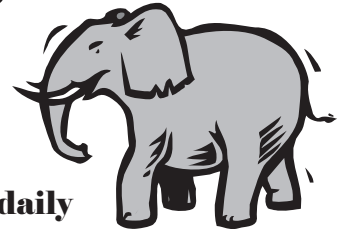
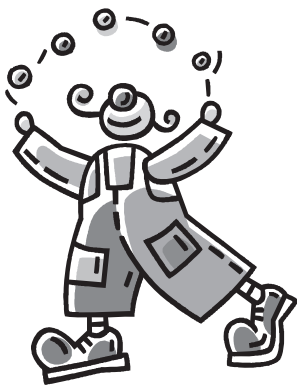
Please RSVP Tebala office 815.332.2010

## *Tebala Shrine Circus*

June 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 2011

Performances at 12:30pm - 4:00pm - 7:30 pm daily

Indoor Sport Complex



That's right the time is near for the 60<sup>th</sup>, TEBALA SHRINE CIRCUS. When you read this there will only be about 30 days till the Circus begins. As you are all aware the Circus is one the largest fund raisers that Tebala has, and this is the way that we fund our operation. Your help is needed in making this Circus (\*fund raiser) a success. Both in the purchase of the Circus ticket vouchers that you have received in the mail, and also in helping out at the circus. There are many jobs and very few that you cannot do regardless of age. We will find something that will fit you, so come out and give us a hand. The circus is once again indoors so you do not have to worry about the rain, cold or heat. Once again this year we will be drawing names of those that bought their ticket vouchers and if your name is drawn you will receive back \$25.00 if you paid the \$50.00 voucher, price and \$50.00 if you paid the \$75.00 voucher price. You will receive an additional \$25.00 if you are working the performance that your name is drawn at.

Many of you have circus shirts from the past years put them on and get out and, when you are asked about the Circus tell people it is the 1<sup>st</sup>. weekend in June.

June 3, 4, & 5, 2011 at the Indoor Shorts Center. So remember don't tell anyone about the Circus (TELL EVERYONE ABOUT THE CIRCUS).

Yours in the Faith Loy Rice Circus Chairman.

## SPRING TEMPLE CLEANUP

**RESCHEDULED TO SATURDAY May 7, 2011**

8:00 A.M. (Rolls and Coffee)

At Tebala Shrine Center

Ill. Sir Bill Robertson invites all Nobles to attend.

Please help us in "sprucing up" our facility. All Nobles and family members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Lunch by SHBG & Co.

Please help pitch in so we can continue to improve our building.  
Call Tebala Office at 815-332-2010 to let us know who is coming to help

### Assistant Rabban Corner

Thank all who has worked hard in the past few months selling the meat drawing tickets. The Drawing has been a huge success. Because of you things work. Because of you things get done.

We should all remember one important aspect of being volunteers/Shriners.  
Without NOBILITY we have NO ABILITY

#### Here are the winners of the meat drawing-Congratulations to the winners.

Rodger Palmer won 1st Prize - Chest Freezer and 1/4 Beef

Paula Brazil won 2nd Prize - 7 bone prime rib

Brad Huddelson won 3rd Prize - Box of assorted steaks

In the faith

John Milliren

Assistant Rabban

### Units and Clubs Corner

**ARABIC PATROL:** This is the 1st. unit established in Tebala Shrine.

The Patrol is a marching unit that performs in Local Parades.

The parade sponsor makes a donation to the Patrol for their participation. The patrol then donates this money to the Shrine Hospital and/or the Transportation fund. The Patrol in representing Tebala makes Shrinedom visible and sparks interest in the Shrine, hopefully boosting membership. Also fulfilling our goal of helping the kids. The **Arabic Patrol** needs members to accomplish this, that can parade 4-5 times per year. We have uniforms, you will need an embroidered shirt with shrine emblems on back. If interested in joining and having some fun and helping the kids.

Contact Charles Beard 815-218-3623

or Loy Rice 815-494-8667.

Join the fun

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February 9, 2011

George A. Mitchell, Imperial Potentate  
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Re: *Tebala Shriners*  
*Rulings and Decisions - Series 2010-2011 - # 24*

Dear Imperial Sir:

I have read all of the information furnished in respect to alleged improper conduct during the course of the election at the above-referenced temple held on December 15, 2010. The complaint was filed by four past Potentates, Craig Sand, Leon Larsen, Tom Brawner and Joe Zimmerman. Three of these past Potentates were candidates in that election and were defeated. I have also reviewed a response filed by Martin McDaniel, Potentate of this temple in the year 2010 and letters from Noble Joseph Blanchard, the author of an email which is part of the complaint, and a letter from Noble Lawrence R. Kiser, who was the subject of the email.

The four past Potentates make a number of allegations in their letter dated January 13, 2011, in which they ask that you declare the election invalid and require the temple to conduct another election. The past Potentates basically make the following three complaints about the election held on December 15, 2010: (1) That dues cards were not checked on the night of the election and that there were at least two nobles whom they allege voted that did not have current dues cards; (2) that the election results when announced did not include the actual votes cast for the individuals running for a particular office; and (3) that a noble was permitted to take the floor and comment on his displeasure that there was going to be a contested election for the office of Potentate. In addition, you received a fax transmission dated January 12, 2011 which included an email that was sent the day before the election by Noble Joseph Blanchard to a number of nobles in the temple in which he was promoting the candidacy of Larry Keyser for the position of Oriental Guide. It is interesting to note that the Report of the election indicates that Noble Keyser did not run for the position of Oriental Guide and that it was an uncontested election.

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George A. Mitchell, Imperial Potentate  
February 9, 2011  
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In respect to the allegations that were made by the past Potentates, none of those in my opinion rise to the level of voiding the election. All three things complained of by the past Potentates are not good practice and to the extent that this temple has engaged in this kind of conduct in the past, it would be in their best interest to check all dues cards, read the numbered count in respect to contested elections and not permit the discussion of the propriety or lack thereof of a contested election, which I might add Illustrious Sir McDaniel claims he stopped as soon as it was evident what he was saying about the election. The vote count in the contested elections reveals that the ultimate result of those elections would not have changed if the alleged nobles without a current dues card had been prevented from voting.

The email that was sent to your office on January 12, 2011, which apparently came from the temple at the request of Noble Robert R. Boyd, presents a different situation. The email is clearly a violation of Section 325.11 of the bylaws of Shriners International which provides as follows: "Electioneering. The printing, publication, circulating or distributing of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a Noble, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited." The email from Noble Blanchard stated in part "My candidate is Larry Keyser" and it goes on to state "Let me tell you why I think he is the BEST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE." The email also lists a number of positive things about Noble Keyser. Although Noble Keyser was not a candidate during the December election, this email is clearly a violation of Section 325.11 of the bylaws of Shriners International. Noble Keyser denies any prior knowledge of the email sent by Noble Blanchard and states it was done without his approval. Noble Blanchard in his letter admits he sent the email but claims he did not intend to violate the bylaws of Shriners International.

Imperial Sir, unfortunately Noble Blanchard clearly violated Section 325.11 of the bylaws of Shriners International and in light of the action taken at our last two meetings of Shriners International where the representatives refused to repeal this section of the bylaws, I feel that you must take some action against Noble Blanchard. I would recommend that you reprimand him and, if you agree with my recommendation, that you order the letter of reprimand as well as this letter be read at the next stated meeting of the temple and that these letters be published in the next issue of the temple publication.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Fraternally yours,



W. WARREN UPTON

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cc: Jack H. Jones, Executive Vice President

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Sign up a new Noble!

## Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Chicago Is Celebrating 85 Years of Caring for Kids

Join us for an  
Open House  
Sunday, June 5



Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Chicago  
2211 N. Oak Park Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60707  
Phone: 773.622.5400

1 - 3 p.m.

### Hospital Tours

See our state-of-the-art facilities: operating rooms, Motion Analysis Lab, Lokomat, and more!

### Activities for Kids

Musical performances, medical arts and crafts, Sue's Party Animals, and more.

3 - 4 p.m.

### Celebration in the Activity Mall

- Anniversary program featuring talented patients.
- Refreshments available.

4 p.m.

### The "World's Shortest Parade"

Featuring Shriners parade units.

### Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Chicago

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Join us in celebrating 85 years of outstanding pediatric care for over 65,000 children with orthopaedic conditions, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate.



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# Alabet Fashion Show

The Alabet Temple Spring Fashion Show/Luncheon held Saturday, April 9, 2011 at the Hoffman House was a huge success. The Fashion Show and Luncheon was presented to a sell out crowd of beautiful, Rockford ladies. If the ladies were not eating or watching the Fashions that were presented by the Dress Barn or Cherryvale and modeled by the members of Alabet Temple, they were shopping at the silent auction or buying 50/50 tickets. Oh how the ladies love to shop!! This appeared to be of interest to the ladies of Rockford and Alabet will probably try to have this event again.



Queen Julie McDaniel and Judy Allen



Pictured Above Left: Models- Marjorie Anderson, Judy Bowers, Jackie Anderson, Jenilee Johnson, Kay Okeson, Queen Julie Mc Daniel, Pat Kasmar, Barb Cummings. Above Right: Alice Alfredson, Event Chair

# Queen's Tea

You are cordially invited to attend the Queen's Tea  
Honoring Queen Julie Mc Daniel

Saturday May 14, 2011  
 Judy Bower's house located at 2203 Montana Ave.  
 Rockford, Illinois  
 Sponsored by the Rockin' Ala Bettes  
 Refreshments at 11:00 A.M.  
 Lunch at 12:00 P.M.  
 R.S.V.P. by May 10th



## Project Tebala Contributors (as of April 15, 2011)

Martin McDaniel	Lester McClelland	Bill Moses	William Dowden
Bill Robertson	Floyd West	Harlan Travis	Phillip Meier
Dave Babcock	Waukegan Motor Patrol	Widows of Shriners	John Stark
John Milliren	Eugene Berthusen	Tessie Etier	Stanley Fowler
Loy Rice	George Hogberg	Robert Larson	Joyce Jackson
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Mark Torrance	R. C. Peterson	C. P. Bye	Manfred Lindow
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Bill Condon	William Spencer	J. Ralph Norman	Kenneth Olson
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William Maxey	Tebala Dresser Shrine Club	Merle Sturtevant	Michael Eickman
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Michael Fulling	Warren Ramsey	Jean Castle	Roy Kloweit
Walt Steffes	Kent Mallquist	Curtis Hoepfner	Kenneth Bookland
Wilbert Hecht	Alvin Dugar	Bertil Person	Daniel Nichlos
Gene Boyd	Gerald Strand	Helvig Sorensen	John Birkett
Lyle Nelson	Richard Hill	Warren Brander	Curtis Hoepfner
Larry Keyser Family	Ron Obara	Tebala Big Wheels	Ken & Marilyn Ullrich
Jeff & Joan Greenburg	Barry & Pat Kasmar	Dennis & Nancy McKinney	Jim & Marilyn Osterberg
Pyramid Club	Jim Campbell	Gary & Kathleen Peterson	Ron Lanquist
Dr. Allen Pang		Alabet #31 Daughters of the Nile	
Dan Hartman(Mystic Tie Lodge)		Ken & Pat Olafson	Lanark Lodge #423
Lewis DeGraff	Charles Beard		

### ***Project Tebala Contributors needed now more than ever!!***

As discussed in the March Tebala Shrine Meeting (the Shrine needs to look into the possibility of getting a new roof. Our current roof is 20 years old and needs replacing. Unfortunately, this is an expensive undertaking costing around \$110,000.

Please remember if each member of the Shrine contributes \$100  
we could reach the goal and install the new roof !!

### Project Updates

Many exciting things are happening at the Shrine in regarding to repair and upgrades. After the damage from the roof leaking the insurance company has paid to have new drywall installed in the front office, the entry way by the office, electrical room, Mallquist room, and the Scimitar room. The insurance also agreed to new carpeting in the office and Mallquist room, which as already been installed. Project Tebala funds are being utilized to upgrade the sound system in Temple and work should be completed shortly. For those who do not remember we have updated our restrooms utilizing Project Tebala funds and we hope to get enough money to replace the roof.

# MONTHLY TEMPLE MEETING

Wednesday, June 15, 2011

7:30 P.M.

At Tebala Shrine Center

Attitude Adjustment 5:30 P.M. in Oasis Lounge

Dinner served at 6:30 P.M.

Ill. Sir Bill Robertson invites all Nobles to attend.

Buffet Dinner prepared by the S, H, B, G & Co.

Reservations are **required**, by Monday, June 13, 2011

Nobles with reservations will eat first –

those without are welcome to what is left. – NO EXCEPTIONS!!

\$5.00 DONATION REQUESTED to offset costs.

*Call the Tebala Office at 1-815-332-2010 for Reservations*

Hosted by: Loves Park Shrine Club In Charge: Aide – Bucky Babcock

## Tebala Organizes for the Future

Tebala Temple has a serious problem that needs to be addressed in order for the organization to survive. This problem plagues many organizations throughout the United States and is often difficult to overcome. What am I speaking of? Low membership numbers and lack of involvement with current members. Currently Tebala Temple has 1260 members, a far cry from our maximum number of 7500.

There needs to be a push to try and increase the amount of members at Tebala. In order to accomplish this task the newly developed Speakers Bureau has merged with membership and public relations. Robert Boyd our long time membership chair will now work through the Speakers Bureau as we move forward in attempts to improve our numbers.

The membership committee, public relations, and the newly formed Speaker's Bureau were all tasked with similar functions and merging the three entities into one cohesive group should allow for consolation of effort and expense. Imperial has supplied us with material and information for the Speaker's Bureau through their nationwide campaign to increase numbers. In the past membership often fall on one or may two Nobles, however; now the entire Speaker's Bureau can help the membership drive. Robert Boyd is a member and officer of the Speaker's Bureau and therefore the transition should be relatively smooth.

Tony Kerby, the president of the Speakers' Bureau, wants to invite every Noble to help with new membership recruitment and to join the Speaker's Bureau. Imperial has created several Power point presentations that can be given to a variety of groups that explains the Shrine, what we stand for, and what we do. We hope to utilize this information to spearhead an effort to increase our numbers.

We need knowledgeable, willing Nobility who are able to give presentations to other organizations to join our group. Working together we can increase our numbers and reverse the current trend of failing membership numbers. Anyone interested in joining the Speakers' Bureau is encouraged to contact either Tony Kerby at 815-382-3747 or Illustrious Sir Bill Robertson at 815-543-2941.

Yours in the faith,

Rick Jenks, Speaker's Bureau Member.

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# Attention, Nobles!

Join the fun and get involved.  
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### **Blackhawk Farms Weekend**

Dave Babcock 815-335-2498  
*June 18-19, 2011*

### **Blue Haze Choppers**

Joe Blanchard 815-985-4791

### **Circus**

Loy Rice 815-633-4673  
*June 3-5, 2011*

### **Stag / Corn Boil**

Henry Wilson 815-873-1517  
Greg Stanbury 815-964-3869  
Divan Aides  
*August 17th, 2011*

### **Family Picnic**

Directors Staff  
Divan Aides  
Greg Stanbury 815-964-3869  
*August 28, 2011*

### **"Karnival of Karnage"**

Mark Torrance 815-871-6226  
Matt Thomann 815-310-0310  
*October 7-9, 14-16, 21-23,  
& 28-31, 2011*

### **Vidalia Onions**

Paul Thorne 630-365-6217  
Bill Fisher, P.P. 815-519-6240

### **Arabic Patrol**

Charles Beard 815-218-3623

### **Chanters**

Ronald Pauly 815-398-4548

### **Director's Staff**

Greg Stansbury 815-985-4471

### **Guards**

Peter J. Holm 815-389-1246

### **Honda Patrol**

Charles E. Beard 815-218-3623

### **Horse Patrol**

Bill Heflin 815-234-2249

### **Klowns**

Dan Hartman 815-946-2000  
*Meeting first Tuesday  
at Temple, 7:30p.m.  
Upcoming events  
Parade Season*

### **Marshal Aides**

Larry Whitsel 815-332-5760

### **Mini-Bikes**

Arthur Swanson 815-547-1064  
*Meeting first Thursday  
of the month at Zamindar Club,  
Richmond, IL, 7:00 p.m.*

### **Motor Patrol**

Mike Hoeth 847-223-1824

### **Parade Staff**

Ron Lanquist 815-397-0656

### **Ritualistic Divan**

Don Kimes, P.P. 815-985-8454

### **Air Squadron**

Dennis McKinney  
815-543-0298  
*Meeting fourth Wednesday of  
each month; call for location.*

### **Batavia Shrine Club**

Bob Armstrong 815-459-3898

### **Big Wheels**

Bill Owens 847-226-6789  
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### **Dixon Shrine Club**

John Red 815-288-0250

### **Dressers**

Walter Lockhart 630-892-2251  
*Meeting fourth Tuesday  
at Temple at 7:30p.m.*

### **Freeport Shrine Club**

Dennis Meyers 815-541-1784

### **Freeport T-Ten Parade Club**

Dean White 815-235-6136

### **Jo-Carroll Shrine Club**

Walt Steffes 815-947-3624  
*Meeting second Wednesday  
of the month; call for location.*

### **Legion of Honor**

Glenn Klebsdel 815-389-2426

### **Loves Park Shrine Club**

Jim Campbell 815-637-4373  
*Meeting third Tuesday,  
April—November*

### **McHenry County Shrine Club**

Roland Wood 815-385-9172

### **Mendota Shrine Club**

Vade Wadmeyer 815-866-6117

### **Ogle County Shrine Club**

Hollie Guist 815-734-6393

### **Past Masters**

Jim Allen 815-231-2555

