



# AL BEDOONINGS

The Al Bedoo Shrine Newsletter

COMMUNITY NEWS

Happy New year Nobles!

I want to start by thanking you for your support and trust you have instilled in me as your Potentate. I will do my best to represent you and Al Bedoo during my tenure. Also, I would like to thank Past Potentate Illustrious Sir Bill Murphy for his service to the temple. Bill made substantial progress in opening positive communication amount our Nobility. We will hopefully continue to build on that as we traverse the sands of 2025.

The 2025 Divan you have elected is determined to build the future of Al Bedoo. This will include improvements made to our property as well as Improvement to the Brotherhood of our fraternity. Positive and effective communication are key to the accomplishment of this task. Let us not forget that we are all Masons and have taken obligations to “whisper” good counsel not to shout it from the rooftops. Participation from the Nobility is essential for our success.

The improvements have already begun at the temple property. The rental house has undergone significant repairs already and the grounds have started to be cleaned. A roll off box for steel recycling has been delivered to the property. We have a lot of scrap steel laying around that can be recycled and improve the looks of the temple grounds. Feel free to go up and throw a few things in if you have a moment. I as well as other divan members will be up there periodically to go through things that are just clutter. Please attend the annual meeting on January 23. Plans have been made for a remodel of the Temple and we would like input.

In 2025, we are going to expand the social activities and events that build on our fraternity. Starting with a bowling outing on February 8 and possibly an all-Mason campout on the property this spring. Let us concentrate on bringing fun back into the fraternity so we can attract more members and re-energize those who have gone dormant. Participation and suggestions from all the Nobility ensures we cover all interests and abilities of our brothers.

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: Mike Hynes**  
**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

January, February, March 2025

### Recurring Events

1st Thursday, **Big Horn Shrine Club**, 7:00pm – 8:00pm.

1st Thursday, **Eastern Montana Shrine Club Meeting**, 6:30pm–9:30pm, Main Level of the Glendive Masonic Lodge, 202 S Merrill Ave, Glendive, MT 59330.

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

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

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

1st & 3rd Mondays. **Clowns**, 6pm.

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

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

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

### Upcoming Events

1-2-25, Thursday, **UU Meeting**, 6:30pm-7:30pm, Zoom Meeting.

1-23-25, Thursday, **Stated Meeting**, 5:30p-10:00pm, Al Bedoo Shrine Temple, 5650 US Highway 87 N, Billings, MT 59105.

2-6-25, Thursday, **UU Meeting**, 6:30pm-7:30pm, Zoom Meeting.

2-8-25, Saturday, **The Second Annual No-host Shrine Bowling Day**, 3:00pm-9:00pm, Town & Country Lanes, Lounge and Cafe, 6126 Hwy 312, Billings, MT 59105

2-20-25, Thursday, **Stated Meeting**, 5:30p-10:00pm, Al Bedoo Shrine Temple, 5650 US Highway 87 N, Billings, MT 59105.-  
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2-21-25 to 2-23-25, **2025 PNSA Winter Meeting**, Spokane, WA

3-15-25, Saturday, **Saint Patrick's Day Parade**, Downtown Billings Mt.

3-17-25, Monday, **St. Patrick's Day!**

3-20-25, Thursday, **Stated Meeting**, 5:30p-10:00pm, Al Bedoo Shrine Temple, 5650 US Highway 87 N, Billings, MT 59105.-  
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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](mailto:billm@consul-comp.com).

**Shrine Ladies Dinner Thursday, January 23rd. 5:30 p.m. at the Rib 'N Chop House**

**RSVP to Cynthia 406-855-5765. Thank you! Cynthia Hert [hert.cynthia@yahoo.com](mailto:hert.cynthia@yahoo.com)**

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We congratulate PC Moran as our new Chaplain! His duties will be to bring prayer to all of our meetings.  
We are still needing someone to visit our infirm and house bound nobles so if you have a calling please contact the our office.

## Black Camel



### Donations

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Greetings Nobles and Ladies and Happy New Year! As I am writing this the snowflakes are starting to fly and I am like "What is this stuff?". It has been a strange open and warm December, but as I recall from past years when that happens we often pay for it greatly in January and February. Yesterday was Installation--a few days in advance of the traditional New Year's Day event. We had a good attendance for a condensed afternoon version of the event with nearly 100 Nobles, Ladies and family attending. Illustrious Sir Ken Fichtner PP was Presiding Officer. All of the Elected Line Officers and Many of the Appointed Officers were there to be installed.. We said goodbye to Illustrious Sir Bill Murphy now a PP and his Lady Patty and welcomed our new leader Illustrious Sir Joe Hensley. I think the installation held at the Scottish Rite and the camaraderie of the day proved to all what a wonderful fraternity and family we are part of. Of course the food and libations before and after the ceremony and all the socializing was a hit!



And now the new year of Shrinedom begins with many projects already in progress. Much work has been done and much still continues to be done on the house at the temple property to improve it and get it up to code. Rental of the house will be a source of income for our temple with the renter as before providing some security for the Temple and helping with some necessary duties for the property such as snow removal. A lot of cleanup of the property has taken place but there is more to be done. Keep your eyes open for another Temple Work Day soon. Many thanks to new Potentate Illustrious Sir Joe Hensley for not only spearheading this, but also rolling up his sleeves and being actively involved with the projects. And thank you to now Chief Rabban Vern Tesch for gathering and coordinating a team to decorate our new Temple with lights and other decorations for the holiday season.

The end of the year membership numbers are low but we are holding our own. I spent much of November and December encouraging Noble Brothers to pay their dues and to become more involved with the fraternity. We had quite a list of people in arrears on their dues owing two years and subject for suspension by Imperial Shrine at the end of December. I whittled that number down to only 14 and we still have two days Dec. 30 & 31. We also had two reinstatements Noble Bob Snow and Noble Moe Rademacher. And we had one demit this month. Current Al Bedoo membership stands at 318. If all stays as at present we will have 304 members come January 1. That is only 4 members above the cutoff point at which we lose one of our two Imperial Representatives. We had 2 previous affiliations this year and created 4 new Nobles which is less than we lost to the Black Camel. I am hoping we can do much better in 2025 in creating new Nobles as well as in Affiliations and gaining Associate members. Let's all try to see what we can do about that.

We have another good Potentate in Illustrious Sir Joe Hensley with lots of ideas and a desire to follow through on many projects not the least of which is the expansion of our new Temple to more accommodate our needs and make room for the Shrine office at that location as Imperial rules specify.. My hope is that this New Year you will rally behind your new Potentate, be active and supportive Nobles of our fraternity, ask a Brother Mason to become a Shriner and and participate in working and playing together in the greatest fraternity I know while supporting the Greatest Philanthropy I know, Shriners Children's (Hospitals) !

Fraternally,

Dave Bergeson, PP

Recorder



# PC's Recipes



## Gingerbread Scones

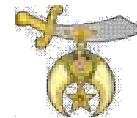
### Ingredients:

- 2 cups unbleached white flour (8oz/240g)
- 1 tbsp baking powder
- 1/4 tsp ground ginger
- 1/4 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/8 tsp ground cloves
- 1/2 tsp sea salt
- 2 tbsp granulated sugar (or coconut, date, etc.)
- 1 tsp granulated sugar, for sprinkling on top
- 1/2 cup cold butter in cubes (or vegan butter, 4oz/115g)
- 1/4 cup molasses (3oz/85g)
- 1/2 cup milk (cow, coconut, almond, etc.)
- 1 tsp milk, for top
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 2 tbsp melted butter (or vegan butter)
- 1 tbsp maple syrup
- 1/2 tsp pure vanilla extract



### Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 425°F
2. In a large bowl, mix together the dry ingredients: flour, cinnamon, ginger, cloves, baking powder, salt, and 2 tbsp of sugar
3. Using a pastry cutter or fork, cut the butter into the flour mixture until the butter pieces are about the size of peas
4. Pour in 1/2 cup milk and 1/4 cup molasses, stirring everything together until well combined
5. Bring the dough together with your hands, then flatten it onto a baking tray, either lined with parchment or lightly greased. Pat it into a circle about 3/4" thick.
6. Brush the dough circle with 1 tsp of milk and sprinkle with 1 tsp of sugar to create a crunchy topping
7. Cut the dough into 8 wedges
8. Bake at 425°F for 17-20 minutes, until golden brown and risen
9. To make the icing, whisk together powdered sugar, melted butter, maple syrup, and vanilla until smooth
10. Spread the icing over the scones using a spoon or knife. The icing sets quickly, so work fast!
11. Enjoy these gingerbread scones with a hot drink!



Brynleigh 's palate repair was a



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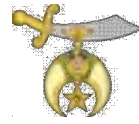
For all you do!

### Watch Shriners Children's Float in the 136th Rose Parade



Tune in to the Rose Parade on New Year's Day, 8 a.m. PT/11 a.m. ET, to see Shriners Children's float, *Hope Shines On*, as it rolls down Colorado Boulevard. Thank you to the hundreds of volunteers, including Shriners and spouses, who spent countless hours decorating our float with 36,500 flowers! Our float position is #82, followed only by the Grand Finale!

# Installation of Officers, Al Bedoo Shrine 2025



New Officers for a New Year!



Welcome New Officers!



## YOU'RE INVITED

Happy New Year all.

**The Second Annual No-host Shrine Bowling Day** is scheduled for February 8, 2025 at 3:00 pm at the Town and Country bowling alley. This is located just east of Billings on the Shepherd highway.

All Shriners and prospective Shriners as well as all Daughters of the Nile and prospective daughters are invited.

Please RSVP to the office by 2/6/25 so we have enough lanes reserved. Come out and bowl or at least come out and laugh with us.

Noble Vern Tesch, Chief Rabban



Widow's Sons Christmas Party, Laurel  
Montana. 12-7-24

Bonus recipe  
from PC!



## Sudoku Corner

Easy

Tricky

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1	3	8	9	5	2	6	7	4
6	8	5	4	1	2	9	3	7
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Sudoku puzzles are provided by [www.sudokuoftheday.com](http://www.sudokuoftheday.com) – visit them and get a new Sudoku every day!





### Legacy of Jimmy Carter

More info at: <https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/news-and-media/news/2023/02/jimmy-carter-legacy>

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Number of Shrine Children Patients & their Family Members that we provided transportation trips for to Shrine Hospitals and Clinics

January 2025?



Attention Nobles and Ladies! Are you a former Shriners Children's patient looking to network with other former patients and strengthen your connection with our healthcare system? If so, you are in the right place!

The Patient Alumni Network (PAN) was formed in 2022 as part of our 100th Anniversary Celebration. The goal of the network is to connect former patients with each other and provide opportunities for them to share their stories and accomplishments with other patients, Shriners, donors and the public. This might include attendance at Shriners Children's and Shriners International events, in addition to other functions.

Each and every person who has been cared for at Shriners Children's has a story to tell, and those that go on to become Shriners deepen their relationship with our healthcare system. We look forward to connecting with you and helping you share your inspirational stories with others.

Ways to become involved as a PAN member:

- Share your story with others
- Attend local and national events
- Engage with the group on social media
- Become a patient mentor

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Address correction requested

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Full details page 2. Full year calendar posted to AlBedooShrine.org.

**Editors Note:**

We welcome feedback and suggestions on how we can make the Al Bedooings better for you. Do you like what we're doing? Do you want something different? Do you want us to do anything else? Let us know!

**Your contributions are requested and encouraged!**

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