



Blue Springs Shrine Club Newsletter



March 2020

President's Corner:

Greetings Nobles & Ladies

Hey Nobles mark your calendar for March 23rd, are next meeting. I hope this newsletter finds everyone safe and sound.

We are still looking into some possible outings either in March or April. If you have some ideas email us with them. We have a special guest that is going to provide us with some entertainment at our March meeting.

Nobles if you haven't already, don't forget to pay your Shrine, Unit, and Club dues. Timeliness is important for our Temple.

Our March meeting is set for the 23rd at the Blue Springs Elk's Lodge. Noble Bill will be providing one of my favorites, Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, and green beans. Club Members with the last name beginning with the letters M-Z should bring a side dish or dessert. Don't forget to RSVP by **Friday the 20th** www.bluespringsshrineclub.org or call Lady Gail Gargotta at 816-228-2401 and let her know if you're coming. Don't forget to respond with a '0' if you can't attend. We have to give Noble Bill a count, so he doesn't over cook. Remember the club Treasury pays for all meals whether you show or not. It's important that we have an accurate count.

Fraternally,
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Calendar of Events:

March 7th – Ararat Chili Cook Off

March 11th – Ararat Temple Meeting

March 17th – St. Patrick's Day

March 20th – Cops & Crooks Party

March 23rd – Blue Springs Shrine Club Meeting

April 4th – Ararat Potentate's Ball

Don't forget Bingo every Thursday Night starting at 5:00 PM

Special Events:

Don't forget Nobles our 1926 Pontiac Raffle. We have until July 20, 2020 to sell tickets.





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Recipe of the Month:

Slow-Cooker Irish Stout Beef Stew

INGREDIENTS:

- 6 cups thinly sliced sweet or yellow onions (about 2 lb)
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¾ teaspoon pepper
- 2 cups Progresso™ beef flavored broth (from 32-oz carton)
- ½ cup Gold Medal™ all-purpose flour
- 3 lb beef stew meat
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 cup Guinness® Draught (from 12-oz can)
- 1 lb baby Yukon Gold potatoes, scrubbed
- 4 carrots, peeled and cut into 1-inch chunks
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley leaves

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Spray 5-quart slow cooker with cooking spray.
2. Mix onions, melted butter, 1/4 teaspoon of the salt and 1/4 teaspoon of the pepper in slow cooker. Add 1 cup of the broth. Cover; cook on Low heat setting 8 to 10 hours or until onions are very tender and browned.
3. In large bowl, mix flour, remaining 3/4 teaspoon salt and remaining 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Add beef; toss to coat. Discard any excess flour. In 12-inch skillet, heat 1 tablespoon oil over medium-high heat. Cook half of beef 5 to 7 minutes or until browned on all sides. Transfer to slow cooker; repeat with remaining 1 tablespoon oil and remaining half of beef.
4. Add remaining 1 cup broth to skillet; heat to boiling over medium-high heat, scraping up any browned bits on bottom of skillet. Add to slow cooker.
5. Add Guinness®, potatoes, carrots and thyme to slow cooker; stir. Cover; cook on Low heat setting 8 to 10 hours or until meat is tender and sauce is thickened.
6. Garnish with parsley.

Joke of the Month:

O'Malley was leaving his favorite bar when he was run over by a bus. He gets to the gates of heaven and St. Peter tells him he cannot enter unless he passes a test. What choice did he have, O'Malley agrees to try as he never was the brightest bulb in the box.

St. Peter decides to go easy on him, 'What has 5 fingers and is made of black leather?' he asks. O'Malley scratches his head, thinks hard and finally gives up. 'It's a glove says St. Peter.'

Let's try again. 'What has 10 fingers and is made of black leather?' asks St. Peter. O'Malley is clearly stumped. After a few minutes of pacing in a circle and scratching his head, O'Malley gives up. 'Why it's 2 gloves - don't you see 10 fingers, black leather, says St. Peter amazed.' Being in a generous mood, St. Peter decides to give O'Malley yet another chance but thinking of an even easier question.

'Who is the patron Saint of Ireland?' asks St. Peter, thinking he can't miss this.

'It wouldn't be 3-gloves, would it?' says O'Malley.

Birthdays:

March Birthdays

Mar. 6th – Noble Mike Rees

Mar. 11th – Lady Jan Hess

Mar. 18th – Noble Bob Rojas

Mar. 22nd – Noble Aaron Habben

Mar. 25th – Noble Tony Kenna

Mar. 25th – Lady Kristy Negrete

March Anniversaries

Mar. 21st – Noble Donald & Lady Vicky Dunn