

September 2011

Hi Nobles and I trust everyone has enjoyed a real summer for the first time in several years here in the Thunder Bay-area. The Lakehead Shrine Club has been very busy participating in many of our community-related fundraisers. We began with Port Arthur BIA Street Fair, followed by Kakabeka Days, Westfort Street Fair, The Hymers Fair, and concluded with the Fort William Street Fair. Your fire truck, train, candy floss trailer and tent, SBI Unit was constant in their presence and diligence. While the final financial figures are not yet available, it's anticipated we will equal last year's total. However, without the tireless donation of our core base of volunteers as well as their time and knowledge, the small group of volunteers is the true winners for this summer's efforts. For without their being there for each event the results would not be what they are. Thanks to this very important group. It was hoped some of our newly initiated Nobles would be more active and I can assure your Executive will be more vigilant in that effort for the 2012 summer.

Your 2012 Circus Committee has been formed and the first meeting is being planned for October. The date will be announced shortly. The tentative dates for the 2012 circus are May 25- 26 and the Fort Williams Gardens are holding the dates for us. As soon as Khartum finalizes their plans the Thunder Bay stop will be confirmed to the Lakehead Shrine Club membership.

Remember the membership initiative has been extended until 31 December and I challenge each Noble to contact a Masonic friend or acquaintance and inform them of this opportunity to become a part of the world's greatest philanthropy at the unbeatable price for admission. Contact either me or any member of the Executive for a membership application or go to our Lakehead Shrine Club website ([www.lakeheadshrineclub.ca](http://www.lakeheadshrineclub.ca)). Doesn't delay do it today? Let's demonstrated to Khartum Temple the twenty-one new Nobles added to our membership role is only a start.

Mark your calendars now for our annual meeting for the election of the 2012 Executive on November 22 beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Craig Wolverton, President  
Lakehead Shrine Club