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Admission to a Shriners Burn Hospital is essentially the same as to a Shriners Hospital for Children. Here, however, it must be stressed that timing may be of utmost importance. The final outcome of a burn case may be greatly dependent upon the type of treatment and the speed with which it can be started. Therefore in emergency, the Chief Surgeon has the authority to admit the patient, having the application completed at a later date. If then you know of an emergency burn case, immediately call the Shine Ambassador in the area. Let's not miss a chance to put out a helping hand. Be a true Shriner!

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March 2014

Mar 1 Yoshi Monte Carlo Mar 3 Divan Meeting 6:30pm

Mar 31 Divan Meeting 6:30pm

Mar 7 Nile Elections 7pm

April 2014

Apr 2 Shrine Stated Mtg 7pm Apr 9 Nile Mtg 7pm

Apr 19 Spring Ceremonial



Wow! The last four years have gone by so fast with so many things happening. The purchase of Memorial Way property, the build out of the Circus office and finally the completion of our new Shrine home, will offer opportunities of better accessibility, brighter environment, more cost effective operation and overall better surroundings conducive to creating more enjoyment and efficient use of the facilities.

We should never forget where we have come from. Berry Street will always be a part of our history. We will always remember those Nobles who have joined the grand architect and were dedicated to Mizpah, our kids, and the community.

My divan duties have lead me far and wide, from Imperial Sessions in Toronto, Denver, Charlotte and Indianapolis. All have been great learning experiences and have provided opportunities to meet other dedicated Shriners. I have served under past Potentates Roger Weaver, Ellis Ryan, Owen Stiles and Mike Hardiek. They have been instrumental to me in understanding the internal workings of Mizpah, our hospitals, and Imperial. To you illustrious Sirs, I thank you.
Furthermore, the Nobles of Mizpah have provided the motivation and support to serve Mizpah to the best of my ability. Thank you all. Finally, I also want to thank illustrious Sir Ronald Harruff, PP, and Recorder for the past 11 years of dedication and service to Mizpah. He has set the example of what it means to be a Shriner.

2014 is going to be an exciting year. Completing the move to our new home, our 68th Circus, Annual Sportsman's Raffle, GLSA, Fly-In Breakfast and Onion Sale will keep us busy. The new Lounge will be a great place for camaraderie, fellowship and good times. The new meeting rooms will allow our clubs and unit members the needed space to carry out their meetings, practices and fellowship.

Message from the Potentate - Elect Steve Cowan

The new ball room, now named "The Imperial Room" will become another source of revenue providing funds for the General Budget. A catering agreement with Goeglein's Catering will offer new services for our membership and the public. The new sound system will allow everyone to hear with clarity no matter where they are seated.

Change is often difficult but change is inevitable. Over the next year and for the years to come we will need to change. The way we conduct daily business, gain new members, and use the facility will change. Try to embrace these changes. Not everything we try will work. It's a process. Your input will be important, your patience appreciated and willingness to embrace change, critical. I thank you in advance for all the

I look forward to serving you throughout 2014. I hope our fraternity will prosper. Thank you for the trust you have put in me.



Message from the Recorder - Elect Ellis Ryan, PP, MSA

I want to thank the Nobility for their confidence, support and the opportunity to serve Mizpah as your Recorder. I will do my very best to walk in the path of Illustrious Sir Ron Harruff, P.P. 33 and serve Mizpah.

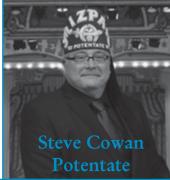
I would ask as we move forward to our new Home and changes occur that you would welcome them with an open mind and offer a helping hand. The time is now for all of us to come together as a TEAM and work hard to make Mizpah the best Shrine Center in all of Shrinedom.

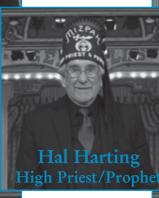
Times are changing and it's time for Ron to turn on his cell phone for I know his wisdom and advise will be greatly needed as I move into this new leadership role to serve Mizpah.

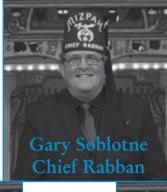
In closing may the good Lord bless and watch over each of us.

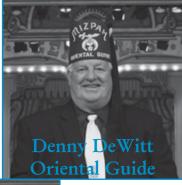
Ellis Ryan, P.P., MSA Recorder

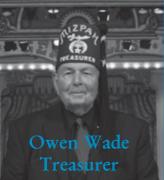
2014 Mizpah Shrine Divan











Jerry Freewalt





Hospital Unit

HAPPY NEW YEAR--- Welcome to a brand new Shrine Center. What a great time to become involved people to help sell tickets and then the Circus itself has all kinds of opportunities for any level of help. Of course don't forget we are also looking for drivers for the Shrine Hospital vans, realizing that we are a group of men who are getting older; so that opens the door for new blood.

The main thing is just don't be afraid to step up and say I can do that, This is a good time for all you new Nobles to find your passion and do something about it. You may call me at 260-248-2109 or call any Hospital unit member, you are always welcome to just ride along and spend the day finding out what it is all about, plus see our Shrine Hospital.

You can always call the office and they will get you in touch with one of the schedulers for more information.

Dick Kessie, Sec

Hapzim

It's Circus Time! Remember, if you are not going to use your tickets, please pay for them and turn them back in so they can be used to send the children to the Circus on Thursday and Friday. We also need Shriners to ride on the school buses to and from the Circus. If buy a ticket. If you have any questions, you can call the circus office at (260)422-7122 and ask for Anita. you can ride and have not contacted us already, please call me.

We will also need judges to read the essays submitted by the students who attended the circus and pick the winning essays. The winners will be recognized at our meeting in February which will be held at the Event Center in Roanoke. Even if you can not help with the judging, plan to attend the meeting, listen to the essays, and congratulate the winners.

We had a wonderful Christmas party at the Event Center in Roanoke. A good time was had by all and the officers for 2014 were installed. Thank you to Joyce Maxwell and Shirley Crispen for preparing the meal and the ladies of Floral Chapter, O.E.S. for helping.

We meet monthly at the Country Post in Huntington at 6:30, except February, for a meal and meeting. Please come and join us for great fun and fellowship.

Steve Maxwell, President

Circus

This is the final article you will receive before our 2014 Mizpah Shrine Circus. The circus office is open, and things have been running smoothly with a good turnout of volunteers. As always, it would be great to see more volunteers helping in the office. Also, be sure to pay for the coupons you received in the mail and give them to your local Shrine Club, or return them to the circus office. When you pay for your tickets and return them to the office, you are helping the local school children with our Shrine. The Circus is always looking for new attend the circus at no cost, so be sure to pay for those coupons and get them turned into the Circus Office.

> Just as in year's past, we could use your help volunteering at the Circus Fair (located in the basement of the coliseum) held during the circus. This project is where the Ladies are really valuable. The Circus Fair opens 1 hour before each performance and is open 1 hour after each performance. If you are a new Noble in the Shrine, or have never helped before, this is a good place to start. When you arrive, proceed thru the entrance and continue towards the exhibition hall. You will see a set of curtains on your right. Proceed behind the curtains, and there will be a sign up sheet on one of the tables. There will be someone at the table who can assist you. Let the person know you are looking for Dave Bowman, Bill Hartman, or Tom Isenbarger and they will guide you in the right direction.

> Please be aware that the coliseum ushers, as well as the parking lot attendants, are instructed to not let anyone in that does not have a ticket or a worker's pass. Each person needs a worker's pass and these worker's passes are only good for a Noble and his lady. Family and friends cannot be admitted on a worker's pass and you have no seat for the performance with a worker's pass. If you want a seat for a performance, you will need to

Don't forget our new address: 1015 MEMORIAL **WAY**. We are on the southeast corner of the Scott's grocery store parking lot right behind our new Shrine Center (in the same building). Watch for the signs, and please do not park in front of the door. We need to keep those parking spots open for our customers. **Thank you** in advance for helping at your 2014 Shrine Circus. If you need more information on purchasing tickets or seating, please visit our web site at www. mizpahshrinecircus.com.

VOLUNTEERS ARE JUST ORDINARY PEOPLE WITH EXTRAODINARY HEARTS. THEY EXPECT NO PAY YET THE VALUE OF THEIR WORK KNOWS NO LIMIT AND TOGETHER MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

Director – Steven R. Trump Circus Committee - Phil Wade Mike Hardiek Dave Bowman Bill Hartman

Khyber Gun Club

The annual Ladies Night and officer installation was a success with 24 attendees at Halls Tavern at Coventry with several widows as special guests. A time of fellowship and talk was mingled with a good meal.

Another year is starting and all members are needed to make it a success. We need you and prospects to attend the January 28 meeting to see our new surrounds and pay your 2014 dues. The meeting is scheduled for the Cabiri room (or the lounge) where ever it is located. Dinner will be from the lounge menu, what ever that turns out to be also. A number of new challenges face us next year, but we can overcome almost any thing.

The next KHYBER meeting is the week after the Circus ends but first, we need you to add to the circus manpower. The fair always needs token sellers and collectors. Work is hectic for about an hour the you get to rest for about 2 hours. Especially needed are members to show their presence via a FEZ at the morning sessions for the school children. Even our oldest members can take that much work. This is the Center's largest fund raiser so do your part.

As stated above the next KHYBER meeting is January 28 in the new Shrine Center. Come and look for the group. Fellowship starts at 6:00 or so followed by dinner from the lounge menu and a business meeting at 7:00.

Fraternally, Jim Crawford, Secretary

Class Directors

It is with great pleasure I Inform you that our new potentate is Illustrious Sir Steve Cowen. I know we all want him to have a great year and do our best to help him accomplish this goal. We need to help him in getting our new building in ship shape and Bristol fashion for the upcoming year.

Speaking of work it is Shrine Circus time and we all know what that entails. We need your help. In the basement and any other place you make your home for those four days. Remember, this is really for us and our Temple, so let's do it right!

Also, remember to get your hole sponsorships for our golf outing this May! We can beat last year if we try!

Happy New Year, Bill Kaiser



It is truly hard to believe that 2013 in the past. As we reflect on the great year that we had we must take pause, look ahead to 2014 and say "Let's do it all again!"

We want to thank Larry Brown for a fantastic job as Club President and welcome the new officers for 2014.

I want to remind everybody to go to www. mizpahshrine.com and sign up for the newsletter. You will get the latest information of interest and reminders of events. The Shrine has done an incredible amount of work to get this website going and it is really great. So let's use it.

Farm Show dates are Jan 14th-16th and your help is needed. Once again the Fort Wayne Farm Show kicks off the season and promises to bring the newest and best together in Fort Wayne. Hope to see you all there. Contact John Brandon for sign-up times.

Just a reminder that the Circus comes to town at end of the month and your help is important, so don't forget to volunteer. This year promises to be the most fantastic Circus to ever come to Fort Wayne. So get those coupons sent back in and be sure to check your emails often for opportunities to be a part of this "Really Big Show".

We have selected the raffle item for the Antique Power Club Annual Raffle and all I can say is that it is a BEAUTY. We selected a brand spanking new Henry Big Boy 44Magnum. This gun is hard to find and the ticket prices will be the same as last year. Tickets will be available at the next stated meeting. We will have the drawing at the 2nd Annual Sportsman Raffle...what a blast that will be!!

There will be plenty of events between January and September, so stay tuned and come on out to the stated meetings. From what I have heard John B is planning a full schedule of events and parades to keep us all occupied. So let's make 2014 the best year yet...help out, pitch in, get involved. We will see you all there.

Greg Bateman Secretary APC



Horse Patrol

Happy Holidays past and brace yourself's for all the tasks 2014 will offer. Congratulations to all the new Divan officers and to Past Pote Mike for the great job of leading us in 2013. The first task of course is the Circus. Dir. Steve Trump needs all our help to keep the Mizpah Circus the best in Shrinedom. Our big job is parking school buses and getting kids safely inside to enjoy all the acts. Our bigger job is getting them all back on the right buses. It is very challenging at times to have a lost kid who can't remember their bus number or the information you need to help them. Luckily we have not had any left over to put in the lost box.

Cook Ed as promised had a very good free meal for all the paid up members who attended Dec. meeting. The Horse Patrol voted to continue the Horse Show for 2014 to make it the 60th year of continuous Show. Most in all of Shrinedom, I hope all are proud of that. It won't be Temple Charity, but we do intend to donate all proceeds after expences to the Hospital. We are searching for the proper name for the Show to be correct and help keep our many sponcers and supporters. The Show will be strickly all Horse Classes, NO BANDS, BEER TENT OR WILD WEST EVENTS, back to horse shows of past before it was cancled in 2007 and the Wild West Show took its place. Many Nobles and Units have offered to help and I hope you will make it known again so we can plan your use to help make the show a success. Let Chm. John Van Voorst or myself know so we can record how to reach you. Chm. John has the classes nearly set, but the date is not completely set, but we are shooting for the end of June if all the classes work. We have a lot of exhibitors very supportive going back to a show like we use to have. We should have final details for next month, so toughen up, we will need all the help available. THANKS IN ADVANCE, YOU ALL HAVE BEEN GREAT IN THE PAST. If you think of a good name for the show let us know.

Tres. Ed is requesting all dues be paid and in to him by Jan. 15, if your name needs to be in GLSA and Imperial Rosters. Please try to be included, even if you don't ride, they are only 5 and 10 dollars extra.

Some of them trails are getting slick and cold too, so ride safe or hug the camp fire.

So long and smooth sliding, Ray Giant

Bagpipers

The Bagpipers hope everyone had a merry and wonderful Christmas. We hope that you had an opportunity to spend time with family, and that if you have grand children, like I do, that an afternoon or evening with them wasn't too much. We also hope that you had an opportunity to reflect on the fact that Christmas is an opportunity to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

We had election of officers for the 2014 year. Pipe major is Dick. President is Mark. Vice-president is Brad. Treasurer is Goose and Bob agreed to be Secretary. He was elected. Thanks Bobby.

Don't forget that circus dates are January 23, 24, 25 and 26. There will be two shows on every day but Saturday, which has three.

November was a quiet month for the bagpipers, as we are preparing for the move like everyone else. However, Brad did turn 50, so Scott, Joe and I went to Casa's southwest and played the pipes to celebrate his birthday. It was a lot of fun.

Last month I thanked all the pipers who play in our band. This month I want to take an opportunity to thank the rest of the members in our band. Brad and Dennis, who play the drums and sort of keep us on the right tempo. Certainly if we are off tempo, it's not because of the drummers. And finally, Brian with an "I" is our drum major. When all else fails, theoretically we can look at Brian and get back on the correct beat. Thank you guys for all of your contributions to the bagpipe band.

And finally, the answer to last month's question of the month. The question was, bagpipes were once used by the Scots to...? The answer is, bagpipes were once used by the Scots to frighten away their enemies on the battlefield. I know occasionally we have some practices that frighten us! Like when we practiced What Child is This last week. This month's question is "how many notes can the bagpipe play"? This assumes that the pipe is in tune. Answer will be in next month's Allah Bi.

Mark Roach, President



Kosciusko SC

Ladies Night with installation and awards will be January 8, 2014. This will be held at the Kosciusko County Shrine Building in Warsaw. Happy hour will be at 6:30 p.m., meal at 7:00. Sleep Owl's Prime Rib Buffet will be on the menu. RSVP by January 3rd to Bill Hartman PH: 574-594-2960 or wmhart54@gmail.com.

Over 100 children attended our Christmas Party held December 11th. They had a great meal ,"goodie bag", coloring books and a visit from the Jolly Man himself. Special thanks to the Mizpah Clowns and the Nobility that helped out. "Tip of the Fez" to the Ladies for all their hard work.

The Mizpah Shrine Circus will be from January 23rd to the 26th. Our big day is the 23rd, If you want to ride a bus, call the school that you wish to ride with and make sure you fulfill their security check, then call Noble John Sadler at 574-267-7123. You can also drop off your coupons with John's business or at the Installation Dinner. Remember send check to the Circus Office and coupons to the club. Each coupon sends three kids to the circus.

The Circus could always use help anytime during the shows. Just call Anita at the Circus Office, 260-422-7122, and she will get the message to the right Committee Member.

Remember what the Judge Said. Grasshopper

Chanters

Greetings from the Chanters and Happy New Year to all of our fellow Mizpah Shriners.

We have all made it through the Holidays and are ready for 2014. We had a concert at the end of November and were more then thrilled to have Jim Norris attend and even join us in song. It has been a couple of years since he has been able to be with us; his journey over that time has not been an easy one. Again we were thrilled to have him with us again!

As usual we are looking for programs and additional singers. We could use a few basses, tenors and baritones and could probably even work in an alto or soprano.

We continue to meet every Monday, but have moved up our rehearsal time to 7:00. So, if you can spare an hour or so on Monday nights, we would love to have you join us for some good harmony and good fun. As usual our immediate past president will buy you a drink after that first rehearsal.

Dave Fiandt Immediate Past Chanter President Elect



Legion of Honor

Congratulations to Greg Towsley on his installation as LOH's 2014 Commander, and to his newly elected and appointed cadre of veteran Nobles. A fine crew, mate's!

Shriners! It's circus month! That means our Hospitality Room (*Canteen* to us veteran types)I will be in full swing. You are all invited and encouraged to partake of the Canteen Cuisine offered. You may be surprised. We (our Ladies, that is) our looking at some new varieties to offer and would like your feedback and input. Besides the always good hot dogs w/wo chilli sauce, chili, vegetable soup, sloppy joes, baked goods and beverages, they are looking at mixing in some alternatives such as white chili, split-pea soup, chicken or beef and noodle soup or other main dishes and baked goods. All hot served foods must be of a nature that allows them to stay heated for fairly long periods for food safety and quality purpose. This limits our "menu" to non-dairy or egg based hot foods. There are also electrical and space factors that restrict use of too many heating devices. This limits what we can serve from day to day. Fortunately we have a dedicated group of Ladies who serve you well. If you have suggestions or feedback, please send them to <u>Canteen-Cuisine@comcast.net</u>. The operation of this room is self supporting through your donations. And the Children's Hospital or the Transportation Fund benefit from year to year from any excess over costs. Please support your Canteen. NOTE: Beverage and food items cannot be taken from the Canteen!

Legion of Honor men - please volunteer to work at the Circus. Sell programs, help in the Canteen, help other units, work in the basement with kids. More hands means easier work for everyone. We'll send out a list of areas that may need help and ask for sign-ups.

Thank you, Shriner and LOH Nobles alike, for a great 2013,

Steve Anders, Jr. Past Commander



Mizpah Vettes

The Mizpah Vettes held their last meeting of the 2013 year on November 18th. It was decided that since our Club was scheduled to have our Christmas Party on the 15th of December with the Mizpah Car Club, the membership elected to cancel the stated meeting scheduled for the 16th. Our next stated meeting will be January 20th at the new Shrine Center, just three days before the Shrine Circus. We will be finalizing plans for our club member's participation at the Circus where our assistance can best be utilized for this important Mizpah event.

The November election of Club Officers for the 2014 year was decided very quickly as the membership voted to retain the 2013 Officers for 2014 since they had been in place for only a six month period during 2013. The Officers will be President, Dee Byerly; Vice President, Robert Brinson; Secretary/Treasurer, Mike Craig; and Parade Marshal, Robert Kisner. The Club welcomes Greg Bateman and Lady Pamela of Columbia City, along with their 2003 Corvette to our membership.

As we look to what is ahead for Mizpah during 2014 we are excited to be moving into a new facility that promises to bring many new features and benefits to all Nobles as well as all units and clubs. This new Shrine Center looks great and is a facility that all Nobles can be proud of.

That's about it for now, except to wish everyone a very HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Dee Byerly, President



Pokagon SC

You don't want to miss this one! Have you and your lady sent in your reservations? The Pokagon Shrine Club will have its' Winter Celebration on Saturday, January 18, 2014 at Potawatomi Inn at Pokagon State Park. Any Shriner can attend, along with non-Shriners and their ladies, to "Meet and Greet" each other.

We have planned a fun evening that will be enjoyed by all. The Presidents hour starts at 6:00 PM and will continue until 7:00 PM. We will then have an award winning buffet. Steve Cowan, Potentate will install the officers for 2014. Our officers include: Jeff Stanford, President; Ryan Herbert, Vice-President; Richard Dalrymple, Secretary; and Ron Sullins, Treasurer. The program will include award presentations and brief remarks of the successes in 2013 and the plans for 2014.

We will be entertained for 45 minutes by a great comedian, ventriloquist and juggler. You will be laughing all the way home as you recall his stories and you will be amazed at his "wooden" friends as he makes sarcastic comments about common day by day living.

So......to join us, send a check, made out to the "Pokagon Shrine Club" in the amount of \$35 per person to Ryan Herbert, Secretary, 408 Hilltop Drive, Angola, IN 46703 by January 11.

The plans to send 450+ students and chaperones from Steuben County to the Shrine Circus are complete. If you want to assist (and we want you), please contact Don Shively at 667-7991 to volunteer.

The Pokagon Shrine Club will NOT have a stated meeting in January since we are having the Winter Celebration on January 18. We are having a lot of fun with the activities and promotions by the Pokagon Club – please join us. If you are not receiving emails about Shrine and other Masonic events in Steuben County, please contact Paul Friend at 260-402-6122.

Its' been a fun year! Thanks to all Nobles and their ladies for participating. Let's continue in 2014.

Paul Friend, Outgoing President

The Pokagon Shrine Club will NOT have a stated meeting in January since we are having the Winter Celebration on January 18.

WELCOME MIZPAH NOBLES AND MASONS

Have you made your reservations to join the Pokagon Shrine Club with our

WINTER CELEBRATION

We have a good number of reservations in, but there is room for more to attend.

We would love to have YOU join us for a relaxing evening.

When January 18, (Saturday), 2014. (Reservations due January 11)

Who Any Mizpah Noble or Mason (and your ladies) are invited to attend.

Where: Potawatomi Inn at Pokagon State Park - Angola. (gate fees waived)

Time: President's social hour starts at 6:00 PM. An award winning buffet dinner will begin at 7:00 PM. Followed by award presentations and installation of Officers.

The entertainment will be a professional comedian, ventriloquist and juggler. 45 minutes of laughter and amazement.

The "Winter Celebration" is a Mizpah sanctioned event that is being hosted by the Pokagon Shrine Club. The purpose of the party is for all Shriners and their friends to "MEET AND GREET" one another in fellowship and to enjoy the wonderful evening to celebrate the beginning of a new year.

The dress is coat and tie for men. For the ladies, evening attire or casual is appropriate.

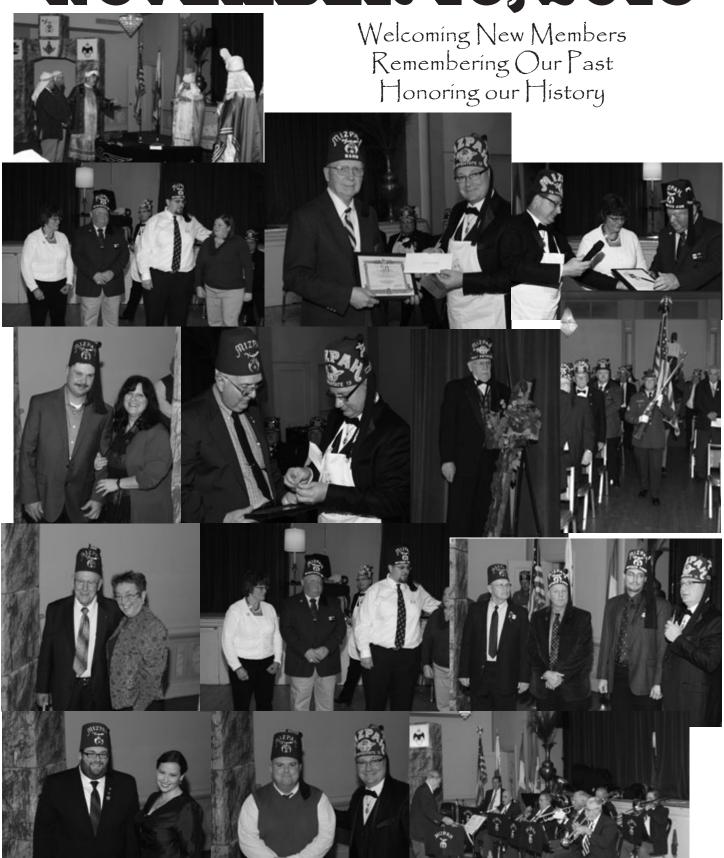
COST AND RESERVATIONS: The cost of the "Holiday Party" is \$70.00 per couple or \$35.00 for an individual. Please send reservations to Ryan Herbert, Secretary, 408 Hilltop Drive, Angola, IN 46703, or telephone 260-665-2185.

Make check payable to "Pokagon Shrine Club".

FALL CEREMONIAL



BRR 16, 2013



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