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The Potentate's message



It is hard to believe that we are past the midpoint of our year. The activities thus far have led me to most of our clubs and units, and I will always treasure the new friendships I have made, and the old friendships I have renewed. This year will, by far, be the most enjoyable and memorable year of my life, and my family's life.

Like everyone else, I am always up for a delightful surprise, which I experienced recently from Shrine International, thanks to Noble Jack English, Director General of the 2012 Imperial Session, which was held in Charlotte.

When Imperial Sir Al Madsen was elected to the Imperial Line, our nobility approved a yearly contribution to a fund to assist with the 2012 Imperial Session. Under the leadership of Noble Jack, and primarily due to his tremendous negotiating ability, the Session was under budget. As a result of Noble Jack's efforts, Oasis received a check in

the amount of \$67,450.00 from Shriners International, under the direction of Sir Al Madsen. These funds were a godsend. Due to the massive rains we received over the past weeks, the Temple roof showed signs of much needed repair due to leaks in several areas. The Board of Oasis elected to use the funds from Imperial to complete the long-term roof plan that had previously been implemented. Our sincere thanks are extended to Noble Jack.

I had the distinct honor of attending the 41st Annual Shrine 100 race, hosted by Gaston County Shrine Club, and held at Carolina Speedway on August 13th. Our very own Oasis Noble and NASCAR driver, Noble David Ragan, participated in the pre-race activities by signing autographs, and then suited up for the race on this famous dirt track. Even I was able to get some dirt on my teeth. I found it quite exhilarating to slide around the track (and I do mean "slide"). A big "Thank You" to the Nobles and ladies of

Gaston Shrine Club for making this event one of the longest running Hospital charity events of Oasis.

On August 14th, Illustrious Sir John Sullivan, Noble Danny Chandler and I traveled to the Greenville Hospital. We were conducted on a tour to places I had never seen before, and I was truly amazed at the state-of-the-art equipment used there, and the level of service the hospital is able to render. While we were there, we ran into one of our Oasis Shrine patients, Brady Whipple. We were able to spend some valuable time with this amazing young man. I only wish my father, who was a Tripster and a Patient Coordinator for many years, could have been with me to see the progress that has been made at the hospital he devoted so much time and love to. I can say that this experience was absolutely the best experience I have had in my entire Shrine career. You can read more about this visit in this issue of the Desert Dust.

Looking forward, SASA is right

everywhere that this simple message is the root of our member's devotion to their time and finances to this, a most worthy cause. As I speak to the clubs and units about our "kids", it warms my heart and makes me feel good inside to know that Oasis members have such an undying devotion to "Putting Kids First". We all have moments like this as we have interactions with a Shrine patient and their families.

I am overwhelmed with the response my beautiful daughter, Holland, has gotten to her challenge to

raise funds for a special project for our Greenville hospital. A need has been identified for the Greenville Hospital, and we hope to be able to let you all know about it very soon. Please consider a donation to help her reach her new goal. Whether it is small or large, all donations help to help our kids.

I look forward to seeing each of you in Myrtle Beach in a few short weeks.

Yours In The Faith
Fred



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The Recorder's message

Hello Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of the Shrine. My message this month will be brief so that others may have room for items of significantly higher importance.

My brevity is generally due to things going extremely well here at your headquarters, and generally well throughout our various districts. With respect to financials, our building rentals are on track to complete this year higher than last year with minimal impacts to our Nobility, which is always a good thing. Circuit revenues from telemarketing are also trending above last year's dollars, which is also a very good thing since these two sources of revenue have allowed us to keep

our dues fixed for the last several years. With the exception of an adjustment dictated by the Imperial Shrine, our last dues increase approved way back in 2005, and adjusted in 2006. Oh, did I mention that Oasis' dues are among the lowest of any temple in Shrinedom. When you see your local Divan/Oasis leadership member, give them a big hug in appreciation of their efforts to keep your financial commitment to our fraternity at an all-time low during these challenging economic times.

We have a new membership team in place which you will be hearing more about in future, and let me just say that what I have seen coming from this team in recent

weeks is fantastic and exciting, with more to come!! Speaking of membership, we will have a couple of special candidates joining our great fraternity this fall at the Hickory ceremonial. Yes, I know that all our candidates are special, but I think you will agree with me that these two deserve special recognition when you hear more about them in the future, but remember, it's a secret right now and you didn't hear it from me.

On the hospital side of the house, I am pleased to report that we just pulled the trigger on buying three (3) new Honda minivans to be used to transport our two most precious cargoes- our Nobles who serve as Tripsters, and

our hospital children which they transport. Our fleet of transport vehicles has become aged and somewhat less than reliable over the years. Illus. Sir Fred commissioned a team to review the needs and provide strategies for keeping our Nobles and our hospital kids safe as they commute to and from our hospitals. They performed the financial comparisons and recommended the purchase of these minivans. This team will continue to monitor the condition of our minivan fleet to ensure that we are always prepared to safely transport our Shriner kids.

Well, I've rambled long enough. Things are going well here at Oasis, and we would love to have your stop by and visit our temple. Take care until next month, and remember, the work you do for our fraternity and philanthropy is sincerely *appreciated* and *essential* to our hospitals and the children they serve.

Gary



Shriners Hospitals, *Putting Kids First*

BRADY WHIPPLE'S STORY CONTINUES

First of all, I would like to say that it is my privilege to be able to share with you all Brady's experiences with the Shriners Hospital for Children in Greenville and his continued journey through life. The blessings we have gained via each and every single one of you are immeasurable, and no words can express the true gratitude we have. I think the greatest testimony can be found in Brady's own words in which he declares, "When I grow up, I'm going to be a Shriner, too-- and THEN I'll get to wear the red hat!" I hope that many of you are there on the day it happens.

On Wednesday, August 14th, Brady and I made the return trip to Greenville for his prosthetics appointment for the fitting of his newly constructed legs. I must say that the drive down was extremely pleasant considering that neither Brady nor I are "morning" people, and I had been up in the middle of the night to feed our newest son, Corbin (but that's another story for another time). We arrived right at 9:00 and after checking in at the desk, went right to the P & O department. Our special guests had called to tell us they were stuck in traffic and would be a bit late, but we told them not to worry as this appointment typically takes a little while and there would be plenty for them to see.

It only took a moment for Ms. Chrissy to come get us for the first fitting. Now for those of you who are not familiar with the process as a whole, last month we went in for moldings in which plaster cast material was used to make a mold of Brady's legs. Those moldings are then used to make a semi-finished form of the prosthesis. During this fitting, the technician checks for any changes and adjustments that need to be made in order to get the best fit possible and ensure that the prostheses are comfortable and do not in any way cause damage to the skin via friction. Brady tried on the new prostheses, and it seemed to be a pretty good fit from the start. Ms. Chrissy made a few marks on them and took them back for adjustments and to add the feet. Sometimes these things can take a while, and it would be very easy for a child to grow restless. However, this is never the case at the Shriners Hospitals. While waiting, Brady was provided with a kit that was somewhat like a puzzle to build a work-

ing car. Now if someone is reading this article, and you happen to take another child to Shriners that receives the other car puzzle that was in this same box, remember my advice-- just go in numerical order and everything will turn out fine. Otherwise you'll end up like we did and realize part way through that you have to start all over!

While working on the car, our guests finally arrived! Brady is always excited to see Past Potentate John Sullivan, but I think he may have found a new friend in our present Potentate, Illustrious Sir Fred Laxton. Brady is definitely no stranger to the camera, especially John's camera, and was very willing to participate in creating some photos that I must admit brought tears to this Mommy's eyes. Now, an important part of the prosthesis fitting appointment is in observing the patient while they walk in them. It is the technician's best opportunity to see if changes need to be made, and is also the patient's opportunity to provide input regarding fit and comfort. I have learned over the years exactly which things to ask Brady about while at the fitting to avoid making a return trip. The one thing Brady had to ask me was, "Why do all these Shriners just want to watch me walk?" To which I replied, "Because you are just that awesome, Son." He quickly overcame the fear of having others watch him and then had Ill. Sir Fred and I swinging him down the hallway!

Ms. Chrissy made some final adjustments and then gave us the all important information of Brady's new shoe size! I will admit that Brady has a bit of a shoe obsession, and I will readily admit that it is my fault. When you have a child that for the first year of his life was unable to wear shoes at all, and then has prosthetics, you tend to overcompensate. I am always willing to provide whatever it takes to make my unique children as proud of themselves as they can be.

Now in the past, this would be the conclusion of the story, the final changes would be made to the prostheses and the hard protective coating would be added. Then, they would be shipped via UPS directly to our door. However, due to changes regarding insurance being involved in the payment for services, this is disallowed. We now have to make a third trip once they are completed to receive the prostheses in person. Maybe we'll get an afternoon appointment for that!



INTRODUCING YOUR DIVAN

Thomas R. "Tommy" Helms, III

The members of the Divan each take on vastly important roles with their duties to the Members of Oasis Shrine. Noble Tommy Helms, Director of Clubs and Units, ranks right at the top of the list of responsibilities.

Noble Tommy was born, raised, and currently resides in Mt. Holly, NC with his wife, Lady Kelly. He attended East Gaston High School and Central Piedmont College. He is employed by Airgas National Welders.

Noble Tommy was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in 1998 in Mt. Holly Lodge #544, where he served as Master in 2005. He was made a Shriner in the Asheville class of 1998. He is a member of the Scottish Rite, and a member of Jesters.

He holds membership in the Red Fez Shrine Club, Metrolina Shrine Club, and Shriners on Bikes. In addition, he is a member of the Drum and Bugle Corps, and has served as Captain of his unit. He is also a member of the Past Captains unit.

As you would suspect, from his membership in the S.O.B.'s, he is

a motorcycle enthusiast, and counts among his greatest pleasures riding his motorcycle, and beach trips with family and friends.

He counts as his most memorable experience in Masonry being installed as Master of his Lodge fifty years to the date his Grandfather was raised a Master Mason. What a wonderful tribute to a person who has such a positive impact on your life.

A close second would be his experience on the weekend he was made a Shriner. The comradeship and fellowship will always be implanted in his mind, as will be sharing the stage with his close friend, Cody Williams, who by his antics caused him and Noble Tommy to receive extra attention, to the delight of the Nobility. He cites his membership in the Shrine as having changed his life, and given him some valued, lifelong friends.

The Director of Clubs and Units is a never ending task. Issues that arise in either Clubs or Units are referred to the Director. He is sometimes a referee, a judge and a jury. Added to this responsibility is his responsibility to coordinate each of the parades in which Oasis participates. He is charged with the positioning of each unit, keeping the units moving, and insuring that each unit is properly informed in every case. You will see him

and the Directors Staff busy lining up the units at the SASA parade, the Oxford Homecoming parade, and the Hickory parade. To say the least, this is not one of those easy jobs that only require that you make an appearance. He sincerely earns the appreciation of all of the Nobility.

Don't forget to thank Noble Tommy when you see him relaxing after the parades. Don't bother him during the parades. He surely has his plate full due to the inability of many of the unit members to get to the line-up on time, and to be able to read the correct position number for their unit. Stress is an accepted part of his duties.

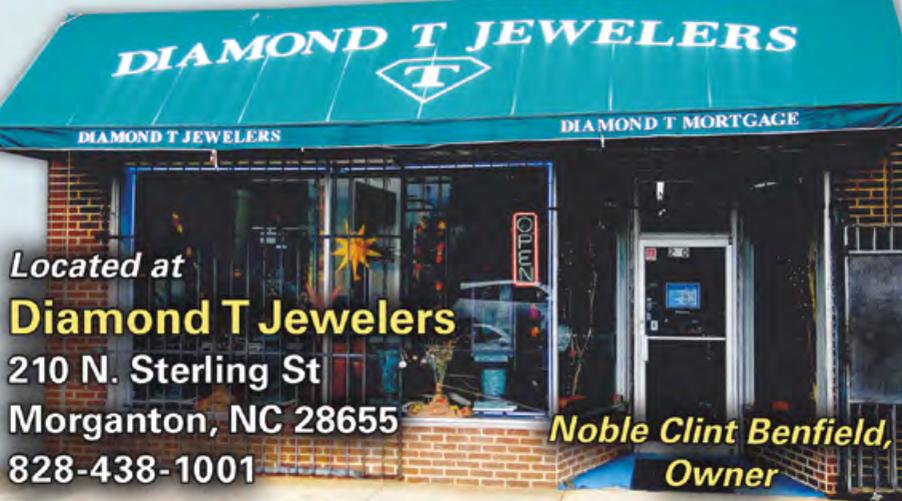
We are indeed fortunate to have a member with Noble Tommy's abilities serving us in this, one of the most important Divan positions.



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Logan's Roadhouse in Statesville at 3 pm**

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Captain: Ron Bailey - 336-769-9780 • Lieutenant: Charles Hale - 336-696-2652
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40th Annual Meeting of the South Atlantic Shrine Association Oasis Shriners Schedule

Thursday, September 19, 2013

- 8:00 a.m. SASA 2013 Golf Tournament @ River Oaks Plantation
10:00 a.m. SASA Badge & Ticket Pickup
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Oasis Shriners Hospitality Open
4:00 p.m. Parade Marshal's Meeting @ Convention Center 3rd floor
6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Oasis Shriners Hospitality Open

Friday, September 20, 2013

- 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Ladies Breakfast-(Tickets Required)
9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Unit Competition @ Old Myrtle Beach Mall
9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. SASA Badge & Ticket Pickup
1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Oasis Shriners Hospitality Open
8:00 p.m.-Midnight Oasis Shriners Social @ Convention Center

Saturday, September 21, 2013

- 7:00-9:00 a.m. SASA Badge & Ticket Pickup
8:00 a.m. Parade Lineup (Starts 12th Ave. and Ends 29th Ave.)
Registration Badge Required for all who parade.
9:00 a.m. Parade Steps Off (Oasis will lead Parade.)
9:00 a.m. Shriners Hospitals for Children's Clinic @ Chamber of Commerce Building
1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Oasis Shriners Hospitality Open
6:00 p.m. President's Banquet-Awards Presentation (Cash Bar/ Tickets Required)
8:00 p.m.-Midnight Oasis Shriners Social @ Convention Center

Oasis pre-registered members can pick-up their SASA badges & tickets at Springmaid Beach Resort.

Oasis Social: Appetizers, Drinks & Dance

* Casual Attire * No Wristbands * 2013 Shriners Dues Card Required

* DJ Bobby Leatherman & Mark Day



Another Shrine Hospital Miracle

Shriners Hospital is expanding services after weathering a financial crisis.

Jessi Spring couldn't wait for her 20-week ultrasound to find out if the baby she was carrying would be a boy or a girl. Married for four years, it was the first child for the legal auditor and her husband, Aaron, a firefighter. But as the doctor studied the grainy black and white image of a baby girl, he realized there was a problem.

He sent the young couple to a specialist, where further testing revealed that their baby would be born with Arthrogyrosis Multiplex Congenita, or AMC, a congenital disorder that leaves the elbows, knees and other joints unable to bend. "My husband and I just sat there and didn't know what to think. So we just held hands," Jessi Spring told GreenvilleOnline.com.

"Honestly, I was devastated. I wondered, will she ever be able to play with me, go hiking, do the fun stuff that I like to do?" she said. "Mercifully, I didn't know at the time that 10 percent of AMC kids don't make it to their first birthday." Hungry to learn all she could about the condition and how it would impact the child she was carrying, Jessi began looking for help.

That search led her to Shriners Hospital for Children in Greenville where her daughter Sadie, now a precocious 3 1/2 year-old with long golden curls, got the surgery, physical therapy and other care she needed. "Shriners has been a God-send," Jessi Spring said. "She's very healthy now and her prognosis great."

Just a few years ago, the very existence of the hospital was in question. Today, it's not only strong, it's expanding.

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Sam McCall Memorial Golf Tournament



Being remembered years after going to that house “not made with hands, eternal in the heavens” by your peers is the ultimate compliment. But realistically, how many of us do enough for others to rate such an honor? Sam McCall Sr was one such Noble.

Five years after his passing, the Tazewell, Virginia Shrine Club established the Sam McCall Golf Tournament to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children. Eleven years and \$100,000 later the Sam McCall Memorial Golf Tournament is still going strong, as is the memory of Sam Sr.

Sam McCall Jr and Lady Priscilla each year host thirty or so Oasis Shriners at the tournament which honors his father. Everyone pays their own expenses and contributes to the event. Each hole is sponsored by at least one Oasis member..., most holes have multiple sponsors.

On Thursday night the festivities begin as George and Lyn McCall (Sam Jr’s cousin) open their home to everyone visiting from Oasis, and a private dinner is held to kick off the weekend. Hospitality certainly runs in the McCall family.

On Friday, after the tournament and the awards presentation, the Oasis contingent meet at the Tazewell Shrine Club Horse Show, which also benefits Shriners Hospitals, and are served BBQ by the Kazim Shrine Potentate and his Divan. Checks are presented, followed by music & dancing and the Oasis group head for the motel to continue the party into the night.

Saturday morning, and Shriners from North Carolina head down the mountain with door prizes, gifts, and warm memories from a relaxing and special holiday.

Here’s to the memory of Sam McCall and the continuation of his tournament for many years to come. And here’s to our friends at the Tazewell Shrine Club for opening their doors and hearts to us.



John Miller, P. P. Receives IMPERIAL POTENTATE'S AWARD

Oasis Past Potentate (1991) Illustrious Sir John S. Miller, Jr. was awarded the Imperial Potentate's Award of Merit during the 2013 Imperial Session of Shriners International.

The Imperial Potentate's Award of Merit is bestowed upon Nobles who have made extraordinary contributions to Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children®. In making the award Imperial Potentate Alan Madsen said, "This is the greatest honor that can be given to a Shriner."

When he presented the award to Illustrious Sir John Miller, Imperial Sir Madsen made the following observation, "While there are many exceptional Shriners whom I consider my brothers, there are five men in particular that have histories of superior achievement, both personally and within the fraternity, and one of those five throughout Shriners International is John Miller".

Joining Oasis Temple in 1955, Illustrious Sir Miller has been a Shriner for 58 years. Not only has Miller been active within Oasis Shriners, he is an Emeritus Member of Shriners Hospitals for Children—Greenville. And, he has served Shriners Hospitals for Children® as Imperial Representative and Director of Endowments, Wills and Gifts for North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia.

Furthermore, due to his years of service, he was made an Emeritus Member of the Board of Trustees of Shriners Hospitals.

Madsen said that Miller is devoted to his family, community, career, fraternity and the children cared for by Shriners. John and Lady Doris Miller have been married over sixty years, and they have two sons.

After completing his education at Wingate University and North Carolina State University, Miller became the administrator of a 200-bed assisted living facility. At age 27, he was the state-wide president of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. While still active in business, he was named as one of North Carolina's Top Ten Businessmen.

A Charlotte, NC native, Miller is a member of Joppa Lodge #530 AF&M, The Charlotte York Rite Bodies and the Charlotte Scottish Rite Bodies, and he is a past director of Court 109, Royal Order of Jesters. He has served on the finance committee for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro, NC.



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Jamestown Golf Course
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- Gift Bag includes sleeve of balls, bag of tees, etc.
- Valuable prizes for closest to pin, Longest Drive, Hole in One and Putt-Off challenge
- Trophies and cash prizes awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place
- Registration starts at 8:00am (breakfast buffet provided)
- Shotgun start at 9:00am
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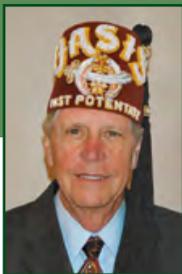
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Oasis Past Potentate Simmons Serving As SASA President



Oasis Past Potentate Doyle C. Simmons is serving as the 39th President of the South Atlantic Shrine Association. The Association was organized in 1973 by the Temples of Virginia, North and South Carolina and was approved by the Imperial Session in 1974. The first annual meeting was held in Myrtle Beach in September, 1974. Today it is composed by 19 Temples from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia and West Virginia.

Simmons is the 5th Past Potentate to serve in this position, others serving were: Past Potentate Harry Bryant, 75-76; Walter "Sticky" Burch, 80-81; Doug Mayes, 87-88, M. E. "Gene" Morrison, 99-2000.

Simmons is from Greensboro where the first organizational meeting of South Atlantic was held in February of 1973. He became a member of Oasis October 26, 1974 the same year of SASA's first convention. He is a member of P. T. Turner Lodge No. 746 and a member

of the Greensboro Scottish Rite Bodies and Past Captain of the Oriental Band. Since becoming a Shriner he has been an active member of the Oriental Shrine Club which is now the Greensboro Shrine Club.

Doyle is married to the former Kathy Hendrickson and they have two children and four grandchildren.

Serving as Director General this year is Past Potentate Tom Price and his Co-Director General is Noble Don Richardson.

Make your plans to attend SASA's Fall Festival in Myrtle Beach September 19-21 for a great time at the beach and in support of President Simmons and the Oasis Divan and Units. Witness the unit competitions on Friday and the 19 Temple parade on Saturday Morning. To view entire schedule of events visit SASA's website at southatlanticsa.org.



Stanley Masonic Lodge Presents



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Saturday, September 28, 2013

1. Social Hour/Registration: 11:00 AM @ The Woodshed Restaurant
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2. Second Course: Lighthouse Seafood, Lincolnton, NC
(Drinks, Boiled Shrimp and Hushpuppies 12:30 PM)

3. Third Course: Safari Miles Restaurant, Denver, NC
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- Desserts
- Tea

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What is "Membership?"

Fraternal greetings, Nobles!

When you consider the term "membership," what comes to mind? A dues card? Belonging to an organization? Fellowship? Growing? Declining? Involvement? NPDs? Making new Shriners? Lifelong friends? Family?

On behalf of your Oasis Membership Team, I would like to offer that "membership" implies all those facets and more. A comprehensive understanding of "membership" at both a high and granular level reveals that numerous elements comprise an individual's perception of membership. Indeed, our personal experiences and

involvements certainly craft our thoughts related to what it "means" to each of us to be part of an organization. People often seek a variety of benefits from a sense of belonging to an organization, some intrinsic and others extrinsic. As Shriners and Ladies, we take immense pride in our "World's Greatest Philanthropy," Shriners Hospitals for Children. We also enjoy fellowship and community involvement throughout the year.

Your Oasis Membership Team is charged with providing leadership and services for our Nobility and their families within our 50 county jurisdiction. The Oasis Shrine is divided into seven districts with each being led by a capable, appointed Noble

who provides guidance to the members, clubs, and units under their purview. Under the strong leadership of Past Potentate and Captain Terry K. Jones, the Past Masters Unit has been elevating its efforts to unprecedented heights with a membership drive. The unit has joined forces as an essential component of the Membership Team and is well underway with a "Blue Lodge Ambassadors" program to debut soon. These future ambassadors will be the key go-to in our blue lodges. As a representative of the Shrine, they will serve as our "feet on the ground" as an invaluable source of Blue Lodge information for not only our Shrine-Masons but potential members as well.

Your District Reps have been diligently contacting Nobles within their respective districts who are in danger of losing Shrine membership as the end of this year approaches. In an effort to provide assistance for our Nobles who have encountered hardship, our Membership Team has undertaken an effort to rebuild the "Sunshine Fund." This fund is a specially designated resource within the temple that serves to assist these Nobles in need. District Reps will be contacting club presidents and unit captains to help organize "Sunshine Fund Parties" throughout Oasis. These simple events provide an opportunity to fellowship, enjoy a meal, and raise greatly needed resources to replenish the Sunshine Fund. Feel free to reach out to your District Rep for more information and to volunteer with this effort.

In addition to enjoying our time together as Nobles, we all have hobbies and interests that bring us together. Whether it be golf, motorcycles, hiking, fishing, bowling, camping and more, we are sometimes unaware of all the Nobles within Oasis who share our passions. Accordingly, your Membership Team is working to develop mechanisms whereby our Nobility can become aware of others' common interests in an effort to help our members become more acquainted with one another. The team is also in the process of rejuvenating the Oasis Virtual Mentor Program. This program assigns designated volunteer Nobles to new nobles as well as men who have expressed an interest in becoming a Mason. The importance of an effective mentorship program can never be underestimated. We hope fu-

ture growth within this program will help achieve unprecedented results with fraternal bonds that will last a lifetime and pay eternal dividends for our entire beloved Fraternity.

Remember, EVERY Noble is part of the Oasis Membership Team. It is each man's responsibility to contribute toward the success of our most worthwhile organization. Do you have an idea you would like to suggest for consideration? Perhaps you would like additional information on one of the ideas mentioned above. Drop an email to our team at oasishrinemembership@gmail.com and we will be pleased to correspond with you further.

Yours in the Fraternity,
Chris Hall
Oasis Membership
Co-Chairman

Gaston County Shrine Club

505 Pinkney Road
Dallas, NC 28034



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What: Monthly Club Meeting

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month
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Thank you!

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Holland's Hope

Sets New Goal

We, as Shriners, strive to raise funds for our 22 hospitals. Each time a donation is made from your club or unit, it is distributed evenly between these hospitals. But most of you know of Holland Laxton's pet project for 2013. She initially challenged members of Oasis Shrine to make donations that would be utilized entirely to purchase a needed item for our Greenville hospital. Her initial goal was \$10,000.00.

We are proud to announce that, as of July 31st, Holland's Hope is closing in on the \$40,000.00 mark. In looking at the greatest needs of the Greenville hospital, we have identified an item that would advance their treatment of our orthopedic patients, but which is not in their normal budget.

There is a great need for an Arthroscopic Imaging Cart. This cart includes everything necessary for orthoscopic surgery. It has a monitor for viewing images during surgery, with a camera within the scope to enable the orthopedic surgeon to look at and repair joints, knees, hips, and other areas. It includes an ipad that is portable, and saves digital videos as well as post-operative reports.

The great benefit of this advanced equipment is that it drastically reduces surgery time. In addition, it lowers the risk of infection, and at the same time creates minimal invasion due to the fact that only a small incision is needed. One of the greatest benefits is that it reduces hospital costs.

The current equipment that is being used is severely outdated, and is falling into disrepair. The vendor who offers this vital surgical implement is offering a 50% discount to Shriner's Children's Hospital if they can purchase it before the end of 2013.

The cost of the equipment is around \$72,500.00, but comes complete with lots of stuff that I have a hard time pronouncing, but which makes the equipment surgery-ready.

\$72,500 is a lofty goal for Holland's Hope, however, Oasis is the #1 Shrine Center in all the world for a reason, we "Put Kids First". So let's dig deep and find new ways to contribute funds to this very special project that will assist many of our very own Oasis Shrine patients.

Stay tuned for more reports on our progress to provide this Imaging Cart for our children at the Greenville Hospital.



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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



John H. Stanley,
P.P., Chaplain

One day, as we read in the eighth chapter of Genesis, *"Cain said to his brother Abel, 'Let's go out to the field.' While they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him."*

Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?"

"I don't know," he replied. "Am I my brother's keeper?"

A very good question for

us as Shrine-Masons: Are we our brother's keeper? In a study of First Corinthians, Chapter 13, we determined that love **cannot be explained.**

When he wrote First Corinthians, The Apostle Paul described love as **patient.** And, how do we show patience to others? Patience is working to understand. Patience is providing support, and patience is teaching and developing. Supporting, teaching, developing: That is being our "Brother's Keeper". One writer has said that

being patient, **love suffers long.** If love suffers long, then love is slow to anger, and true love gets over anger quickly.

Furthermore, the Apostle Paul says that love is **kind.** In his translation of the Bible, J. B. Phillips—rather than saying love is kind—he writes: *"This love of which I speak is slow to lose patience, and it looks for a way of being constructive."*

"It (love) bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things,

endures all things.

Love **bears** all things. When we BEAR all things, we have patience, and we patiently help people to grow. When we BEAR all things we: do **not** let others struggle, we do **not** shift the blame to others, and, we certainly do **not** work to make others look bad so that we will look better. Cain was jealous of Abel because Cain thought that God loved Able more.

When we BEAR all things, we believe in the unlim-

ited potential of others.

Dr. Maxie Dunnam was with *The Upper Room*, for ten years. He relates the following: "The clerk of an upscale hotel greeted a small man who asked for a room. But the man was so unimpressive that the clerk told him there were no rooms available. About then the hotel manager came out of his office, looked at the man, recognized him and called the clerk aside. He whispered to her that the man asking for the room was Pierre Monteux, who for many years was the dis-

tinguished conductor of the San Francisco Symphony.

The clerk came back to the desk, apologized and said, "Why of course we can take care of you, Mr. Monteux! Why didn't you tell me you were somebody." At which Maestro Monteux turned to leave, replying, "Madame, everybody is somebody!"

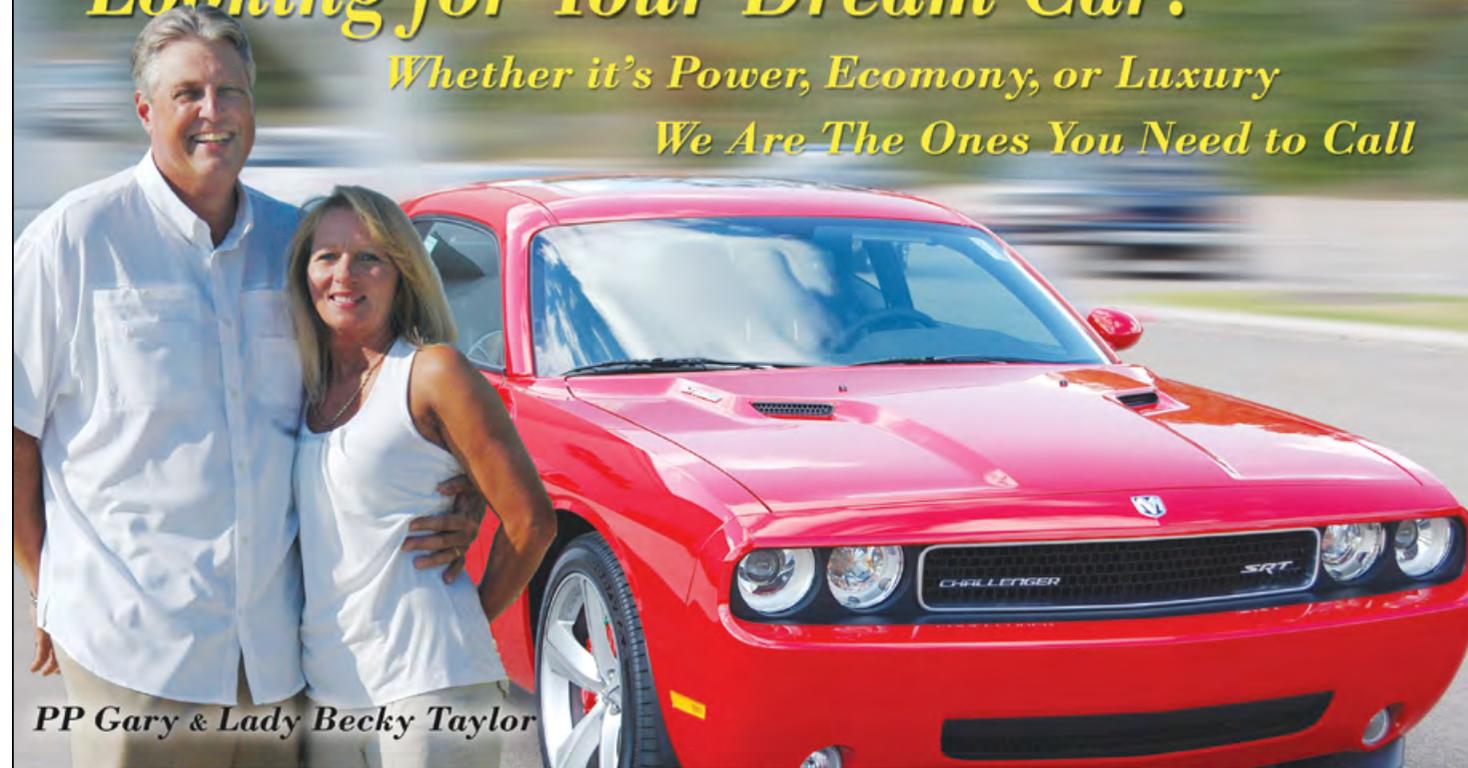
Dr. Dunnam concludes: "So they are -- and if everybody is somebody, then they are worthy of love."

John Stanley, P.M., P.P. is Chaplain of Oasis Shriners. He is Chaplain, McLean Funeral Directors (Gastonia), and Minister of Visitation of First Presbyterian, Gastonia. In the fiscal Shrine Year, 2012-13, he served Shriners International Imperial Potentate Al Madsen as Imperial Chaplain. He can be reached at jstanley1@carolina.rr.com.

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Any questions regarding the Circus can be directed to:
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Cabarrus Shrine Club 5k Run for the Kids

Saturday, September 28, 2013

5k at 9:30 a.m. / One-Mile Fun Run at 9:00 a.m.

COSTS

5K: \$25 if received by September 27, 2013.
Race day registration is \$30

Fun Run: \$10 if received by September 27, 2013.
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Good News From the Past Masters

John Stanley, P.M., P.P.

Good News! Oasis Past Masters are serving the Temple, and there are exciting happenings coming up in the next couple of months.

The Unit is serving the Temple by being represented on the Oasis Membership Team at its monthly meetings by Illustrious Sir and Past Master Terry Jones. Captain Jones reports

that Nobles Chris Hall and C. Lee Abernathy, III, co-chairs of the Membership Team, have asked the Oasis Past Masters to be involved in a most significant way.

Specifically, we are being asked to increase the number of Blue Lodge Ambassadors. Who better to represent Oasis Shriners at the Masonic Lodges than a Shriner who has served

as a Past Master! If you would like to explore becoming an Oasis Ambassador to your Blue Lodge, or if you have questions regarding the unit, please do not hesitate to call Illustrious Sir Terry Jones at (336) 764-5502. Also, Past Master's Secretary, Gordy Peeler can be reached by e-mail at gordypeeler@msn.com. Gordy's telephone number is (704) 279-5764.

Past Master and Noble Gordy reports that we have over 30 Oasis Shrine-Past Masters serving as Blue Lodge Ambassadors.

Now, what's coming up? Well, the Oasis Past Masters will be in the SASA Parade at Myrtle Beach. Members of the unit will receive a letter regarding the details of the parade, time of line-up, street name and

other good stuff. If you are at Myrtle Beach and have parade-related questions, give Terry Jones a call at Springmaid.

Also, remember to remember the BIG Fall Ceremonial to be held in November in Hickory. Oh, and how about approaching that Masonic Brother, asking him to become a Shriner? You know, the one you have been in-

tending to approach, but keep putting it off! There is at least one, isn't there? Bring him to Hickory.

All members (all 225 of us!) take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to WB and Noble Gordy Peeler for his outstanding work as our Secretary. Thank you so much, Gordy.

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2013 OASIS SHRINE CALENDAR

September 19 - 22	SASA - Myrtle Beach
November 1 - 2	Fall Ceremonial - Hickory
December 7	Annual Meeting - Elections
January 3, 2014	Club & Unit Appreciation

Catawba County Shriners



Sunday September 8th
11th Annual Poker Run

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PATROL UNIT & COLOR GUARD

PATROL NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER 2013 • WWW.OASISPATROL.COM

Let's begin with an uplifting story that *may* get you misty-eyed. Back in late June the Captain, 1st Lieutenant and a dedicated member of the Oasis Patrol Unit were enjoying a Sunday morning breakfast out. At the adjacent table sat a very young Asian girl wearing a sequined 'Hello Kitty' denim jacket. Her little face bore a slight deformity of her upper lip which one of us noticed and made a reference point of. We proceeded with our breakfast but before departing the Patrol Captain inquired of the 1st Lieutenant if he should let the little girl's mother be aware of the ability of our Shriners Hospitals for Children to assist with her daughter's Cleft Palette. This can sometimes be a challenge because we as dedicated and committed Shriners so desperately want to scream from the roof-tops so the whole world knows about our 22 Hospital's amazing abilities without being offensive to a

sensitive mother. The Captain really wanted to do this, which was quite outwardly admirable. He made his move, approaching the mother and child's table, exchanged pleasantries and the next thing you know he was seated beside them locked in casual conversation with the mother. Almost like a Harlequin Romance book without the harlequin or the romance. There was slight difficulty communicating as even the Captain's English trumped the mother's broken English vernacular. When it was discovered that the two were travelling from their home in Miami, Florida to visit relatives further north something clicked with the 1st Lieutenant. He knows that MAHI is the Shrine Headquarters in Miami. We are ever-so careful due to HIPPA laws and mandates to not take personal information from a prospective patient's family so the 1st Lieutenant obtained the mother's cell phone and

entered all of the pertinent contact information for the Recorder of Mahi Shriners and advised her to call during normal business hours on Monday morning. The mother seemed outwardly grateful for the Captain's intrusion. This in itself is a wonderfully golden opportunity of chance instigated by our Patrol Captain; Hooray! The singular circumstance that makes this scenario even more poignant is that it occurred during our breakfast meeting at our hotel lobby in Indianapolis just hours prior to uniforming and fezzing up to escort The Imperial Potentate to the Main Stage at the beginning of the Public Opening Ceremonies of the 139th Imperial Session of Shriners International. It is such a great sense of accomplishment and fulfillment when we step up and over the pre-set psychological barriers while wanting to make a positive difference in a young person's life. Just like in 'The Hokey

Pokey' song - "That's What it's All About!"

August and early September are generally slower periods for our Unit. Many of the officers, active and veteran members have been meeting as the Drill Team and practicing at the secret conclave. Our precision, performance drill maneuvers are still just a little rusty for our upcoming SASPA Competition at SASA in Myrtle Beach during the third week of September. Our new drill-sergeant, Mike "Mad-Dog" Davis does have the Drill Team on track so far to obliterate the completion. Nothing another four or twenty-five practices would not help.

This year's (2013) SASA, which is comprised of no less than 18 Shrine Centers from NC, SC, VA, TN, GA, WV and KY, belongs to Oasis Shriners. The SASA leadership team is headed up by Oasis' Past Potentate (1999) and honorary Patrolman Doyle C. Simmons as President and his very capable team. Our Color Guard has been requested by the SASA President's team to participate in a couple of special ceremonial stage presentations as well as lead the

parade on Saturday morning. Please be sure to make your SASA travel arrangements as early as possible so you do not get left out of this ultra-filled trip. Again, Oasis and SASA's host hotel is Springmaid Beach Resort. Call 866-764-8501 to request your room. The standard Oasis room block rate is \$99. per night with some ability to upgrade if necessary and desired.

Are you ready for some football! Many of our Patrol Unit's faithful have been making the required trips to the WFNZ AM-610 Sports Radio "Dog House" at the south-west corner Mint St. and Morehead St., in the shadow of Panther Stadium, to collect Hospital Donations in our labeled buckets and turn donated game tickets for donations as well. So far we are off to a roaring start collecting hospital funds as our hometown Carolina Panthers prevail on the field. Come out and help when you can. We meet and park at the Right-Aid drug store at the corner of South Blvd. and East Blvd. in the Dilworth area 2 1/2 hours prior to kick-off and

ride together to the Dog House as parking there is assigned and very limited. Be sure to let a Patrol Unit officer know if you have game tickets to donate or want game tickets for a hospital donation and we will try to accommodate our good Shriner friends.

Please continue to be aware of the periodic Health and Happiness reports. We have many of our Unit and family members struggling with health and mourning concerns. A call, card and/or a visit just to let them know you care will do wonders for our ailing members. Please notify the Captain anytime directly with updates to share with the rest of our group.

A John Maxwell quotation as recently noticed on a sail-boat's sail by the First Lieutenant: *"The pessimist complains about the wind, the optimist expects it to change and the realist adjusts the sails"*

Respectfully Submitted
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1st Lt. Oasis Patrol

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A weekly update for friends of Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Chicago

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NASA-Inspired AlterG Treadmill in Use for Therapy at SHC – Chicago

We are pleased to announce that SHC – Chicago now has in our rehabilitation program the NASA-inspired AlterG Anti-gravity Treadmill, one of the most advanced devices to assist children to increase their independence with walking. Thanks to the hard work and generous spirits of the Ladies of Medinah Shrine, whose annual Medinah Ladies Fashion Show, under the leadership of Lady Sherrill Marquardt, raised funds for the purchase of the AlterG. Now in place in our rehabilitation center, it uses NASA-patented differential air pressure technology to allow individuals to walk with up to 80% PBWS without a harness system. Children wear neoprene shorts as they use the device and are encased in an inflated air bubble. In the photo left, Nick Ziegler uses the AlterG treadmill as Eileen Spangler, therapist, monitors his progress.

With reduced gravity, kids report that they feel like they are walking on the moon. Originally designed for and used with pro sports teams, colleges, clinics, as well as hospitals, AlterG provides rehabilitation for sports and leg injuries, neurologic disorders (stroke, SCI, MS, and post-polio), gait training,

conditioning, and weight-control programs. Because this is such a new technological development in rehabilitation, staff members are exploring all its potential uses. They have treated youth with incomplete SCI, amputees with new prosthetics, arthritis patients, and children with post ACL knee repair, cerebral palsy, spina bifida, and post-surgery needs.

The AlterG model in place in our hospital is the "deluxe version." It has three video cameras and a video monitor so children can watch their leg positioning and, thus, self-correct their movements. Younger children can watch a DVD movie while in therapy to keep them distracted and walking for a longer period. The staff has seen improvements in balance, walking pattern, confidence, and endurance. "It's comfortable and it's FUN!" they report. We thank the Ladies of Medinah for their vision and grand generosity in making the AlterG treadmill—only one of three in America pediatric centers—available to further enhance our exceptional, highly-advanced program of pediatric rehabilitation.

Olive Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Hosts Breakfast, Serves Kids

The ladies of the Olive Chapter of OES host an annual breakfast at the Dunes Masonic Lodge, Portage, IN, to raise money for the kids at SHC – Chicago. For the third consecutive year, the ladies have donated generously through Orak Noble George Alex. In the photo right, Noble George presents the check to

Yours Truly. We are grateful to the ladies for their consistent hard work and kindness to children and our hospital. And we are thankful for Noble George for his wide-ranging devotion to our hospital, where he serves as usher, driver, and peripatetic fundraiser in Northwest Indiana on behalf of Orak Shrine and our kids.



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GREETINGS FELLOW NOBLES,

It is my privilege to be serving as Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, and I thank Imperial Sir John Cinotto for his confidence in giving me this appointment and responsibility. I extend my congratulations and support to our new Imperial Potentate and First Lady, John and Margaret Cinotto. They will do an amazing job in their new roles.

I also want to take this opportunity to commend and thank everyone who works in public relations on behalf of both the fraternity and the health care system – know that your hard work and efforts are appreciated.

The public relations and communications efforts at the national, temple and hospital levels need to be complementary and consistent, and that requires a commitment to working together – and to communication. I'm asking each of you to make open communication a priority this year.

Making sure everyone is “kept in the loop” – keeping everyone informed – is critically important to all the efforts of our orga-

nizations, including membership. It's been said many times before, but it bears repeating, membership development is critically important to the strength and future of both our fraternity and our philanthropy.

As Shriners, each one of us must be committed to sharing our personal stories of the value and importance of the fraternity in order to interest potential members. We must also be willing to do the work necessary to keep our members informed and involved, and to keep the public aware of our efforts on behalf of children, and our need for their support. When people feel included and informed, they are more likely to stay involved and committed to the mission. It's a simple concept, but one we need to remain aware of and emphasize. Spend some time talking with your fellow Shriners, or even your staff.

It is important that the information we share is accurate, and so we ask you to take a quick look at the materials you are distributing, and at your temple websites, and be sure everything is as up-to-date as possible. We are working with the membership development staff to promote new membership recruitment and retention efforts and will keep you apprised of those developments.

It is a busy time of year for Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children®. The Imperial Session just ended and both the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open and the East-West Shrine Game are coming up in the near future. Some general information on these events can be found on the following pages, as well as on the appropriate websites and, in the near future, in the Between Sessions publication. We look forward to working with you to promote our two national-level signature events.

We are all aware of the many challenges our two great organizations are facing. We can solve them and move forward stronger and better than ever, if we work together and if we make a concerted effort to communicate – with one another, and with all our many audiences. I'm looking forward to working with each one of you, and am always available to hear from you.

THE 2013 IMPERIAL SESSION

The 2013 Imperial Session was held in Indianapolis June 30-July 4. In addition to the fun and fellowship that always occur when Shriners gather, elections were held, awards were distributed and new Patient Ambassadors were introduced. Here are just a few highlights:

ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Congratulations to our newly elected Imperial Potentate and First Lady, John and Margaret Cinotto. As Imperial Potentate, Imperial Sir Cinotto serves as President of the Board of Directors for Shriners International and Chairman of the Board of Directors for Shriners Hospitals for Children. He is from Westfield, Ind., and a member of Murat Shriners.

Imperial Sir Joseph Savaglio of Huntington, N.Y., was elected Imperial Outer Guard. Election to this position means that Savaglio is now a member of the Board of Directors for Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children. Savaglio is a member of Kismet Shriners in Hicksville, N.Y., and

served as the temple's Potentate in 2011.

Anthony West of Irondale, Ala., was elected to the Board of Trustees for Shriners Hospitals for Children. He has been a member of Zamora Shriners in Irondale since 1982 and served as Potentate in 2000. Douglas E. Maxwell was also re-elected as a Trustee and as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Also, Imperial Potentate John Cinotto named Illustrious Sir Ronald M. Elliot of Indianapolis as the Imperial Chaplain for Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children for the 2013-2014 Imperial Year.

And, in grateful recognition of his years of service, Imperial Sir Charles A. “Tad” Claypool was named an Emeritus Trustee of Shriners Hospitals. Claypool became a member of Antioch Shriners in Dayton, Ohio, in 1970 and served as the temple's Potentate in 1990. He also served as Imperial Potentate during the 2002-2003 Imperial Year.



AWARD OF MERIT RECIPIENTS

During the 2013 Imperial Session in Indianapolis, (then) Imperial Potentate Alan W. “Al” Madsen presented five Shriners with the

Award of Merit, the highest honor a Shriner can receive in recognition of their extraordinary contributions to both Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children. The honorees were:



(Pictured; Left to Right)
Top Row:
John A. Cinotto,
Joseph C. Savaglio;
Middle Row:
Anthony W. West,
Douglas Maxwell;
Bottom Row:
Charles A. “Tad”
Claypool.



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NATIONAL PATIENT AMBASSADORS

Every year, Shriners Hospitals for Children chooses two national patient ambassadors to represent the thousands of children who receive care at the health care system every year. The Ambassadors share their stories to inspire others and raise awareness of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Olivia Stamps of Batesburg, S.C., and Brendon Wiseley of Tulsa, Okla., have been selected as the health care system's national patient ambassadors for 2013-2014. The announcement was made after the premiere of their video, "Walking toward Endless Possibilities," during the Imperial Session.

Olivia has cerebral palsy, which affects her mobility. She was originally diagnosed at Shriners Hospitals for Children - Chicago, but since moving to South Carolina, she has been cared for by the Shriners Hospital in Greenville, S.C. After surgery at age 6 and rehabilitative therapy, Olivia, now 10, has a perfect walking gait and can run, dance, jump on a trampoline, ride a bicycle and keep up with her peers.

Brendon was injured in an accident involving a lawn mower. Although he lost a leg, the expertise of the prosthetics staff at Shriners Hospitals for Children - Shreveport and the health care system's commitment to personalized attention and care combined to make it possible for Brendon to pursue his beloved sport of racing again.



The stories of Olivia and Brendon are representative of the successes that can be found throughout the 22-facility Shriners Hospitals for Children health care system. We applaud their achievements, and those of all the patients they represent in their roles as National Patient Ambassadors. Shriners Hospitals for Children is pleased to have been able to help them on their journey toward life's endless possibilities.

More details about the newly elected officials, Award of Merit recipients and the Ambassadors can be found on Shriners Village.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE HOSPITALS

Scott Kozin, M.D., chief of staff of our Philadelphia facility, was part of a feature story on CNN's The Next List. The story showed how motion capture technology can help develop better treatments for children with orthopaedic conditions, such as brachial plexus birth palsy.

Shriners Hospitals for Children in St. Louis and Northern California were listed as leaders in pediatric orthopaedics by U.S. News & World Report in the 2013-2014 rankings of children's hospitals in the United States. Being ranked in the magazine's annual survey is a distinction given to only 80 children's hospitals in the United States. Our St. Louis hospital is co-listed as #6 in pediatric orthopaedics with Washington University as part of St. Louis Children's Hospital's listing. Shriners Hospitals for Children - Northern California was ranked at #41 as a joint program of Shriners Hospitals for Children - Northern California and the UC Davis Children's Hospital.

Stay up to date on the construction project at the St. Louis hospital via the live webcam. The webcam will continuously capture still shots each day throughout the entire construction project. To get to the link, visit the hospital's web page, www.shrinershospitalforchildren.org/stlouis. In the left hand column of the St. Louis page, click on New Hospital Status. On the New Hospital Status page, click on the tagline "Watch Our Progress Via Web Cam."

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TELEMARKETING FOR OASIS CIRCUS



This is to inform the Nobility that we have contracted with Etsell, Inc (Shrine Services) to handle the telemarketing for our circus again this year. The telemarketers started in April and we have sent them an updated listing of Oasis Nobles and their telephone numbers so they would not call our members. If you have multiple telephone lines or run a business, then you may be called by the telemarketers. If you do receive a call, politely inform the caller that you are an Oasis Member and that you will be contributing through our Circus Mom & Dads Program which is for Oasis Shriners and their family.

We have had several people contact local Shriners to see if this is a legitimate operation. This is very much supported by Oasis and was approved at the stated membership meeting at the beginning of the year. If you are asked about this, please let the interested party know that this is an Oasis Fundraiser and that Etsell (Shrine Services) sends runners out to collect the contributions from participants after they agree to contribute to the circus project.

If you have questions, please contact **Noble Rodney Morgan at (704) 985-5253**. If you need to leave a message we will get back in touch with you.

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Cincinnati Patient Ambassadors Stop, Walk & Roll

Meet Joey Driggers, Ellie Voyt and Brantlee Gilbert; three burn patients at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati. Joey was injured when he fell backwards into a camp fire; Ellie was burned when she fell on a hot curling iron, and Brantlee's hand was burned on a hot stove. All different injuries, yet all three have moved from injury to recovery, and now, are ready to give back to the hospital who gave them so much.

On Saturday, September 7, Joey, Ellie and Brantlee will show their gratitude and appreciation for Shriners Cincinnati when, along with their families and friends, they plan to participate in the **Cincy Kids 4 Kids' "Stop, Walk & Roll 5K."** All monies raised will be given back to Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati says **Missy Bastin, co-founder of Cincy Kids 4 Kids.** Missy is coordinating this non-competitive walk for families and kids.

Charity runs and walk-a-thons are becoming increasingly popular. Has your Temple considered organizing such an event to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children? It's a great way to not only promote great health and to get a lot of people exercising, but think of the awareness a walk or run could bring to Shriners Hospitals!

Here are some easy tips to get started planning an event today:

- Contact city or county officials to find out what permits are necessary
- Map your route – the best ones make mostly right hand turns, better for traffic flow and minimizing street closures
- Solicit sponsors – this will help defray costs and raise awareness of the event
- Publicize your event, print and distribute flyers
- Determine logistics for the day – engage volunteers
- Have fun - Shriners Hospitals for Children is a great cause, and if you plan well, monies raised from these events will positively impact the lives of children everywhere!



"Shriners Hospital means the world to us. When Joey was burned, it was a life-altering experience for our family. Joey has come through it unfazed, but Shriners Hospital helped us keep our family together and our marriage strong through the support and care we got at the hospital. It is an honor to do anything we can for Shriners Hospital. Dr. Yakuboff and the nursing staff kept us informed and they are wonderful."
Rula Driggers, Joey's Mom



"Missy lives in the same neighborhood and we have always helped her in the past. Just before my daughter Ellie's first birthday, she pulled the cord of the curling iron down and fell on it. We went to a hospital and were treated, but we weren't very happy. I called Missy to vent and she said to take Ellie to Shriners Hospital. I called Shriners the next day and our family fell in love with the hospital. We want to let people know that they can go to Shriners Hospital; you don't have to have a big bad burn to have care there. We would do anything for Shriners Hospital, and part of that is getting the word out about the hospital."
Tracy Voyt, Mom to Ellie



"Missy is our next door neighbor, and we've helped her in the past with her non-profit work. This time, we have our own experience at Shriners to work from to support Cincy Kids 4 Kids. Brantlee burned his hand on the stove a few months ago and he was treated at Shriners. We were really comfortable there and the hospital was flexible with our schedule. Shriners was great and you can tell that nurses really care about the patients and they were really helpful. At the Walk we hope to raise money and get some donations for the hospital."
Jill Gilbert, Brantlee's Mom

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