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The Potentate's message



On Saturday evening, June 28, 2014, Oasis Nobles from the Piedmont and Western North Carolina enjoyed an historic masonic moment in Robbinsville, North Carolina during the conferring of five Master Mason Degrees, two of which involved Greenville Hospital Patients, Tanner Posey, a "Shrine Bowl King"; and, Kellen Jones, both of whom I raised to the Master Mason Degree, both of whom will join Oasis Temple this year.

Joining Noble Chris Hall, Oasis Membership Chairman, were myself, Noble C. Lee Abernathy, my Chief Aide, Bob Saye, Oasis

Patrol Captain; Peter Shultz, Past Oasis Patrol Captain, Robbinsville Shrine Club Nobles, past Oasis Trustee, O.W. Hooper; Brian Rau, 41st Masonic District Deputy Grand Master; and, current as well as several District Deputy Grand Masters and Lecturers.

At the conclusion of the Degree, before the Lodge was closed by the Master, an Oasis membership information packet was given to each "raised" Mason. After the meeting, they and other Masons vowed to petition for Oasis membership, some to join at the Murphy Ceremonial and others at the Hickory Ceremonial.

The masonic work, fun; and, fellowship shared during the evening is emblematic of the devotion of Brothers and Nobles to their respective charitable missions, the import of which is likely to foster mutual goodwill, increased membership; and, retention.

The Minneapolis Imperial Session was well attended by the elected Oasis Temple delegation as well as other Nobles. The highlight of the session for Oasis was the presentation by Imperial Potentate John Cinoto to me, on behalf of the Oasis Temple family, of Shriners International Community Awareness Award For Outstanding Community Outreach which covers his 2013-2014 Imperial Shrine Potentate term.

This award represents com-

mitment of the Oasis Nobility radiate beyond the Oasis Temple facility into the local community(s) as well as into the national public arena to spread the word of our proud heritage in support of free, world class care to Shrine patients; to reveal the emphasis to Shriners Hospitals For Children to train other physicians and staff, about complicated surgery techniques; and, to enlighten others about the marvelous medical research which will provide better care of these children in a competitive health care environment.

During the Imperial Session, I presented a symbolic check to the Imperial Potentate in the amount of \$1,294,710, representing the Oasis Shrine Temple fundraising contribution for the 2013 year, accepting,

on behalf of the Nobility, the genuine thanks of the Imperial Potentate, the Imperial Divan; and, the President of the Shriners Hospitals For Children corporation.

During the year 2013; and, to date, during 2014, Oasis Temple has been recognized by the Shriners International for its distinguished achievements in completion with 196 other Shrine Temples.

We must not rest on our laurels, but, to the contrary, we must improve and expand our goals to support of our masonic family; pursue innovative membership recruitment and retention initiatives; and, heighten public awareness and appreciation of our charitable work in our local community as well as in

the medical community across our nation; and, our support of the forthcoming joint venture by Shriners International, the Department of Defense; and, the Veterans Administration to provide specialized medical care to wounded warriors.

This month's Oasis Potentate Salute features: a) Noble George Wilcox, Oasis Public Relations Committee Chairman, who has chartered and implemented a public relations outreach campaign worthy of the first Red Skelton Award, one which has enriched the image of the Shrine Nobility in the Oasis Shrine jurisdiction and around our country; and, b) the Nobles and Ladies to raised and contributed \$1,294,710, during 2013, in support of the Shriners Hospitals For Children.



The Recorder's message

Hello Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of the Shrine. I would like to dedicate our conversation this month to the proceedings at our 2014 Imperial Session recently held in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The session went well with less items of controversy this year. The following are the items on "The Call" (this is a listing of legislative proposals for either bylaw or procedural changes at the Imperial level). Legislation may pertain to either the fraternal side of our organization, or the hospital side. Keep in mind that a change to the Imperial bylaws requires a 2/3 majority vote from qualified delegates. Your elected Representatives this year were Illus. Sir David Sumpter, Noble Todd Ham, Noble Johnny King, and Illus. Sir Bob Burroughs. Your members who voted for Hospital-only legislation were Illus. Sir Billy Farris and Illus. Sir Gary Taylor.

The following are items on "The Call" that were **withdrawn** before they were discussed and voted:

- Only Imperial Representatives as defined in specific sections of the bylaws would receive mileage allowance and per diem. **(Withdrawn)**
- Marzuq Shriners would be added to the list of temples that may elect members based on a written ballot if the candidate receives 51% of the votes. **(Withdrawn)**
- A temple could set the annual dues at any level and at more than one rate for reasons determined by the temple. **(Withdrawn)**
- Anezeh Shriners will no longer have exclusive jurisdiction in the Republic of Mexico except for certain listed states. **(Withdrawn)**

• Hospital Regulations would be modified to allow the acceptance of patients at facilities of Shriners Hospitals For Children up to the age of 26. **(Withdrawn)**

The following are amendments that were discussed, voted upon, and **defeated** ("Failed"):

- Amendment would have allowed a member in good standing in the Colorado Corporation (Hospital side of our organization) to vote in the election of the Imperial Outer Guard (Fraternal side of our organization). **(Defeated)**
- The current per capital tax of \$15.00 would be increased to \$27.00. **(Defeated)**
- Amendment would allow a trustee, who was elected before his 72nd birthday, to continue to serve as a trustee until completing three (3) full terms unless he voluntarily retires. **(Defeated)**
- Kizmet Shriners would have concurrent jurisdiction with

Emirat Shriners in the country of Latvia. **(Defeated)**

• Shrine temples, units, clubs and/or committees should be permitted to perform fundraising for the benefit of care for "Wounded Warriors" be Shriners Hospitals For Children, provided such fundraising is in accordance with the provisions of the General Order 1 in effect at the time of the fundraising. **(Defeated)**

• A trustee who was elected before his 72nd birthday would be allowed to continue to serve as a trustee until completing three full elected terms unless he voluntarily retires. **(Defeated)**

The following are amendments that were discussed, voted upon, and **passed**:

- The amendment cleared up language in the bylaw pertaining to travel and expense reimbursement to the Imperial Session by elected Representatives. **(Passed)**
- The amendment clarified the duties of the Dispensations and Charters Committee

(an Imperial committee) to be consistent with the Articles of Incorporation (of the Imperial Shrine) and a request by the temple to voluntarily consolidate, merge or surrender their charter. **(Passed)**

• The amendment would create a new Special Committee to coordinate and manage any voluntary or involuntary action to suspend, annul, revoke, consolidate, merge or surrender a temple's charter. **(Passed)**

• Aahmes Temple will be added to the list of temples that may elect members based on a written ballot if the candidate receives 51% of the votes. **(Passed)**

• Almas Shriners will gain exclusive jurisdiction in the Federal District of Brasilia in the country of Brazil. **(Passed)**

• Amendment to allow the current Chairman and Vice-chairman of the boards of governors (of each Shrine Hospital) to be reimbursed by their respective Hospitals for transportation and lodging for their atten-

dance at the annual meeting of Shriners Hospitals For Children. **(Passed)**

• Al Chymia Shriners would be permitted to join the Dixie Shrine Association. **(Passed)**

• A petition was received from Nobles and Master Masons in the country of Brazil for dispensation to open a new temple titled Hikmat Shriners in Cuiaba, Mato Grosso, Brazil. **(Passed)**

O.K., once again you're let me take up way too much of your time, but I hoped you gained some insight into the activities of your elected Representatives at the 140th session of the Imperial Shrine. Things continue to go well here at Oasis, and we would love to have you stop by and visit *your* 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

The Dune Cats 100 Go Cart Race was a BLAST!

The Dune Cats 100 Go Cart Race was held on Saturday, June 21, 2014 at Hanging Rock Kartway in Kershaw, SC.

Brian and Jodi Hutto (owners of the track) and Big Dog Bill Tesh approached Donnie Wrenn, Captain of the Oasis Dunecats about donating their time and their track to help sponsor a race in honor of the Oasis Shriners. It took six long months to pull everything together for this race to be a success. In the planning stages, this was originally going to be a one day event – but there was so much interest, it ended up being a weekend event.

Our honored guest were The Whipple Family – Ava and Brady are Shriner kids who have been helped tremendously at the Shriners Orthopedic Hospitals and are always happy to attend events and ride in the parades. We were also honored to have Itsa Lopez Ortega and her mother Nina. Itsa just graduated from high school and was previously a patient at the Shriners Children's Burn Hospital. It is just a wonderful feeling to see these kids and how well they are doing and to know that we "Shriners" had a part in that. Thanks so much to Noble Jason Brown and Noble Jack Stallings for coordinating and hosting these families.

The Dunecats also entered a cart in the race. It was driven by Noble Jordan Wrenn. The Dunecats cart had the #1 on it in honor of the children. Jordan placed third in his event. He said "it was a blast" and he is ready to race again.

Overall the race was a big success and great fundraiser. We are hoping to make this an annual race. Make sure you check out the Oasis Dunecats page on Facebook for exciting racing photos and photos from the event. We hope to see everyone at the racetrack!!!!



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Imperial Sir Jerry Gant presents the Emeritus Award to Illustrious Sirs Billy Farris and Gary Taylor.

This status is awarded to Past Potentates who have attended Imperial Session a minimum of 10 years.

Congratulations to Illustrious Sirs Farris and Taylor for their support of Oasis Shrine.

OASIS HIGHLANDERS

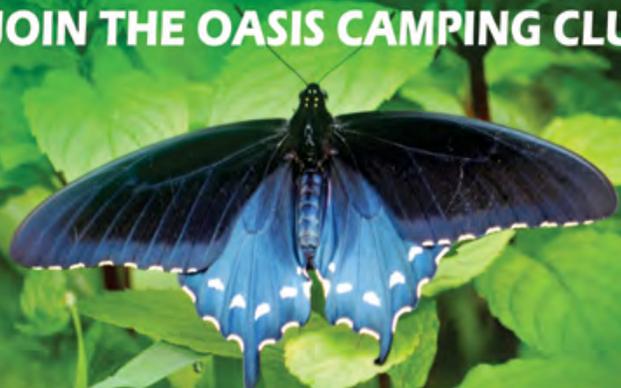
*Can ye play the pipes?
Can ye play the drum?
Would you like to?*

The Oasis Highlanders are recruiting new members and would like to hear from you. Experience is a plus, and so is the willingness to learn a rare skill. We also would like to have a drum major...Interested?



Contact Captain Tom Barnhardt
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Membership Update



Greetings, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine!

Have you heard the latest? Have you heard discussions surrounding Oasis Membership lately? Chances are that you've been involved in those discussions. We all know that word spreads and that includes some of the great things that our Membership Team has been planning and implementing for months as well as some ideas that are yet to come. Here's a brief synopsis for your review.

Young Shriners Club

We've been charged by the Potentate to investigate and propose the creation of a "Young Shriners Club" for Oasis. This novel concept has been successfully implemented in other temples throughout Shrinedom. We've contacted Noble Randy Rudge, Membership Development Director for Shriners International, who has been instrumental in putting us in touch with the right Nobles at other temples. A draft set of by-laws have been developed and will have been presented at the July Divan meeting by the time you receive this publication. One of the requirements for membership in this new club will be an age requirement - under the age of 40. Ill. Sir David jokingly noted that the requirement rules out all the members of the Divan! Indeed, we are aiming to think outside our traditional membership paradigm with this unique club. Perhaps the upcoming Young Shriners Club will provide an opportunity for our youngest men to devise some of the best, original suggestions that Oasis has seen in recent memory! Of course, we'll always rely on our seasoned veterans and their years of expertise in numerous areas. Who knows - maybe Ill. Sir David's next suggestion will be the creation of a "Seasoned Shriners Club." It's anyone's guess what ideas might be derived from such a group! All members younger than age 40 will be receiving an invitation to join this new club. If you fall into this category, go ahead and be thinking about what you can bring to the table and if you'd be willing

to serve as an officer. How often do you have such an opportunity to be involved at the onset of what could become the next best thing Oasis has seen in years?

First Line Signer Incentives

We've been asked to develop suggestions to create new incentives for our Nobility who are willing to take on the challenge of recruiting new members for Oasis. We all know this has been tried before with various incentives and mixed results such as "be the top line signer for 10 men and your dues will be paid for one year and you'll receive recognition from Oasis." Whatever incentive(s) we end up creating, we want them to work well and be original. Do you have ideas about what a good incentive program would look like? Share them with us through a quick call or email and the team will be happy to take your suggestions under advisement. Who knows - you may even be asked to serve on the Membership Team. Speaking of new members, how many men have you been responsible for bringing into Oasis this year? Have you asked anyone to become a member in Murphy? How about in Hickory? It is never too early to ask a man so he may plan accordingly for budgetary and travel purposes, particularly men who are still working and not yet retired. We must keep such considerations in mind when approaching potential members.

A note of appreciation and congratulations is in order for the Past Masters' Unit under the leadership of Ill. Sir Terry K. Jones, Captain, as they have now secured more than 90 Blue Lodge Ambassadors! Contact Captain Terry if you would like to know if your lodge has representation and he will be more than happy to check the roster and let you know if there is an opening.

Thanks for everything that each of you do to enhance and support Oasis in particular and Shrinedom in general. Let YOUR Membership Team know how we can support you! We'd love to hear from you.

See you in Murphy!
Chris Hall
Membership Chairman



Oasis Shrine Golf Club

Membership Application

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BIRTH DATE _____ DATE JOINED _____

CLUB SPONSOR (if any) _____

Please include a check for \$20.00 for annual dues made payable to Oasis Shrine Golf Club and send to 604 Doug Mayes Place, Charlotte, NC 28262. For additional call Tom Kiser, Secretary, at (704) 564-4311

4th Friday of the Month

"Having Fun - And Helping Children"

Swing Dance
\$10.00
4th Saturday of the Month
• Lessons from 7- 8 pm
• Dance from 8-12 pm

Club Dance Night
\$10.00
1st Friday of the Month
Stiletto Band
Doors Open at 6:00 pm
• No Club Dance Friday, July 4th •

Upcoming Events
• Elvis with Stephen Freeman and other musicians coming in October
• Celebrate New Year's Eve
Seating starts at 6:00 pm with buffet dinner at 7:15 pm

Rent The Shrine Club
Weddings, receptions, parties, dances, memorial services, family reunions and conferences/meetings.
Call 336-707-6588

Additional information on all events on the web site

- Monthly Meeting
Families & Guests Welcome
- Program with meal and fellowship
- Doors open at 6:00 pm with social time
- Dinner with program/entertainment at 7:00 pm
- Reservations end the Wednesday before the 4th Friday of the month

Don't wait. Call today to make your reservations! 336-292-1158

The Greensboro Shrine Club

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Quilts Made With Love

Several years ago a group of ladies from the Kernersville Senior Center decided that they wanted to do something special for the children who found themselves in hospitals. They called themselves the Charity Brigade and chose the Shriners Hospital as one of their projects. They began to make special quilts and hats for the children and asked Noble Nick Nitkin if he would see that they were delivered to the hospitals. Thus began a partnership of love and devotion between a group of volunteers and a Noble of the Oasis Shrine, Once a month the Charity Brigade meets at the Masonic Lodge Number 669 in Kernersville N.C and do their magic with squares and thread. The hum of sewing machines and the laughter assures you that the room is filled with love for the work they are doing.

Linda Starky the leader of the group is always ready with praise for the work Treva Fuller, Tenille Shields, Creola Tining, Fran McKinney, Barbara Machuga, Helen Lewis. And of course Wayne Willaford (the official gofer) do.

When you see these colorful quilts or a hat in one of our hospitals we hope this will remind you of the loving hands that made them.



Oasis Oldies

If you have a classic car or are interested in the old classics come join us for some fun and fellowship

**We meet the 1st Sunday of the Month - Nobles & Ladies
Logan's Roadhouse in Statesville at 3 pm**

Captain: Charles Hale Home: (336) 696-2652 Cell: (336) 902-9090

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Circus production brought to you by:
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NC Agriculture Center, Fletcher, NC
Thursday, November 20, 2014
2 shows: 4:30pm & 7:30pm

Cabarrus Arena, Concord, NC
Friday, November 21, 2014
1 show at 7:30pm

Saturday, November 22, 2014
2 shows: 2:00pm & 7:30pm

General Admission \$12.00 – 13 years of age & older
Free Admission – 12 years of age & younger

**Nobles & Ladies of Oasis Shriners, your
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Program. Additional information will be
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One of Lady Sandy's baby possums either hitched a ride on a freighter, or found a rich family to travel to Hawaii with. These little rascals have traveled around the world, and keep on traveling. If you spot one anywhere, take a picture and submit it so Lady Sandy can keep up with them.

**- CABARRUS SHRINE CLUB'S ANNUAL -
Bikes, Blues & B-B-Q Event**

Saturday August 30, 2014

Ridenow Powersports

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Registration starts at 10:00 AM. Kick
Stands Up at 11:00 AM. Arrive back at
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and 12:30 PM. Lunch will be served.

Music provided by Willie Clay and the
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DOOR PRIZES:

\$25.00 for rider
(includes T-shirt and meal and music)
\$5.00 for passenger (no T-shirt)
\$10.00 for walk up (music and meal)
\$15.00 for additional T-shirts

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cabarrusshrine@carolina.rr.com
for other info



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presents the Shrine Horse Show Event**

Macon County Horse
Association

Date: Saturday, August 2nd, 2014 with a rain date of
Saturday, August 23rd, 2014

Time: 8:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Location: Macon County Fairgrounds, Franklin, NC.

Refreshments and food will be available on the fairgrounds,
request public to bring own chairs.

All proceeds goes to Shriners Children's Hospital

Top Ten Tips for Summer Safety

1. Teach children to buckle up every time they get into a car, regardless of the length of the car ride.
2. Remind kids never to play with matches, gasoline, lighter fluid, or lighters.
3. Do not leave children unattended near grills, campfires, fire pits, or bonfires.
4. To ensure a safe celebration, leave fireworks to the professionals.
5. When participating in any sport, use appropriate and properly fitting safety equipment. Helmets and goggles can greatly reduce the risk of head and eye injuries.
6. Show children how to use sports equipment properly.
7. Teach children to never go near or in the water without an adult present.
8. Give children your undivided attention when they are swimming or near any body of water.
9. Have your children wear a properly fitting life jacket while on a boat or around an open body of water.
10. Teach children to never play on or around a lawn mower, even when it is not in use.

**For more summer safety tips, visit
ShrinersHospitalsforChildren.org/SafeSummer**





41st Annual
South Atlantic Shrine Association
Oasis Shriners Schedule

Wednesday, September 17

12:00pm SASA 2014 Golf Tournament @ River Oaks Plantation, shotgun 1:30pm

Thursday, September 18

9:00am-5:00pm SASA Badge & Ticket Pickup @ Springmaid
9:00am-6:00pm SASA Marketplace Open @ Springmaid Convention Center Expo
2:00pm-4:00pm Oasis Shriners Hospitality @ Springmaid Palmetto building
6:00pm-10:00pm Oasis Shriners Hospitality @ Springmaid Palmetto building

Friday, September 19

9:00am-2:00pm Unit Competition @ Old Myrtle Beach Mall
9:00am-5:00pm SASA Badge & Ticket Pickup @ Springmaid
9:00am-6:00pm SASA Marketplace Open @ Springmaid Convention Center Expo
9:30am Ladies SunCruz Cruise & Luncheon (Ticket Required for Cruise, no walk-on, Drivers ID required.)
1:00pm-4:00pm Oasis Shriners Hospitality @ Springmaid Palmetto building
8:00pm-Midnight Oasis Shriners Social @ Springmaid Convention Center Expo

Saturday, September 20

7:00-9:00am SASA Badge & Ticket Pickup @ Springmaid
8:00am-1:00pm SASA Marketplace Open @ Springmaid Convention Center Expo
8:00am Parade Lineup (Oasis 2nd in line at 8th Ave. South.) Registration Badge Required for all parade participants.
9:00am Parade Steps Off (Starts 12th Ave. and Ends 29th Ave.)
1:00pm-4:00pm Oasis Shriners Hospitality @ Springmaid Palmetto building
1:30pm Backyard BBQ & Parade Awards Presentation (Ticket Required for BBQ & beverages.)
7:00pm President's Banquet-Awards Presentation (Cash Bar/Ticket Required)
8:00pm-Midnight Oasis Shriners Social @ Springmaid Convention Center Expo

Oasis Social: Appetizers, Drinks & Dance

* Casual Attire * No Wristbands * 2014 Shriners Dues Card Required



The 41st Annual
South Atlantic Shrine Association

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
September 17 - 21, 2014

Shrine activities around the annual meeting begin with a golf tournament on Wednesday, September 17th. Unit competitions and a Ladies Cruise Luncheon on Friday September 19th, and culminating with a 'Grand Shriners Parade' and 'SASA President's and Officers' Installation Banquet' on Saturday, September 20th.

SASA Schedule of Events & Registration Form is available on their website: <http://southatlanticsa.org/sasafall2014.htm>

Registration Deadline: August 15, 2014

On-site Registration fee will be \$15

**Registration & tickets are required for all SASA events.
Registration badges required to participate in the SASA parade on Saturday.**

*(Nobles of Oasis participating in the parade,
please contact your Unit Captain for registration.
Parading units can pick up their badges during Oasis Hospitality.)*

Oasis Shriners Host Hotel

For room reservations, please call the resort's reservation line at:
(800) 770-6895

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Block code: Oasis Shriners
Cut-off date: Wednesday, August 13, 2014



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Gun Drawing

Tickets are \$100.00 each.
Ticket holder has an opportunity to win 30 times.
When a ticket is drawn as a winner that ticket will go back in for the remaining drawings.

To purchase tickets call us at 1-800-838-3006, ask for Greensboro Shriner's Firearm Drawing. Tickets may also be purchased at Powers Firearms.

ONLY 600 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

Drawings for all guns will be held on August 30, 2014

Drawings starts at 5:00 pm.
FREE hot dogs and hamburgers will be served.

Winners do not have to be present to win. Any winners not present will be contacted by phone and posted on the shrine club website: www.greensboroshrineclub.org

It is the winner's responsibility to: acquire any permits required and pass a background check to receive a firearm. If the background check is denied, the winner will forfeit his/her right to claim the prize with no alternate prize being offered. (Subject to the regulation of FFL dealer where gun is picked up.)

All guns may be picked up at Powers Firearms located at 2304 Jane St., Greensboro, NC 27407 (336) 294-4994.

Each winner is responsible for the transfer fee to another dealer if desired and any shipping/handling costs.

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Total value of winning is

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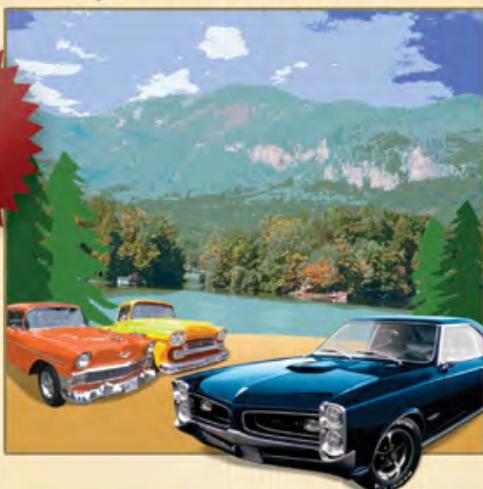
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For more information visit RumblingBald.com

Our Youth Are Making a Difference

Rainbow Assembly's for Girls is alive and well in North Carolina, working to help those who are less fortunate.

Two years ago at the Grand Assembly for Rainbow, a challenge was offered, by newly installed Grand Worthy Advisor Kaitlynn Kubacki, to each Assembly in North Carolina to implement a service project that would benefit children.

At that Grand Assembly, Supreme Inspector Mrs. Kay Letterman presented to all of the Grand Officers no-sew fleece blankets that she hand-made. Playing off of Kay's talents, Ellen Buecker of Wilmington Assembly 29 proposed to her Advisory Board that they make these blankets and present them to a local charity that would use the blankets for children. She named her effort "Project Linus".

During that year, her Assembly made 27 blankets. These blankets benefited children who were sick, victims of domestic violence or accidents, were homeless, or who had lost a parent or parents while they served our country.

At the 2013 Grand Assembly, Ellen competed in the Grand Miss Service competition, and due to her generous efforts, was selected Grand Miss Service. Due to her success, several Assemblies have made the blankets, and to date, nearly 200 blankets have been made. The Greensboro Assembly presented a portion of the blankets to the Greensboro Police Department, who carry them in the trunks of police cars to give to children in need. Other Assemblies across the state have made and distributed blankets to other charitable organizations for the benefit of needy children.

A need was recognized by the young ladies of Rainbow, and many children have benefited from their generosity. They are to be commended for their service.



Pictured in the photo are: Cloe Nichols-Worthy Advisor; Shadow Dawson-Faith; Greensboro Police Officer Sergeant Schettino; Casey Nichols-Worthy Associate Advisor; Emma Gaines-Hope; Corinne Schreiber, Majority Rainbow member; and Kandus Stanley-Chaplain.

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1	New York, NY		4:00pm
2	"Fun Day" at Sea		
3	Boston, MA	8:00am	5:00pm
4	Portland, ME	7:00am	5:00pm
5	St. John, NB	8:00am	4:00pm
6	Halifax, NS	10:00am	6:00pm
7	"Fun Day" at Sea		
8	New York, NY	8:00am	

Experience all the idyllic tranquility to be found north of the border - take it all in as you take a Carnival Canada/ New England cruise. Legendary Carnival fun meets breathtaking east Canadian vistas as you tour this beautiful region, which before your very eyes displays rich history, culture and landscape that ensures that you won't soon forget your vacation. South of the border, our New England ports are no slouch either, themselves some of the most recognizable cities from the early days of the U.S. - and the colonial days before. Dating back to the 17th century, they today continue to retain much of their old charm... and have developed much that's new in the centuries since.

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Remember Your Legacy

A very special presentation took place in Bangor, Maine, on Father's Day. Famous country singer Brad Paisley and his father, Doug Paisley, both members of Osiris Shriners in Wheeling, W.Va., became the newest members of the Legacy Program. Members of Anah Shriners arranged for the presentation after Brad's concert in Bangor.

If more than one member of your family (living or deceased) is a member of Shriners International, you can be part of the Legacy program. Visit Shriners Village and go to the **membership** section for details. shrinersvillage.com/en/Membership/ShrinersLegacy.



Doug Dulac, Anah Shriners Divan member; Steve Watson, Anah Shriners; Brad Paisley, Doug Paisley, and local radio personality and member of Anah Shriners Darin Ingersoll share a moment backstage.

REMINDER:

All ads & articles for the September edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted by August 10

IMPERIAL SESSION



ABOVE: NC Grand Master and NC Potentates at Grand Masters Dinner at Imperial.



LEFT: Imperial Sir Jerry Gantt's Lady Lisa with Warren Jullian and his Lady Andrea and their two daughters Ansley and Addison.



ABOVE: NC Grand master with Imperial Sir John Cinotto.



ABOVE: Oasis own Warren Julian Member Oasis Director's Staff escorts Imper Sir Jerry Gantt's Lady Lisa Gantt at Imperial Ladies Luncheon.



Message from the Facilities, Building and Grounds Committee Chairman ~ Chris Reitzel



My Fellow Nobles,

As members of Oasis, we all have something that should make us proud such as Oasis being the #1 Temple in total membership and in hospital fundraising. We are also proud owners of a majestic (and quite large) 55,000 sq. ft. building located right in the thick of Charlotte's University area. Our temple is the second largest in the world. Opened in June of 1988 to much glory and fanfare, it has withstood the hands of time and Mother Nature for the past 26 years. It was a major milestone for Oasis when construction began 27 years ago on March 20, 1987.

The first major repair to our building was in 2006 when an eighteen wheeler caused major and extensive damage to the canopy at the front entrance of the building. This led to the installation of the yellow bollards to prevent vehicles from driving underneath. The iconic white domes on the roof were also repainted to bring back their former color. No additional repairs were done in subsequent years until last year. In January 2013, we replaced the outdated accordion wall that separated the Auditorium from the Carolina Room with a new permanent (and soundproof) wall which allows us to have two events take place at the same time.



Over the years our original roof withstood the severe beating from Mother Nature however not without incurring some significant repair bills to patch the many holes in the rubber lined (flat) roof. It seemed that after every rain, we were finding wet spots inside the building. During the torrential rains of the summer of last year, we suffered a catastrophic failure of the roof directly above the unit meeting rooms and their accompanying storage rooms. With the quick action of our valued service partner (Statesville Roofing), we were able to avert disaster and prevent the roof from caving in on the rooms below. With repairs estimated to exceed the cost of replacing that one section, we decided it would be more cost effective to go ahead and replace it along with the rest of the flat sections of the roof, thus preventing future costly repair bills in other areas of the building such as the restaurant and office spaces. Construction was completed in July 2013.

Prior to 2012, we had two service contractors for our HVAC system. In extremely hot or cold weather, we had problems keeping the climate controlled inside the building, resulting in numerous repair charges from service calls due to the air/heat not functioning properly. It became so bad that the idea of replacing the chiller for the air conditioning had been proposed to eliminate cooling problems. I approached both contractors in 2012 and asked them if one of them would like to take over the service for the entire building, both declined the opportunity. Fortunately we

found a new contractor, Climate Systems, who offered to check our entire system and make any adjustments. After they finished, they had calibrated almost every thermostat and fixed several minor issues affecting system performance that had gone unnoticed for quite a while. Thanks to their hard work, we are now able to keep the building cool when it's hot and warm when it's cold. The possibility of having to replace the chiller is gone and our HVAC system is working better today than it ever had before.

This year, our focus was on renovating the aged and deteriorating foyer. Over the years, the concrete under the floor had deteriorated and caused holes to form. At the Divan's request, I reached out to Noble George Combis of Superior Tile, who originally installed the tile throughout the building. The Oasis Temple foyer was dedicated in honor of Noble Chris Combis (George's father) for his generous contribution in the construction of the temple, and a plaque was placed on the wall of the foyer. George offered to donate most of the total cost to replace the entire foyer floor in honor of his father. It was an opportunity too good for Oasis to pass up.

Construction finally began mid-May on with the removal of the old floor, reinstallation of the concrete subfloor and the installation of the new tile. Construction concluded the following week and the new floor looks spectacular. Careful attention was placed in making sure the Scimitar and Crescent design in the center of the room was preserved and left intact. We also made sure the bicentennial time capsule that was installed in 1995 was left unopened and in its original place. The tile that reads "OASIS" from the original floor was reinstalled personally by myself and was the final piece of the project.

While installing the foyer floor, Noble George offered to replace the restroom floors while the tile crew was already on-site. It was decided by the Divan that we should allow George to continue with the flooring renovation and replace the tile flooring in our bathrooms, which was in desperate need of attention. The small and un-cleanable white tiles were replaced with larger pieces of black and white granite tile. The bathroom renovations finished up the first week in June and they look spectacular as well, greatly improved from what was already in place.

All of this would not have been possible without the dedication of our members, Divan, staff, and service partners. I would like to extend a special thank you to Noble George Combis,

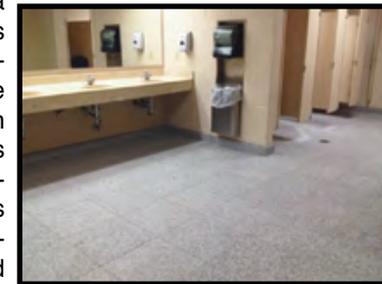


for if it wasn't for his generosity, our flooring renovations would not have been possible; and Noble Bob Saye for his



unwavering generosity and dedication to the maintenance and upkeep of the Oasis Temple electrical system. Bob certainly goes above and beyond for us. I would also like to thank my other fellow nobles who own businesses

that helped with the maintenance/upgrades of the temple: Noble Mark Mitchell of Baker-Mitchell Plumbing Supply, Noble David LaRoach of Charlotte Sound and Visual Systems, Noble Shea Fadel of Fadel's Food Service Equipment and Noble Bucky Oates of John Oates Plumbing; as well as our other valued service partners Steve Warren of Climate Systems, and Statesville Roofing for their dedication to our purpose and building needs as well as Noble Todd Ham for his work with the Divan on building matters.



I am a proud member of Oasis Shriners. I am also honored to be the third Noble to hold this position, following in the footsteps of the late Noble Gerald "G.T." Godwin and Noble Robert "Graham" Wilson, in overseeing this grand and majestic building for my fellow Nobles.

Please stop by our temple and take a look at our new foyer and bathrooms floors, as well as the other renovations that have been completed in the past few years.

Thank you,

Chris Reitzel
Chairman
Facilities, Building and Grounds Committee



The "Beat on the Street" Shows Off, Again!

Oh, what a beautiful morning; Oh, what a beautiful day! Perhaps you remember these words from the 1943 musical "Oklahoma" by Rodgers & Hammerstein. After 71 years, those words were still appropriate on Saturday, May 3rd as your Oasis Shriners Drum & Bugle Corps held their annual Car & Truck Show, as part of the Mt Holly, NC Spring Fest.

This was the 4th year for this "100% Hospital" fundraiser and again this year, it was a wonderful success. The Corps is proud to report that a new record for participation was set as more than 55 entries rolled through registration. As in previous years, there was a wonderful variety of vehicles to see. It was noted that the oldest and newest vehicles were both Fords. The age of those two entries spanned 81 years, from a 1930 Model "A" to a 2011 Mustang GT California Special. The Chevy's had the most of any one make with 25. There were 10 different makes plus a mini replica of a Korea/Viet Nam era Marine Corps F-84 "Thunder Jet". Entertainment was provided by Smokey and The Pope, AKA "The Boogie Woogie Kings, from Belmont, NC.

In addition to entry fees, the Corps was also able to raise

money with a silent auction, raffle tickets, 50/50 tickets, bottled water and t-shirts sales. On behalf of the Captain of the Corps Dale Morton and the show organizer, Past Captain Tommy Helms, we want to send a special thank you to members of the Corps, their Ladies, families, and friends that came out early and stayed late. An event like this takes all the help it can get, so..... "Thank You"!

There was plenty of Masonic/Shrine Unity at the show as well. The brothers from Mt. Holly #544 had their grills set up again and appeared to have a line all day, at least until they sold out. We are proud that one of the leaders of their cooking team is our Drum Major, Eddie Wilson. The Nobles from the "Oasis Ragtops" came out in support again this year with a colorful group of convertibles. Also, we thank Oasis Recorder Emeritus Jim Rorie for bringing out the Big Rig Walk Thru Display Trailer. Jim's special guest for the event was "Fezzie Bear". It didn't take long for "Fezzie" to find a good spot to kick back in his big chair and start taking pictures with everyone. Oh, before I forget, there was a sighting of the Noble Brothers of The Patrol hanging out with Fezzie at the

trailer, complete with hospital papers and donation buckets.

As early afternoon approached, folks started to gather around to hear who the winners of the 2014 Car & Truck Show would be. Best truck was awarded to Ryan Parsons of Mt. Holly, for his green '55 Ford F-100. Best car award went to Tim Featherstone, also of Mt. Holly, for his '38 Chevy Coupe. The award for "best of show" went to Red Howard of Gastonia, for his '34 Chevy Coupe.

The Corps is very thankful for each man and woman that made a donation to enter the show. And as we always like to say, when "the hospital" wins, everyone wins!



OASIS SHRINERS ONE-DAY CEREMONIAL MURPHY, NORTH CAROLINA ~ SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2014

11:30-12:30pm	Registration/Check-in (Enloe Building)
12:30pm	Lunch
1:30pm	Membership Meeting (members only)
1:30pm	Candidates assembled (Provost Guard)
1:45pm	Welcome by Potentate
2:15pm	Ceremonial (First Section)
3:30pm	Membership Team Presentation
4:00pm	Fez Presentation/Introduction of Shrine Child/ Conclusion



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 - 2 nights Biltmore Inn and tickets to Biltmore House
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 - 2 nights at Kiawah Island, SC

Drawing – December 12, 2014 \$20 each or 6 for \$100

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Western NC Shrine Club Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, September 13, 2014
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Shot Gun Start: 8:00am •• **Cost:** Two Man Best Ball \$160 per team

Includes 2 Mulligans; Two Teams per Tee; 1st Place ties will be determined by score card; \$50 closest to pin on all Par 3's; 65 & over -Senior Tees, Ladies - Red Tees; Hole 13 will have the 3 pin option for closest to pin with a \$5 donation; Tweeter Tournament Rules will be used; DOOR PRIZES will be drawn during tournament.

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\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400
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WHAT DO WE DO WITH WORRY?

"Seventy per cent of all patients who come to physicians could cure themselves if they got rid of their fears and worries."

~ Dale Carnegie Quotes from *How to Stop Worrying and Start Living*

The master motivator Mr. Dale Carnegie could be just about right! We worry ourselves sick! We worry about our health and we worry about out-living our money. Parents worry about their children and Adult children worry about their parents. At any time of the day or night, we worry about something.

The Bible is very clear in how we should handle our worries. In writing to his followers, the Apostle Paul commanded: (Philippians 4:6) *"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."*

We rid ourselves of worry when we give thanks for all that we do have. Awesome advice. Here to Thanksgiving Day(s)—all 365 of them!

And, in Matthew 6:34 we are told: *"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has*

at a decision. It is the failure to arrive at a fixed purpose, the inability to stop going around and round in maddening circles, that drives men to nervous breakdowns and living hells.



John H. Stanley,
P.P., Chaplain

enough trouble of its own."

"Each day has enough trouble of its own". My grandmother would say, "Now don't borrow trouble from tomorrow". I suspect your grandmothers had similar advice. Finally, turning to Mr. Carnegie once more, we read: *Experience has proved to me, time after time, the enormous value of arriving*

I find that fifty per cent of my worries vanishes once I arrive at a clear, definite decision; and another forty per cent usually vanishes once I start to carry out that decision.

So, I banish about 90 per cent of my worries by taking these four steps:

1. Writing down precisely what I am worried about.
2. Writing down what I can

do about it.

3. Deciding what to do.
4. Starting immediately to carry out that decision."

~ Dale Carnegie Quotes from *How to Stop Worrying and Start Living*

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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Good News From the Past Masters

Membership and interest are at a high level in the Oasis Past Masters Unit (PMU)!

- ☺ We have added five new members.
- ☺ As of this writing, we have a total of 222 members in the Oasis PMU!
- ☺ We now have an all time high of ninety-one (91) BLUE LODGE AMBASSADORS. (As you might suspect, the Captain and officers are more than anxious to get to the magic number of 100 Ambassadors!!!)

In addition to identifying nine more Ambassadors, the Unit is seeking support for its seven sergeants. The Oasis Jurisdiction is vast! There are opportunities for a number of corporals to assist the sergeants. We would like to have corporals assisting the sergeants in membership, retention and Oasis visibility. The corporals would give our unit more representation while at the same time

giving our sergeants the support that they truly need.

CEREMONIAL, AUGUST 9: Please remember that Illustrious Sir W. David Sumpter, III is having a Cold Sands Ceremonial in Murphy, NC on August 9. One day ceremonials are an outstanding ways of bringing those busy, new candidates into 'Shrinedom'. Let's support our Potentate for his Hometown Ceremonial.

If you are interested in being active in the Unit as a Sergeant, as a Blue Lodge Ambassador, or a Corporal, or if you would like to explore becoming a member of the Past Masters Unit, please do not hesitate to contact: Terry Jones, P.M., P.P., Captain, 5002 White Oak Dr., Lexington, N.C. 27295, Phone (336) 764-5502, e-mail: tkjonespp@gmail.com, or Past Masters' Secretary, Noble Gordy Peeler, P.M., 520 Cantiberry Drive, Salisbury, NC 28146, phone (704) 279-5764. He can be reached by e-mail at gordypeeler@msn.com.



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Mecklenburg Shrine Club

September 6, 2014
6-7pm: Social & Decorate Tables
7-8pm- Dinner
8pm-Midnight Dancing

DJ: Gene Hensley
Dress: Beach/Hawaiian



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THUNDERING SCOOTER PATROL:**

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PATROL NEWS FOR AUGUST 2014

Greetings from the Oasis Shriners Patrol Unit and welcome to our August 2014 Desert Dust article.

First thing out of the box it is very important that we acknowledge our fine Oasis rag

The Desert Dust for another stellar achievement of recognition within the boundaries of Shrinedom. Noble Terry Cox and his staff do a pretty, pretty good job. Keep up the good work Nob. T.C. Here is some Oasis D/D trivia: Who

was the Editor of the Oasis Desert Dust when the current Patrol Captain joined Oasis Temple in 1990? We'll table the correct answer until our September remittance.

Along the same lines, the Oasis Shriners Facebook Page won the 1st Place Dromedary Award for Facebook / Social Media category. Patrol 1st Lt. Nob. Chris Hall and the Ladies in the Oasis office along with many other contributors do a very good job with our Social Media. Check it out and 'like' it.

Do you hear the Patrol drums beating stronger and louder as

we begin to come away from our summer hiatus back to our Shrine Grind? We have a pretty busy late summer and fall scheduled so let's brush off and hydrate our fine Arab Chargers, draw our sabers, fly our flags, pound our drums and let our inner-Shrine boil over.

Plan to join us in Possum Country USA; Murphy, NC on August 9th for Oasis' One Day Cold Sands Ceremonial. This will be a good trip to the far reaches of our Western jurisdiction as well as the hometown of our Illustrious Potentate for 2014, W.M. David Sumpter III and his First Lady Sandy. Come up for the day or the night before, whatever suits you. There is plenty of specific information within this Desert Dust issue and on-line at www.OasisShriners.org. The Oasis Patrol plans to be out in force to perform

our Color Guard services, sell our Shrine jewelry and Tile the Doors. Please be prepared upon entry to any Oasis event with a current Dues Card as issued by Shriners International on behalf of Oasis Shriners - Potentate's Orders.

Our Patrol Unit will have many preparatory meetings and practices leading up to our SASPA Drill Competition at SASA in Myrtle Beach the 3rd weekend of September. We cannot wait to take the field and compete. And if it were not for the spirit of a good completion, i.e. rivalry with other Shrine Patrol Drill Teams, our victory would certainly be more assured.

The list is not terribly long so please remember our Patrol folks that are ailing and their care-givers.

If any individual Noble, Lady,



Shrine Club or Unit would like any specific or custom Masonic / Shrine Jewelry or Regalia items between Oasis Ceremonials please inform us through info@oasispatrol.com, phone 704-573-6644 or Facebook post at Oasis Shriners Patrol. We are here to help.

"What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal." W.B. / Dr. Albert Pike (1809 - 1891)

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Saye



Statesville Shrine Club 22nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament and Auction

Friday August 15th, 2014

Statesville Country Club, 635 Deauville Drive, Statesville, NC (704) 873-8376

(All Golfers should arrive early to register!)

35 Tee Times at 1pm Available
(Golfer's Briefing at 12:30 pm sharp)

35 Tee Times at 8am Available
(Golfer's Briefing at 7:30 am sharp)

Format: Two Man Captains Choice
Entry Fee: \$75.00 per player
Mulligan: Limit 2 per player, \$5 ea.
Strings: Limit 2 per player, \$5 ea.

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Dinner and auction will start around 6:30 pm.
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Cash Prizes Awarded to winners in each flight, Longest Drive, Closest to the pin, with other misc. prizes to be given.

Auction Info: Mike Boring (704) 924-7479, NavigatorFreight@aol.com
Golfer Info: Ricky Rhyne (704) 902-7642, Rhyne@hotmail.com
Sponsor Info: Kevin Bodenheimer (704) 902-2039, Iredellshriners@gmail.com



Please Remit Entry Form & \$75 Per Player To:

Statesville Shrine Club
P.O. Box 1394
Statesville, NC 28687

Statesville Country Club
August 15th, 2014
Rain Date: Aug 22nd.

Golfer #1 _____ Golfer #2 _____
Handicap _____ Ph# _____ Handicap _____ Ph# _____
Address _____ Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BELONG TO SOMETHING BIGGER AND BETTER?

THE OASIS SHRINERS PATROL UNIT



JULY 4th 2012 AT THE 138th IMPERIAL SESSION IN CHARLOTTE, NC. THE OASIS SHRINERS PATROL UNIT PERFORMS A SURPRISE "ARCH OF STEEL" FORMATION AS 34 UNIFORMED MEMBERS AWAIT THE COMMAND FOR ADVANCEMENT OF THE INCOMING IMPERIAL POTENTATE FOR SHRINE YEAR 2012-2013, OASIS PATROLMAN ALAN W. MADSEN. HE AND HIS FIRST LADY JAN ARE ESCORTED BY PAST CAPTAIN / DIVAN MARSHALL TIM DANIELS.



OASIS SHRINERS PATROL INFO@OASISPATROL.COM



*Never fear.
The possum
gave that
gator what for.
Poor gator
got a black
eye out of the
deal. And the
possum is
laughing.*



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**Through August 15th,
every donation will be
doubled.**

Make twice the impact!

DONATE NOW



I have exciting news: One of our generous donors has just offered to match all gifts given through this special campaign up to \$35,000!

That remarkable donor, who has asked to remain anonymous, is a father of four, and he understands how critical it is for Shriners Hospitals for Children® to continue receiving contributions throughout the summer months, when many charities experience a downturn in financial support. He has issued this challenge to a select group of our loyal donors and is urging you to take advantage of this special opportunity.

**Any amount you give to Shriners Hospitals for Children during this
Summer Challenge will be doubled — up to \$35,000!**

That's twice the impact you can have on helping children!

- Your gift of \$50 will be doubled to \$100
- Your gift of \$75 will be doubled to \$150
- Your gift of \$100 will be doubled to \$200

Because of you, our children receive the life-changing — even lifesaving — care they need, regardless of their families' ability to pay.

That's why I hope you'll make the most of our donor's incredible offer to double the impact of your gift this summer. All you have to do is act by **August 15, 2014!**

These children are counting on you.

Sincerely,

John A. Cinotto, Chairman of the Board
Shriners Hospitals for Children®

P.S. The time to act is **now**. All gifts received by August 15, 2014, will be doubled during this Summer Challenge! **Send your most important gift of the year today.**

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Saturday, August 2nd, 2014

Donation \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00, 7 for \$10.00
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Great Falls, SC29055



(If you buy \$50 or \$100 worth, you will have a chance to win another \$50 or \$100 worth of tickets. This drawing will be Friday, August 1st, 2014. For the ones that buy \$50 or \$100 worth you will have your name and town put on the Board of Honor at the club plus in the Hejaz Commentator and also in the Hillbilly News.)

2014 OASIS SCHEDULE

Aug. 9	Cold Sands, Murphy, NC
Aug. 12	Shrine 100 Race, Gastonia, NC
Sep. 18 - 21	SASA Fall Meeting, Myrtle Beach, SC
Sep. 25 - 27	Grand Lodge
Sep. 27 - Oct. 4	Potentate Cruise: 7 Day Canada/New England Cruise
Oct. 10 - 11	Oxford Homecoming
Oct. 31 - Nov. 2	Fall Ceremonial, Hickory, NC
Nov. 15	Oasis Veteran's Appreciation Night
Nov. 20	Oasis Shrine Circus, Fletcher, NC
Nov. 22	Oasis Shrine Circus, Concord, NC
Dec. 6	Oasis 2015 Elections/Annual Meeting
Dec. 20	Shrine Bowl

2015 OASIS SCHEDULE

Jan. 9	Club/Unit Appreciation/Awards
Jan 10	2015 Divan Installation
Jan 16-17	Shrine East-West All-Stars, St. Petersburg, FL
Jan 24	2015 Club/Unit Officer Orientation

ATTENTION ALL MECKLENBURG AND GASTON COUNTY SHRINERS

THE DUNE CATS SAY... EAT WINGS FOR THE KIDS AT BUFFALO WILD WINGS

Show a current Oasis Shrine Dues card and BWW will donate **10% of your FOOD bill to the Shriners Hospitals for Children!**

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Arthur & Eulah Stamey

IN HONOR OF:

All the Shriners who stayed at both properties during the Blowing Rock Ceremonial
Fred & Louise Coward
Grayson & Emily Elisabeth (Izzy) Mullinix on their Birthdays
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Risk of Dog Bites Greater in Summer Months

As a longtime member of the Board of Governors at Shriners Hospital for Children®--Cincinnati, Tim Mason spent a lot of time at the Ohio hospital; but little did he know that one day his family would require its services.



Last June, his daughter Madison, was injured by their family pet when the dog was surprised by a loud noise and sudden movement. After the accident, Tim and his wife Dawn rushed their daughter to a nationally-ranked children's hospital in their metro area. However upon arrival, Tim told the emergency room physician that he wanted his daughter

transferred to Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati.

“We made a conscious decision to transfer to Cincinnati,” he explained. “Our decision wasn’t because we would not get adequate care at our local children’s hospital; it was because I knew we would get a different kind of care at Cincinnati.”

Soon after, the Cincinnati hospital’s flight team picked up Madison and she and her father were on their way to Cincinnati. She had a large dog bite wound to her scalp and other smaller wounds on her face. Her scalp injury required skin grafting. “As soon as we arrived in Cincinnati, the hospital integrated the family into Madison’s care. There was a bed in her room for us to sleep in, and we were never asked to leave.”

After Madison’s initial injury and surgical repair healed, the reconstructive process began. Even though the wound on her

scalp was grafted, she was left with a condition called traumatic alopecia. Hair would not grow where the skin graft was placed on her head. A tissue expander was surgically implanted just under the skin of Madison’s scalp and filled with saline every week.

As the size of the expander increases, the skin and hair covering the expander stretches. When the skin has stretched enough, the expander will be removed and the extra skin with hair will be pulled over Madison’s bald spots, correcting the traumatic alopecia. With the expert work of the surgeons at the Cincinnati hospital, Madison will have an excellent outcome, and few will ever know she was injured.

Summer’s approach means greater risk of dog bites. If you know of a child we can help, please refer them to Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati. “Shriners Hospital for Children—Cincinnati has performed superiorly and we have been treated with the utmost respect and professionalism,” Mason said. “I cannot imagine taking my little girl anywhere else.”



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