

## III. Sir Robert I. Wagner, Potentate

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## **From the Potentate** Ill. Sir Bob Wagner

It's that most wonderful time of the year. A time to be thankful for our family gatherings and all the fun and fellowship of the season. A time to stop and reflect upon how grateful we all are to be Shriners and how we spread love and fellowship to all.

December is the time for Clubs and units Christmas parties. Plan on supporting your unit and clubs with your attendance. A lot of hard work goes into planning these events and I know you will enjoy the food and fellowship.

November was a wonderful month. We celebrated the Veterans of Antioch with a great meal and some of our Veterans shared stories of their service. It was so nice to have so many attend. I Would like to thank our Chief Aide Joe Thorpe and lady Kimberly for their work in making this event a success. Thank you to the aides who assisted, Jim and Karen Hodde, Virgil Neal, Carol and Jerry Jamieson, Jim Free and Bob & Mitzi Mittlestead. You all did great!

The Laughfest was the next night and it was so funny I'm still laughing as I remember some of the jokes. If you missed this you missed a really fun evening. Thank you to Bryan Ogletree who put this event together. It was fabulous!

Please continue to watch for one calls and communications from your Unit Directors and Club Presidents. There is a lot going on and so much you will not want to miss. If you are not getting one call communications please call the Antioch office and ask to have your email and phone number included.

December 9th is one of the most important dates at Antioch. This is the day of the Stated Meeting starting at 10AM. This is the date for our annual election of officers. It is important that you make every effort to be there.

As the year 2023 comes to a close, Marlene and I would like to thank all who have given so much this year in time and effort. Your support has been a blessing and you all took this years theme "Together's the key in 23" to heart. Together we have had many great events and fun times. We want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous new year.

## Antioch,

At the Imperial Session this year, the Representatives voted to increase the Per Capita tax to \$50 per year from the \$30 it had been. This increase is effective with the 2024 dues cycle. If you elect to pay your lifetime Per Capita prior to Dec 31st, 2023, you can still get it for \$900. After that the price goes to \$1500.

As you get older you will need to do the math on how long it will take to make the difference, plan accordingly.

YITF, Kevin G Sweeney P.P. Recorder Antioch Shriners

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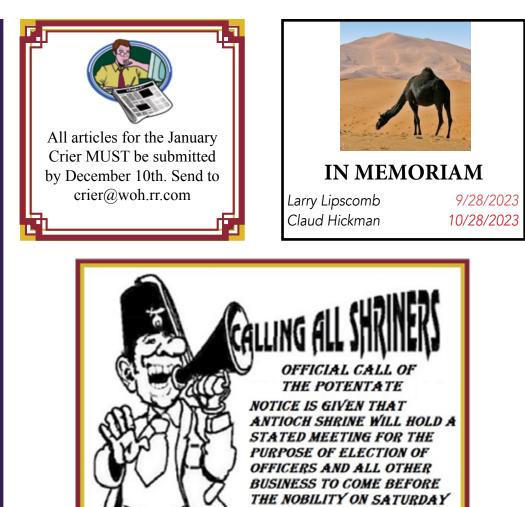
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## Antioch Shrine Chartered June 14, 1898

The Annual meeting will be held on the second Saturday in January. Stated Meetings are held quarterly on the second Monday at 7PM in April and September and in December, the second Saturday at 10AM. Additional sessions may be held at the pleasure of the Illustrious Potentate, provided the due notice thereof be given to the Nobility as provided for in Section 3-6 of the Shrine ByLaws.

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ROBERT WAGNER JR POTENTATE







By David Stamper, Director

**Hello Fellow Nobles!** I hope everyone is doing well and gearing up for the Holiday Season! We have been active since our last article; shown above at the Urbana Hoopla Parade led by Illustrious Sir Doug Sorrell, Emeritus Director Jim Matthews and I volunteering at the Antioch Circus, and our Car Club Picnic at the OMC Shelter. We also participated in the 291st Ceremonial where we added a new member. All good and fun things to do that ultimately help better the cause! Please reach out to one of us if you have a nice ride that is worthy of representing the Antioch Shrine in parades/shows, and you enjoy coming out and representing them in the community. You can also contact David Stamper at: davidstamper4771@gmail.com or at 937-430-7508.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

<u>Car Club Quarterly Meeting</u> – Tuesday November 14th at 7:00 PM (2024 Dues are due for Car Club Members as well as time to elect Officers)

Dayton's Children's Parade – Friday November 24th

OSU vs. Michigan Tailgate - Saturday November 25th at Antioch

Antioch Shrine Car Club Christmas Party – Friday December 1st at Antioch

<u>Children's Christmas Party</u> – Sunday December 3rd at Antioch

**Car Safety Tips:** We are now heading into the Winter season, and it is getting darker earlier. Here are a few safety tips to remember:

- 1- Allow time to start your vehicle and let it warm up. This will help with clearing of windows as well as allow vehicle's cooling system to come up to temperature.
- 2- Make sure all lights and signals are working properly, which will require you to do a "walk around" to physically see all the lights.
- 3- Make sure windows are clear and wiper blades are functioning properly. Blades dry out with age, so they won't clear a window very well.
- 4- Walk around and physically check tires for wear as well as making sure they're inflated properly. Don't forget to make sure your spare is in good shape as well so you don't have to find out it's not, when it's inclement weather, cold, and you really need it.
- 5- It's getting darker earlier so try not to refuel, go to ATM, or anything else that would make you need to get out of your car after dark. Do those things in the daylight hours. If you must be out doing errands at night, pay attention to your surroundings.
- 6- Heads up and phones down.....



## PROVOST GUARD

#### By Noble Tom Hail

Here's to all Nobles, Ladies and your loved ones – Merry Christmas everyone from the Provost Guard! Every Antioch club or unit is now busy having their Christmas celebrations and, boy, there are a lot of parties going on this month!

Provost has once again been invited to join the Gun Club at their December 13 Christmas party. We happily accept as it has always been one of the best Christmas parties of the year.

A couple weeks ago, the Provost Guard worked the Dayton Children's Parade on November 24 which was the last parade of 2023. So, we will stow away our equipment, uniforms, our Provost jackets and hats as well as our two Police Golf Carts til next year.

We pray the men and women serving in the military are able to make it home to their families at Christmas and celebrate with them during this most sacred time of year.



#### By Noble Tom Hail

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Gun Club members and your Annie Oakleys!

Last month the Gun Club met at Vandalia Range & Armory. Members interested in the scheduled Turkey Shoot arrived at 6:00pm to participate in the "before-the-meeting" shoot. An entry fee of \$5 was charged for however many times they wanted to try and get a pellet in the X of the turkey target. The Club supplied the shotgun (choice of a 12 gauge or a 20 gauge) and a shotgun shell plus the target. The winner won half the collected entry fees.

The club is looking forward to our annual Gun Club Christmas Party at Antioch on Wednesday, December 13 with Social Hour at 6:00pm and Dinner at 7:00pm. A grand buffet is spread out for all our invited guests; Gun Club members, their Annie Oakleys, the Provost Guard, the Cabiri and the Springfield Shrine plus Ladies and guests.

God Bless America.



#### By Signe Yelland, Maharanee

At our November meeting we elected new officers for the coming year. The following were elected: Maharanee, Signe Yelland; Rane, Samantha Marcum; Secretary, Mary Shifflett; Treasurer, Renee Marcum; Sergeant of Arms, Christa Young; and Scribe, Karen McFarland.

In November we met with ladies from the Middletown Shrine Club to give them information about Elissa and to answer any of their questions concerning Elissa. At our December meeting we held installation of officers along with our Christmas dinner with our Nobles, and our famous stocking exchange. We are selling tickets for our Christmas wreath gift card raffle. As of right now we have over \$325 value in gift cards that will be given away at the December stated meeting to the lucky winner. For last-minute ticket sales we will be in the lobby of Antioch before the stated meeting for anyone who wants to purchase tickets. We are continuing to collect something that is on the hospital's wish list for their patients. Elissa welcomes all ladies to become a member and have fun with us. For more information, contact Signe Yelland at slyelland@gmail.com.



## FROM THE FIRST LADY MARLENE

The year is winding down but we're not! November found us hosting a Veterans Day Dinner for those members of Antioch who are Veterans. We had a great turn out and everyone enjoyed the fried chicken dinner. Several of our veterans won a door prize. Our Potentate had a nice tribute to or Veteran members and asked them to share stories of their service. It was heartwarming to hear their stories and we are all thankful to them for their service.

Thanksgiving was celebrated by our members and hopefully it was a wonderful time for families. There is no greater blessing than our families. The November Children's Christmas Parade occurred on the 24th and was well attended. Everyone is getting ready to attend the Unit and Club Christmas Parties. It is always so much fun to enjoy the food, fun and fellowship at these events. A lot of hard work goes in the preparation so please support your Units and Clubs.



As of this writing we are planning on the Childrens Cookies with Santa Party. I am looking forward to sharing pictures of this event in the next Crier.

I would like to thank the Nobles and Ladies of Antioch for the great turn out at our events! Our Aides have done a fine job and we are grateful for their help.

## **NOBLES and LADIES, UNITS & CLUBS**

Last year Antioch Shrine opened its doors to allow Dayton and the surrounding area's First Responders a place to rest and get some good food over Christmas Eve and Day, when few places are open.

Last year we were fortunate to serve 55 area First Responders and deliver 14 meals to Shriners Children's Ohio. This year's event is coming up soon.

"Antioch Shrine Annual Community Caregiver's Christmas Meals & Retreat", begins at 5:00pm Sunday, December 24 (Christmas Eve) and continues around the clock until 7:00pm Monday, Christmas Day! Dinner, breakfast, lunch, and snacks in between will be available to these special people at the Antioch Shrine Temple. This will be at no cost to our guests.

## How can you help:

1. Donate money to support food purchases and supplies.

2. Donate cooked or packaged food that can be warmed or cooked. Contact the office for the best time to deliver or can be brought in after 1:00pm Sunday December 24th. If need pickup, please notify the office by Thursday December 22nd so a time can be scheduled on Saturday December 23rd.

3. Donating some of your time to help cook, clean, or socialize for this event. We are only asking for you to give just 2 hours of your time to show your support to the community and to OUR Hospital.

4. Deliver prepared meals to OUR Hospital or Transport patients and families to and from the Shrine.

To show our appreciation for supporting this endeavor, we are making place mats to showcase those businesses, units/clubs and individuals who donate at least \$50 as a Thank you for their support of this community service project.

Please contact **Bruce Baughman (937) 414-0360(c) or email bbaughman@ameritech.net** for further information or to schedule donation pickup or to schedule your time helping serve our guests.

## Happy Holidays to you and yours.

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## **NOW HEAR THIS NOW HEAR THIS**

## THE ANTIOCH SENIORS WILL BE MEETING ON TUESDAY MORNINGS FOR COFFEE DONUTS AND FUN GAMES.

EUCHRE, POKER, CHECKERS, CHESS AND OTHER GAMES BEGINGING AT 8 AM WITH MEETING STARTING AT 10 AM ALL NOBLES ARE WELCOME EVEN US YOUNGER GUYS.

## **COME ON DOWN FOR THE FELLOWSHIP**

# **Veteran's Dinner**



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# Veteran's Dinner





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## ANTIOCH CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY December 3, 2023 2-4PM



Bring your children and grandchildren for a visit from Santa!

Claus & Mrs. Claus ≱ Clowns ≱ Music ≱ Games ≱

Refreshments (cookies & punch) 🎄

All children are invited for fun and refreshments.

Gifts for children 10 & under.

Please RSVP to Antioch 937-461-4740 by 11-21-23.

# FIRST RESPONDERS CHRISTMAS 2023

## Nobles,

It is that time of year again to think about our First Responders and their need for some Christmas Cheer and Food over Christmas Eve and Day.

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Last year we provided 55 meals to the Dayton Area First Responders and delivered 14 meals to Shriners Children's Ohio.

This year we will open Antioch Shrine Temple doors at 5:00pm Christmas Eve (Sunday, December 24) and close them at 7:00pm Christmas Day (Monday, December 25).

Like last year we are in need of volunteers who can give just 2 hours. Also need prepared food or money to buy food. See More Info on Page 6.

We are looking at the following menu to help minimize food overage:

Christmas Eve 5:00pm - 8:00pm Italian - Lasagna, Spaghetti, Salad

**Christmas Eve Over Night** Snack food - Subs, Buckets of Chicken, Chips, Fries

**Christmas Morning 5:00am - 10:00am** Breakfast Items, Cinnamon Rolls, Eggs, Bacon

**Christmas Dinner 11:00am - 3:00pm** Traditional Dinner - Turkey, Ham, Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce

Christmas Day 3:00pm - 7:00pm - Leftovers

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12:00 Luncheon - \$5 donation

1:00 - Stated Meeting - Shriner's only

3:15 - Installation of Officers - Ballroom

5:00 - Cocktail hour - Oasis & Dinning Room Appetizers and Cash Bar

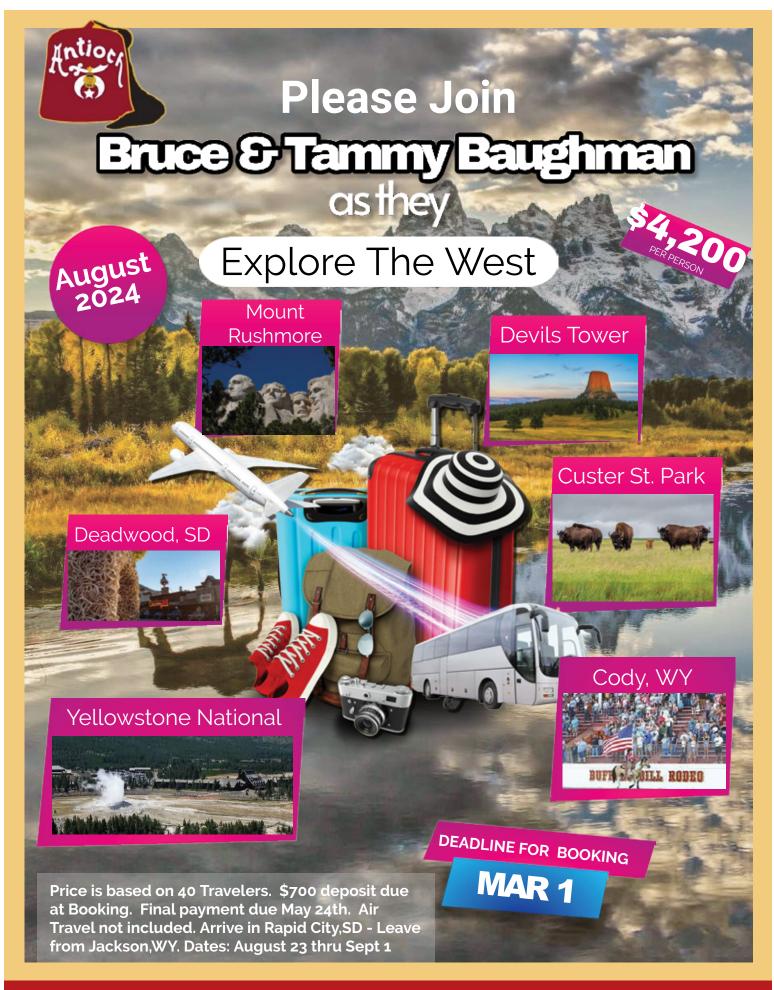
6:00 - Introduction of Officers Dinner -Ballroom - \$25/person

8:00 - OG Presentation

RSVP for Dinner by January 4, 2024

ANTIOCH SHRINE TEMPLE - 107 E 1ST ST, DAYTON OH 45402

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