



AL BEDOONINGS

The Al Bedoo Shrine Newsletter



Greetings Nobles,

Our Imperial session votes of note was that there were no per-capita increases in dues and that travel restrictions were voted down.

Our next focus will be on the Montana Fair, Celebrating 110 Years of Fun! Held this August 8th through the 16th at METRAPARK!

I would encourage Nobles to support our Hospital Corps trailer, representing our Al Bedoo Shrine at the Montana Fair, by filling shifts at our location! This is one of the best ways we have letting our community know we are still making a difference!

To get on schedule contact Rachel Old Coyote (259-4384) or Ron Swenson (740-8846).

The Montana Fair Schedule shifts are as follows:

- 8-8-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm.
- 8-10-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm.
- 8-12-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm.
- 8-14-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm.
- 8-16-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm.
- 8-9-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm
- 8-11-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm
- 8-13-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm
- 8-15-25 Friday, noon to 4pm. 4pm to 8pm

Noble Tree will have the admittance passes and can be called at 670-4154 to let you in for your schedule.

Thanks,

Joe Hensley

Potentate 2025



2025 Divan

Potentate: Joe Hensley
Chief Rabban: Vern Tesch
Assistant Rabban: Nate Frickel
High Priest & Prophet: Lance Smith
Oriental Guide: Will Enloe
Treasurer: Ron Swenson
Recorder: Dave Bergeson, PP
1st Ceremonial: Sandy Stinnet
2nd Ceremonial: Casey Dubbs, PP
UU Director: Keith Dove
Marshall: Dan Logan
Captain of the Guard: Tom Green
Outer Guard: Jason Ferguson
Chaplain: PC Moran

Al Bedoo Shriner Events Calendar

July, August, September 2025

Recurring Events

1st Thursday, **Eastern Montana Shrine Club** Meeting, 6:30pm–9:30pm, Main Level of the Glendive Masonic Lodge, 202 S Merrill Ave, Glendive.

Every Tuesday, **Shrine Coffee**, 7:30am-9:00am, **Hospital Corps**, 9:00am-10:00am, Scottish Rite, 514 14th St. W. Billings.

Every Friday, **Oriental Band**, 6:00pm-8:30pm, 2824 1st Ave N, Billings.

Every Saturday, **Central Montana Shrine Club** Meeting, 11:30am–1:00pm, Doc's Casino Sports Bar & Grill 1660 W. Main St, Lewistown.

2nd & 4th Mondays. **Clowns**, 7pm.

2nd Wednesday, **Provost Guard**, 6pm.

3rd Wednesday, **Musselshell Valley Shrine Club** meeting, 6:30pm-8:30pm, 317 1st Ave W, Roundup.

4th Wednesday, **Crazy Mountain Shrine Club**, 5:30pm-9:00pm, 101 W 2nd Ave, Big Timber.

Upcoming Events

8-7-25, Thursday, **UU Meeting**, 6:30pm-8:00pm, Zoom Meeting, 711 Central Ave, Suite 122, Billings.

8-8-25 to 8-16-25, Fri—Sun, **Montana Fair Hospital Corps Trailer Booth**, MetraPark, 308 6th Ave N, Billings, MT 59101.

8-19-25, Tuesday, **Special Hospital Corps Zoom meeting**, 7:00pm, Zoom only, Contact Noble Ron (740-8846) for ZOOM invitation.

8-21-25, Thursday, **Stated Meeting**, 5:30pm-10:00pm, Al Bedoo Shrine Temple, 5650 US Highway 87 N, Billings.

9-1-25, Monday, **Reed Point Sheep Drive**, 9:00 am, Reed Point Mt.

9-4-25, Thursday, **UU Meeting**, 6:30pm-8:00pm, Zoom Meeting, 711 Central Ave, Suite 122, Billings.

9-10-25, Wednesday, **Clown Train, Zoo Mt**, 4:00pm-8:00pm, 308 6th Ave N, Billings, MT 59101.

9-18-25, Thursday, **Stated Meeting**, 5:30pm-10:00pm, Al Bedoo Shrine Temple, 5650 US Highway 87 N, Billings.

9-18-25, Thursday, **Clown Train-Sweetwater** Retirement Community, 4:00pm-8:00pm, 3140 Sweet Water Dr, Billings, MT 59102

10-2-25, Thursday, **UU Meeting**, 6:30pm-8:00pm, Zoom Meeting, 711 Central Ave, Suite 122, Billings.

10-16-25, Thursday, **Stated Meeting**, 5:30pm-10:00pm, Al Bedoo Shrine Temple, 5650 US Highway 87 N, Billings.

10-17 to 10-18-2025 Friday & Saturday, **Al Bedoo Temple Fall Ceremonial**, 6:30pm-10pm, Glendive Masonic Lodge, 202 S Merrill Ave, Glendive, MT 59330.

Full year calendar posted on AlBedooshrine.org. Please note if we are missing some days, times, and locations of your event, notify me at billm@consul-comp.com.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We are looking for that special Noble to visit our infirm and house bound Nobles! If you have a calling, we have a place for you! Please contact the our office and let us know.

Attention!

Al Bedoo is looking for a new keyboard player for the Calliope! The calliope is still working after a hundred years! If you can play the piano, you can play the calliope! Call Dave Bergeson, at the office, if you are interested in making music!

Black Camel

Charles "Chuck" Smith January 11, 1928—March 14, 2025



Donations

*Dennis, Earl, and Carol Prewett in memory of **Ann Ballard***

*Hospital Corps in memory of **Deborah Froman***

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Greetings Again Nobles and Ladies and Other Readers,

This past weekend was another of our family campouts at the Temple and was a very special time. Disappointed in attendance however. Where else can you bring your trailers/tents/RVs and camp out for a weekend at absolutely no charge? We provide the electricity and although we do not have water to the campers the Temple/clubhouse is just a few feet away with water, restrooms and showers. It's quiet out there and spectacular views—the Beartooth Mountains to the West, the Pryors to the South and lots of prairie and Rattlesnake Lake to the East. And just a very few miles from Billings. All ages were invited and it certainly was a family atmosphere. Afternoons were spent with conversation on the patio, cornhole games and horseshoe competition. In the evening there was the new firepit to sit around. Saturday evening was one delicious pig roast bbq dinner with fresh corn on the cob, roasted potatoes, finger food veggies and lots of fresh fruit compliments of Illustrious Sir Joe and Chief Rabban Vern as were the adult beverages during the weekend including the two new Slushie drinks. During the afternoons they or a cold brew really hit the spot. If you weren't there—we missed you—and if you were—we enjoyed your company and hope to see you at the next one as well. Keep your eyes open for another one. I guarantee it just might be a highlight of your summer. (PS the firepit is very well stocked with wood!)



It makes me sad sometimes to see how hard our Potentate Illustrious Sir Joe Hensley and Chief Rabban Vern Tesch work at putting together fun events at minimal or no cost for you to increase camaraderie in our Temple only to have so few attend. A weekend would also be a wonderful place to bring prospective Shriners to show them our good side and that we can enjoy just having fun together. And our focus will be on fun until fall.

We still can use some help for Fair Week manning the Hospital Corps trailer and booth and also helping with the Clown Train (fairgrounds tram). Both volunteer jobs come with free gate passes.

Be proud to be a Shriner and know that now you can again be proud to be an Al Bedoo Shriner as well. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Fraternally, Dave Bergeson PP Recorder



PC's Recipes



Bacon Onion Foil Packet Potatoes

2 to 3 sheets of heavy-duty foil

1 packet onion soup powder

10-12 baby red potatoes, thinly sliced

12 slices of cooked and crumbled bacon

1 cup cheese (optional)

Salt and pepper to taste

3 tablespoons butter

Sour cream for serving (optional)



Spray each sheet of foil with cooking spray. Top each piece with equal portions of potatoes, bacon, 1 packet onion soup powder and mix. Add salt and pepper to taste. Add 1 tablespoon of butter to each serving. Wrap securely.

Grill for 20 to 30 minutes. Or you can bake it in the oven, at 350° for about 35 minutes or till done. Let stand 10 minutes before serving. Serve in foil, topped with sour cream if desired.

Report of Al Bedoo Hospital Corps

Highlights

Al Bedoo Hospital Corps Meeting at 9:04 AM July 29 2025 at Billings Scottish Rite Temple


Financial report: \$6,535.50 in checking and \$21,020.18 in CDs.

Fund raising raffle tickets are available for distribution. Please contact Noble Arron Larson to pick some up. Billboard advertising in Billings, Glendive and Lewistown, and possibly Big Timber discussions are continuing. First Budget approved for \$4k and can be increased as needed. Spokane Hospital has been contacted for approved artwork and permissions to print. Lamar advertising is subsidizing the cost of these billboards as part of their community promotion. HC truck and Trailer to be stored on Temple property. Special evening HC Zoom meeting set for Tuesday August 19 at 7 PM. Budget guidelines were set. HC to support Bethel#3 Job's Daughters effort with a dollar match capped at \$2000. Montana Fair August 8 to 16 HC information booth coverage is still being finalized Clown Train is reported as covered at this point Nobles please make yourself known if you can help. Sheep drive in Read Point is August 30. Philips in South Park Sept 4 Evening HC only at this time. September 10th & September 18th Clown Train is requested respectively at the Zoo for "Alternatives" "employee BBQ 4 to 8 PM and at Sweet Water retirement home on 32st West from 4 to 8 PM.

The next Hospital Corps Business meeting will be August 5th /2025 at the Billings Scottish Rite Building at 9:00 AM.

Forrest "Tree" Henderson, RETIRED , Cell 670 4154

Everett Jones has kindly allowed his past articles to be re-published in the Albedooings. I hope you enjoy his words of wisdom and wit!

 **The
Chaplain's
Corner**

Chaplain's Corner April 05

As I sat down to try to create something that makes sense, I realized that so many other people have said or written statements that make more sense than mine. So with that in mind I decided to write their statements or quotes in this article and let you read something with intelligence. Here they are and I hope they will spark some thought:

“There are two ways to get to the top of an oak tree - you can climb it or sit on an acorn.” (Author unknown)

“You can't spell “brothers” and not spell “others.” (Baptist Standard)

“You can't hold a man down without staying down with him.” (Booker T. Washington)

“When it comes to picking up dirt, the vacuum cleaner can't compare with the telephone.” (Unknown)

“All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing.” (Edmund Burke)

“It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness.” (Charles H. Spurgeon)

“Let the moment come when nothing is left but life, and you will find that you do not hesitate over the fate of material possessions.” (Eddie Reckenbacker)

“There is only one true religion, but there may be many forms of belief.” (Emmanuel Kant)

“Few rich men own their property. The property owns them.” (R. G. Ingersoll)

“God gives us our relatives, thank God we can choose our friends. (E. W. Mumford)

“Anyone can be polite to a king. It takes a gentleman to be polite to a beggar.” (Unknown)

“Do something to make other people happy even if it's only to leave them alone.” (Unknown)

“Wealth consists not in having great possessions but in having few wants.” (Epicurus)

“There is no such thing as an inevitable war. If war comes it will be from failure of human wisdom.” (Andrew B. Law)

“If a circus is half as good as it smells it's a great show.” (Fred Allen)

I know from experience that our Shrine Circus is a smell filled event.

If you have read this far, thanks for your persistence, and many, many thanks to all who have been so faithful in visiting the sick and shut-in. It is greatly appreciated.

Your servant in faith,
Everett Jones, Chaplain



Pig Roast and campout



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Sudoku Corner

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Easy

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The aim of Sudoku is to complete the entire grid using the numbers 1-9. Each number can only be used once in each row, once in each column, and once in each of the 3x3 boxes. Visit www.sudokuoftheday.com for further tips and help about how to play – and good luck!”

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As investing in a premier research facility is a cornerstone of Vision 2035, this facility will facilitate more collaborations systemwide, provide more collaborative projects with top scientists and engineers outside the organization and provide more opportunities for our physician-scientists.

"This investment in research will position Shriners Children's as a significant player on the global stage," said Leslie D. Stewart, M.D. and Chairman of Shriners Children's Board of Trustees.

With an investment of more than \$153 million and the creation of 470 new jobs, this institute will focus on multidisciplinary research in collaboration with partners like Georgia Tech and Emory University. There are already some projects underway, including robotic exoskeletons for patients with cerebral palsy.

Crazy Mountain Shrine Club
in the Sweetgrass Festival Parade.



Al Bedoo Clown Train
Was a hit in Big Timber!



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Please make your submissions by the last Friday of each month that we may publish before the next month begins. Text contributions to be in a “text” format, like Microsoft Word or Notepad, rather than a “pdf” image so that we may modify as needed.

Your contributions are requested and encouraged!

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