

And finally, Authority without wisdom is like a heavy axe without an edge, fitter to bruise than polish.” - Anne Bradstreet

Yours in the Sunshine of the Shrine! *R. Tom Peters*

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Greetings Nobles of Ahmed Shrine. Recently, several of us made the trip to the Midwest Shrine Association business meeting in Deadwood, South Dakota. In spite of a long bus ride out west, we had a great time and were happy to see other Nobles in MSA. I really enjoyed meeting my counterparts in the other Shrines in the MSA. I can tell you that we have excellent leadership in MSA, and all the Nobles were extremely friendly. If you get a chance to go to Deadwood for the Summer Session, I highly recommend it. However, there was one major issue that was brought up during the session at MSA, the Shrine Hospitals. The Hospital Board brought to our attention that there are major healthcare cost changes, and there will be further discussion at Imperial Session about the future model for our hospitals.

I’m also pleased to say that we have a plan for the June meeting in Delta County.

Currently, we’re planning on having a day outing at Fayette State Park, and then a dinner at The Dock, in Garden.

For those of you who’ve never been there, historic Fayette is a ghost town that was once the largest iron smelting community in the Upper Peninsula. If Nobles and their families are interested in camping at Fayette or in the Garden area, please contact me for interest, so I can make arrangements.

The Dock is located at the Bayridge RV Park and Campground on scenic Garden Bay.

We have made reservations for dinner at 5:00 pm on June 9, 2018 at the Dock. Please let me know if you’re planning on coming so we can get a count. I’m going to be negotiating the menu in the near future, so please let me know if you have any dietary restrictions.

I look forward to seeing you all soon.

*John*

