



# HIGHLANDS SHRINE CLUB NEWS



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## INSTALLATION AND DINNER

*Saturday, January 28 – reservation cut-off date is January 26*

Attitude Adjustment at 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

### Menu:

Caesar Salad  
\* Prime Rib  
Baked Potato  
Vegetable  
Dessert  
Coffee & Iced Tea

*\*Chicken may be substituted, please specify when making your reservation*

Donation: \$15 each person

Officers/Nobles are asked to wear their fez and white jackets / Ladies “semi-formal” or comparable. Musical entertainment will be by Uptown Country.

Lady Marilyn Wilkin and the Ladies of the Highlands Shrine Club will decorate the Club for the Installation of Noble Sam Wilkin.

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*Nobles, please plan to attend the Shrine Club Board of Director’s Meeting (open to ALL Shrine members) on Monday, January 9 at 7 p.m. We need as many Nobles as possible to attend this meeting for a quorum to accomplish business. See you there!*

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## WEDNESDAY MORNING COFFEE & DONUTS

We still enjoy this opportunity to socialize with our members and friends at 8:30 to 10 a.m. This event is especially good for our members who do not drive at night, but still want to be involved in our activities. Most of our Northern members are here now. Welcome back! Thank you to whoever is picking up the donuts for this weekly event. You are appreciated.

## For reservations & cancellations call:

Shrine Club at (863) 382-2208 – please leave your name and # attending on the answering machine

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## SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST

“Pancakes Plus” served at the Club from 8 to 10 a.m. each week @ \$4 donation. Come have breakfast with your friends. Thank you to our helpers in the kitchen: Ill Sir Chuck Oakes, Nobles: Jim Keaveny, Gordon Delph, Wayne Hammond, Sam Wilkin; Ladies: Paula Kresge, Marilyn Wilkin, Helen Collins, Theresa Keaveny and Eileen Whitten-our-hostess-with-the-mostess. We appreciate the weekly faithfulness and dedication of these faithful Shriner’s and Ladies.

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**CLUB’S FUN ACTIVITIES** - If you’re not coming out to BUNCO at 11:30 on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, AND/OR weekly ladies & men’s cards at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays, and darts on Friday nights at 7 p.m., you’re missing a great time. There is a good turnout for all these activities, “come on down” and join the fun!

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## CHILDREN’S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

*Lady Mary Jean Byers* – The Children’s Christmas Party would not have come off without the help of all who came and worked, served food and ice cream, and/or wrapped presents. Special thank you goes out to the ones that donated funds for the party, as well as the Dart Players, donations from the social, and 3 very nice ladies. The Dairy Queen of Sebring donated one cake free. Pizza Hut in Avon Park gave us a good deal on the pizza. Publix gave us gift cards and Sebring Winn Dixie also gave us one. Music was provided by DJ Mr. A, one of our Shrine patient’s father. As always, we love the clowns. Three of our members were dressed as clowns: Nobles Bob Love, Dennis Koranda and Mike Byers. The party would not be successful without Santa Clause Sam Wilkin and Mrs. Clause Eileen Whitten. Thank you all!

**2011 Officers: President – James Keaveny, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President – Mike Byers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President – Robert Coy, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-President – Ken Williams, Secretary – Sam Wilkin, Treasurer – Jerry Higginbotham, Chaplain – James Day**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE** – Dear Ladies and Nobles: Our Saturday morning breakfasts continue to be very profitable for the Club. I want to thank all of you who come out and have breakfast with us. Your continued support is what keeps this Club going.

I wish Lady Paula Kresge a speedy recovery for her broken wrist. She is the one who arranges for those of us who work the breakfasts to be there for our scheduled times.

Lady Mary Jean Byers did a superb job with the Children's Christmas Party. I wish to thank her very much for all her hard work.

The attendance at the December social was not as good as the November social, partially due to the conflict with the Lake Placid parade. When I found out in November when the parade was scheduled, I tried to change the entertainment which I had scheduled back in April. But I was unable to do this. The only other option was to pay the entertainment and cancel our Christmas Social. This did not seem the logical way to go, so we went ahead with our Party. I hope next year, the scheduling information will be provided sooner.

Since this is my last message, I want to thank all my Officers and the Ladies for their hard work in making my year very successful. I also want to wish you all good health; and I look forward to seeing you at the Club in 2012.

*Yours in Faith, Jim Keaveny*

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**CHAPLAIN'S REPORT – Noble Jim Day**

Our love and prayers go out to Lady Mary Hazen on the passing of Noble John on December 12. John was very active for many years at the Club's Country Music events where he greeted the attendees and collected entrance fees. John will be greatly missed by us all, but especially by the members at the Poinciana Lodge where he served as secretary.

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**COUNTRY STORES** – Thanks goes out to our faithful Stores Personnel in December: Noble Jim Day, and Ladies Alberta Steffens, Linda Tibbetts, Mary Jean Byers, Bonnie Hankinson & Phyllis Day. Thank you to all who have supported us.

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**LADIES OF THE HIGHLANDS SHRINE CLUB**

Ladies Phyllis Day and Bonnie Hankinson decorated the Club for the December social and meeting, and did a good job.

26 ladies enjoyed a delicious meat at the Olive Garden on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was good to see so many of our members there who are not always able to attend our functions. It was especially enjoyable to have Lady Helen White with us for a surprise visit from PA.

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Our **Booster Club** was created to help defray expenses of our newsletter. Everyone (Ladies, too) is encouraged to participate in this endeavor. The cost is only \$10 each/year. The following names listed have contributed to the fund: Pat Bartlett, Elda May Baumgardner, Duane & Mary Bayman, III. Sir Edmond & Carol Bidoul, Rex Bond, Joyce Bousquet, Brad Bowen, Jr., Mike & Mary Jean Byers, Jim & Connie Callihan,

Kathleen Campbell, Miriam & Tom Chaffee, Helen Collins, George Coyle, Howard Craddock, Phyllis Day, Albert Doley, Bill Drecktrah, Ron & Anita Froderman, Bob & Christine Goldsmith, Anna Hall, Jean Hall, Steve Hall, Wayne Hammond, Mary Hazen, III. Sir Lyle Hinman Sr., Sissel Hopper, Claude Howerton, Jim & Theresa Keaveny, Bob & Sue Keller, Richard Kettering, Ed Kindell, Paula Kresge, Bob & Frances Leaphart, John Loftus, Bob & Carolyn Love, Verlin & Charlotte Maggard, Phil Margetts, Donna McCoy, III. Sir Chuck Oakes, E. Clair & Linda Pheasant, Harry Pierce, III. Sir Allen & Nancy Ratzlaff, Stuart Rieben, Fran Ruffner, Lloyd Scherich, Verlin & Sylvia Shaffer, Russell Simmons, Joe & Bernice Snoll, Tom Stark, Alberta Steffens, Don Stull, Bonnie Thompson, John Wells, Eileen Whitten, Ken Williams, Audrey & Marty Young. In loving memory of: Hollis Bartlett, Dale Campbell, John Hall, Evelyn Hammond, John Hazen, Bob Hopper, Mo Murray & Bob Ruffner.

Thank you to all who continue to contribute to the Booster Club. New members are always welcome!

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**COUNTRY MUSIC BEGINS AT THE CLUB ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 5 AT 7 P.M.**

This is a fund raiser for the Club, and several volunteers will be needed to man the entrance collection table and the kitchen. Please contact Noble John Sbiegay at 655-6794 until President Jim Keaveny returns from Christmas vacation. **WE NEED YOU!**

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**NOTE OF APPRECIATION – Lady Mary Hazen**

I would like to thank everyone who visited, sent cards, and most of all prayed for us during John's illness. Your kindness touched our hearts.

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**HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR**

**FYI:** Shriner's Hospital Contacts: PP Harry Lister 452-1480 / 414-0554, Harry Pierce (863 386-9833- Nevelle Reynolds (574) 596-4358, Ken Williams (863) 471-1618, Ross Canright (863) 452-0346, Jerry Higginbotham (863) 633-9023