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# The Potentate's message

**N**obles and Ladies: Late July and early August has provided several highlights for the Oasis Temple Nobility.

The Murphy Ceremonial, a celebration of "Shriners in the Smokies", was a resounding success as twenty-six (26) Master Masons were initiated as Shriners of the Oasis Temple at Tri County Community College, a "stone's throw" from the historic site of the New Year's Eve Possum Drop site at Clays Corner in Brasstown, NC. As you may imagine, Possum sightings were plentiful during the weekend.

The WNC Shrine Club hosted the Nobles and Ladies, who enjoyed the traditional BBQ lunch while the Murphy High School and Andrews High School Jazz Bands entertained everyone with several tunes before the Ceremonial began, with the traditional pomp and ceremony that precedes the program for the day.

Without doubt, the Oasis Ladies are an integral part of the success of the work of the Nobility who raise substantial money;

and traditionally provide unconditional love and support for the Oasis Shrine Children.

As a gesture of our profound appreciation for their appearance and, more importantly, as an Oasis Temple public outreach gesture to these young musicians, I presented, on behalf of the Nobility, a gift of \$500.00 to each band leader to provide funds for uniforms or special needs for the band members.

Twenty-seven (27) Master Masons attended the Ceremonial; and twenty-six (26) of the class members completed the initiation process, as one of them, who is expected to complete his journey to become an Oasis Shrine member during the Hickory Ceremonial, left the meeting for medical reasons unrelated to the work. We wish him well, and look forward to seeing him walk the sands in Hickory.

I plan to continue to present this award to deserving Oasis Ladies during my remaining term as Potentate, and I hope it will become a tradition of the Potentates who succeed me for the foreseeable future.

Recently, a noteworthy honor was received by Noble George Wilcox, Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, who, together with Illustrious Sir Bob Burroughs, orchestrated the delivery of a \$5,000.00 check to Charlotte Bridge Home to purchase a "comfort dog" which is being trained to give to a worthy military veteran who resides in the Oasis Jurisdiction, for use to alleviate his/her post traumatic

stress syndrome disability (s).

As you may well recall, this Oasis Temple project has provided, through Whitley's Wish, generous contributions of \$12,179.00, some of which are designated for refurbishing of Greenville Shriners Hospital rooms to accommodate children and families who spend the night in Greenville, South Carolina to facilitate appointments for treatment; and part of which is devoted to the purchase of the specially trained dogs to support our military veterans.

As this Potentate's year is proceeding at a rapid pace, I urge you to contact your Divan members about your concerns for the remainder of this year, and, thereafter, as I believe the futuristic planning of the work of Oasis is a critical component to the sustained stability and growth of the Temple membership.

For instance, we must be vigilant about the status of the financial worth, care, use, enjoyment and/or, the prospect of a Nobility approved sale of the Oasis Temple, especially after viewing,

recently, several illustrated government project proposals designed to provide public train travel and pedestrian access to and from downtown Charlotte, which includes provision for an elevated pedestrian connector bridge which will cross part of the Oasis Temple property to access Doug Mayes Drive, for the benefit of the owners of the surrounding properties.

Although we are recognized among the Shriners International Nobility for our leadership, dedication, innovation, community outreach, newspaper, internet communication skills, and for our support of Shriners Hospitals for Children, we must broaden the scope of our horizons to remain a superior role model for the Temples that comprise Shriners International.

My Oasis Potentate Salute for this Desert Dust Edition includes: a) the Nobles and Ladies of the Western North Carolina Shrine Club, who worked, tirelessly, to have a "Cold Sands" event in Murphy, North Carolina, one which attracted about 200 members of our region for fun and fellowship, and; b) the

marvelous work of the Ritualistic Cast, the Directors Staff, the Patrol, and the Provost Guard, whose members traveled an average 500 miles to and from Murphy, NC to welcome and initiate a class of 26 Nobles, and; c) the Divan Members who joined with the other Nobles to assure a successful ceremonial, and; d) Whitley Sumpter who addressed the assembly gathered for the Ceremonial to tell, briefly, the story of her commitment to raise money for her worthy causes, and to relate to everyone her favorable impressions of her April, 2014 visit to the Greenville Shriners Hospital, where she learned about surgical procedures as well as the special care afforded the children, one of whom told her that she wanted to stay for a longer visit because of the care and attention of the hospital staff.

In closing, I look forward to seeing each of you at SASA 2014 in September. We have a great celebration planned, and I know you will have the time of your life. See you there.

**YITF  
David**



# The Recorder's message

## What makes this event so good for Erie?

**H**ello Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of the Shrine. I would like to use my time this month to pass along a recent hospital update from Imperial Sir Doug Maxwell, PIP, and Chairman of the Board for the Shriners Hospitals For Children. The following is Imperial Sir Doug's update:

- **There is some very "good news" for three of our hospitals.**

Our Erie hospital's "out-patient" numbers are continuing to be excellent... a lot of activity. And now, where the in-patient rooms were located on the second floor, we are having another health care entity move in. It is a new and growing "Ear Nose and Throat" group. This new group is expecting to bring 1,000 patients a week in to that building.

In addition, to change a structure that was built size-wise as an "inpatient hospital" to an "outpatient surgery center", usually leaves a hollow feeling like something is missing. Now the place is going to be buzzing with activity...

- The second piece of good news relates to our **Twin Cities Hospital in Minneapolis**.

If you remember from the April Chairman's Message, on May 19th, Our Executive V-P, John

McCabe, our V-P of Business Development Scott Laubisch, our Chief Medical Officer Dr. Ken Guidera, our Chairman of Medical Affairs Dr. Peter Diaz, Imperial Sir Dale Stauss, and myself met with the CEO of Mayo Clinics, Dr. Noseworthy, at their main headquarters in Rochester, MN.

We had a very good meeting for over two hours and planted many seeds for the future.

Our desire is to become a "partner" with Mayo around the country in their Care Clinic Network. Currently, as a Care Clinic "member", we are an "affiliate".

To be an affiliate of the well renowned Mayo Clinics is very good for Shriners Hospitals, but now we would like to take it to the next level.

It was a good 1st step...good open interaction of the two parties...stay tuned.

But then, on the next morning, May 20th, back in Minneapolis, we had a meeting with the University of Minnesota Medical School.

We had thought the only thing the University wanted to talk about was the purchase of our existing hospital building on River Road...if we ever moved to another nearby location.

But instead the University was putting back on the table, for our consideration...a direction that I mentioned to you 4 years ago.

Back in 2010, we had major plans with the Medical School to join their compus in a direction that was felt would really be good for children's medicine in the upper Midwest...a **new partnership in care**.

As we were leaving the San Antonio Session five years ago, the Twin Cities hospital was working on a plan to have their hos-

pital, begin occupying 1/2 of the 7th floor of the Universities new Children's Hospital building being built on the campus.

But due to a variety of small issues, that in time became cumulatively large issues, we mutually agreed to stop the plans...it just wasn't going to come to fruition.

But now, as of May 20th, there are thoughts to **resurrect the path** and have Shriners **move to our own new "Out-patient" Surgery Center building**, again across the street from the new Children's Hospital.

As in Erie, Los Angeles, Lexington, and now in Minneapolis, our "In-patient" stays and operations would be accomplished in the larger and more equipped children's hospital "across the street" where the patient loads are higher and with better efficiencies.

- **And finally...In January**

of this year, our **Los Angeles hospital** finalized the process of becoming an "out-patient" surgery center.

As I have mentioned before, this is where our Shrine doctors will do their more critical operations and their operations requiring the child to stay over night in an "in-patient" room...to be performed at our partner's hospital across the street, in L.A.'s case, Huntington Medical Center.

O.K., once again you're let me take up way too much of your time. 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**

# Oasis Purchases Three New Vans for Patient Transport



Shriner Hugh Phillips has often risen early at his Lake Norman home to drive Shriners Hospitals for Children patients to the Greenville, S.C. Orthopedic Hospital or to the Cincinnati, Ohio Burns Center. Hugh, who joined Oasis Shriners, Charlotte, N.C., just four years ago jumped enthusiastically into a service that is provided to more than 2,700 patients in the fifty western counties of North Carolina.

Hugh became an Oasis Tripster one of that very dedicated group of Shriners who transport patients and parents on a regular basis to state of the art medical facilities that provide much needed treatment for children who have orthopedic problems, burns, cleft lip, cleft palate, spinal problems, cerebral palsy or other serious medical conditions. All services are provided to patients regardless of their ability to pay for these superb treatment programs.

Many Shriners patients require extensive treatment for a number of years.

Hugh's valuable services are rendered without pay. His compensation is the enjoyment of seeing patients like a young girl, now 16 yrs. of age, who was totally bent over transformed through Shriners Hospitals treatments to an erect young lady who is now able to live a happy, normal life. Hugh says that she and her mother are both fine people who have been great to transport.

Hugh was delighted to hear that Oasis Shriners has purchased three new vans from Hendrick Honda in Hickory to add to their fleet for transporting hospital patients. The Shriners will spend over \$800,000,000 this year to treat more than 124,000 national and international patients.

Oasis Shriners of Charlotte covering Hickory and all of North Carolina from Greensboro to Pinehurst to Murphy and all North Carolina points in between is the largest of Shriners International's 195 Shrine

Centers with nearly 6,000 members.

Oasis is also the biggest contributor of the 195 Shrine Centers to Shriners Hospitals for Children, last year contributing over \$1,400,000. The Hickory area has a number of Oasis Shriners and therefore an Oasis Shriners meeting in Hickory on November 1, 2014, will be a major event. The morning will include a major meeting, open to the general public, at the Hickory Metro Convention Center featuring some of North Carolina's best known individuals. The parade through downtown Hickory in the afternoon will feature high school and college bands, local personalities and a number of exciting and entertaining Oasis Shriners parade units. Oasis Shriners are excited about this big event and they are particularly excited about being in Hickory, N.C. A large number of Shriners will attend.

If you know of a child up to 18 years of age who needs the services of Shriners Hospitals for Children please call Wendy Rosales or Lori Prokup at 704-549-9600, Oasis Shriners, Charlotte, N.C.

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1 Golf Team (4 Players)

1 Shooting Team (4 Players)

1 Hole Sponsorship

2 Mulligan's per Player

(2 Golfing 2 Shooting)

2 50/50 Tickets per Player

2 Tickets per Player for Drawing

Lunch & Dinner for 4

### Golf Only

@ The Tillery Tradition CC

\$800 per Team

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2 50/50 Tickets per Player

2 Tickets per Player for Drawing

Lunch & Dinner for 4

To register please contact Anna Yates-Lipcsak

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## HAWAIIAN LUAU Mecklenburg Shrine Club

September 6, 2014

6-7pm: Social & Decorate Tables

7-8pm- Dinner

8pm-Midnight Dancing



DJ: Gene Hensley

Dress: Beach/Hawaiian

**Dinner:** Hawaiian Flair with Chicken, Pork and Vegetables

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Limited only to 25 Tables: \$120 per Table. Seats up to 8 people

(Tables must be purchased as a whole)

Limited 25 Tables & going Fast!

Cut-off Date: August 3<sup>rd</sup>

To Reserve Call: President Sam Moody- 980.722.7951

Make checks payable to: Mecklenburg Shrine Club

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Winning ticket will be drawn on December 23, 2014

Proceeds will be distributed to the Shrine Childrens Hospitals

Tickets are \$5.00 per ticket or \$20.00 for five tickets

Winner will be contacted by phone

If we cannot contact you after one month we will redraw.

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Judge Possum was caught "Judging" some succulent barbecue pork. Some of Lady Sandy's possums are really multi-talented.



## Western NC Shrine Club Annual Golf Tournament

**Saturday, September 13, 2014**  
Chatague Shores, Hayesville, NC

**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.

\*REGISTRATION AT THE CLUB SHOP - RANDY VAUGHN (828) 837-0505, Mon-Fri, 10-5  
Please register early as all flights will be pre-flighted by Randy.

FLIGHTS TO BE DETERMINED BY AMOUNT OF GOLFERS				
1st Flight	2nd Flight	3rd Flight	4th Flight	5th Flight
\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600
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### Thank You!

Come Play a Round of Golf with Illustrious Sir W. David Sumpter, III and Enjoy Unity Night at 6:00pm same day at Rivers Edge Camp Ground. Great Food and Drinks.

Proceeds benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.



## NEWS RELEASE

Oasis Shriners was awarded Shriners International's first Red Skelton Community Awareness award by Imperial Potentate John Cinotto at the recent Shriners International

Convention in Minneapolis. Oasis Potentate David Sumpter accepted the coveted award on behalf of Oasis' nearly 6000 members. This award named for one of America's all time great comics and an outstanding member of Al Malaikah Shriners, Los Angeles, California, the Temple of the Stars, is targeted to the huge challenge of significantly increasing the general public's knowledge of Shriners and Shriners Hospitals for Children. The late Noble Red Skelton would be shocked at the catastrophic loss of members by Al Malaikah from a peak of more than 27,000 to today's fewer than 4,000 members. Oasis Shriners has also experienced a very sharp drop in membership from a peak of over 14,000 in 1985 to fewer than 6,000 members today with attrition still occurring at an alarming rate. The Red Skelton Award is designed to obtain new members, increase the number of our hospital patients, and to increase contributions to our hospitals. Our outstanding Oasis Shriners won the Red Skelton Award by successfully conducting these great projects that gave us wonderful exposure with thousands of the general public and the media:

1. The paper crusade
2. A car auction in Hendersonville
3. A special car race in Gastonia
4. An NFL alumni – Shriners Hospitals golf tournament
5. A "Family Fun Day" event at the Red Fez Club on Lake Wylie
6. Transporting and presenting the Shriners Hospitals trailer at 30 Shrine and public events
7. Conducting two high profile ceremonials in Blowing Rock, N.C. and Hickory, N.C. That attracted numerous members of the general public and the media to our opening programs and parades
8. Conducting a special fund raising project featuring Oasis Potentate Fred laxton's young daughter Holland



These, of course, were just some of the many fine projects of Oasis members. These projects were very well covered by great stories and colorful pictures by Noble Terry Cox's Desert Dust and public media like the Blowing Rocket. These stories and pictures were vitally important in obtaining the award for Oasis. Oasis has already submitted objectives to Shriners International to win the 2015 Red Skelton Award. To survive we must increase public awareness of Shriners. Let's build on this year's Oasis success in this award competition.

**AVAILABLE TODAY FROM A MEMBER! PLEASE ASK AND  
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE SHRINERS!**



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## The 41st Annual South Atlantic Shrine Association

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina  
September 17 - 21, 2014

### Oasis 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

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# Entertainment Abounds at SASA 2014

of Oz, The Fantastic Shakers, The Embers, Coastline and many others. Many of you who were enjoying the club scene in the 70's and 80's might remember him playing at the Guard in Winston-Salem (Previously the Royal Guard). Come on out and have the time of your life.

On Saturday night, September 20th, we will have the pleasure of listening to the tunes of DJ Eric Bowman, from O'Hara's Night Club in Charlotte. Eric is also a long time entertainer, providing wonderful Shag, Beach, Country, Top 40 and Oldies music. Something for everyone.

Join us at SASA 2014 at Spring Maid Re-  
sort for the best time on the east coast.

**Illustrious Sir Bob Burroughs,**  
**PP** has been named Chairman Emeritus of the Imperial Grievances & Appeals Committee, after being a member of this Committee for 10 years, many of which he was Chairman. In addition, he was rewarded for having attended Imperial Sessions for 15 years. As Chairman Emeritus, he will be allowed to vote on all matters, whether they relate to the Fraternity or to the Hospital. This great honor affords Oasis Shrine an extra vote, for a total of 5 votes as opposed to the usual four, on all matters.



This great honor does not come without a great deal of dedication, work, and expertise in the Shrine. We are fortunate to have such talent and dedication within our ranks.

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# Membership Update

*Our Membership Committee  
is going the extra mile.*

## Greetings, Nobles!

Please join me in welcoming our newest 26 members from the Oasis Murphy Ceremonial!

## To Our New Shriners:

As the newest members of Oasis Shriners, you have joined an elite group of men who enjoy the great camaraderie and fellowship that comes with Shrine membership while working diligently to support "the World's Greatest Philanthropy," our Shriners Hospitals for Children. You have also joined the world's # 1 Shrine center in both membership and annual giving to the hospitals. Nobles, make no mistake - this is something to be quite proud about and to shout from the rooftops! Help us spread the good news to Masons in your lodges about the work we do for our children.

Now that you've had an opportunity to settle and reflect after your weekend experience in Murphy, I'd like to take an opportunity as Membership Chairman to reach out to you with the request that you provide the most valuable feedback we can obtain in Oasis from our newest members. We want to make you feel welcomed and to let you know that we're here to answer your questions and support you.

Here are a few thoughts that I'd like you to consider and, at your convenience, please respond to me so that I may share with the Divan (Oasis leadership) so that we can carefully consider the valuable input you have to offer.

- What did you most enjoy about your experience in Murphy as you became a Shriner?
- What would you like to see differently at future Ceremonials?
- How would you like to help Oasis and "find your place" among our ranks? Do you have a certain passion or interest?
- Have you joined a club or unit yet? Do you need more information about clubs and units?
- What else would you like to share that has not already been asked?

Again, please allow me to thank you in advance for your time in considering these questions and providing your feedback. Without your input, we cannot improve our processes nor should we expect our newest members to want to become lifelong, devoted members unless we reach out to them and solicit their feedback and involvement.

## To All Oasis Shriners Under Age 40:

You are receiving this communication because you are 1 of only 301 Oasis Shriners throughout all 50 counties within the Oasis jurisdiction who are currently under the age of 40.

As your Oasis Membership Chairman, I have been charged by our 2014 Potentate, Ill. Sir W. David Sumpter III, to develop a groundbreaking, first-ever "Young Shriners Club" within Oasis that will span all 50 counties. One of the membership requirements will be that you must be under the age of 40.

I am currently in the process of developing draft by-laws for the new club which will be presented to the Divan for consideration and approval during the September Divan meeting. In the meantime, I am reaching out to you now to allow you an opportunity to begin thinking about how YOU will want to contribute to this incredible new club and contribute your talents to the organization.

This club is being formed with the intention of trying to "think outside the box" with Oasis Membership and offer a unique opportunity for our youngest members to be part of a charter Oasis club in which the members will raise the bar for ideas, membership, fundraising, and having fun while enjoying our brotherly camaraderie as members of Oasis Shriners. We anticipate that this group of men will devise new, original ideas within Oasis that would set the new standard for all other clubs to strive toward and take Oasis membership in a direction as never seen before.

Nobles, we are truly excited about the prospect of this new adventure and invite you to begin thinking about what you will offer to bring to the table. When was the last time you were invited to be in on the beginning of such a group that will have unlimited talent, willingness, drive, passion, desire, and ability to help the Shrine soar?

We will be in touch once additional information is finalized and becomes available. In the meantime, it is never too early to begin spreading the excitement and conversing with one another. The sky is the limit with regards to the new ideas and concepts that the Young Shriners Club will produce for Oasis. Are you ready to join this team? So often, we hear stories of those who are "never asked" to participate. Consider this your initial invitation, Noble!

Looking forward to seeing you all at SASA in Myrtle Beach on September 18-21!

**Chris Hall**  
*Membership Chairman*

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE THUNDERING SCOOTER PATROL:**

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**P.C. TERRY COX**  
336-509-6545

# Scooter Patrol

## 2014 OASIS SCHEDULE

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



## Shriners Village

A Private Web Community for Shriners

If you have not signed up for Shriners Village, do so today.

Shriners Village is a website designed to keep members of Shrine International up to date on all aspects of Shrinedom.

Simply google Shriners Village and follow the instructions.

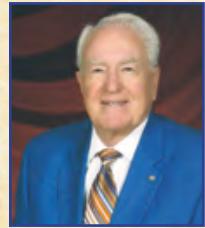
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# Shriners Bestow Collier with Life Membership



**O**n June 18, Judge Robert A. Collier, Jr., was named a life member of the Oasis Shriners of Charlotte, N.C.

The 6,000 members of the organization, which covers all 50 western counties of North Carolina, voted to extend this rare honor to Collier as a way of recognizing his years of exceptional community service, W. David Sumpter, III, chief executive officer of Oasis shared.

Serving humanity is at the core of the work that Shriners, as Freemasons, perform. And, that was exemplified by Collier's dedication to the Shriners' work.

"I am very flattered and humbled to receive this honor from our wonderful Shrine organization - an organization that devotes itself to helping people in need, while growing and enjoying long-term friendships," Collier shared.

Collier, who lives in Statesville, N.C., sits as senior resident judge of the Superior Court for the 22nd Judicial District of North Carolina. He was admitted to practice with the U.S. District Courts for Middle and Western Districts of N.C., U.S. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and U.S. Supreme Court. He is a member of the Iredell County and North Carolina Bar Associations, as well as the American Judicature Society.

Collier has served as an officer and committee chairman for The North Carolina State Bar Association. He is a recognized expert on arbitration and mediation on complex legal cases. He has made presentations on arbitration and mediation to a number of conferences and professional organizations across the country.

Sumpter said that Collier was one of North Carolina's most outstanding public servants. In that role, Collier was previously a chair of the North Carolina Board of Transportation. The board is tasked with making policy for the state's highways and roads programs. Additionally, he served in the North Carolina House of Representatives.

He has been honored by being a recipient of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, granted to those who serve the Tar Heel State. Additionally, he garnered the Order of the Old Well for service to The University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, where he had earned his undergraduate and law degrees.

Collier is the only judge to receive the Award of Outstanding Trial Judge in North Carolina twice given by the N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers. He did not stop expanding his legal education. He took basic and graduate courses at the National Judicial College through the University of Nevada at Reno. He also took basic and advanced courses in arbitration and mediation through the American Arbitration Association.

His business accomplishments include: serving as president of Interstate Development Company; partnership in C & J Associates which

owns Signal Hill Mall, the only mall in Iredell County; sitting as president of Credit and Loan Company; and former partnership in Collier, Harris & Collier Law Firm.

His social and fraternal achievements and memberships are many, but are not limited to, being a member of the Mt. Moriah, Masonic Lodge #690 where he has risen to the designation as a 32nd degree Mason of the Scottish Rite bodies. He has also been a member of the Rotary Club, American Legion and Royal Order of Scotland, among others. Collier has held numerous executive and board positions in The Methodist Church, community charitable organizations in Statesville, Blowing Rock and across the state and with various clubs. And, as a member of Broad Street United Methodist Church in Statesville, he has served as a Sunday school teacher, in addition to president and trustee of the Methodist Men's Club. Collier is a board member of the Parish Ministry Fund of Duke University Divinity School.

He now sits as a trustee of the R.J. Reynolds, III and Marie M. Reynolds Foundation. And, Collier is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force where he was a special agent in the Office of Special Investigations.

"When called upon by his nation, his state, his community, Oasis Shriners or his neighbor, Judge Collier exemplifies Masonic principles and steps forward positively to render outstanding service. We are indeed pleased to recognize this superb member, Judge Bob Collier, as a Life Member of Oasis Shriners," Sumpter concluded.

Collier and his wife, Barbara, have six children and seven grandchildren.

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# Family's Sons Thriving with Help from Shriners

After two years of waiting, Scott and Anita Lee were able to take their adopted son, Timothy, home from China in 2008, but the couple said doctors would not tell them much about his health.

From photos she had been sent, Anita Lee said she could tell there was something wrong with his feet, but didn't know what kind of care he would need. She said she could tell he had only one toe, but figured as

he got bigger that his feet would grow and it wouldn't be an issue.

"We knew that there was something wrong with the feet and didn't know to what extent, but when we saw his picture we knew that he was our child regardless of what was wrong with him physically," Scott Lee said.

Once Timothy was home with the Lees in Haywood

County, they were referred to Shriners Hospitals in Greenville, S.C. to see if they could help with his medical care.

"When we finally got around to seeing the Shriners down there in Greenville, they told us, 'amputation,'" Anita Lee said. "We were very surprised."

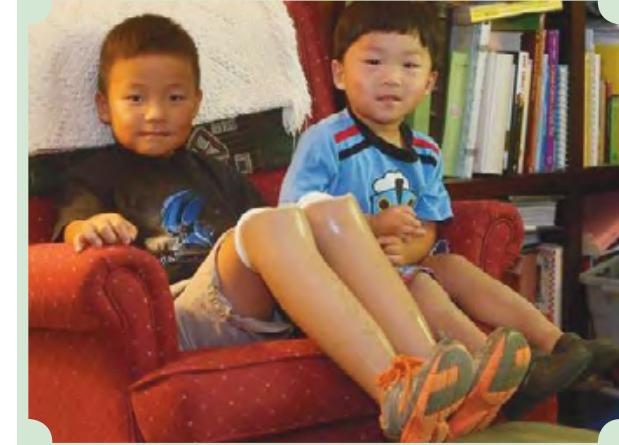
At 22 months old, Timothy's feet had to be amputated to his heel because they

would not be able to support the weight of his body as he grew.

Scott Lee said the night before his son's surgery was the hardest because it was the night Timothy took his first steps. Scott Lee began to question whether they were making the right choice. After talking to doctors and learning about the long-term effects, they knew they had made the right decision and moved forward.

The couple said they couldn't have done any of it without the help of the Shriners. Before each doctors visit, Scott Lee said a Shriner would call to remind them of their appointment, and they always offered to help in any way, from meals to transportation and lodging.

"He did fine and it wasn't long until he got the casts off and was walking," Scott Lee said of his son. "And we were scared to death that he'd never walk. Those doctors down there, they know what they're doing." Scott Lee said the Shriners at Shriners Hospital are great with the kids, and Timothy has played with therapy dogs, met the At-



**Timothy Lee, 7, and his brother, Samuel, 2, were adopted from China and have both received medical treatments from Shriners Hospitals in Greenville, S.C.**

Ianta Braves and been visited by clowns.

Timothy, who is now 7, is a spunky kid who loves jumping on the trampoline, playing on the Wii, going fishing and swimming. Every six months, Timothy returns to Shriners Hospitals for new prosthetics.

The family has since moved to East Flat Rock, making their trips to the hospital easier and shortening Scott Lee's commute to work with the U.S. Postal Service in Greenville.

Since adopting Timothy, they returned to China to adopt their 2-year-old son, Samuel, who is missing fingers on his right hand and was malnourished when they first brought him home. When family and friends

tell the Lees how lucky their boys must be to have been adopted by them, the Lees said they set the record straight.

"We were the lucky ones," Scott Lee said. "They've enriched our lives so much."

Their older sister, Emily, 15, said she was an only child until age 8 and enjoys her little brothers' company.

The Lees will be sharing their story at the 30th annual Shriners' Auction and Flea Market fundraiser, which officially begins at 10 a.m. - after a preview at 8 a.m. - on July 19 at North Henderson High. For more information, visit [www.hendersonvilleshriners.com](http://www.hendersonvilleshriners.com) or call 329-5210.

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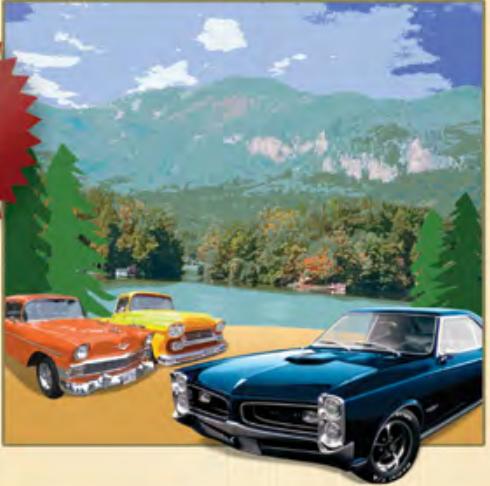
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Illustrious Sir David Sumpter appointed a special public relations committee early this year to start chipping away at the enormous lack of community awareness of Shriners and Shriners Hospitals for Children in the 50 counties western North Carolina jurisdiction of Oasis Shriners. This committee is composed of Shriners, non Shriners, ladies and gentlemen, individuals of different ages and backgrounds, and public relations professionals. In facing a crisis situation of rapid membership deterioration the Illustrious Sir knew that "business as usual" was forcing Oasis out of business. He also was convinced that the many benefits that Shriners bring to communities and members and the great potential future benefits that can be produced by Shriners demands every effort to retain and sustain the order. The Illustrious Sir was convinced that new, innovative efforts were required. To date the Oasis Public Relations Committee has done the following:

- 1. Led the effort to obtain the Shriners International Red Skelton Award for Oasis.
- 2. Obtained unprecedented publicity for the Blowing Rock Oasis Ceremonial including the participation of North Carolina's Governor and a U.S. Congresswoman who is a member of House leadership. 53 Pages of printed media coverage were obtained for this event. One of the largest crowds in recent Oasis history was attracted for the Blowing Rock Parade. A DVD of the ceremonial has been produced and will be distributed to our members, the media, government officials and centers of influence throughout the jurisdiction.
- 3. Quarterly news releases have been prepared and have appeared in and on media throughout the jurisdiction.
- 4. A joint effort to provide military veterans returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan with service dogs has been initiated with excellent media coverage. The first service dog will be presented in September. Fund raising for this effort has been spearheaded by our Potentate's nine year old granddaughter Whitley Sumpter in a project called "Whitley's Wish".
- 5. An agreement has been reached with Lamar Outdoor Advertising to provide Oasis with billboard space in 23 counties of our jurisdiction at no charge as the space becomes available.
- 6. Promotional work has moved forward on the Murphy and Hickory ceremonials using the template developed in Blowing Rock. The P.R. Committee is dedicated to obtaining the maximum media coverage and the largest parade crowds to get the Shrine and hospitals messages out to the general public. This includes more emphasis on the involvement of spouses and family in Shrine activities. Today's potential members are very oriented toward spousal and family involvement.
- 7. Efforts are being made to involve non Shrine Masons in our parades and other Shrine activities.
- 8. Every effort is being made to involve high schools and colleges in Shrine ceremonials including making needed contributions to their activities.
- 9. A special student scholarship award program is being developed for students in high schools in lower income areas.

**NEWS RELEASE**

# OASIS CEREMONIAL

*Murphy, NC*



## OASIS ~ NEW CANDIDATES

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40440	STEPHEN A CREASON	GASTON	713-STANLEY
40436	KENNETH M CROWE	MACON	435-BLUE RIDGE
40426	GORDON D FAIRLIE	CLAY	146-CHEROKEE
40442	GREGORY C GRINDSTAFF	GRAHAM	672-ROBBINSVILLE
40423	WAYNE D GUNTER	FORSYTH	289-SALEM
40432	GARY K HEARD	CHEROKEE	146-CHEROKEE
40443	STANLEY P LAZLO, II	CHEROKEE	301-CLAY
40425	FRANK J MARIANO, JR	CHEROKEE	367-DOOLY (GA)
40292	ARTHUR D MCLELLAN	MACON	145-JUNALUSKEE
40444	DALLAS F MCMILLAN, JR	CHEROKEE	426-MONTGOMERY
40431	RAY D MORROW	CHEROKEE	146-CHEROKEE
40428	JAMES O MURPHY	CHEROKEE	426-MONTGOMERY
40445	LAWRENCE J MURPHY	CHEROKEE	146-CHEROKEE
40438	ANDREW P NORTON, III	MACON	145-JUNALUSKEE
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40433	TYLER B WHITE	CHEROKEE	146-CHEROKEE



# Is Your Lodge, Club or Unit Doing All It Can Do to Take the Boredom Out of Our Craft?



**S**it down and chat for about ten minutes with an insurance agent, and let him quote you chapter and verse about the death rate among the World War II generation. Okay, I'll grant you, there's a certain ghoulish aspect to it. I'm bringing it up because, like Scrooge's portentous Spectre, Freemasons have spent the last fifteen years pointing an empty sleeve at the grave, and blaming our declining membership numbers on the four-million Masons who were members during our boom years, who have had the very bad timing to pass on to the Celestial Lodge Above in record waves over the last dozen or so years.

Once you're sufficiently bored by your insurance guy, give your Grand Secretary a call and ask him how the numbers compare between the death rate of members every year, versus the losses from demits and non-payment of dues. Prepare yourself for a shock. In most jurisdictions in the U.S. and Canada, the losses of members from deaths has been statistically tapering off, while the losses due to Freemasons walking away from the fraternity have been rising at an alarming rate. Oh, we're initiating a very healthy dose of new Masons every year all right. But men whom we have initiated, passed and raised are deciding in increasing numbers to say no thanks to what their local lodge offers. Masonic membership rolls are still dropping, but not from natural causes. The truth is, we are boring our members to death.

It has long been understood that the Baby Boom generation didn't join the Masons. As a result, there is a five-decade difference between the generation of men who kept Freemasonry alive for us and the men who are now moving into leadership positions throughout the fraternity. At any other time in the history of Freemasonry, each succeeding generation came along approximately in twenty-five year intervals, making changes in their lodges, and in Freemasonry as a whole, to reflect their needs and desires. Masonry has always adapted to serve the societies in which it resided. Until recently. Now, instead of a twenty-five year adjustment in direction, Freemasonry is suffering from fifty years of habit and hardening of the arteries.

Not long ago, I visited a lodge that had fallen on hard times - very hard times indeed. At one time, their rolls held the names of more than 1800 members. Today, they are down to 200. That's not an unusual state of affairs for a fraternity that artificially swelled in size after World War II, but for men who see success and failure only in the narrow terms of numerical statistics, it is an emergency of epic proportions. There were members in that lodge who remember those heady days like they were yesterday. They remember the degree nights with 150 Masons on the sidelines. They remember the dances, and the Christmas parties, and the big group trips. They remember the dinners when the dining hall was packed to the rafters, with their kids running up and down the room, while some successful member from the civic or business world tried to give a speech. They look on those days fondly, and are bewildered by the fact that no more than eight members show up for the average meeting today. They'd had no candidates in four years, and they literally begged their members to come and participate. No one did.

The men who kept that lodge barely alive tried to do things the way they have been done when most of them joined a half century ago. The same eight men met for a meager meal before their monthly meeting. They opened lodge with perfect ritual. They read the minutes and the bills. There was rarely any business, new or old. They closed and fled the building, and were home by 7:30, before prime-time network programming got started for the night. Over the last five years, the same eight members have been trading officers' positions, and they just got tired. They were fed up. So, they decided to merge with another lodge and be done with it.

As with any turning point of this magnitude, all 200-plus members had to be notified of the meeting. Only twelve cared enough to show up to vote to euthanize their lodge. They had no fight in them to save their lodge. They wanted to simply slip into the ranks of another, give up their charter and their 140-year history, and vanish from memory. They had killed their own lodge with their own failure to embrace any change, and in fact, many of them were enraged that some brethren from outside of their lodge had come in to try to resurrect them at the eleventh hour and interfere with their plans for a quiet suicide.

They didn't do anything to appeal to new members. But neither were they serving their existing ones. They weren't broke. These were children of the Depression. They had almost \$200,000 in the bank. So why did they do nothing to interest their aging members? Bus trips to Branson. \$100 cruises to the Caribbean. Casino boat trips. Tours to Masonic sites in Britain. Trips to the Holy Land. Catered dinners. Sponsored movie nights. Loads of public awards. Medicare drug program presentations. Estate planning seminars. Computers at lodge to send emails to the grand kids. Power-chair races in the halls. In short, give their existing members a reason to keep coming to lodge, to keep enjoying it, to love it.

Neither did they do anything to attract new members. They rent the lodge room in the big downtown Temple building, so like most tenant/landlord relationships, they figured they didn't have to put a dime into the place if they didn't own it. That's somebody else's job. Really? If only they had tried investing in their lodge. Put in new lighting so members could see three feet in front of them. Upholster the sad looking chairs and benches that have the original leather from World War I on them. Tear up the worn and moldy carpet and replace it - maybe with one of the only black and white checked carpets in the U.S. that we talk about in our ritual but almost nobody seems to have. In short, make it look like something worth coming to. Make it look like something worth joining.

Then start kicking the members into participating in lodge - not worrying about who was going to be what officer or memorize which part of the ritual. Actually talk about Freemasonry, its history, its symbolism, its philosophy. Actively visit other lodges and help with their degrees. Get members interested in other activities in the building, or volunteering to help some of the community groups that have been meeting there with greater frequency. We talk a big line about charity and helping the community, so let's start giving time, and not just checkbook generosity. And if they still didn't have a full lineup of guys willing to be officers, just sideliners, it wouldn't matter.

Because, once the place looked like living inhabitants occasionally might be in the place, and that it was actually a vibrant, active lodge, maybe, just maybe, some of their grandkids might get interested in Freemasonry, because they were seeing Freemasonry in action, instead of Freemasonry inaction. The business author James O'Toole says, "People who do not think well of themselves do not act to change their condition." Even a lodge that only has eight regular attendees has within its active ranks the resources to wake itself up, to do things that make them truly happy to be there, and sometimes to even surprise themselves.

Leadership has no age, and there are no limits on imagination. But a lodge has to mean something to its members. It has to remain part of their lives, every day, every week, every month. Because once it's more fun, or less hassle, to stay squeezed comfortably in the LaZBoy, curled up with a remote control, than it is to go to lodge, we have lost them. No one would ever voluntarily join a memorization club, and no one wants to join the oldest, greatest, most legendary fraternal organization in the world, only to be sentenced to a lifetime of cold cut sandwiches made with suspicious meat, generic cola, and monthly meetings of nothing but minute-reading, bill-paying and petulant sniveling over why no one comes to meetings anymore. Be honest with yourself. What rational human being seriously wants to go to the trouble of leaving home to go and listen to someone spend twenty minutes reporting that nothing happened at last month's meeting either?

It will be the lodges that provide programming for their active members - whatever their age may be - that will survive and prosper into the future. But those that stubbornly cling to the notion that lodge is no event, that lodge is just one more meeting to be borne, that lodge is that most terrible of things, Ordinary - those are the lodges that will literally bore themselves to death. Those are the lodges that will slip silently away in the night. And the shadows of things that Might Be will have faded into the concrete Reality of a deserted lodge room.

*"Ghost of the Future!" Scrooge exclaimed, "I fear you more than any spectre I have seen. But as I know your purpose is to do me good, and as I hope to live to be another man from what I was, I am prepared to bear your company, and do it with a thankful heart."*

- Source: Knights of the North Masonic Dictionary

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Jamestown, NC 27282

- Four person captain's choice
  - \$65/Player, \$260/Team
  - \$60/Player, \$240/Team if registered before August 30<sup>th</sup>
- Mulligans: \$5 each, limit 2 per person
- Gift Bag includes sleeve of balls, tees, etc.
- Prizes for closest to pin, long drive, hole-in-one
- \$5 putt-off challenge with valuable prize
- Trophies and cash prizes awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams
- Registration starts at 8:00 AM with breakfast provided
- Shotgun start at 9:00 AM
- 2 beers included per person at the golf course

### Post Tournament Info:

Awards Ceremony and Meal will take place at McPHERSON'S Bar & Grill

- Ribeye steak, baked potato
- Raffle drawings for other door prizes

Sponsored by  
**McPHERSON'S Bar & Grill**  
**Oasis Shrine Scooter Patrol**

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SCOOTER PATROL

### Entry Forms

May be obtained at McPHERSON'S Bar & Grill in Adams Farm Shopping Center, 5710-N High Point Rd, Greensboro, 336-292-6496 or you can email [mcpersonsgolf@gmail.com](mailto:mcpersonsgolf@gmail.com) to receive a digital copy in PDF format. Register in person by cash or by mail. Make checks payable to: Oasis Scooter Patrol.

### Sponsorship Information

Individual and business sponsorships available – Tee Box \$250; Green \$100

### Contact Information

- Alex Walters 336-549-7469
- David Ricketts 336-613-5173
- Brian Boyers 336-465-0523
- Jimmie Duncan 336-543-4272

### McPHERSON'S and Oasis Shrine Scooter Patrol Golf Tournament Entry Form (Please Print)

PLAYER 1 Team Name:

Name:
Address:
City:
State: Zip:
Telephone:
Email:
Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check Amount:\$

PLAYER 2

Name:
Address:
City:
State: Zip:
Telephone:
Email:
Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check Amount:\$

PLAYER 3

Name:
Address:
City:
State: Zip:
Telephone:
Email:
Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check Amount:\$

PLAYER 4

Name:
Address:
City:
State: Zip:
Telephone:
Email:
Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check Amount:\$

### ENTRY FEE

Entry Fee: \$240.00/team or \$60/player  
**AFTER AUG 30, \$260/team or \$65/player**

Format is a 4 Player Captain's Choice

Breakfast and post tournament meal

Closest to pin, longest drive, Hole in One and Putt-Off Challenge

**\*\*Entry and Payment Deadline  
Sept 9, 2014\*\***

Checks payable to:  
**Oasis Scooter Patrol**

Mail entry or remit in person to:

McPHERSON'S Bar & Grill  
5710-N High Point Rd.  
Greensboro, NC 27407

Direct Questions to: Alex - 336.549.7469

David - 336.613.5173

Brian - 336.465.0523

Jimmie - 336.543.4272

# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## About 'Pressing On'

*"Brethren...one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on."*  
- Philippians 3:13-14

A teacher and a minister of another era, D. L. Moody, told a story about two men who, somewhat under the influence one night, finally found their way to the dock where their boat was tied.

Wanting to return home that night the two men they got in the boat and began to row. Though they rowed hard all night, they did not reach the other side of the bay. When the gray dawn of the morning broke, they were in exactly the same spot from which they started. They had neglected to loosen the lines and neglected to raise the anchor!

Ever felt that way in your personal life, or in your business? Stuck, tied to the dock, anchor may even be pulling you down?

Kenny Rogers has appeared in a TV Commercial recently, singing one of his signature songs, "You got to know when to hold 'em, know when to fold 'em..."

That is hard, isn't it? To know when to let go, when to stay. That is where some mighty strong praying has to come in. It is at those times of indecision, those times of not knowing where to go, when to go, when to let go, when to stay.

**"Our Past is Important, but it is not important Enough to Control Our Future"** – Zig Ziglar

One of the Biblical Writers said, "...one thing I do, forgetting what is behind, and straining toward what is ahead, I press on..."

Unfortunately, that is what many of us must do at certain times in our lives: forget what is in our past, and strain toward the future. Press on!

Last month, we used a Dale Carnegie Quote. Missed it? No worry! He said:

*I find that fifty per cent of my worries vanish once I arrive at*



**John H. Stanley,**  
P.P., Chaplain

*a clear, definite decision; and another forty per cent usually vanish 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](mailto:jstanley1@carolina.rr.com).



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## NEWS OF THE PAST MASTERS UNIT

Former Shriners Hospital Patient, A Masonic Lodge Ambassador! Wow!

The most recently appointed Masonic Lodge (Blue Lodge) Ambassador, representing The Past Masters Unit, Noble and Brother Eric Furr, was a patient at the Greenville Shriners Hospital for Children®, 1973-81. Noble and Brother Furr is serving Albemarle #703 as the Ambassador, and he currently serves that lodge as its Junior Deacon. Oh, and he was the Shrine Bowl King in 1980!

Worshipful Brother and Illustrious Sir Terry Jones, Captain, PM Unit, says, "Let's all join in welcoming Eric to our Blue Lodge Ambassador program! The Unit now has 92 Blue Lodge Ambassadors!"

The Captain reports that Noble Danny Hedrick, Blue Lodge Ambassador for Enterprise #752, along with his lady, Amy, are in the process of completing the Past Masters Unit logo. The design will be used for Past Masters Shirts, which - naturally will be made available for all members!

To make our communications more efficient, and more improved, we are in the process of developing an e-mail data base. Soon the Past Masters Members will receive a request from Secretary Gordy Peeler, asking for your e-mail address. You are asked to return that request to Gordy either by e-mail or regular mail as soon as possible. Of course, if you do not have an e-mail address you will receive mail the 'regular' way.

Worshipful Brother and Noble Chris Hall along with Worshipful Brother and Noble Mike Kerhoulas, Sgt. District 3, are assisting the PM Unit in developing the e-mail data base.

☺ REMEMBER. SASA, Myrtle Beach, S.C. September 18-21, 2014. The P.M.U. will be in the parade on September 20. More info on this later.

☺ The Annual Communication of the The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Winston-Salem, N.C. September 25-27, 2014. A member of our unit, Deputy Grand Master Right Worshipful Doug Caudle will be elected Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina at this communication. Let's have a good showing from our unit and show our support for Noble Brother Doug!

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](mailto: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](mailto:gordypeeler@msn.com).

# 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?



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### RANDOLPH SHRINE CLUB MONTH OF GUNS DRAWING 2014

DRAWING EVERYDAY IN NOVEMBER 1st-30th at PCC GUNS & AMMO  
339 South Main St., Randleman, NC 27317 - 336-495-8379

Early bird October 1st Bushmaster w/100 rounds and October 2nd Sig Sauer 238  
Proceeds go to RANDOLPH SHRINE CLUB

1-	BUSHMASTER 223	16-	RUGER AMERICAN 270
2-	SIG SAUER 238	17-	1000 ROUNDS 9MM
3-	GLOCK 19	18-	HENRY 22
4-	REMINGTON 770 30-06	19-	GLOCK 23
5-	RUGER AMERICAN 243	20-	RUGER LITE 22/45
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8-	SIG SAUER 1911 22LR	23-	500.00 GIFT CARD PCC GUNS & AMMO
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12-	MOSSBERG SILVER 12 GAUGE	27-	REMINGTON 1187
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14-	KAHR CW 380	29-	COLT MUSTANG 380
15-	MARLIN 30 30	30-	RUGER 1911 45

1. 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. \*UP TO AN ADDITIONAL 2 DRAWINGS FOR EARLY BIRD TICKETS. \*ONLY 600 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!
2. DRAWING WILL BE HELD FOR EACH DAY IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2014. AN EARLY BIRD BONUS GUN DRAWING WILL BE HELD THE OCTOBER 1ST AND 2ND FROM ALL TICKETS PURCHASED UP TO THE DRAWING THAT NIGHT. IF THE GUN LISTED CANNOT BE OBTAINED A SUBSTITUTE CAN BE SUBMITTED OF EQUAL VALUE\* (AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF PCC GUNS & AMMO)
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6. EACH WINNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TRANSFER FEE TO ANOTHER DEALER IF DESIRED AND ANY

## 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

Lieutenant: Thomas Sumpter Cell: (828) 361-8532

Secretary-Treasurer: Pat Stanly (336) 775-0620



# PATROL NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER 2014

We hope everyone enjoyed a little summer-time off from Shrining too hard. The Oasis Patrol Unit's engines are revving up for an over-active late summer and early fall, if you can believe September is upon us. Just strap in and stand by as the clutch is dumped and speed button stomped with willy-nilly reckless abandon. And we're off...

Our Patrol Unit held a special cook-out / picnic cov-

ered dish dinner for our first general membership meeting out of the box after our short summer hiatus. Right at an 80 Patrol folks head count including some high octane Oasis Past Potentates and Patrol Past Captains. Good food, good friends and a little liquid refreshment. It does not get much better than that.

Earlier in August we assisted Oasis by making the trip and participating at the mid-Summer Cold Sands Ceremonial in lovely Murphy, NC, home-

town of our Illustrious Potentate and his Lovely Lady. The Patrol Unit performed a Shrine Color Guard with cadence supplied by the local high school band and hocked some of the proprietary Masonic and Shrine jewelry and regalia accessories. All in all a marvelous trip and a great time to be an Oasis Shriner on the far west-side of our Oasis jurisdiction.

The Patrol faithful have been turning out at the pre-Panthers' WFNZ Dog-House to collect funds for our Shriners Hospitals for Children charity. Any Noble Lady, family member and friend can assist us for two and a half hours prior to every home game kick-off. We accept cash donations and game tickets to turn for donations. Come on out and be a part of some-

thing bigger that is "Fulfillingly Fun". Email or call the Captain if further information is required.

As we cruise control our way into September that means just one thing... SASA at Myrtle Beach.

Every Oasis Noble and Lady should make the pilgrimage whether aligned with a Parade Unit or Club. This year by virtue of one of our own members being the Patrol Association (SASPA) President we have just a little extra responsibility for our business meeting, competitions and awards. This year we have one more sleeve up our trick by hosting a Tiki Pool Party for the members and Ladies of every Marching Patrol Unit of the eighteen SASA Shrine Centers.

The Patrol calendar is rather full from here on out past our Oasis Fall Ceremonial in Hickory, NC in late October. Traditionally the Oasis Fall Ceremonial is the 'Big One'

where all the stops are pulled out by Oasis' Clubs and Units. Stay tuned for further details concerning the Patrol Unit's hospitality plans, though it will be tough to beat the Oktober-Fez't we pulled off last year.

Membership. While we're on that topic; as a mandate edict, every Oasis Noble should bring at least one new candidate to Hickory to join our fraternal bonds. The Blue Lodge is a great place to begin the reel-in process. Also be reminded that North Carolina is a very friendly Shrine-Mason state at the highest levels. Some good selling points: Oasis jurisdiction is 50 NC counties in western part of the state. Oasis is largest by total membership out of 195 Shrine Centers throughout the world. Oasis raises and gives the most, far and away, to our Charity. Oasis is in the catch-man basin for SHC-Greenville (orthopedics) and SHC-Cincinnati (burns). Any

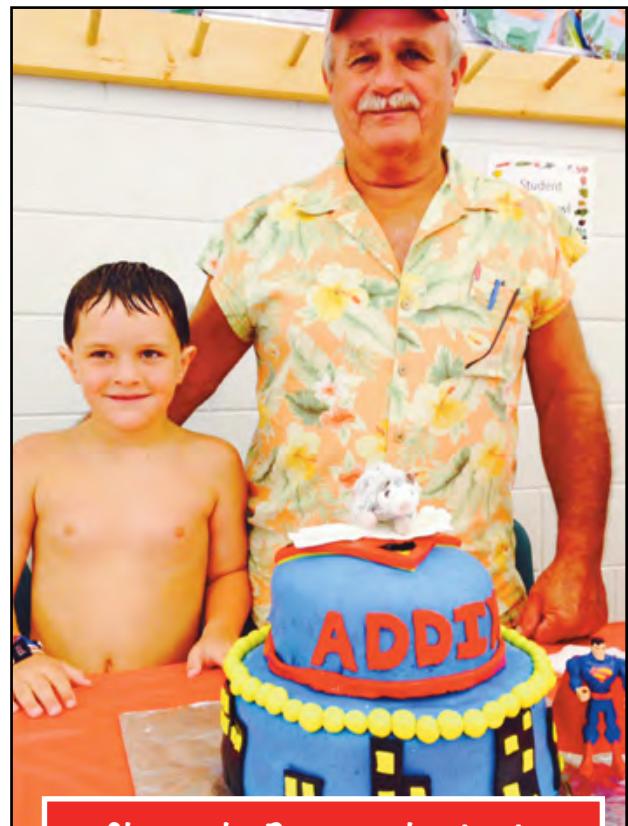
Oasis Noble may contact any Patrol officer or member of the Oasis Membership Team if any assistance or informative literature packets are required. We are here to help.

Please continue to think of our Patrol family members that are on the 'not-too-good' wagon. Make a call, send a card and/or schedule a visit. You and they will be glad you did.

The Oasis Patrol is on-line. Our web-site [www.OasisPatrol.com](http://www.OasisPatrol.com), email [Info@OasisPatrol.com](mailto:Info@OasisPatrol.com) and our Facebook page is Oasis Shriners Patrol for updated info and photos. Become a fan and 'like' us.

*"Wars produce many stories of fiction, some of which are told until they are believed to be true" by Ulysses S. Grant*

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Bob Saye**  
2014-Captain-2015



Sham, the Possum, sharing in the festivities at Noble Allen's Grandson's birthday party.

We've hidden Illustrious Sir David Sumpter 4 times throughout this edition of the Desert Dust!  
Can you find them all?



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# NEW Fezzy Now Available!



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We're pleased to announce that Fezzy is now available in an 18" size to be cuddled and held by kids of all ages! The smaller teddy bear is available along with the original 4' Fezzy through our partners at Vermont Teddy Bear Factory. You'll feel good knowing that 20% of the proceeds benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children!

When you order a Fezzy for yourself or as a gift for a loved one, you are not just buying an extraordinary teddy bear you are helping Shriners Hospitals for Children continue to provide treatment, surgery, rehabilitation and psychological support for orthopaedic, spinal cord, burn and other specialty care.

Because of your past support, we would like to extend a special invitation to you to send your Love to the rescue by purchasing your very own Fezzy today to keep or to share with someone special! Please visit [www.ShrinersHospitalsforChildren.org/Fezzy](http://www.ShrinersHospitalsforChildren.org/Fezzy) to learn more and place your order.

With our thanks,  
**Dale Stauss**  
Chairman of the Board of Directors, Shriners Hospitals for Children®

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**336-561-3630**

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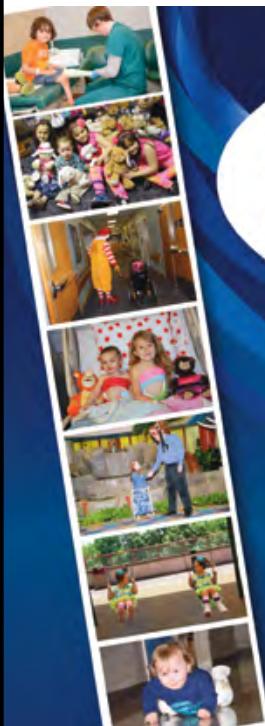
Check out Facebook regularly for:

- the latest events
- medical advances
- inspirational stories
- contests and prizes
- and much more!

If you're in a photo, tag yourself!  
Comment, share, and join in the conversation!



Shriners Hospitals for Children  
Greenville



**Oasis Shrine  
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### Membership Application

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SHRINE# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

WIFE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

### PHONE NUMBERS

HM \_\_\_\_\_ BUS \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT USGA HANDICAP OR CURRENT AVERAGE \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER OF GOLF OR COUNTRY CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

— MEMBER OF FOLLOWING OASIS TEMPLE UNIT OR CLUBS \_\_\_\_\_

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

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All ads & articles for the  
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# Donations

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 \$175.00 Cherryville Shrine Club - Plaque Sales  
 \$337.50 Elkin-Jonesville Shrine Club - BBQ Sale  
 \$500.00 Foothills Shrine Club - Donation  
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**— SEPTEMBER 2014 —**

MEMBER#	NAME	CITY, STATE	CREATED	DIED
16813	William J Allen	Salisbury, NC	6/9/62	1/14/14
16936	Rockwell A Webster	Graham, NC	6/9/62	4/25/14
23631	John C Young	Oak Island, NC	10/28/72	5/26/14
18366	James L Coble	Randleman, NC	6/12/65	7/1/14
27005	Edward J Schweiger II	Charlotte, NC	10/30/76	7/12/14
39342	Charles W McCollum	Hendersonville, NC	6/2/07	7/22/14
21277	Robert D Brewer	Greensboro, NC	5/2/70	7/26/14
27703	Robert A McDonald, Jr	Charlotte, NC	10/29/77	8/1/14
25683	Bruce R Penley	Salisbury, NC	5/24/75	8/3/14
32905	William H Holbert	Fletcher, NC	11/30/63	8/4/14
25367	Bernice S Ford	Oak Ridge, NC	1/10/75	8/4/14
20136	Clinton Westbrook	Monroe, NC	5/25/68	8/6/14
26214	Roger W White	Asheville, NC	11/1/75	8/6/14
17888	Bobby F Buchanan	Clyde, NC	10/17/64	8/9/14
32604	Edward A Lemon	Asheville, NC	11/9/85	8/11/14



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## Specialty care beyond the burn

## Shriners Hospitals for Children® – Cincinnati Celebrates Open House

The Staff and Board of Governors of Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati are thrilled to invite all Divans, Nobles, Masons, Ladies and Guests to attend our **2014 Cincinnati Hospital Open House and Divan Day Weekend**. This two-day event will be held on **Friday, September 26 and Saturday, September 27**. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Two days of fun, fellowship and meeting and greeting of friends, old and new, is planned.

All aboard! A fun-filled riverboat excursion is planned for Friday evening. Join in by taking a **New Orleans Dixieland Jazz Dinner Cruise** to kick-off the weekend. Guests will board the River Queen at 5:00 p.m. for an enjoyable and picturesque voyage along the banks of the Ohio River. During the 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. trip, a cash bar will be available and folks will enjoy a delicious New Orleans style buffet dinner while listening to the entertaining and soothing sounds of a Dixieland band. Tickets are \$38.95 per person which includes the cruise, dinner and entertainment. See below for reservation information.



Saturday's events begin at the Cincinnati hospital with a continental breakfast at 8:00 a.m. Hospital tours and presentations will be offered throughout the day and a hot buffet lunch will be served at 11:30am. The Cincinnati Board of Governors will hold their monthly board meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the hospital Auditorium. This is an open meeting and all Nobles in attendance are invited to attend. Expectations are that all activities; including the board meeting, will conclude by 3:00 p.m.



Accommodations are available at the following hotels. When making your reservations, be sure to mention the special "Shriners Rate."

**The Radisson Hotel Cincinnati Riverfront**  
668 West 5th Street Covington, KY 41011  
(859) 491-1200  
Shriners' Rate: \$109.00

**The Hampton Inn**  
3024 Vine Street Cincinnati, OH 45219  
(513) 281-2700  
Shriners' Rate: \$119.00



Please contact **Lisa Butt, Administrative Coordinator**, at 513-872-6207 or at [lbott@shrinenet.org](mailto:lbott@shrinenet.org) with any questions or to receive further information regarding activities.

Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati welcomes everyone and is looking forward to hosting all of our friends and families at our annual hospital Open House.

Burns  
Plastic Surgery  
Cleft Lip & Palate  
Reconstructive Surgery  
Complex Wounds & Skin Conditions

### CONDITIONS TREATED

All Services Provided Regardless of the Families' Ability to Pay

If you know a child we can help, go to [shrinershospitalcincinnati.org](http://shrinershospitalcincinnati.org) or call:

**Burn and Emergency Services**  
**866-947-7840**

**Plastic Surgery Services**  
**855-206-2096**