

manage to get rid of all of the onions but I know that less members sold onions and less members bought onions. To me there is no reason not to get out there and sell or buy at least one bag of onions. Excuses are just that. I will probably get flack for this but I will give credit where credit is due and give the other stuff when it is due. It was probably the same in most Clubs and from what I heard from Hammy that was the case. I heard an excuse from more than one member that they didn't know the onions were in. What a crock!!! It has been published in the Ahmedian since February that the onions were coming in May. That is why in the last four or five Ahmedians that there were presale forms in each of them. I know my Articles are riveting (just joking) but there are other things in there, too. Nobles, take some initiative and ask, pre-sell some and then you will know when they come in. To me there is no excuse for any Noble anywhere in the UP not to buy at least one bag or sell at least one bag but from what I hear the number of people who just belong to the Shrine has increased. I don't care if you like the person who is getting the onions or the Potentate, president of the club or any member in your club, check your ego and all the other BS at the door. You know how I stand on excuses so I won't plow that field again. Nobles, it is not for the Potentate, Divan, Club President or anybody else that we sell the onions. We sell them for the kids.... the kids, fellas, the kid. Remember, that is why we joined. So to all the Shrine Club members all over the UP who didn't buy or sell any onions, Santa knows, he's watching and you have increased the number by 1.

On a high note, I must send a shout out to my Brothers and fellow Nobles from Mocha Shrine from across the river. They are always ready to help with anything we do. There are too many to name but one name in particular is Jim Gray, reigning Shriner of the Year for the Sault Shrine Club. These Nobles, brothers and sisters help us with the Circus, onion sales, and by the way sold the majority of the onions here in the Sault, the kids Christmas Party and whatever we need a hand for they are always there, every time, every year. I don't know if they realize how much we appreciate their help but I would like to give them a big THANK YOU!!! My hat's off to all of you.

Well, Summer Ceremonial is just around the corner and I hope you have made your plans to attend. I know life and work happen, so plan accordingly and let's have a record turnout this year. This is a question for anyone who can answer it. If a Noble hasn't gone through the second section, how and when does that get rectified? Just looking for an answer.

We have a new member in the EIISCU, Karl Hult. He is our newest member, and that puts our membership up to nine. We participated in our first parade on May 30 in Mackinaw City and our new members had a blast. Our newest member didn't have his car yet so he walked the route. Illus Sir Dave also showed up so we had a contingent of six cars. We are looking for seven at the next Parade.

Some other members of the Sault Shrine Club are getting together an ATV Unit so that will be two units here on the East end. We look forward to seeing you fellas at the Summer Ceremonial and the other parades in the area. Just wondering why it took you fellas so long to put this together but we are glad and excited that you have. We, hailing from the East will be well represented. I don't know the name of their unit but we all look forward to seeing an article in the next Ahmedian outlining who they are and who their members are. See you at the Parades.

I have noticed an increase in the number of Nobles on the back pages. Thanks to all that have contributed and I hope the number continues to grow. If you look on the back pages and don't see your name, contact any Shriner and he can tell you how you get to see your name in print, and not just the police blotter. Just a little humor. I hope to see you all in August. So until we read again.

