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INTRODUCING
TEBALA'S 2014 POTENTATE
LOY RICE III AND HIS LADY SANDRA

Schedule of Upcoming Events:

3/15	St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance
3/12	Temple Meeting
3/23	DON Installation
3/28-29	Scottish Rite Reunion
4/16	Temple Meeting
4/20	Kids Easter Party
4/26	Spring Ceremonial
5/09	Mothers Day Dinner
5/18	D.O.N. Queens Tea
5/21	Temple Meeting
6/01	Hospital Days
6/06-08	Shrine Circus
6/14-15	Blackhawk Farms
6/14	Directors Staff Golf Playday

TebalaGram

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NOTE FROM THE POTE

Greetings Nobles;

We are off and running, The Open installation was a great event for all.
PP Don Kimes, assisted by Dean White did a wonderful job as usual with the Ritual and things flowed very smoothly.

We held the Units and Clubs seminar the first Saturday of March, information was shared and the Parade Units are eager to hit the streets and raise monies to
SERVE THE CHILDREN.
Your Divan is working on plans to make things work a little better financially, and with the help of our membership team, and all of you we will increase membership to
PROTECT THE FUTURE.

Special note the **March meeting** has been changed to **March 12th.** so make note of this and I hope to see many of you there.

Upcoming events:
March 15th. St. Patrick's Day dinner.
Daughters of the Nile Installation will take place at Tebala on March 23rd.
Scottish Rite Reunion in Freeport on March 29th.
The April meeting will be back on Regular scheduled date April 16th.

The 2014 Tebala Potentate's Trip will be going to Denver, Co., additional information is contained in a flier in this issue of the Tebalagram. There will be a presentation by our tour director on March 21st. Snacks at 6 PM and the presentation at 7 PM.
I hope many of you decide to go on the trip as it will be a great time I am sure.

I look forward to working with all of you in the coming year and to having a lot of fun together.

Yours in the Faith
Loy Rice
Potentate

TEBALA SHRINE TEMPLE MEETING MINUTES, JANUARY

LOY RICE, POTENTATE
LARRY KEYSER, CHIEF RABBAN
TOM WATSON, ASSISTANT RABBAN,
LES MCCLELLAND HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET
JERRY MINOR, ORIENTAL GUIDE
TOM RUNGE, P.P. TREASURER
MARK TORRANCE, RECORDER

Those present per register.
THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 P.M. BY: JOHN MILLIREN, POTENTATE
THE MEETING WAS SUSPENDED TO THE BUILDING CORP.
BUILDING CORP:
MINUTES:
Motion made by Ron Lanquist, 2nd by Matt Thomann to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Motion passed.
TREASURER'S REPORT:
Motion made by Matt Thomann, 2nd by Tom Brawner, PP to dispense with the Treasurer's report. Motion passed. Motion made by Matt Thomann, 2nd by Carlos Durane to pay the bills. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:
None
NEW BUSINESS:
None
CLOSED BUILDING CORP MEETING
REOPENED STATED MEETING
MINUTES: Motion made by Matt Thomann, 2nd by Gene Gambrel to dispense with the reading of the minutes, motion passed.
TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion made by Matt Thomann &2nd by Gene Gambel to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.
Motion made by Matt Thomann, 2nd by Gene Gambrel to accept the Investment Report as presented. Motion passed.
PRESENTATION OF BILLS:
Motion made by Matt Thomann, 2nd by Gene Gambrel to pay the bills, motion passed.
DEATHS, DEMITS, RESTORATIONS:
Starting membership 1084, created 0; restored 0; expired 9;resignations 0; suspensions 38; demits 4; associates 7 loss of 48;total membership 1036.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:
OLD BUSINESS: Motion made by Tom Brawner, PP, 2nd by Chuck Slater to sell the furniture in the Pyramid Club, motion passed. Cost to do ACH transfer is $15.00 per month. Cost to nobles will be $2.00 per transactions.
NEW BUSINESS: John Milliren made a short speech thanking the nobility for their support this past year.
Don Kimes, PP, Gene Gambrel & Neil Brown installed Tebala's 2014 Divan.
March meeting has been moved to the 12th.
Matt Thomann stated that the finance committee approved the 2014 budget.
Motion made by Tom Brawner, PP, 2nd by Martin McDaniel, PP to accept the 2014 budget. Motion passed.
Ron Lanquist won the 50/50 raffle & donated his half to membership.

MEETIN ADJOURNED AT 8:10 P.M.
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
MARK TORRANCE
RECORDER

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NOBILITY BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH

1st
Clifford Gaunt

2nd
Gregory Lutyens

3rd
Gene R. Boyd
Bradley Sauer

4th
Walter Kevern
Floyd Setchell

5th
Hollie Guist
Robert L. Larson

6th
James Hall
Roy Schwitz

7th
Kenneth Beck

8th
Willard Davey
Roy Kloweit
Lyle Nelson
Carlton Rittweger

9th
Gordon Early
Thomas Sand

10th
George Remour
Tom Runge, P.P.

11th
Michael Feldt
Paul Gish
John Milliren
Arthur Wilson

12th
Maurice Carlisle
Thomas Holland

13th
Richard Brubaker
Roger Shoumake

14th
Patrick Clinnin
Robert Shaub
Richard Sims

15th
Jeffrey Chester

16th
Eric Bergstrom
Glen Johnston
James Quiram
Michael Riess
Thomas Stern

17th
Willie Wenger

18th
Roy Champlin
Randy Krup
Timothy Meeker

19th
Gordon Kolm
Morton Silver
Vade Wehmeyer

20th
Samuel Beiriger
Jack Brannon
Herbert Brown

21st
Craig Danekas
Jay French
Alan Larson
Cal Leiser
Harvey Pautz
Charles Ridlbauer
Robert Singer

22nd
Gene R. Johnson

23rd
John C. Buford
Timothy Cook
Ronald Reeder
Norman Uhlir

24th
Harold Hitchcock

25th
Donald Martin

26th
Joseph Klinck
Konrad Weiss

27th
Keith Damon
Allen Silver
Leonardo Townsend

28th
Billy Abell
Hy Bergsten
Dennis McKinney
Timothy Reinhard

29th
Donald Busch
Thomas E. Watson

30th
Orville Shoemaker
Keith Strong
Roland Wood

31st
Orville Bryan
John Buford
Neil Dreier
Charles Gibson
John Wheatley

Chaplain's Call

Hello Everyone;
So, as I understand it the groundhog saw his shadow in February! Know what that means? The sun was out on that day, duh! I'm not a big believer in some fat, furry rodent prognosticating about how long my winter is going to be! He's just a glorified weatherman, and we know how accurate they tend to be! (No offense if you know a weatherman). I appreciate their expertise in interpreting the conditions of our environment and thereby determining what our weather might be like. However, it is not in my opinion a pure science it is more like a projected perspective about what might happen.

I believe in other things that prove that spring is coming...it's February (January is behind us), it's light after 5 pm, the eagles are flying north, my golf clubs are beginning to call my name, I am remembering that my lawnmower needs some attention before I fire it up, trees and shrubs need to be trimmed,...those things prove to me that spring is inevitable!

You know what else is inevitable? Each morning we wake up with a new opportunity to demonstrate our faith, to plan for a great summer, to recommit ourselves to being an outstanding Mason and fraternity brother, to communicate to our current Nobles and ladies how important their continued involvement and support for our Shrine Center is and that their absence is felt by all of us. We are a fraternity that in spite of differences subscribe to specific values focused upon appreciating the goodness within. We also provide ourselves with the opportunity to laugh with and even at one another at times. None of us are perfect but all of us are committed to being a constructive difference in the world. This is the reason why we don't discuss politics nor do we promote individual religious ideas. We do believe in a Supreme Being that impacts all of us. That is a wonderful fact! As a seminary trained ordained minister currently blessed with the privilege of serving as Chaplain for our Shrine Center and as your duly elected High Priest and Prophet I support this 100%.
I invite you to reach out to another Noble you know and invite him to join you at our next meeting at the Shrine Center. Decide to car-pool with one another. Join me in knowing that spring is on its way. March is around the corner and inspite of the snow and cold weather the flowers of Easter will be appearing, the grass will require mowing, limbs will need to be picked up in our yards and yep you guessed it "Parades" will once again be taking place. I look forward to enjoying your presence at Tebala Shrine Center for the meeting on March 12th. I will plan on sharing an interesting story with you about a 911 call I heard recently. In the meantime let's all realize that Spring is coming and with it comes warmer air and the flowers that announce to all winter has gasped its last breath. By the way with spring on the way does anyone know where I might go to find "MUSHROOMS"? (seriously) I would really enjoy having a feast of Morel's Mushrooms!

Blessings

Rev. Les McClelland,

Chaplain

LOOKING FOR NOBLES AND LADIES TO HELP WITH SPRUCING UP THE BUILDING THIS SPRING. CALL MARK AT 815-871-6226 OR E-MAIL TORRANCEMARK @YAHOO.COM

Place YOUR advertisement in the *Tebala Gram* TODAY!

LOVES PARK SHRINE CLUB NEWS...*(and random thoughts)*

March, 2014 ALREADY! Not much Club News to report. We are dark until next month. We hope to see a huge crowd at our first meeting of the new year. We will be at Tri-State Aluminum, 6300 Forest Hills Road. If the grill is still frozen Noble Doug may cook over a campfire. Be there to find out. The date for this meeting is April 10. Our regular meeting night remains the second Thursday of each month April through November. The 2014 pocket calendar has our meeting being held on the third Tuesday for all 12 months. Please correct your copy so you don't show up on the wrong day.

So far I have received zero replies to my request for New Year's Resolutions. (Broken or Kept) It must not have been a terrific idea. (I do the best I can to make this column interesting and informative)

2014 dues are being accepted. Just send your check for $10.15 or more to the P.O Box listed at the end of the column.

New Feature:

March Wind
March wind is a jolly fellow;
He likes to joke and play.
He turns umbrellas inside out
And blows men's hats away.
He calls the pussy willows
And whispers in each ear,
"Wake up you lazy little seeds,
Don't you know that spring is here"
Author Unknown

Some Special Days in March:
March 2 is Dr. Seuss' Birthday
March 6 is Dentist's Day
March 9 Daylight Savings Time begins.
Ask Noble Joe Simeone which way to move your clock.
March 16 is everything you do is right day.
March 22 is National Goof Off Day.

Golf season is fast approaching so I am listing seven reasons for playing golf. Next month I'll list seven more.

1. Beats mowing the lawn.
2. Having a ball is par for the course.
3. You can play without risk of scandal (usually).
4. Always a doctor nearby.
5. The worse your game, the better the exercise.
6. Carrying clubs is socially acceptable.
7. It's "holistic" stress reduction.

TRIVIA TEST TIME:

1. What famous American composer has had two of his songs adopted as official state anthems?

2. Who was the first rock or pop performer to appear on the covers of Time and Newsweek magazines in the same week?

Keep reading for the answers.

WHO SAID THAT?

"A people that values its privileges above its principles soon loses both."
Dwight D. Eisenhower

"Liberty, when it begins to take root, is a plant of rapid growth."
George Washington

"Honest conviction is my courage;
The Constitution is my guide"
Andrew Johnson

"Where liberty dwells, there is my country."
Benjamin Franklin

"If a nation expects to be ignorant and free…
it expects what never was and never will be."
Thomas Jefferson

An expert is one who knows more and more about less and less.
Nicholas Murray Butler

You can never plan the future by the past.
Edmund Burke

Duty cannot exist without faith.
Disraeli

Man is not the creature of circumstances. Circumstances are the creatures of men.
Disreaeli

PONDER A WHILE:

The only thing wrong with doing nothing is that you never know when you're finished.

A friend is one the nicest things you can have, and one of the best things you can be.

The best thing about the future is that it comes only one day at a time.

Take risks: if you win, you will be happy; if you lose, you will be wise.

Happiness is a thing to be practiced, like the violin.

Safety is a cheap and effective insurance policy.

A day without honesty is like a day without sunshine.

Success is good management in action.

What do we live for, if not to make the world less difficult for each other?

It's not what you look at that matters, It's what you see.

If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door.

The best thing you can give someone is a chance.

You can tell when you're on the right road—it's uphill.

The best way to predict the future is to create it.

Those who wish to sing will always find a song.

RECENT T-SHIRT SIGHTINGS:

You people must be exhausted from watching me do everything

For the record…..
the 'Silent Treatment' is not a punishment

ADMIT IT
Life would be so boring
Without me.

Wear only red.
(It hides the wine stains.)

I keep finding the 5 lbs. I lost.

LOVES PARK SHRINE CLUB NEWS...*(and random thoughts)*

SWEAT
Is Just Fat Cells Crying.

If Monday had a Face
I'D SLAP IT!

Spelling is
Challe…. Difficu…
HARD.

Careful, or you'll end up in
my novel .

If I can't build it, fix it, or mow it,
It must not be important,

Statistics mean never having to say
You're Certain.

Earth
Without Art Is just "Eh"

6 out of 7 Dwarves
Are Not Happy

Silently
Correcting
Your Grammar.

TRIVIA TEST ANSWERS:

1. Stephen Foster. His "My Old Kentucky Home is the state song of Kentucky, and His "Old Folks at Home" is the state song of Florida.
2. Bruce Springsteen, in 1975---after the release of his third album Born to Run.

KIDS & GRANDKIDS TIME:

Little girl: Daddy, why is Mommy singing?
Daddy: So Baby will go to sleep.
Little girl: Will she stop singing when Baby is asleep?
Daddy: Yes, dear.
Little girl: Then why doesn't Baby just pretend to be asleep?

Knock-knock.
Who's there?
Canoe.
Canoe who?
Canoe come out and play?

Knock-knock.
Who's there?
Catsup.
Catsup who?
Catsup a tree---quick call the fire department!

Knock-knock.
Who's there?
Arthur.
Arthur who?
Arthur any more knock-knock jokes?

LAUGH A LITTLE TIME:

On the Tarmac…..
One night at McChord Air Force Base, I was dispatched to check out the security fence where an alarm had gone off. The fence was at the end of the base runway. When I got to the scene, I found a raccoon was the culprit, so I ran around flapped my arms to scare the animal away.
Suddenly an air-traffic controller came over the public-address system and announced oudly, "Attention to the airman at the end of the runway. You are cleared for takeoff."

HARD ENGLISH
No wonder English is so hard to learn… The bandage was wound around the wound. The present is a good time to present the present. I spent last evening evening out a pile of dirt. The dump was so full it had to refuse refuse. After a number of Novacain injections, my jaw got number.

Wanna-be Mechanic
A man is applying for a job as mechanic that he really wants to get. The boss says, "Can you roll your hard hat down your arm and pop it back on your head?"
The mechanic nods, confused.
"Can you play light saber with your wrench and another man's screwdriver?"
"Oh yes," says the mechanic.
"Can you bounce your screwdriver off the cement, grab it, whirl it around and put it in your belt like a gun?"
"Sir, I've been doing that for years!" says the wanna-be mechanic.
"Well in that case, I can't use you. I have 12 men doing that already!" says the boss.

Drum Problem
There was once a small boy who banged a drum all day and loved every moment of it. He would not be quiet, no matter what anyone else said or did. Various attempts were made to do something about the child.
One person told the boy that he would, if he continued to make so much noise, perforate his eardrums. This reasoning was too advanced for the child, who was neither a scientist nor a scholar.
A second person told him that drum beating was a sacred activity and should be carried out only special occasions. The third person offered the neighbors plugs for their ears; a fourth gave the boy a book; a fifth gave the neighbors books that described a method of controlling anger through biofeedback; a sixth person gave the boy meditation exercises to make him placid and docile None of these attempts worked.
Eventually, a wise person came along with an effective motivation, He looked at the situation, handed the child a hammer and chisel, and asked, "I wonder what's inside the drum?"

It's about time to duck out, but just a reminder---Pleasse forward your ideas, comments, questions, complaints, Atta-boys, suggestions or whatever to:
President PP Leon Larson
at 1-815-633-7437 (home)
or 815-494-1554 (mobile):
Vice President PP Tom Runge
At 1-815-389-8622 (home)
or 815-222-6566 (mobile)
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At 1-779-473-0222 (home)
or 1-815-520-4997 (mobile)
or Treasurer Jim Hall
at 1-815-633-1784.
The mailing address remains:
Loves Park Shrine Club,
P.O. Box 2411
Loves Park, IL 61132-0411
Now it is time to duck out!
Jim Hall, Scribe

Place YOUR advertisement in the *Tebala Gram* TODAY!

Diamond Jo Casino Trip

March 2, 2014

Depart from: **Crazy Times**

1520 Glen Forest Dr., Machesney Park, IL

9:00 AM

Return: 6:00 PM

Only $20 per person

Includes:

Luxury Coach Transportation

Breakfast at Crazy Times (7:30 – 8:30)

Sumptuous Buffet Lunch at Casino

Refreshments, Fun, and Games
On the way and back

Sponsored by the

Tebala Directors Staff

Join us to try your luck gaming and enjoy a day of fellowship and great Tebala FUN!

Contacts for Reservations:

Tom Runge:	**1-815-389-8622**
Bruce Sumpter	**1-815-654-2049**

(First 44 Paid Go)

ALABET NO. 31 FASHION SHOW
SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2014
HOFFMAN HOUSE
7550 EAST STATE ST. ROCKFORD, IL
SOCIAL HOUR 11:30
TICKETS: $20
RESERVATIONS OR INFO CONTACT
PQ ALICE ALFREDSON 815-398-8522

Monthly Temple Meeting

March, 12, 2014
Social Time 5:00PM--6:30PM
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Dinner 6:30 p.m. by our own kitchen crew
Come on out and have some fun.
Socialize with friends and enjoy your favorite libations
and popcorn.

Breakfast Breakfast Breakfast

The DeKalb Masonic Lodge is open every Sunday from 7:30am-11:00am for the ALL YOU CAN EAT - PANCAKES BREAKFAST.

Come early, come hungry and enjoy the DeKalb Masonic Lodge #144 (All You Can Eat) Pancakes Breakfast, every Sunday from 7:30am to 11:00am.

Located in DeKalb, Illinois on the south east corner of east Fairview St. & south 4th St. (Route 23).

• Pancakes (all you can eat) • Pork Sausage
• Eggs (your way) • Toast
• Fresh Coffee • Orange juice • Milk

• Biscuits and gravy (full order $4, half order $2 extra)

Adults $6, children 12-5 $4, 4 and under free.

DeKalb Lodge #144 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
Brother David Galica and Brother Frank Beierlotzer

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2014 Tebala Potentate's Trip
Denver, Colorado
June 24th – 29th, 2014

Potentate Loy Rice and his Lady Sandra invite you to join them as they ride the rails on **Amtrak's California Zephyr** to Denver, Colorado. Experienced travelers say that the California Zephyr offers one of the most beautiful train rides in North America. We will travel across Illinois & Iowa, then thru the plains of Nebraska and into the heart of the Rockies. If you have never ridden the train before, now is the time!
We will be staying at the recently renovated AAA Three Diamond rated **Crowne Plaza** in Downtown Denver. Amenities include a rooftop pool, wifi, fitness center, concierge service, lounge & restaurant on site as well as a business center.
The Crown Plaza is centrally located within easy walking distance of all of the downtown attractions including the 16th Street Mall & LoDo, Denver's hip historic district as well as countless eateries to appeal to any appetite.

Tour Highlights Include
6 days 5 nights

-Round Trip Transfer from Rockford to Chicago Union Station.
-Round Trip Coach Seating on Amtrak's California Zephyr.
-Three Nights Lodging at the AAA 3 Diamond Crown Plaza-Downtown Denver.
-Guided Tour of the US Mint in Denver.
-First Class Parlor Car Seating on narrow gauge railroad train (The Georgetown Loop) traveling 640 ft over rugged mountainous terrain powered by an Old Time Steam Locomotive.
-Guided Tour of the Coors Brewery-Golden, CO.
-Sightseeing stop in Historic Georgetown, Co, originally a mining camp, now a National Historic Landmark District.
-Baggage Handling Fees at the Hotel are included.
-Full American Hot Breakfast Buffet at Hotel.

$789.00 per person double occupancy.
Call for a detailed itinerary.
Deposit of $100 per person due at sign-up with remaining balance due May 2, 2014.
Travel Insurance is available for $36.00 per person & must be paid with deposit.
Make Checks payable to Rockford Charter Coach.

A spacious coach seat for your journey is included in the cost of the trip. For a more luxurious experience, reserve a roomette or bedroom in one of the Superliner Sleeping Cars. Prices available on request.

****Trip Meeting March 21st at Tebala Shrine Center****
6:00PM Social
7:00PM Presentation by Laura Babcock - Tour Director

TEBALA AIR SQUADRON

2014 LOTTERY CALENDAR

Having purchased one of our Lottery Calendars, you now are in a position to win cash prizes that will total $8,975.00 in 211 drawings. To be eligible for a drawing, fill in the ticket, and give it to the person who sold you the calendar. Prizes will be awarded during the year as follows; $ 400.00 will be drawn 4 times during the year, $300.00 will be drawn 2 times during the year, $100.00 will be drawn 5 times during the year, $ 50.00 will be drawn 51 times during the year, $ 25.00 will be drawn 149 times during the year. Because each ticket will be returned to the drum, every calendar purchaser has 211 chances to win.

Drawings for the month to be held at Tebala Air Squadron about the first Monday of each month. Checks will be mailed out on the 15th of each month. Winner's names will be posted at the site of the drawing.

Because of the printing, advertising, and mailing expenses, plus $8,975.00 in prizes to be awarded, Tebala Air Squadron reserves the right to refund all money if a minimum of 550 calendars are not sold by March 31, 2014. First draw by March 31, 2014, unless all sold before then. To purchase please contact any Air Squadron Member, or contact Tom at rojj69@comcast.net or tebala08@comcast.net or by phone at 815871-3333

This replaces the $10,000.00 drawing.

News from your Membership Desk

We have a lot going on the next few months so I want to just bullet some of them.

March 2, 2014 Clubs/units Breakfast 8:00am-10:00am (call to put in your reservations.)

March 11, 2014 Masonic Movie/Documentary chili dinner night 6:00 pm-8:30 pm. (call to put in your reservation and bring anyone that seeks more information.)

Temple meeting March 12, 2014 (night has been moved this month from the 19th, Call to let the office know your coming.)

March 15, 2014 10:00 am – 3:00 pm ILCHIP at Pecatonica High school for the elementary school. (Volunteers needed please contact Jerry minor if you can help.)

March 15, 2014 St. Patrick's day Dinner. Call the office with your reservations please.)

March 29 & 30, 2014 Concealed Carry Class. (Call with your reservations.)

Temple Stated Meeting April 16, 2014. (Call with your reservations please.)

April 20, 2014 (Kids Easter Party more info to follow.)

April 26, 2014 Spring Ceremonial. (Get your petitions in as soon as you possibly can this helps in the paperwork.) More information to follow.

It is important to make your reservations to the Temple Office so please do as early as you

Blue Haze Choppers

The Blue Haze Choppers was founded in December 2007. We are a motorized mini chopper group affiliated with Tebala Shrine which is a subset of the Freemasons. All Shriners are Masons, but not all Masons are Shriners. Blue Haze Choppers members appear in roughly eight parades from Memorial Day until the middle of October. We perform several different maneuvers and formations along the parade route to the delight of the crowd. Seeing grown men on a mini chopper that was intended to be used by a child brings a smile to the face of everyone in the crowd. It is very common to hear from children to parents and grandparents wanting to know how they can get a bike like ours. We also participate in other events though out the year as a means of raising funds for and increasing public awareness of Shriners Children's Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. The Chicago Shriners Hospital is one of twenty two hospitals across the United States, Mexico and Canada that the Shriners raise funds for. Membership in the Blue Haze Choppers is open to all Shriners. Blue Haze Choppers has raised over $15,000 dollars for the transportation fund. The transportation fund helps to pay the cost to drive patients and their families to and from the Chicago hospital at no cost to the family. If you would like to receive information about joining the fraternal origination of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons then contact Blue Haze Choppers President Todd Roberts at email: troberts607@yahoo.com and like us on facebook at facebook.com/tebala.bluehazechoppers

St. Patrick's Day Party

Saturday March 15, 2014

5:30 pm Cocktails

6:00 pm Dinner

$18.00 per person

Corned Beef, Cabbage & all the trimmings

Prepared by the Hoffman House.

Tebala Shrine Center

Reservations by march 10, 2014

Call Denise at (815)-332-2010

Irish Toast

"May all your days be pleasant, and the years many with joy and good memories"

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Masonic Movie Night

All are welcome to attend. Bring your candidates; plan to do your investigations this night as well after the program.

Two Must see Movie/Documentaries

When: March 11th at 6:00 pm

Where: Tebala Shrine Center 7910 Newberg Rd, Rockford, IL 61108

The first documentary in the program is

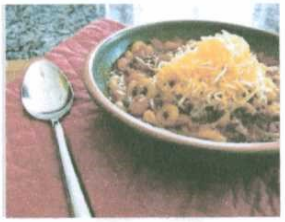
Scottish Rite "Tribute to the flag": approximately 20 min in length. This documentary is a must see!

After this movie a brief break and to get your food and back to your seat.

The second movie is called

"Unseen Journey" There is plenty of History Channel documentaries out there that purport to tell the story of freemasonry. But one tells the story from the inside. In 1991 W. Bro. I. Michael Toth in cooperation with other brethren and the Grand lodge of Illinois produced an hour long film entitled Unseen Journey. Shot on film (not video), the production featured the late John Robinson, author of Born in Blood. Please bring your family, friends or candidates from any of the Masonic Bodies to this event the second movie runs approximately 60 minutes. We will take a 10 minute break about half way through this movie. Please use this event to introduce others to the great work that your fraternities do. Be prepared to answer questions that your candidates may have, remember this is a unity project in freemasonry. We are all brothers **No Hard Sells** just enjoy and be enlightened.

We will be serving a chili dinner that will consist of Chili, Crackers, Cheese, onions, Tap beer will be served, along with coffee, and lemonade and dessert. There is no cost for this but donations would be appreciated.



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Illinois Concealed Carry Class

WHO: Tebala Shriners, spouses, family members and friends
WHAT: Illinois Concealed Carry Class
WHERE: Tebala Shrine Center, 7910 Newburg Road, Rockford, IL 61108
WHEN: Saturday, March 29th (8 AM – 5 PM) and Sunday, March 30th (8 AM – approx 1:30 in in classroom and from 2 PM – 5 PM travel to and qualify at a private range) (1 hour lunch each day) **Reservations are required**: Contact Tebala Office @ 815-332-2010 or Gary Ackerman@ 815-540-8433 prior to Wednesday, February 5, 2014.

COST: $200 (normally $300); $100 for Veterans -
$50 per participant goes to Tebala Shrine!!

Active Military and discharged Military (Veterans) are not required to take the NRA Pistol Course (day 1), they only need to take the 2nd day. (Copy of DD214 required)

DETAILS: Course includes: *Morning coffee & donuts, both days; lunch, both days; beverages (coffee / soda / water); targets; loaner .22 pistols, eye & ear protection at the range; required fingerprinting; and required photos for applications (application Fee not included); Concealed Carry application forms for Illinois, Florida and Arizona*

You are encouraged to bring your own pistol (.22 preferred, but not required), ammunition and holster to qualify. If you do not have a pistol, a .22 will be made available for you to use at no charge.

An Illinois FOID card is NOT required to take the course – however you are encouraged to apply if you do not currently have one. Illinois FOID Applications will be made available and photos taken at the course (application Fee not included).

Class Instructor is Tebala Noble Dennis Brinkman, President of Ballistic Enterprise, who is a qualified, licensed Concealed Carry Instructor in Illinois, Florida and Arizona.

Call 815-483-1729 with questions or visit www.BallisticEnterprise.com .

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