

# DESERT DUST



Shriners  
International



*SHC-Greenville patient Ayla Launis tries on the Potentate's fez.*



# Your Potentate

Greeting's Ladies and Nobles,

After that whirlwind of a week in Nashville, for Imperial Session, it was time to focus on doing that work thing

for a couple of weeks. On Saturday, July 20th, Lady Vickie and I travelled to Ashe County to spend the day in Lansing, at the Mountain home of Noble David and Lady Carolyn Crawley, who were hosting an outing for the Gator Patrol. While several of the more adventurous members took

a tubing trip down the river, the rest hung out on the deck - playing cards, reading, and some were even caught napping. Just a great, relaxing day. A delicious meal, prepared by our own Chef Larry Huffman, hit the spot. A short meeting lead by Captain Monty Dobbins wrapped up the day.

Thursday, July 25th, Lady Vickie and I met our Counterparts, Ill. Sir Donald/Lady Lisa Slaughter from Amran, and Ill. Sir Carl/Lady Janet Smith from Sudan at Victory Junction Camp for Kids in Randleman NC. We enjoyed a meet and greet with several of the Campers and their families that we had sponsored through our donations. A lot of smiles and exciting stories of the adventures these Kids had experienced at their week of Camp was enough to convince the three Shrine Temples of NC that this was a program that should continue into the future. Several Divan members from each Temple were in attendance and agreed to see this extended. As a combined effort, the three Shrine Temples of NC presented Victory Junction Camp for Kids with a check for nearly \$50,000.00. This money sponsored 20 of our Shrine Children from NC to a week of love, memories, and new friendships that will last a Lifetime. (Oasis had eight Campers for a total of \$20,000.) We are still \$5000 short of our goal for this year. To those Clubs and Units that sponsored a child, and/or made donations, you should be proud that you did make a difference in a child's life! With this program going forward, I challenge all clubs and units to consider earmarking a fundraiser to send more of our Shrine Children to VJC. You will be recognized for your efforts at Club and Unit Appreciation Night. The cost to send a Child to Camp is \$2500. You can start now by sending to Oasis Shriners your check, stating CAMP on the footnote line. I can promise you this is money is well spent.

Saturday August 3rd, I was invited to attend a Celebration for Children hosted by Hendersonville Shrine Club, in Flat Rock, NC. I must admit, I expected it to be another rubber chicken dinner, but knew the program would be

worth it. Boy, was I wrong! This venue hosted numerous caterers and restaurants from the area, and the food was excellent! A live auction, silent auction, and prizes galore. Then, topped off by several Shrine Patients/Parents telling their stories of what it is like to be a patient at Shriners Hospitals for Children. There was not a dry eye in the house. Being close to Greenville, brought out a showing of not one, but three Doctors and several hospital staff from Shriners Hospitals for Children, all who stated how blessed they were to assist in working with our Children. They also thanked each and every Shriner in the room for what they do to enrich the lives of these Kids. Kudos to President Frank Brady and Team, of Hendersonville Shrine Club. Well Done!

Monday August 5th, with the help of Noble Joe Burris (Membership Chairman) it was I who was asked to speak on behalf of Shriners at Hickory #343 for their Masonic Education Evening. It was an Honor to be Received into the Lodge and seated next to the Master. (Brother/Noble James Hope, thank you so much!)

Saturday August 10th, Catawba County Shrine Club, led by President Trent Davis, sponsored a breakfast for all Firemen, Public Safety, and First Responders as a token of appreciation for what they do in our communities on a daily basis. It was well received and attended.

A hot Sunday, August 11th, Lady Vickie and I hosted our Annual Gator Pool Party, with the much needed help from Noble Allen/Lady Doris Leatherman. We fed 45 head and the pool got a workout! We were graced to have dignitaries, MW Mack/Lady Linda Sigmon; along with our Recorder, Noble John/Lady Carole Cable; also 1st Ceremonial Master, Noble Shea/Lady Sandra Fadel (with Grandson Maverick). A good time was had by all.

*Until next time*  
**Kenneth D. Jarrett, Potentate 2019 and Lady Vickie**



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## Your Recorder

Greetings to All Nobles, Ladies and Friends of Oasis, I want to personally thank each of you for being a part of Oasis and what we are doing. What a

fast-paced year with Ill. Sir Ken and Lady Vickie leading the way with fun, fellowship and growth for Oasis. We just finished up a strong month of August that included the Gaston County Shrine 100 Race and the Potentates Black Tie in honor of Worshipful Grand Master Dwight "Mack" Sigmon.

Lady Carol and I had the opportunity to attend the Gators cookout a few weeks ago. We had a chance to get to know several members and talk with good friends, plus that was some great cuisine. We are always thankful to be invited to functions and talk about all the great things going on at Oasis. Then we were off to the Red Fez and their Casino Night. There were 150 faithful who enjoyed the games and silent and live auctions. Lady Kim and her team did an outstanding job putting this hospital fundraiser together.

As we head into September and SASA, I want to encourage each of you to attend this grand event in Myrtle Beach, September 18-22. I know that several of you have wondered about SASA and this new funky way of having to send in your registration form to Oasis if you are parading. This was the only way that we could cover the registration expense of all members who are participating in the parade. For those of you who are not parading but attending the optional events at SASA, you MUST go online and register for each event and pre-pay.

With the SASA (South Atlantic Shrine Association) not being held for the past 2 years, the way the association is receiving funds from Myrtle Beach is for "Heads and Beds." It is very important that you fill out the forms listing

the number of persons attending and the hotel location. Oasis has events planned on both Friday and Saturday nights for everyone to enjoy, so please mark your calendars and plan on attending these evening festivities.

Please remember our "Big Fall Ceremonial" November 1-2 in Aberdeen; we need all the new members you can bring in to make it a truly unforgettable event. There has been a lot of planning going into this "Shrine Friendly" event. Our Friday night activities are in a venue that is in high demand. It comes with a live band and that world-famous Oasis Hospitality Team. Saturday's parade and lunch at the Moore County Shrine Club will be world class. Saturday night's activities are at the host hotel Hampton Inn & Suites Southern Pines-Pinehurst, 200 Columbus Drive in Aberdeen, NC. We expect a very large crowd, so don't wait and don't miss out, rooms are going now and going fast. See you there!

I continue to mention all the things Oasis has going on and that we need everyone's involvement to make this year a success...and that we need to get our membership numbers up. I hope many of you are taking advantage of Oasis activities and reaching out to our new men and their ladies, getting them involved and making them feel welcome. I can tell you, the more Lady Carol and I travel around the 50 western North Carolina counties that make up Oasis, we have gotten to know some of our members better. I encourage each of you to get more and more involved. Go visit a different unit or invite a unit to come and visit your club or unit. SASA at the beach is a great time to get units involved with socializing together. Please reach out and make this happen.

**Reminder** All ads & articles for the October edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted to **Edie Wilson - Ediewilson7@gmail.com** by September 10.

I also want to thank everyone again for their kind words and prayers that Lady Carol and I have been receiving. Oasis is very much a family and we are so very thankful to all of you for your kindness.

Remember, there is something for everyone at Oasis, and the more you get involved the more you will see in return.

Until next month, God Bless.

*YITF*

**John G Cable**



## The Desert Dust

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## Upcoming Events

September 8, 10:30 am  
**Catawba County Shriners Run**  
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September 9, 11:00 am  
**Victory Farm Golf Tournament**  
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September 14, 10:00 am  
**Oasis 500's Formula 4 Kids**  
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September 15, 8:30 am  
**Ashe Shrine Club Golf Tournament**  
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September 18, 11:00 am  
**Clemmons Charity Golf Tournament**  
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September 28, 8:00 am  
**Randolph County Shrine Club Car Show**  
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September 28, 4:00 pm  
**Rowan Shrine Club Fish Fry**  
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September 28, 6:00 pm  
**Catawba County Bingo**  
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October 5, 8:00 am  
**Vintage Tin Car Show**  
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October 5, 4:00 pm  
**Night Out for the Children**  
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October 5, 5:30 pm  
**Greensboro Shrine Club Fish Fry**  
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October 19, 9:30 am  
**Catawba County Golf Cart Poker Run**  
**SEE PAGE 9**

## NIGHT OUT FOR THE CHILDREN

### Lexington Shrine Club Annual Steak Supper Fundraiser

**WHERE:** Lexington Memorial Lodge 473  
 468 Central Ave. Lexington, NC

**WHEN:** October 5th, 2019

**TIME:** 4pm - 6pm

**TICKETS:** Available from your local Lexington Shrine Club Members, \$20.00 per person



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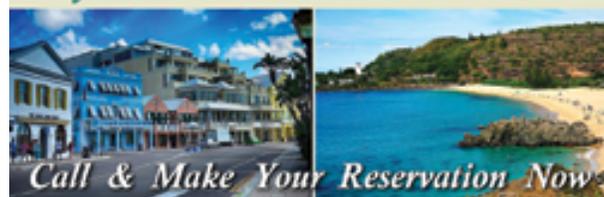
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## Carnival Cruise To Bermuda

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# Oasis Visits Victory Junction



*"Free from the confines of disease, illness or disability, children discover that they can just be kids!"*



Katy Borum (R) serves as Development Associate at Victory Junction

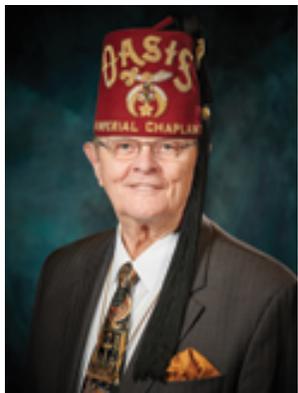


Lady Vickie along with First Ladies from Amran and Sudan raised \$49,063 to send 19 kids to camp.



The five children pictured here (with Potentates and VJ Special Events Director Cathy Davis) were first-time campers!

Victory Junction focuses on making sure each and every camp activity is fully accessible for campers of all abilities. Fishing was tops with the guys.



John Stanley, Chaplain

# OUR INTERNAL COMPASS

Recently I became aware of a study, based on the book "True North" by Bill George. The publisher states, "True North shows how anyone who follows their internal compass can become an authentic leader."

True North. A compass needle points to the magnetic north, and the compass keeps us traveling in the right direction. But, what about "True North"?

True North is our internal compass that keeps us going in the way we have been taught. As a retired educator pointed out the other day, "We should always be guided by our internal compass or our "Core Principles." Our core principles are: fairness, integrity, honesty, human dignity, service, quality, excellence, potential, growth, patience, and encouragement. Sounds a lot like our Masonic Teachings, doesn't it?

The Mount Airy, NC native, Donna Fargo who is best known for a series of

Top Ten country hits in the 1970's that include "The Happiest Girl in the Whole USA" and "Funny Face," writes:

*"I believe all of us have a built-in compass to help us get to wherever we desire to go.*

*Don't forget to trust the compass, and refer to it often, for with that trusting will come the strength to bear whatever life deals you."*

As we go about our life, seeking more light, let us remember Psalm 119, verse 105: "(Lord) Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." And, these words—our core principles and values which are to lead us are: fairness, integrity, honesty, human dignity, service, quality, excellence, potential, growth, patience, and encouragement.

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## “The Beat on the Street” *Family Fish Fry, SASA, and being #1*

The arrival of your September issue of The Desert Dust is a sure sign that the summer of 2019 is coming to an end. We sure hope you've had a wonderful, relaxing summertime and are getting excited about the upcoming SASA parade weekend in Myrtle Beach later this month.

Our Drum & Bugle Corps has used the slogan “It's a family thing” for many years. We are happy to be able to include our families and friends in our fundraisers and outings. Each year, as school is about to begin, and we recognize that another summer is coming to an end, we host a family fish fry. Again this year, we were happy to see that so many were able to come out for some great fellowship and enjoy a terrific meal as prepared by our talented cooking team, in addition to a variety of appetizers and desserts prepared by the Ladies. From those young enough to be called toddlers to those that have earned the title of great grandparent, we consider each of them a member of our Corps family and we are proud to learn that they feel like family when they attend our outings.

Looking back on our Oasis Calendar, we say congratulations and welcome to each new Noble that has become an Oasis Shriner during the Black Tie Ceremonial in August. We hope that you are already visiting a club or parade unit and finding out how you can take an active part as we all work together to raise money for our 22 Hospitals.

Looking ahead at the Oasis Calendar, we see that the big SASA celebration is coming up later this month, topped off with the huge parade on Saturday morning, September 21st. Again this year, we look forward to seeing old friends and making new ones. Hope you can come by our Hospitality Room for a visit. Of course, if you decide that the Drum & Bugle Corps is the parade unit you'd like to join, we would love to help you get the process started. We recognize Oasis Director, Noble Brother Clay McLean for the outstanding job he did in pulling a low number for the Oasis starting position in the parade. Of course the “elephant in the room” is the weather. We hope you will join us in keeping a positive attitude about the whole SASA Week!

In closing we send our congratulations to every Noble, Lady and Friend of Oasis Shriners. We hope that you have read with pride of the events of the Imperial Session as reported in the August issue of the Desert Dust. If not, we encourage you to take a moment to read about the accomplishments.

Your Drum & Bugle Corps is very proud and humbled to be a part of the #1 Shrine Temple in the world along with each one of you. Every parade unit and club has their own way of contributing to this effort and again this year all of those different efforts kept Oasis on top.



We hope you enjoyed the celebration and are ready to get back to work on behalf of our 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children, because...  
**“When the Hospitals Win, We all Win!”**

## ASHE SHRINE CLUB 38th Annual Golf Tournament



### Sunday, September 15, 2019

Mountain Aire Golf Club Course

**\$60 Entry Fee**

Fee includes Green/Cart Fee and Lunch, plus a chance to win a car with our Hole in One Contest sponsored by West Jefferson Chevrolet.

**STROKE PLAY**

**Shotgun Start - 8:30am & 1:30pm**

**WANT TO SPONSOR A TEAM?**

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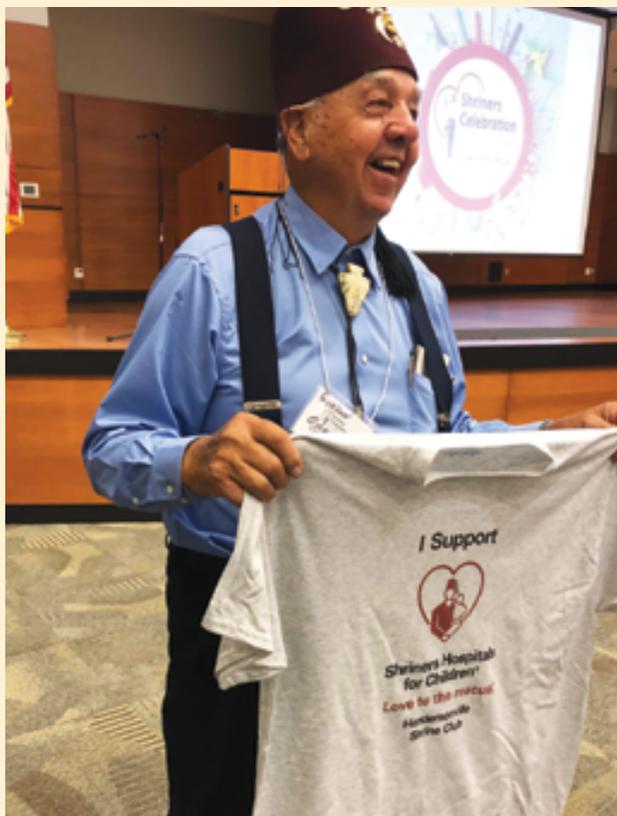
# Hendersonville Shriners Do it Again Sending More Love to the Rescue



(L) SHC Patient Ayla Launis with her mother and grandmother take a moment for a photo with Dr. Gibson, SHC-Greenville. Ayla is 6 years old and was treated for Developmental Displysia of the hip.



Pull out your wallets!



Sign up for the Silent Auction.



Sample all the fantastic food donated by local restaurants.

This BMW pedal car went for \$550 in the live auction. Buyer Eddie Watkins immediately donated it back to SHC-Greenville!



# OASIS AT SASA

## OASIS HOSPITALITY ROOM 417 AT THE DOUBLETREE

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On October 19th, 2019 at Cross Country Campground.  
6254 Highway 150 E, Denver, NC 28037

Registration starts at 9:30 am in the front parking lot.  
Poker Run will begin at 10:00 am - 1:00pm



Admission cost is \$10.00 per person riding on the golf cart.  
No golf cart? No problem...ride a bike or walk.  
(No vehicles please)



For all paid participants  
Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be provided after the winner has been announced.

All proceeds will be donated to the



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Any questions please contact Trent Davis, President  
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# Mackenzie Green Shares Her Story



*The following is from a speech given by Mackenzie Green, Shrine Patient, and guest of honor at Hendersonville Shrine Club's Shriners Celebration for Kids.*

Good evening,  
My name is Mackenzie

Green and I am 21 years old. I have osteogenesis imperfecta (also known as OI), a condition that causes possible hearing loss, easy bruising, short stature, physical deformities and, most of all, fragile bones. I was diagnosed shortly after birth, once the doctors realized I had broken both of my legs and some of my ribs during the pregnancy and birth. Needless to say, my parents were never expecting it. They had never even heard of this condition before they had me. OI is a genetic condition, but sometimes, like in my case, it was random. No one in my family had it before me.

Everyone with OI has a different story and I want to share with you some details of mine. In the years following my diagnosis, I would go through at least seven or more fractures in my legs and injuries like stress fractures or compression fractures, and sprained muscles. Most of the time, it was simply because I tripped, slipped or moved a weird way. Despite it all, I consider myself lucky. OI has eight known types, and I have types 3 and 4. OI affects everyone differently. There are those unlike me who unfortunately can't be as independent. They told my mom at birth that I possibly would never be able to sit up, feed myself or be able to walk or crawl. But god had a different plan for me. There are babies who do not make it past birth. There are those who wake up to broken bones on a normal basis Then there are those who are like me that can get away with appearing, to some extent, just like everyone else who is unaffected by OI.

In elementary school up to my freshman year of high school, I used a handicap device such as

a wheelchair or a walker to get around. I always knew I was different, but back then I never realized how different I actually was from my peers' perspectives. As I got older, I felt more and more uncomfortable with my disorder. I couldn't do sports and participate in physical activities like everyone else could, and it did not help that I was, and still am, so clumsy. I got that determination in my head that I was like everyone else, just within limits. I cheered for west youth and for high school. At one point, in middle school, when all anyone wanted was is to fit in, there were people who saw me only for my disability, jumping to the assumption that it also affects me mentally, which is very false. I clearly remember that a student in my class called me "handicapped," and another who thought that all of the students who rode the elevator were "retarded." I never saw myself that way, but the idea that others thought of that did get to me more than I should have let it. During my years at Rugby middle school, there was one time we had a field trip and they forgot to order an accessible bus so that I would be able to go.

I tried out for cheerleading and didn't make it because the coaches and the administration thought that I was too much of a liability, so I never was able to cheer in middle school. But that didn't stop me. I went to high school with a confident mind on my shoulders. I tried out for the JV cheer team at West Henderson High School and got moved up to the varsity cheer team my freshman year for basketball. Cheerleading has been my passion ever since I was little and I am so thankful for West Henderson administration and my coach Mrs. Ritter (who is not here today) to give me the opportunity to do something that I love.

Now here I am in college at Wingate University, majoring in human services with a minor in criminal justice. I am wanting to be a DSS social worker and make a difference in a child's life.

I'm a little bit older and there are days where I feel strong enough to go do absolutely everything. But there are days I feel too stiff to get out

of bed. Being at such a small school where everyone knows this part of me, OI has been visible to everyone that I have met. I live in my own apartment on campus, I drive myself back and forth to wherever I need to go. I used to be a sister of Alpha Omicron Pi, and I'm now a part time intern for safelight. I joined a sorority thinking it would be best for me, but it wasn't. It showed me who were my true friends and who weren't. I know that I am more than just OI, but it's something that was, and still is, a huge part of my life even though I'm improving. I look back and remind myself that, if it wasn't for my struggles, I may have not had the friends I do now, and I may have not picked up interests in activities that do not require intense physical activity. OI has also been a big contributor to how I now carry myself as a person, as I strive to be confident and a leader in my daily life.

I want to give a big thank you to Shriners Hospitals for Children for always being there whenever something happens. The staff at Shriners Hospital in Greenville has become family throughout the years. They have seen me at my worst and they have seen me at my best. I want to give a few shout outs to Dr. Whattenbarger for stepping in and doing my spine surgery and arm surgery. Thank you for taking away my terrible back pain and straightening my arm so that I would not have a crooked arm anymore. No matter what, you have always made me feel so comfortable, and I will never forget those jokes you would tell me before we would get to the real business. I don't know how I am going to move on to a different doctor because you have made such a huge impact on my life. Words cannot explain enough how much you mean to me and my family.

A shout out to Dr. Gibson for being there for me whenever I needed you and letting me bribe you with a candy bar before any leg surgery so you wouldn't put me in a cast. I will never forget our moments talking about how you would take your daughters to a concert because they loved them just as I much as I did.

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# Mackenzie *continued from page 10*

Also, Dr. Pete for being my first doctor at Shriners Hospital who was so protective over me and couldn't believe we had pit bulls as pets. Even though you would always put me in a spika cast (body cast), I am still grateful for you and always loved having you as one of my doctors throughout the years. Not only have the doctors had a huge impact on my life, the nurses have also. Stephanie who is also not here today, was the first nurse to lay hands on me as a baby. My mom was so terrified of people holding me because I broke so easily. Stephanie took me under her wing and took care of me whenever it was needed. Joan was one of the CNA's upstairs who I grew a strong bond with over the years after I had surgery. Thank you, Joan, for always being there for me, washing my hair whenever it was in a rat's nest from laying down, and for always loving me. I hope to be half of the person that you are. The X-Ray technicians for always being so careful with me on the X-Ray table. I want to thank my parents and grandparents for never giving up on me and teaching me how to be independent, and last but not least the grace of God for giving me such a good life so that I can show others that you can do anything you set your mind to. Without him, I would not be where I am today. Thank you!



Holden has done it again! A patient since age 9 months, 16-year-old Holden spent 144 hours (that's three hours every Saturday for 48 weeks!) gathering can tabs. It was the second year Holden traveled from his home in North Carolina to make the delivery, and he plans to make an even larger donation next year. Thank you, Holden!



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**September 14th 2019**

10:00 am-2:00 pm

At

**The Asheville Outlet Mall**

(parking lot next to Field and Stream)

All Lodges and Clubs are invited to participate in the chili cook off.

For question and to reserve your spot Contact us.

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Overnight lodging is available, please call 828.694.3000 for information.

Cars with trailers please call ahead to make arrangements.

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\*Car Make \_\_\_\_\_ \*Model \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail complete pre-registration form with \$15 payment to:  
Vintage Tin Street Rod Association, 229 Cabins Lake Drive, Bostic, NC 28018

Visit us online at  
[Facebook.com/Vintage-Tin-Street-Rod-Association](https://www.facebook.com/Vintage-Tin-Street-Rod-Association)



We are grateful for all of our donors who graciously give to our hospital - especially when they come from a 6-year-old and a lemonade stand! Thank you, Sawyer for choosing to make a difference in the lives of children at SHC - Greenville.

**GREENSBORO SHRINE CLUB**  
**ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY**  
**\$12 Advance Tickets**  
**\$15 At the door**



**SATURDAY OCTOBER 5, 2019**  
**5:30 PM till 8:00 PM**  
**GREENSBORO SHRINE CLUB**  
 5010 High Point Road, Greensboro, NC 27407  
 For Tickets: Call Ms. Linda at (336) 707-6588

**Fish Fry Includes:**  
**Flounder, Clam Chowder**  
**Hush Puppies, French Fries**  
**Hot-Dogs, Desserts**  
**With all the fixings!**  
**Tea/Water and Cash Bar!**

**RANDOLPH COUNTY SHRINE CLUB**  
**2019 CAR SHOW**  
 Benefitting Shriners Hospitals for Children  
 September 28, 2019 · Starts - 8am Show - 10am - 2pm  
 Petty's Garage · Level Cross, NC



**Uncle Benny will be our MC**  
 For More Information Contact:  
**Butch Stalker - 336-508-7407**  
**Benny Huff - 336-918-5812**

*Judging by members of Petty's Garage Staff*

Plaques and Trophies	Sponsorships	Name
1940-Down	Gold \$1000	_____
1941-1949	Silver \$200	_____
1950-1959	Bronze \$50	_____
1960-1969		Entry Fee \$20
1970-1979		
1980-1989		
1990-Present		

Set up 8:30am-10:30am Show 11:00am-2:00pm

Judging by members of Petty's Garage staff

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:  
 Randolph Shrine Club  
 PO Box 844  
 Asheboro, NC 27204

For more info please email:  
[randolphshrineclub@yahoo.com](mailto:randolphshrineclub@yahoo.com)

# Old Soldier Reunion Parade in Newton, NC



# Red Fez Club Hosts High Rollers to Benefit SHC

Saturday, August 17, was the date for a very successful fundraiser for The Red Fez Ladies Auxiliary and The Red Fez Shrine Club on beautiful Lake Wyle, NC. This was the second Casino Night for the Fez, and has become a big fundraiser for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The Fez was sold out with VIP gamers in the downstairs bar and more high rollers upstairs in the ballroom. Vouchers for winnings were used to bid on donated prizes including vacation getaways.

D.J. Todd played great music and assisted with the live auction. Thanks to our guests, members, volunteers and board members for making this another winner.



Roulette and Black Jack tables were busy the entire night. Door prizes and a live auction kept everyone on their toes.



An extravagant spread of food kept players coming back for more. Friends celebrated the occasion, and a gorgeous Lake Wylie Sunset graced the horizon.



# Win this Coleman Go Cart!

The Lexington Shrine Club is selling tickets on this Coleman Go Cart. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

The cart will be given away at the Lexington BBQ Festival.

You Do Not Have to Be Present to Win.

All proceeds benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.



Call 336-250-8930 or 336-240-6261 leave message

Greetings to all Oasis Nobles. Oasis' new photo web page is up and running! It is a work in progress and I hope you enjoy!

**The web address is [www.shrinephotos.com](http://www.shrinephotos.com)**

I am working on getting our Oasis Photography Committee up and running. We want to add Nobles to this committee to help it grow. My vision is to have Nobles from throughout our jurisdiction who will take pictures at events near you so we can get them uploaded to our web page and published in The Desert Dust. **Please feel free to contact me if you are interested or have any questions.**

**C. Lee Abernethy III**  
Cleeabernethy3rd@gmail.com  
Cell: 704-905-5684



## Rowan Shrine Club Fall 2019

# Fish Fry Saturday

September 28, 2019  
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM



Fish Plate with all the trimmings and a drink

Hot Dogs Also Available

**\$12** Advanced Adult

At the door \$13 Public is Welcome



Children  
5-10 yrs. - \$6

Take Exit 81 Off of I-85 which is Long Ferry Road  
Go East to the End of the Road Which is High Rock Lake...We are on the Left

Proceeds Go To The Building Fund  
Not Tax Deductible

For more information, contact Don Lyerly  
704-213-6775 • donlyer@aol.com

## Clemmons Masonic Lodge #755 Clemmons, N.C.



### Charity Golf Tournament

### Bermuda Run

### West Course

West Gate off 801 South of I-40, 119 NC-801  
Advance, NC 27006

All Proceeds to:

The Masonic and Eastern Star Home Foundation, LLC  
The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

## September 18, 2019

Registration & Lunch 11:00 am Shotgun start at 1:00 pm

ENTRY FEE: \$300.00 per team. Drinks and snacks on the course. Awards ceremony immediately following play.

Please return form ASAP as we are limited to 120 golfers.  
Deadline Thursday, September 5, 2019. Singles and Non-Masons Welcome.

Please make checks payable to Clemmons Masonic Charity Golf and mail to:

Payment Enclosed

questions: Bob Charter 336-970-2059

web Site: [www.clemmsonmasoniclodge.com](http://www.clemmsonmasoniclodge.com)

Clemmons Masonic Charity Golf  
PO Box 365  
Clemmons, NC 27012

Fun

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Player #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
Player #3: \_\_\_\_\_  
Player #4: \_\_\_\_\_



Fellowship

**Come join Catawba County Lady Shriners for a night full of food, fun, and BINGO!**



Salad, Spaghetti & Meatballs, Garlic Bread, Dessert, and Tea will be served starting at 5:00 pm. Plates will cost \$8.00.

September 28, 2019  
at  
Catawba County Shrine Club  
BINGO will begin at 6:00 pm.  
Cards will be \$1.00 each, with no card limit.

Door Prizes and Cash Prizes will be given!

EVERYONE is WELCOME!

Any Questions- Contact Chrissy Leatherman (704) 268-2541

**Swimming Gators**

Gators recently went to Illustrious Sir Kenny Jarrett and Lady Vickie's house for a fun day of swimming, food and fellowship.



**Catawba County Shriners**

**17th Annual Shriners Run  
Sunday September 8th  
2019**

**17th Annual Shriners Run**

**\$1,000.00**

Cash Prizes

Best Score	\$500.00
2nd Best	\$250.00
3rd Best	\$150.00
Worst Score	\$100.00

And Door Prizes

Should there be a tie there will be a roll off to determine winner

Ride starts at Blue Ridge Harley Davidson in Hickory off exit 125

Stops to be determined

Catawba County Shrine Club

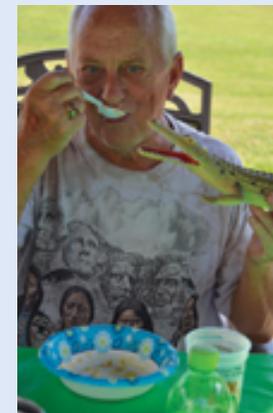
located at 1488 W/C St Newton NC 28658

(Hwy 10 west of Newton)



For more information contact  
Dennis Grigg 828-781-0062

**Registration Starts 10:30**  
**First Bike out 11:45am**  
**Last Bike In 4:30**  
**Each Card**  
**\$15.00 per Hand**  
**or 3 for \$35.00**



# Shrine 100 and Gaston County Shrine Club Celebrate 47 Years of Racing



Jadon Headley (above) with Noble Tim Farris. Jadon, who has Cerebral Palsy, is a patient at SHC.

When he travels to Greenville for treatment or new braces, Shriners provide transportation and treats the family to lunch.



## Shrine 100 Ambassadors

Sasha Wiggins is a 19 year-old student at Gaston College. She was treated for severe Scoliosis at SHC-Greenville.

Chief Rabban Bill Carter explains our mission to race fans at Carolina Speedway in Gastonia.



## 2019 Schedule

<b>Sept 18-22</b>	SASA at Myrtle Beach
<b>Sept 20</b>	Divan Meeting at SASA
<b>Sept 27 &amp; 28</b>	Grand Lodge at Winston Salem
<b>Sept 29-Oct 6</b>	Potentate WVA Trip/ATV Giveaway
<b>Oct 9</b>	Circus at Fletcher
<b>Oct 11 &amp; 12</b>	Circus at Cabarrus Arena
<b>Oct 11 &amp; 12</b>	Oxford MHC/Parade/Banquet
<b>Oct 24</b>	Divan Meeting at Temple
<b>Nov 1 &amp; 2</b>	Fall Ceremonial at Aberdeen/ Southern Pines
<b>Nov 21</b>	Divan Meeting at Temple
<b>Dec 7</b>	Grand Master Installation, Location TBD
<b>Dec 7</b>	Oasis Elections at Temple
<b>Dec 14</b>	Cat Square Parade (Civic) steps off 1:00PM
<b>Dec 19</b>	Divan Meeting at Temple
<b>Dec 21</b>	Shrine Bowl Game



***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.

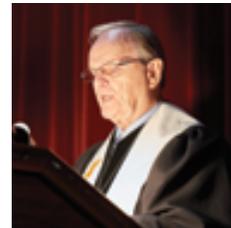
Simply google Shriners Village and follow the instructions.

**So easy, even a Shriner can do it.**

[www.shrinershq.org](http://www.shrinershq.org)  
[www.twitter.com/shriners](https://www.twitter.com/shriners)  
[www.facebook.com/shrinersinternational](https://www.facebook.com/shrinersinternational)

## Stanley Receives Imperial Appointment

Oasis Chaplain John Stanley, P.P., has been appointed Imperial Assistant Chaplain of Shriners International by recently elected Imperial Potentate, Jeffrey Sowder.



In his new role, Stanley will assist Imperial Chaplain Bobby Simmons in carrying out the duties of the Chaplain's Office, and other duties and responsibilities assigned to him by the Imperial Potentate.

In responding to Imperial Potentate Sowder, Stanley stated, "It is an honor to receive the appointment as Chaplain's Assistant, and I will do everything possible to merit your continued trust and confidence."

An active and involved Shrine-Mason, Stanley, a thirty-third Degree Scottish Rite Mason, has served as Master of Gastonia Masonic Lodge #369 and President of Gaston County Shrine Club. He was Potentate of Oasis Shriners in 1997, and he was appointed Imperial Chaplain by Imperial Potentate, Al Madsen for the year 2012-13. Currently he serves as Minister-Visitation, First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia, NC.

### Oasis Shriners Keystone Kops "Hot Summer Nites Cruise-In"

**Join the fun every Wednesday night, April through September 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

**Historic Downtown Belmont on Glenway St.**  
 (between Glenway Premium Pub and Friends Restaurant)

Music provided nightly by Carolina Beach Party DJ Johnny B and DJ Brian Wilson

50/50 drawing nightly

Nightly door prize drawings AND  
 Door prize drawing for car owners only



Food and beverages available on the outdoor patios. A family friendly event and NEVER an entry fee!

## Ragtops Birthday Celebration



Members of the Ragtops recently gathered to celebrate the unit's birthday. Hosting were Noble John and Lady Elaine Eichler.



# Club and Unit Bulletin Board

## NASCARTS

Join A  
Winning Team



Captain Robert Warren 336-517-4210

## OASIS PAST MASTERS UNIT

Are you a Past Master?  
We are your unit. Join Us.  
For more information:

Noble Gary D. Handy, Captain: (336) 416-1323

Noble Gordy Peeler, Secretary: (704) 223-1531



## OASIS YOUNG SHRINERS CLUB

BRANDON PENLEY - PRESIDENT  
THOMAS SUMPTER - VICE PRESIDENT  
ROBBY SAYE - SECRETARY/TREASURER

If you are under forty and interested in joining -  
Contact [oasisyoungshriners@gmail.com](mailto:oasisyoungshriners@gmail.com)

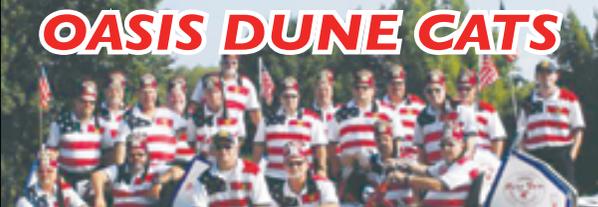
## PAST CAPTAINS CLUB

Meeting 3rd Monday at 6pm  
Big Daddy's in Mooresville



Noble Peter Schuetz  
PC, President - 704-543-0695

## OASIS DUNE CATS



### JUMPING HURDLES FOR CHILDREN

Jordan Wrenn, Captain • 704-579-3453  
[jordanwrenn85@gmail.com](mailto:jordanwrenn85@gmail.com)

## LEGION OF HONOR CLUB



President Noble David Johnson  
[dtcarolina@wilkes.net](mailto:dtcarolina@wilkes.net) 336-467-0107

Search Oasis Shriners Legion of Honor on Facebook!

## Cabarrus Shrine Club

Address: 1460 Oakwood Ave, Kannapolis NC  
Nobles, Ladies and Guests Welcome!  
Phone: 704-933-2797



Email: [cabarrushrineclub@gmail.com](mailto:cabarrushrineclub@gmail.com)

Web: [www.cabarrushrineclub.org](http://www.cabarrushrineclub.org)

Like us on Facebook: Cabarrus Shrine Club



## Shriners on Bikes



CONTACT:

STEPHEN TRITES

STRITES@  
ROCKETMAIL.COM

803-610-7876

## OASIS SHRINE CLOWNS



Accepting New Members  
No Experience Necessary

Come and join us and  
put a smile on the face of a child!

Contact The Oasis Shrine Clowns  
at 336-893-0391 or [oasisclowns@gmail.com](mailto:oasisclowns@gmail.com)

## OASIS HIGHLANDERS

PIPES & DRUMS

"Learn to play the bagpipes"  
Meet 7:00 PM Wed. at H-Q

Contact Rich Hartman  
cell (814) 746-0466  
[rohartman48@gmail.com](mailto:rohartman48@gmail.com)



## The Greensboro Shrine Club

## The Greensboro Shrine Club

510 Gate City Boulevard (Formerly High Point Rd.)  
Greensboro, NC 27407

Check us out at [www.greensboroshrineclub.org](http://www.greensboroshrineclub.org)  
or call 336-707-6588 for information.

Gaston County Shrine Club  
505 Pinkney Road  
Dallas, NC 28034



JOIN US!



[www.gastoncountyshrineclub.com](http://www.gastoncountyshrineclub.com)

"No man ever stood so tall as when he  
stooped to help a burned or crippled child."

## Carolina Drifters

President  
Trent Oates  
704-412-0120



## MT. MITCHELL SHRINE CLUB

Centrally located in  
McDowell County

Contact:  
Noble Secretary  
Jack Wood  
828-925-9663



## Oasis Keystone Kops

Join us and have a fun time while raising  
money for the Shriners Hospitals!

CONTACT  
CAPTAIN  
BILL CULP FOR  
INFORMATION

704-578-899  
[billwculp@gmail.com](mailto:billwculp@gmail.com)



# Club and Unit Bulletin Board

## Union County Shrine Club

305 E Phifer St, Monroe, NC

SHRINE DANCE - 2nd & 4th Friday of every month,  
Starting @ 7pm. \$10 admission.

## MOORE COUNTY SHRINE CLUB & The Sand "T" Parade Unit



Contact President  
Bill Loeser  
910-759-0571

Be sure to "LIKE" our Moore County Facebook page  
to see many photos!

## Red Fez Shrine Club

16600 Red Fez Club Road, Charlotte NC 28278  
Events Manager: Denise Pelow - (980) 875-1257  
fezonlake@bellsouth.net



Call us for your next wedding or event rental

## OASIS ORIENTAL BAND



CONTACT  
BOB HATLEY  
AT  
336-288-4007  
FOR MORE  
INFORMATION

## OASIS SHRINE WAGONEERS



For info, contact: Brad Spelbring, Captain  
spel44@yahoo.com

## OASIS SHRINERS CAMPING CLUB FUN - FOOD - FELLOWSHIP COME JOIN US!



Dan McCurry 704-813-8177 mcurrydc@gmail.com

The Hillbillies are lookin' for ya!



If interested in joining, please contact Jack Devine  
@ 828-464-9886, or Gary Patterson @ 704-938-3930  
or Lee Moody @ 704-451-6151

## Winston-Salem Shrine Club

Meeting 1st Thursday of every month.  
Meal at 7pm followed by meeting.  
4909 Hampton Rd Clemmons, NC 27012  
Contact: Noble Benton Williams 336.392.2449  
Or Noble Brian Huffman 336.408.9718  
Wsshrineclub@outlook.com  
We'd Love to have you!

## Scooter Patrol



CAPTAIN TED CISINE 908-248-5237  
P.C. TERRY COX 336-509-6545

## SCOTTISH RITE MASONS

You are invited to attend our  
monthly meetings of the Scottish Rite

Where: Junaluskee Lodge,  
50 Church Street, Franklin, NC

When: 2nd Monday of each Month

Time: 6:00 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM Lodge

Current Dues Card required for admission

## Latona Temple # 154 Daughters of the Nile

Working together to benefit the children  
of Shriners Hospitals

Contact Sally Saulsbery at (704) 996-5064 or Betty Parker,  
PQ at (704) 654-7108, latona154char@gmail.com

www.daughtersofthenile.com

## DID YOU PLAY IN A HIGH SCHOOL BAND OR COLLEGE BAND?

THE OASIS TEMPLE  
BAND



IF SO WE  
NEED YOU!

CAPTAIN -  
NOBLE HANS HAAS  
704-562-7234

Racing for the burned and crippled children



JOIN OUR  
GROUP

Contact Captain  
Thomas Smith  
(910) 416-2600  
t.smith643@yahoo.com

Visit on Facebook @OASIS500s

## OASIS RAGTOPS

Riding around with the Top Down...



Raising  
money for  
Shriners  
Hospitals  
for  
Children

Captain Tom Wimbish 704-243-4609

## OASIS DRUM & BUGLE CORPS



Captain  
Scott  
Edwards



(704) 309-8806 oasisdbcorp@gmail.com

## Oasis Oldies



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

**CAPTAIN**  
**DAVID STEELMAN**  
**336-909-1830**  
 Bcimagedr@gmail.com

## ASHE SHRINE CLUB

Meeting the 3rd Monday of every month

Contact Noble John Brown

336-977-8668

or Noble Alex Edmisten

336-467-4478

## HENDERSONVILLE SHRINE CLUB



JOIN US!

Monthly meetings,  
 2nd Monday of  
 the month,  
 5:45 social,  
 Dinner 6:30,  
 programs,  
 entertainment  
 and fellowship

Contact: [www.hendersonvilleshriners.com](http://www.hendersonvilleshriners.com)

## Shrine Trailer Travels for You

Did you know the Shrine Hospital Trailer is available for your public fund raising or awareness



events? Noble Jim Rorie, Recorder Emeritus generously agreed quite some time ago to volunteer his time and energy to transport the Hospital Trailer to any location within the Oasis Region in an effort to spread the word about our wonderful Hospitals.

**Noble Jim is ready and willing to bring the trailer to your location, with advance notice.**

704-534-2906 [jrorie@bellsouth.net](mailto:jrorie@bellsouth.net)

## Get ready for the 2019 Oasis Shrine Circus!



Dear Nobles and Friends of Oasis Shriners:

It is circus time again and we have planned another great Oasis Shrine Circus with Jordan World Circus.

As in past years we are again asking you to be a:

Circus Mom & Dad: For a \$25 contribution, this entitles you to 2 free adult tickets.

Circus Grandparents: For a \$50 contribution, this entitles you to 4 free adult tickets.

Circus Ringmaster: For a \$80 contribution, this entitles you to 8 free adult tickets.

Each \$25 contribution gets you two adult tickets to any circus performance and as many kid's tickets as you want. If you can't use your tickets, we will distribute them to children and adults in other non-profit organizations who cannot afford to attend the circus. Tickets at the door are \$15 for 13 years old & over, 12 years old & under are free.

Again, this year we will be represented by a telemarketing company, Shrine Services. Please understand they are to omit all Oasis Shriners from their calling list. If they call you, **tell them you are an Oasis Shriners member and have them remove your name from their list.** Explain that you will contribute directly to your temple through the Mom & Dad Program.

No tickets will be mailed after October 1, 2019. Additional tickets are available at Oasis Temple. All contributions will be recognized in The Desert Dust. Thanks for your continued support of the Oasis Shrine Circus!

Western NC Agricultural Center, Fletcher, NC - Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 4:30pm & 7:30pm

Cabarrus Arena, Concord, NC - Friday, October 11, 2019 at 7:30pm

Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 2:00pm & 7:30pm

Fraternally yours,  
*Jack Wallace*  
 Circus Chairman

Oasis Shriners  
 Circus 2019

### Oasis Shrine Circus Mom & Dad Program

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Choose One: # of Tickets needed:

- \$25-\$49 Mom & Dad \_\_\_\_\_ General Admission equivalent to my contribution.
- \$50-\$79 Grandparents \_\_\_\_\_ Children Admission
- \$80 or more Ringmaster
- DECLINE TICKETS & give to family/group in need.

Make your checks payable to: \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card Payment:  
 Oasis Shriners Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

604 Doug Mayes Place Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Charlotte, NC 28262 Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 3-digit code on back of card: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*PROCEEDS FROM THIS CIRCUS BENEFIT THE OASIS SHRINE TEMPLE OPERATIONS. \*\*\*  
 \*\*\* PAYMENTS ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE AS CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS. \*\*\*

# Cleft Lip and Palate Awareness - Max's Story

For many parents, the joy of expecting a baby can be interrupted by anxiety when they learn their baby has a cleft lip or palate. For first-time parents, Qriss and Peter, their 19-week ultrasound quickly took an unexpected turn when the routine test showed a shadow on the baby's face that doctors suspected was a cleft.



The parents' initial reaction was fear of the unknown. First, they wanted to confirm the extent of the cleft and whether or not it was associated with any other syndromes. In the days that followed the ultrasound appointment, Qriss and Peter immersed themselves in the world of clefts to learn as

much as they could about what the diagnosis could mean for their baby. They decided to have an amniocentesis, a more in-depth prenatal test that extracts amniotic fluid in order to test for developmental abnormalities.

Through her extensive research about cleft specialists, Qriss knew she wanted to work with Eric C. Liao, M.D., Ph.D., co-director of the Cleft and Craniofacial Center at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Boston. Qriss and Peter met Dr. Liao during one of their prenatal appointments at Massachusetts General Hospital. Peter said that from that first meeting, they knew they were in the right hands. "Knowing Dr. Liao would be with us through the time our baby heads off to college made us feel so much better."

Dr. Liao and the team at the Boston Shriners Hospital were able to walk Qriss and Peter through their baby's expected journey from birth through his adolescent and teen years. Empowered with knowledge and a care plan, Qriss and Peter were able to wait out the rest of the pregnancy with much less anxiety. They felt prepared to welcome a baby with a cleft. About their meetings with the cleft and craniofacial team, Qriss said, "Everyone is an absolute angel. Until they opened their arms to us, we did not understand the magnitude of their care."

When Qriss and Peter welcomed baby Max, Dr. Liao was one of the family's first visitors. One week later, Max had his first appointment at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Boston. Max's care team includes a surgeon, a speech pathologist, a dietitian, nurses and a care manager. Everyone works together to deliver multidisciplinary, family-centered care for every patient. A few months later, Max was ready for his first surgery to repair his cleft lip. The surgery went well and Max was a champion during the recovery process.

A few days after his first surgery, Max had an accident at home that resulted in his stitches opening up. It was early on a Saturday morning. Qriss and Peter rushed Max back to the Boston Shriners Hospital. A member of the cleft team came in to examine Max and they decided to open up the operating room on Sunday morning to repair Max's lip again. On Easter Sunday, the surgical team convened to ensure Max got the care he needed in a timely fashion. Additionally, the entire care team was on hand to support Qriss and Peter, who felt terrible following the accident.

Now several months after his surgery, Max is a happy, active baby. Qriss and Peter report that he is thriving. "We loved his initial smile, but Shriners gave us a whole new smile to fall in love with," said Qriss.



Thank you to Max and his family for sharing their story. We think Max's new smile is awesome too!

**JUST ONE**  
Who do you know that would make a good Shiner Mason?

Our Imperial Potentate Jeff Sowder has introduced his "Just One" campaign to increase Shiner membership. A simple but powerful idea drives this initiative: If every current Shiner commits to recruiting or restoring "just one" noble to his temple, the ranks of our brotherhood will swell tremendously.

In order to build enthusiasm for the Just One initiative and keep it going, we are instituting a multi-level program for recognizing and rewarding top-line signers in the creation/restoration process for their successful efforts bringing in new members or restoring suspended members. These are:

- LEVEL 1** – Upon creation or restoration of one member, the top-line signer will receive a postcard and Just One pin from Imperial Potentate Jeff Sowder.
- LEVEL 2** – Upon bringing in two members, the top-line signer will be listed in the Shiner Magazine.
- LEVEL 3** – With three new creations or restorations, the top-line signer will receive a certificate of appreciation and a letter of commendation from Imperial Sir Sowder.
- LEVEL 4** – After five creations or restorations, the top-line signer will receive a personal phone call from the Imperial Potentate.
- LEVEL 5** – Top-line signers responsible for 10 additional Shiner brothers will receive a special invitation to attend a Just One VIP reception with the Imperial Divan at the 2020 Imperial Session.

**So just get on board and start referring Masons and non-Masons alike to keep Oasis #1!!!**

# Donations

## CLUB & UNIT DONATIONS

AMOUNT	DONOR
\$1,200.00	Appalachian Shrine Club
\$610.00	Avery County Shrine Club
\$100.00	East Burke Shrine Club
\$500.00	Land of the Sky Shrine Club
\$3,370.00	Lexington Shrine Club
\$5,000.00	Mountaineer Shrine Club
\$8,000.00	New River Shrine Club
\$600.00	Oasis 500's
\$5,208.91	Oasis Drum & Bugle Corp
\$600.00	Oasis Hillbilly Parade
\$800.00	Randolph Shrine Club
\$300.00	Robbinsville Shrine Club
\$3,301.13	Smoky Mountain Shrine Club
\$41,250.00	Stanly County Shrine Club
\$215.00	Statesville Shrine Club

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Land of the Sky Ladies Auxiliary	

# Honors

DONOR	IN HONOR OF
Tommy & Annie Greene	Sandhill Shrine Club
Elk Park Christian Church	Wayne Lowe

# Passed Within the Unseen Temple

NAME	CITY, STATE	CREATED	DIED
Joe Reid Ketchie	Mooresville, NC	8/27/1988	7/10/2019
William E Smith	Mount Holly, NC	9/25/1965	7/15/2019
Robert Dennis Sims	Salisbury, NC	5/30/1981	7/22/2019
William Clarence "CH" Hooker	Thurmond, NC	4/15/1994	7/30/2019
Richard Earl Nall	Eagle Springs, NC	11/5/2016	7/11/2019
Edward R. Baker	Aberdeen, NC	5/31/1980	7/25/2019
Vincent Joseph	Charlotte, NC	4/5/2014	7/18/2019
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