

MAY 2023

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is Hereby Given That the Stated Session of Ismailia Shriners will be held at the time and place shown below for transaction of such business as may come properly before the Temple.

Attest:

Joseph A. Hoerner
Recorder

Ronald E. Bigger
Illustrious Potentate

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Meeting Starts at 7:00 p.m.

Ismailia Shriners Auditorium
1600 Southwestern Blvd., Buffalo, NY

**There will be a Ceremonial
May 19, 2023 at 6:00 pm**

Please call the Office at 716-674-8666 for details

ISMAILIA SHRINERS

May 1, 2023

GENERAL ORDER I

1. The Illustrious Potentate, Dennis N. Caldwell Sr., orders Ismailia Temple Officers, Past Potentates and Units and Shrine Clubs to participate in the 2022 Williamsville Memorial Day Parade on Monday May 29, 2023 at 1:00 pm.

2. ORDER OF FORMATION (In Regulation Uniform)

Color Guard
Illustrious Potentate
Divan
Past Potentates
Aides
Directors Staff
Clowns
Legion of Honor
Howdah Club
Shrine Clubs
Antique Cars
Chanters
Shriners on Bikes
Mini Corps
Mini Kars
Unit Staff

3. Parade information: Assembly at 1:30 p.m.

Assembly point: The parade line-up is on the grounds of Williamsville South High School, 5950 Main Street in Williamsville, New York. Parade units will begin moving out at 2:00 pm sharp, rain or shine, continuing westward on Main Street and disbanding at Los Robles Street.

These orders will not be changed except by the Illustrious Potentate through the Unit Staff.

E. Daniel Walther IV P.P.
Chief of Staff



Ismailia Shriners
Chicken BBQ

Sun, May 21, 2023

12:00 – 4:00 pm Or Sold Out

\$14.00

1600 Southwestern Blvd

West Seneca, NY 14224

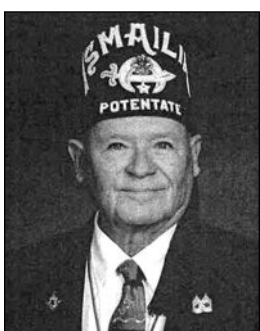
Get your tickets early ** Call for presale tickets

716-674-8666

Eat In or Take Out

All Presale - pick-up by 3:00 pm

THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Ronald E. Bigger
Potentate 2023

Thank you to all the Clubs and Units who came out to help with the cleanup of the storage area. If your Club or Group was unable to attend the work party we will be having another on the 10th of June from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Again a big thank you to those members and Clubs that had the new outside BBQ area built.

Don't forget about the Stated Session on May 10th at 7:00 pm and the Shrine Ceremonial on May 19th at 6:00 pm.

Hope everyone has a great summer!

*Ill. Sir Ronald Bigger
Potentate 2023*

SHRINE SMILE

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 charged to a credit card.

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SHRINE OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Just a Quick Reminder...



Do not leave any valuables in your
 vehicles. There have been more
 than a few vehicles broken into at
 the YMCA, and at one of our recent
 events, one of our Nobles and his
 wife had theirs broken into in our
 parking lot. Criminals know that
 people do a lot of shopping and
 leave their purchases in the vehicle
 while running more errands. Most
 people ignore car alarms as there
 always seems to be one going off
 in a large parking lot, or down the
 street at 3 AM as we are trying to
 sleep. Stay vigilant.

PLEASE NOTE:

All articles for the *Smile* due by
 the 10th of the month preceding
 and nothing after the 15th or any
 changes after the 20th.

AILIAMS COURT No. 12, LOSNA

Lady Karen L. Keuther, High Priestess

Welcome Spring! After a cold and long winter, we can ditch the
 overcoats and welcome the beautiful flowers AND see many friends
 again who have been hibernating.

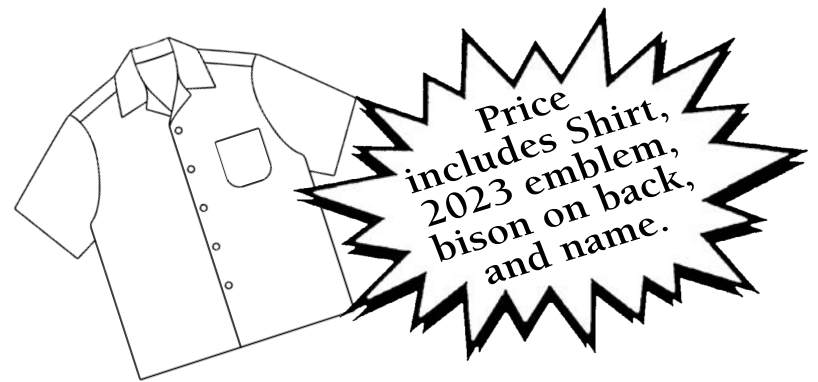
Ailiamsi Court No. 12, Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America
 would like to meet you too! We meet at the Shrine on the first
 Wednesday of the month at 11:45 a.m. for lunch followed by our
 Court meeting at 1:00 p.m. Our members enjoy fellowship and fun
 while planning events to assist the Shriners in their philanthropy. We
 sew, do crafts and play Bingo while creating a fraternal bond that is
 priceless.

Our Annual Grand Council Convention is being held in
 San Diego, CA from May 13th -19th, at which time the new Grand
 High Priestess and her Grand Staff will be Installed. The Grand High
 Priestess will be visiting our Court for her Official Visit on June 24th
 with our meeting at 3:00 p.m. followed by the Banquet at 5:00 p.m.
 Non-members and spouses are welcome to join us at the Banquet
 (cost \$20.00). **Reservations** are due to Lady Karen Keuther, HP, by
 June 16th. Call 716-257-8367 and/or send remittance to: Karen
 Keuther, 10228 Chautauqua Rd, Cattaraugus, NY 14719.

A Summer picnic and a Paint and Sip Party are in the works SO
 be sure to keep a lookout in the next Shrine *Smile* for the dates.

Fraternally from one of Karen's Classy Chaises,
 Kaen L. Keuther, High Priestess

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- The shirt color is Yellow.

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- I prefer to make a cash contribution at this time of at least \$100.00, which is tax deductible.

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I am a member of _____ Shriners.

Sign _____ Shrine No. _____

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**COMING EVENTS
MAY 2023**

- MAY 3**
Ailiamsi Meeting - Noon
PHD Luncheon - Noon
Directors Meeting - 6 pm
Cornhole Tournament - 6 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 4**
Nile Sewing Mtg. - 10:30 am
Shrine Center
- MAY 5**
Memorial Service
Ill Sir Edward Worden P.P.
Masonic Service by
Palmer Lodge - 6:30 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 9**
Oasis/Divan Mtg. - 6:30 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 10**
PHD Luncheon - Noon
Shrine Stated Session - 7 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 11**
Ailiamsi Ways & Means
Meeting - 10:30 am
Meridian Sun Chapter Order
of DeMolay Mtg. - 7:30 pm
Cornhole Tournament - 6 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 13**
Lockport Shrine Club
Meeting - 9 am
Lockport, NY
Fox Party - 6 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 14**
MOTHERS' DAY
- MAY 17**
D.O.N. Meeting - Noon
PHD Luncheon - Noon
LOH Meeting - 6 pm
Cornhole Tournament - 6 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 18**
Ailiamsi Sunbeams
Meeting - 11:30 am
Shrine Center
- MAY 19**
Arabian Oasis Happy Hour
4 - 8 pm
Shrine Spring Ceremonial
6 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 20**
Hackford Party - Noon - ??
Shrine Center
- MAY 24**
Southtown Nile Club
Meeting - 11 am
PHD Luncheon - Noon
Cornhole Tournament - 6 pm
Shrine Center
- MAY 25**
Northtown Nile Club
Meeting - Noon
Meridian Sun Chapter Order
of DeMolay Mtg. - 7:30 pm
Shrine Center
Allegany Shrine Club
Meeting - 5 pm
- MAY 29**
Memorial Day - Shrine Closed
Battle Within Service
Williamsville Parade - Noon
- MAY 31**
PHD Luncheon Club - Noon
Cornhole Tournament - 6 pm

LEGION OF HONOR

Rob Gradle, Commander

Well, I'm in month three of my term of Commander and all has gone well to this point. It is nice to be surrounded by the great veteran leadership that I have at my fingertips. My first meeting as commander was a learning experience and PC Walther and PC Woodside were there to ensure the meeting went as smoothly as possible! Looking ahead, it looks like the Legion is going to have a very busy month of May

I am asking all available members to come to the Shrine on May 5th to honor our brother and PC, Illustrious Ed Warden, PP. Ed has always gone above and beyond for the Legion and he will be greatly missed! Please watch for Updates from the Smile, the LOH newsletter and Email. As a reminder the Ismailia Stated Session will be May 10th, The Marilla Parade on May 28th, the Battle from within and the Williamsville Wreath Laying ceremony will both be on May 29th.

Even though Memorial Day is a day when we solemnly reflect on the sacrifices made by many to keep this great country free and on our own time in the military, and the fellow Airmen and Soldiers we served with, it fills me with pride that I can show my respect for the fallen with this amazing group of veterans.

At the writing of this article, the LOH has not met but I wanted to thank PC Graham for setting up the April meeting for us. I'm looking forward to my second meeting as commander and look forward to next couple of months.

It is an Honor to belong to the Ismailia Legion of Honor!

OASIS

Noble Michael Ferraro

We would like to thank all of our amazing customers for making it a very successful Lenten season. We would also like to thank all of our amazing volunteers who helped as cooks, dishwashers, servers, bartenders, bussers, and raffle tickets sellers. So a big thank you to Dave and Patty Cammarano, Ron and Rita Bigger, Janet Lachut, Linda Clark, Judy Murdoch, Douglas Blajszczak, James Mirusso, Jason Godios, Ted Clark, Michael Koch, Michael Hackford, John Markuse, Jan Walkden, Justine Holben, Donald Holben, Richard Mix, Greg Wolf, Justin Brown, Aaron Layman, Chris Fox, Tom Fox, Kevin Fox, Kay Brown, John and Jessica Budowski, Max Budowski, Carolyn Lawicki, Bertie & Dennis Caldwell, Jane Graham, Michael Ferraro, Cheryl and Rodger Hough, and our 1 and only paid bartender Kenny. If we missed anyone we are so sorry it was not our intention.

As you all know we started selling our sportsman raffle tickets. I am pleased to announce we are going to try something new this year. The person who sells the most tickets will receive a \$100.00 gift card to Russell's.

Friday May 5 we will be holding a memorial service for Illustrious Sir Ed Worden; service starts at 6:30 pm, masonic service at 7:00 pm. Light refreshments after the service.

NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE

Anyone that has on hand – or doesn't need any more, just sitting around and taking up space – a second refrigerator – please call West Seneca Lodge, 647 Main Street, West Seneca, NY 14224 at 716-674-7328



Handicap Parking at the Shrine Center

Currently there are limited handicap spots at the Shrine center. Plans are in the work now to add a few more. There have been quite a few complaints about people without handicap plates, stickers, or a placard in their car(s) utilizing the limited spots we have. With that being said, please refrain from using the handicap spots that we currently have unless you have some sort of handicap identification on your vehicle.

- Thank you.



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SHRINE DIRECTORS STAFF

Ill Sir George Herle P.P.

The R-C Aircraft Show was a very good event for the Directors Staff – a lot of help made it the best. The airplane cookies sold like hot cakes, all sold out thanks to Tom Hubert. Another good meeting, a lot to discuss; thanks to Noble Mark Herle for the great dinner. The Dyngus Day parade was huge – the most people I have ever seen. A good place to show off our Shrine Center and a good time was had by all. There may soon be more parades so watch for dates and times – always a good time at the parades.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday May 3rd at the Shrine same time. Also there will be a Memorial Service at the Shrine for Ill Sir Edward Worden P.P. on May 5th at 6:30 pm.

The Shrine Golf Outing is Monday June 19, 2023. As always support the Shrine as much as you can.

CELEBRATING OUR MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

Congratulations to you, and to all of your officers and members, on a tremendous milestone for our great fraternity!

In February 2023, Shriners International experienced a net gain in membership - a noteworthy feat for the organization. Additionally, the fraternity saw tremendous growth of new members in March - the highest reported in a decade. In fact, the first quarter of 2023 overall produced the highest number of new Shriners in the past decade, as well. These growing numbers show us that Shriners International and its pursuit to make the world a better place continues to spark interest and maintain relevance throughout communities around the globe.

This success is the byproduct of members and local temples utilizing tools offered by the fraternity for seamless and instant recruiting, including ePetitions, the new beashrinemow.com website, the WebFez membership database and the ShrinersInternational.org Member Center. In 2016, the fraternity established the Shriners International Education Foundation (SIEF), a program dedicated to providing education, training and leadership development skills, which, along with other membership programs, has also greatly helped support the growth of temples, clubs and units and attract new members. Temples have also benefited from Shriners International's new marketing strategies, which have been proven to engage and attract the next generation of members to join the fraternity.

Shriners International looks forward to sharing our important tradition of fun, fellowship and philanthropy with more and more men who are dedicated to bettering themselves and the world around them, and ensuring the success of our great fraternity far into the future.

Yours in the faith,
Noble R. J. "Jody" Meguiar, MAOM, OAS
Membership Component Relations Manager
Shriners International Headquarters

Recorder's Desk

Joe Hoerner, P.P.

Here we are starting the second quarter of our year and the weather isn't anything like Spring time. However it may come sometime and things will warm up. The first quarter of the year was very busy for Ismailia Shriners. We started off with our Spring Meat Raffle which turned out to be very successful, then came our first of the year Chicken BBQ with success, and then came our annual Lenten Fish Frys which were very successful. We want to thank everyone who volunteered their time and talents to make these events successful for Ismailia Shriners.

Now we look forward to the next Quarter of the year and future events for the Shrine. Our first event will be the Stated Session on May 10, 2023 with the meeting starting at 7:00 pm. This our first meeting since January 2023 so come on out and find out what's happening and the status of the Shrine Center. Following that will be our Spring Ceremonial on Friday May 19, 2023. The Ceremonial will start at 6:00 pm. So now is the time to get your Candidates lined up and applications into the Shrine Office as soon as possible. We need to increase our Membership and replace those that we have lost. Following that will be our second Chicken BBQ of the year May 21, 2023 starting at noon to 4 pm or sold out. If you haven't been to one, now is the time to join in on the fun and fellowship.

With the warmer weather coming brings us into picnic and parade season. The Shrine will have a few parades coming up that they usually take part in. Watch the *Smile* (see page 1) for time and places.

Okay, that's about it for now, so enjoy the warmer weather, stay safe and healthy.

Ill Sir Joe H P.P., Recorder

Shriners Day 2023



Sunday, June 4, 2023

11am - 2pm

- Medical center tours
 - Classic car show
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SHRINE CHICKEN BBQS

I would like to show appreciation to all those who came out to support our first chicken bbq of the year on March 5th. It was a cold and cloudy day which was not unexpected. We were close to a sellout having 17 dinners left which were donated to a children's shelter in Lockport. The guys running the pit once again did a tremendous job cooking the chickens. At least a half dozen came up to me and said it was the best chicken dinner yet. The assembly line in the kitchen putting the dinners together was very smooth and efficient as always. From the cash takers, runners, lot patrol, cleanup crew and everyone else, GREAT JOB. It seems we have excellent fellowship among all of us and have a good time doing them.

Our next chicken bbq is May 21st. We will be cooking under our new shelter that was just built. I'd like to thank the many nobles involved who helped make this happen. I will mention Nobles Mike Ferraro and John Budowski who were the driving force behind it

Thank you, John

Remember Our Sick and Shut-in Brothers with a Visit, a Card or a Call

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Ismailia Shriners Travel Fund Donations

THROUGH APRIL 17, 2023

In Memory of Robert McKenzie
By Ronald & Joy Baumler

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By Linda Page

In Memory of Barbara Rudnicki
By Jesse & Lisa Fodero



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THROUGH APRIL 17, 2023

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THROUGH APRIL 17, 2023

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In Memoriam

DEATHS THROUGH APRIL 22, 2023

The deepest sympathy of the Illustrious Potentate, Divan and Nobles of Ismailia Shriners is extended to the family and friends of:

NUMBER	NAME	DATE JOINED	DATE DIED
3244	John L. Newhard	December 18, 1979	March 29, 2023
710	Charles D. Cederman	June 15, 1981	April 1, 2023
311	Walter G. Benzino	June 2, 1984	October 13, 2022
5720	William A. Fuller	December 5, 1992	April 7, 2023

When clouds of sorrow seem to hide the face of God, we know such is not the case for we cannot be where God is not. Just as He has been with us in all our yesterdays, He will be with us in our unknown tomorrows.

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FROM LADY RITA

Just a BIG thank you to all who helped to make the Basket Raffle and side Raffles a HUGE success!!

Now we are working on the Jewelry Raffle hoping that we have another blowout!

Enjoy your summer and we will see everyone around the Shrine. Thanks again.

Semper Fi

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SHRINERS COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING GUIDELINES

SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL: OFFICE OF MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE:

To outline the scope and process for Temples, Clubs, Units, Nobles and their families to increase their visibility and contributions within their community through volunteering and general support.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

There are two primary methods by which a temple, club, unit, nobles and their families can support local charities and/or community-based organizations other than Shriners Hospitals for Children or Shriners International Education Foundation. The activity must qualify under a De Minimis Safe Harbor (something of little actual cost) or the Temple must seek written approval for a joint charitable fundraising activity as spelled out in General Order No. 1., Fundraising Activities.

De Minimis Safe Harbor

There is an understood and practiced exception for temples, clubs, or units to participate in community-based activities and events not related to approved Shriners International charities through the concept of a de minimis safe harbor.

The de minimis safe harbor permits the temple, club, or unit to pursue support of or participation in a community-based activities qualified as too small to be meaningful or taken into consideration; immaterial, as compared to ongoing efforts in support of approved charities.

De minimis contributions of fraternal funds should be considered and included when a temple prepares its annual operating budget.

Examples of qualified de minimis contributions include:

- Temple sponsoring a child's sports team (e.g. little league) for \$500.00
- Nobles volunteering to serve in a homeless soup kitchen
- A club or unit collecting items for donation to an animal shelter
- Temples hosting a blood donor drive on their property
- Nobles and their families volunteering time to repair a community center
- Temple making a \$500.00 donation to enhance a local playground
- Temple providing limited promotions about the activity or cause in a Shrine newsletter
- A club or unit making a donation to a Masonic foundation for \$200.00
- Nobles and their families volunteering to pick up on local roads, parks, and/or beaches
- A club or unit buying \$300.00 in flowers and planting them in a community park
- Temple installing and fixing community signs
- Nobles and their families volunteering to clean up an overgrown cemetery

Key attributes in defining if an activity would qualify under de minimis safe harbor include:

- Activity is time bound, e.g. once a year and not as an ongoing operation of the temple
- Activity has limited human capital requirements, e.g. volunteering to support the activity should not adversely affect the ability for the temple to support ongoing volunteer requirements to support approved charities
- Cumulative Temple (including its Units) or Shrine Club monetary donations do not exceed \$1,000.00 annually.

If defining an activity under de minimis safe harbor is in doubt, please contact Temple Accounting at templeaccounting@shrinenet.org for guidance.

De minimis donations of temple fraternal funds should not be confused with fraternal fundraising or charitable fundraising.

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

Nobles can fundraise fraternally to benefit their temple, clubs and units with the written permission of the temple potentate.

Nobles can fundraise charitably to the public benefiting SHC only, with the exceptions being an approved event with another 501(c)(3) where a minimum of 50% of the proceeds benefit SHC, and a charitable fundraising activity conducted by a temple outside of the U.S.A., being authorized for other charities.

Permission to conduct charitable fundraising must be first obtained in writing from the temple Potentate. The temple Potentate must then obtain written permission from the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees.

You are encouraged to read the fundraising materials in General Order No. 1, Series of 2022-2023, pages 37-42 to further your knowledge of Shrine fundraising rules.

APPROVED CHARITIES:

Shriners Children's (Shriners Hospitals for Children) is the exclusive - Shrine charity with the limited exception of de minimis contribution to local charities and community groups. Nobles may also contribute, and encourage other Nobles to contribute and engage in charitable fundraising activities directly to Nobles and their families for the benefit of the Shriners International Education Foundation (SIEF).

MEDIA & PR:

Engaging the local media when helping your community to thrive may serve as a great opportunity to raise awareness of the Shrine..

Should you have any questions regarding fundraising, please contact Temple Accounting at templeaccounting@shrinenet.org for guidance.





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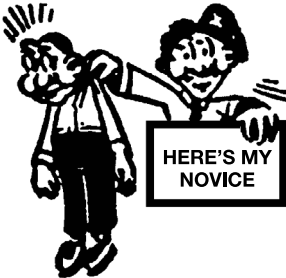






MAY ❖ 2023							
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	
	1	2	Ailiamsi Mtg - Noon PHD Lunch Noon Directors Mtg. 6pm Cornhole Tournament	3	4	5	6
		Lions Club Mtg. 6 pm		Nile Sewing 10:30 am	Memorial Service III Sir Edward Worden 6:30 pm Oasis Closed		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
		Oasis/Divan Mtg. 6 pm	PHD Lunch - Noon Shrine Stated Session - 7 pm	Ailiamsi Ways & Means Mtg. 10:30 am Meridian Sun Mtg. - 7 pm Cornhole Tournament		Lockport S.C. Mtg 9 am Fox Party - 5 pm	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
Mothers' Day		Lions Club Mtg. 6 pm	Nile Mtg - Noon PHD Lunch - Noon LOH Mtg. - 6 pm Cornhole Tournament	Ailiamsi Sunbeams Mtg. 11 am	Oasis Happy Hour 4 - 8 pm Shrine Spring Ceremonial	Hackford Party Noon - ??	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
Shrine Chicken BBQ Noon - 4 pm or sold out			PHD Lunch - Noon Southtown Nile Mtg.	Northtown Nile Mtg Allegany SC Mtg. Meridian Sun Mtg.			
28	29	30	31				
	Shrine Closed Memorial Day		PHD Lunch Noon				

JUNE ❖ 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
				Nile Sewing 10:30 am	Oasis Happy Hour 4 - 8 pm	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Erie Hospital Day 11 am - 4 pm		Lions Club Mtg. 6 pm	Ailiamsi Mtg. Noon PHD Lunch Noon Directors Mtg. 6pm	Ailiamsi Ways & Means Mtg. 10:30 am Meridian Sun DeMolay Mtg. - 7:30 pm		Lockport S.C. Mtg - 9 am
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
			PHD Lunch - Noon Oasis/Divan Mtg. 6:30 pm	Ailiamsi Sunbeams Mtg. 11 am	Oasis Happy Hour 4 - 8 pm	Anderson Bridal Shower 11 am - 4 pm
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Fathers' Day	Shrine Golf Outing & Steak Roast 10:30 am	Lions Club Mtg. 6 pm	PHD Lunch - Noon Nile Mtg. Noon LOH Mtg. 6 pm	Northtown Nile Mtg Allegany SC Mtg. Meridian Sun DeMolay Mtg. 7:30 pm	Ailiamsi Grand High Priestess Visit - 1 pm	West Seneca Community Day Parade - 1 pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	
			PHD Lunch Noon Ailiamsi Past High Priestess Mtg. Noon - 4 pm			



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