



ALGONQUIN SHRINE CLUB



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NEWSLETTER

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Executive Meeting
February 12, 2025 – 10:00 AM
Wilberforce Legion

General Meeting
February 18, 2025 – Wilberforce Legion
5:30 PM Zem Zem
6:00 PM Dinner
Dress: #1 Dress and fez
Ladies are Welcome at all Meetings

DUES

Many Nobles still owe their 2025 dues! I will be sending out reminders to those still in arrears.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK . . .

Nobles and Ladies: Let me start by saying it is an honour for me once again to serve as your President and I thank you for your trust in me.

Thanks to Noble President Dave Mount and his executive for leading us through the past year. I would also like to express my thankyou to Illustrious Sir John Neill for taking the time out of a busy schedule to preside over our installation and for his continued support of Algonquin Shrine Club.

It was a pleasure to meet the congingent of Shriners from Belleville who travelled on this cold winter night to lend their support.

Certainly congratulations go to Noble Dave Reeves on being chosen Shriner of the year. Well deserved Dave!

As a small club, I was proud to present an additional \$6000.00 to Rameses transportation fund and the Montreal Hospital. This generous donation attests to our commitment to our communities and to the children we support.

I find our benevolence and commitment to fundraising quite incredible given the size of our club. This is largely due of course to the efforts of Noble Dave Reeves and Noble Ambassador Wayne Wiggins who spearheaded our fund raising this past year.

THEME FOR THE YEAR "VISIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION"

Noble President
Barry Robb

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 12 -15th,
2025
Spring Ceremonial
Belleville, ON

August 12 - 25th
Potentate's Alaska
Cruise
Details in Papyrus

Parades

June 14th
Ceremonial Parade
Belleville, ON



"Visibility and Participation"

COMMITTEES

Public Relations

Dinners

Ed OTTO
Barry CROSS

News Letter/Website

Dave EARLE

Membership

All Members of Algonquin Shrine Club

100 Million Dollar Club

Tom HAYWARD

Sick and Visiting

All Members of Algonquin Shrine Club

Rameses Lottery Tickets

Larry DONALDSON

Hospital

Dave REEVES
Wayne WIGGINS

Housing Chairman

Dave MOUNT

Golf Tournament

Dave REEVES
Dave MOUNT

Float Transportation

Hald ROBINSON
Dave REEVES
Vaughn LLOYD

Fund Raising Ideas

All Members of Algonquin Shrine Club

UNITS

Rock Hounders ATV Unit

Barry CROSS

Chairman

Vaughn LLOYD

1st Vice Chair

Dean LINTON

Treasurer

Clown Unit

Wayne WIGGINS (Ding-A-Ling)

Chairman

Noble Dave EARLE (Harley)

1st Vice Chair

Dean LINTON (String-Bean)

Treasurer



"FROM THE DESK OF YOUR AMBASSADOR"

I bring you greetings from our new RAMESES ILLUSTRIOUS SIR POTENTATE JOHN NEILL.

I would like to thank our Potentate Illustrious Sir John Neill and the members of the Divan that accompanied him, as well as their Ladies that attended our January Dinner Meeting for the purpose of installing the Executive of Algonquin Shrine Club for 2025.

I would like to thank Potentate John Neill for asking me to be his Ambassador for the Algonquin Shrine Club for 2025.

I would like to thank and congratulate all Nobles that will lead our great Club for 2025.

I would like to congratulate Noble Dave Reeves on being chosen The Shriner of The Year for Algonquin for 2024. Thanks for all you do for our Club, Rameses and our Kids.

There are a lot of events planned for Our Temple this year, the two that I wish to highlight this time are; the Potentate's Alaska Trip and the Spring Ceremonial in Belleville.



AMBASSADOR NOBLE WAYNE WIGGINS



Executive 2025



Shriner of the year
Dave Reeves



Ambassador
Wayne Wiggins



\$3000 from golf tournament



\$3000 from cake sales

Executive Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2025

The meeting was called to Order at 10:00 AM by Noble President David MOUNT, with 9 Nobles present.

Regrets: Noble Ambassador Wayne WIGGINS

Minutes – moved by Noble Dave EARLE, second by Noble Barry ROBB, the minutes be adopted as circulated. Carried

Treasurer's Report – moved by Noble Tom HAYWARD, second by Noble Barry ROBB, the report be adopted as circulated. Carried

Golf – Noble Dave REEVES will be checking on a booking date

Hospital Donation – moved by Noble Dave REEVES, second by Noble Jim BURKE, recommending the Club donate \$3000.00 to the hospital and \$3000.00 to transportation. Carried. The cheques to be presented to Ill Sir John NEILL, Potentate, at our January Club installation.

Float Updating – some discussion with improving the finish to the float. The polished aluminum will have to be repaired. Noble Dave REEVES will get a price quote on wrap. Noble David MOUNT advised he has a 20" x 18" Shrine banner. As for frame repairs will be checking with where float was purchased.

Spring Ceremonial – who is attending. Noble Dave EARLE will send message for head count.

Adjourned at 11:15 AM

Sick & Visiting

Noble Ambassador Wayne WIGGINS knee surgery
Noble Barry CROSS lingering health issues.



ALGONQUIN SHRINE CLUB PARTNERSHIP WITH SUPERIOR PROPANE

Algonquin Shrine Club has entered into a partnership with Superior Propane.

This partnership has two benefits for us:

- *it will allow all members, family, friends and neighbors the opportunity to reduce the cost of heating their homes, through BULK purchasing propane by Superior, for us, when the cost is at its lowest and then locking that price in for all members, in our PARTNERSHIP.*
- *Superior will pay Algonquin Shrine Club a FINDERS FEE for all Superior customers.*

**PLEASE NOTE
NEW CONTACT INFO**

In order to be part of OUR GROUP simply call:

Jeff VOYER at 705-760-1470 – Use Promotion Code “ALGONQUIN SHRINERS”

New Superior customers will be eligible for:

1st year tank rental free

- *qualify for Shriner's special group pricing*

Any questions call Noble President Wayne WIGGINS at (613)334-1245

NOTE: We can utilize this Fund raising Event and still practice social distancing.

General Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2025

The meeting was called to Order at 6:00 PM by Noble President David MOUNT. Attendance as per the Register. The meeting was opened as per the traditional Shrine Protocol, then called off for the dinner.

Meeting Resumed

Noble President welcomed all and introduced the Special guests, who were:

- III Sir John NEILL, Potentate, and his Lady Peggy
- Noble Ken TULLY, Ambassador Trent Valley Shrine Club, and his Lady Sandy
- Noble Don GILLIES, President Trent Valley Shrine Club
- Noble Rob WIGNARE, Potentate's Aide, and his Lady Bonnie

It was moved by Noble Dave EARLE, second by Noble Tom HAYWARD, that all business be tabled to our next General meeting. Carried

Shriner of the Year

Noble President David MOUNT announced the Shriner of the Year recipient – Noble Dave REEVES. Noble REEVES has been, and continues to be, a strong contributor to the Club, especially with organising the Annual Golf Tournament for the past several years. The Tournaments have been the principal fundraiser for the hospitals. Noble REEVES thanked all for this recognition.

Installation

The Installation was conducted by III Sir John NEILL. The Ambassador was first to be installed. Noble Ambassador Wayne WIGGINS was installed as the Club Ambassador in traditional Shrine protocol. He was fezzed by his Lady Jewel.

III Sir John NEILL called on the Secretary to name the Elected Officers with each to approach the front. All were duly installed in traditional Shrine protocol. Noble Barry ROBB was installed as President and was fezzed by his Lady Judy.

III Sir John NEILL declared all as duly Installed to their respective Offices, with the exception of Nobles Steve BERRY and Barry CROSS.

Gavel presented to Noble President Barry ROBB. He thanked III Sir John NEILL for conducting the Installation, and thanked the Special visitors and their Ladies for attending. He encouraged all Nobles to participate in the various Club functions and fundraising activities. His theme for the year is *"Visibility and Participation."*

Noble Dave REEVES was called forward for a special presentation. He presented two cheques to III Sir John NEILL - \$3000.00 for the hospital and \$3000.00 for transportation. III Sir John NEILL thanked the Club for their hard work and dedication towards the Shrine hospitals.

Potentate

III Sir John NEILL highlighted some events planned for his year as Potentate:

- 2025 is 100th Anniversary of Shrine hospitals. There will be special events at various hospitals throughout the year:
- Potentate's theme - "Sharing the Magic"
- March 22nd Seminars for Club/Unit Officers on their duties and responsibilities
- April 12th Potentate's Gala
- May 24th Special Ladies Luncheon
- June 12 - 15th Spring Ceremonial, Belleville, ON
- August 12 - 25th Potentate's Alaska Cruise

The meeting was closed by Noble President Barry ROBB at 7:45 PM