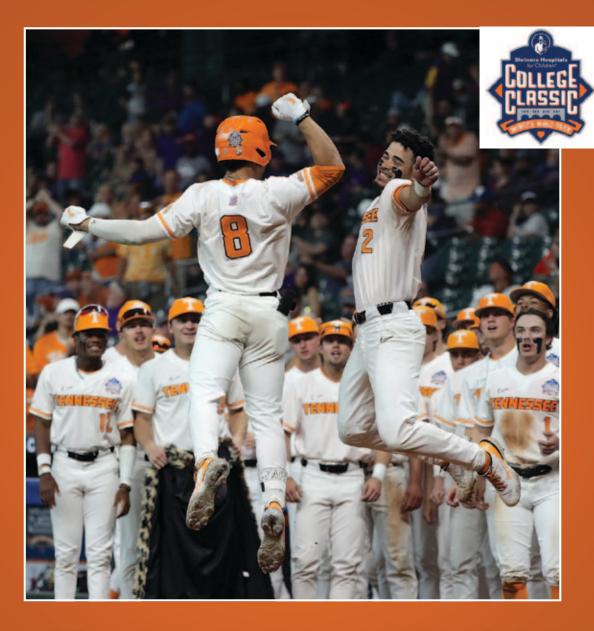
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Tennessee defeats Baylor in Shriners Children's College Classic









Your Potentate

Spring is in the air, and I hope you all are doing well and enjoying the nice weather and longer days. Spring also brings

us more opportunities to get out and meet with our nobles, brothers and ladies for fraternity events and gatherings. Lady Leigh and I have made several visits in the last month with clubs, units, and events. February/March took us to visit the White Plains, Mecklenburg and Gaston Shrine Clubs as well as the Oasis Patrol and Gator Patrol Units. Thank you to the clubs and units for your generous hospitality and warm welcomes.

Friday March 4th I had the awesome opportunity to be the "Chief" judge amongst four other celebrity judges in a chili cook-off at the Mecklenburg Shrine Club where the Boppers Shag Club held a fun night of dancing, silent auction, 50/50 drawing and more chili than you could eat. This event raised \$4,000 for our Shriners Hospitals for Children. Hats off to the Mecklenburg club and the "Boppers" for such a successful event.

Saturday March 12th Lady Leigh and I struck out early to the Riverside Masonic Lodge in Catawba, NC. The brothers and nobles of the lodge have brought back their famous "Ham Day" breakfast event after the need to cancel for two years. This event has historically been a major fundraiser for our Masonic charities in NC and this day of return was certainly no exception. I had my fair share of country ham, biscuits, red-eyed gravy, and grits. Well done, brothers and nobles of Riverside!

Saturday March 19th, your Divan held their March meeting at the Land of the Sky Shrine Club in Asheville, NC at 10:00 am. Our Divan was well represented to conduct the business of our temple and to make plans for the remaining events of 2022. The Land of Sky Nobles hosted this meeting and provided lunch; their hospitality was over the top. Thank you to all the nobles in the Asheville area for your efforts. This is an

opportunity for nobles in areas away from the Charlotte region to attend a business meeting if they so desire and our next "away" Divan meeting will be in July at the Greensboro Shrine Club.

Masonic Home for Children Oxford (MHCO) teenagers are coming to the Charlotte NASCAR Hall of Fame! Nobles Brad Orr and Gary Cook have been coordinating with the NASCAR Hall of Fame staff to provide our Masonic Home teenagers with a fun day of "NASCAR experiences" on June 9, 2022. Oasis Headquarters will host the bus load of children and staff at our facility for a breakfast and tour of Oasis and then off to the NASCAR Hall of Fame for a fun filled day. The teenagers will be interacting with our very own Oasis Noble and NASCAR driver David Regan and other dignitaries. They will get to experience the simulators; the engine build shops and many other areas. After completing their day, they will return to Oasis Headquarters for an evening meal in the Sands area before loading up and heading home to Oxford. Many thanks to Nobles Brad and Gary and to the Oxford staff for planning such a fun event for our beloved MHCO.

The Greenville Hospital Open House is rescheduled for September 24, 2022. This presents your club or unit ample time to plan group attendance to the hospital and bring along the new nobles and ladies and any prospective Shrine Masons, to learn more about the Shriners Children Hospital system.

Your Divan and elected SASA representatives attended the Spring SASA meeting in Charleston SC (March 24-26) to represent Oasis. Plans are in progress for the Fall SASA meeting in Myrtle Beach SC in September. Noble Director Jimmy Burgess had the duty of drawing our position in the parade line up. Oasis will be ninth to step off. During this meeting, your Oasis Divan had the opportunity to nominate Illustrious Sir Bill Carter (PP 2020) for the position of SASA 5th Vice President. His official election to the position will be held in September at Myrtle Beach, which will place Illustrious Sir Bill in line to be SASA President 2026/2027.

Oasis Shriners Night at the Gastonia Honey Hunters Baseball game is scheduled for Saturday May 21st in Gastonia, NC. This will be a family fun event where Oasis Shriners will be recognized for the public and spectators to see who we are and promote what we do. Mark your calendars to bring the family and friends to enjoy this fun event of baseball and a catered all-you-can-eat buffet. More information about schedules and tickets can be found on page 17 of this issue of the Desert Dust.

Plans are set for our Spring Ceremonial June 3-5, in beautiful Blowing Rock NC. Chetola Resort will be the host facility. You can now make your room reservations at any time with any of the local hotel of your choice. Make plans to attend and round up those brother Masons who are not Shriners and get them to Blowing Rock. More ceremonial information and schedules are in this publication on page 8.

Our next guiding principle I want to focus on is "Morality." While searching the internet for Masonic meanings of morality there is a great deal of information offered and explained. The publications connect morality to the working tools of a Mason. When we consider the working tools of a Master Mason they teach us a "Code of Conduct" in which we are to conduct ourselves among other Masons and the public as well. References are made to "strong work ethic," "moral instruction" and "goodness." Other publications offer a more specific meaning – To be "Just, upright, and free men, of mature age, sound judgement."

Several other events for clubs and units can be found elsewhere in this publication, on the Oasis website and the Oasis phone app.

Now, go forward and encourage one another to practice and use the virtues of Friendship and Morality with all your fraternal nobles and brothers so that we may continue to strengthen our organization.

Illustrious Sir Tim Daniels and Lady Leigh



Your Recorder

Greetings to All Nobles, Ladies, Friends and Supporters.

As always, I want to personally thank each of you for being a part

of Oasis. Without you, none of this would be possible.

I am sad to report that the annual Greenville
Hospital open house on March 11th and 12th
had to be postpended until the fall due to safety
concerns. I am hopeful that this will be the last of
any cancelations that we will see. With Illustrious
Sir H. Mike Cook being on the Board of Directors,
I am sure that when this event does happen it will
be first class.

I want to thank the members of the Oasis Land of the Sky Shrine Club for hosting our March 2022 Divan meeting at their club on Saturday morning March 19th. I hope that more can attend our meetings by our taking them on the road. We always hold one on Friday at the Red Fez prior to the opening of Family Fun Day on June 17th and the next one after that will be in Greensboro on Saturday July 23rd. Again, please come out and see your working Divan at one of these remote locations.

Don't forget the Potentate's golf outing to Santee on April 22-24th, and then his trip to Washington DC to visit several Masonic and Shrine historic locations.

Since the first of the year, I have been shining a spotlight on Oasis Divan leadership. I would like to point out there are only three positions on the Divan who are not assigned specific clubs

and units due to the vast number of duties and responsibilities. Those three positions are the Treasurer, Recorder and Director.

This time it's the Director's turn in the spotlight. So, let's move up the table one more position to the Oasis Director. That position is currently held by Noble Jimmy Burgess, and has been for the past two years after being placed on the Divan by Illustrious Sir Tommy Helms. As most of you know, the Burgess name has long been associated with the hard work, fun and fellowship of Shrine and Noble Jimmy is no different.

The Oasis Director has a couple of main functions that he is responsible for. The first being responsibility for all Oasis Shrine parades. He receives all parade requests and after verifying each one he decides to approve or turn down the request. If approved, then the request is kept on file as a record of that unit being in that

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Christian Scott #8 of the Tennessee Volunteers receives a high five from Jorel Ortega #2 after hitting a two run home run in the third inning against the Baylor Bears during the Shriners Children's College Classic at Minute Maid Park on March 05, 2022 in Houston, Texas.

Shriners Children's College Classic

March 4–8, 2022

The 22nd annual Shriners Children's College Classic returned to Minute Maid Park in Houston, Texas, last month. Baylor University, University of Texas, Louisiana State University, Oklahoma University, University of California – Los Angeles, and University of Tennessee took the field for the nine game tournament.

Reminder

All ads & articles for the May edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted to **Edie Wilson** at **Ediewilson7@gmail.com** by April 10.



The Desert Dust

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Recorder - John Cable

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John Stanley (PP-1997) - Chaplain

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Oasis Shriners Schedule

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

APRIL

13th Divan meeting (2nd Qtr 'Stated') -

Oasis Shrine Center

22nd-24th Potentate's Santee Golf Trip -

Open to Nobility and Friends

29th-3rd Potentate Trip - Washington DC

MAY

5th-7th Paper Crusade

12th Divan Meeting

21st Gastonia Honey Hunters Game -

Gastonia, NC

JUNE

3rd-5th Spring Ceremonial -

Blowing Rock NC, Chetola Resort

17th-18th Oasis Family Fun Day -

Red Fez Shrine Club, Lake Wylie SC

17th Divan Meeting -

Red Fez Shrine Club

JULY

3rd-7th Imperial Session -

Minneapolis, MN

TBD Charlotte Knights Baseball Game -

CANCELLED

23rd Divan Meeting (3rd Qtr 'Stated') -

Greensboro Shrine Club

AUGUST

12th Shrine 100 50th Anniversary

Race - Gastonia Speedway

12th Divan Meeting - Location TBD

27th Black Tie Ceremonial -

Honoring NC Grand Master

Salisbury, NC

SEPTEMBER

15th Divan Meeting -

Myrtle Beach / SASA

15th-17th SASA - Myrtle Beach, SC

23rd Grand Lodge of NC Annual

Meeting - Greensboro, NC

23rd-24th Greenville Hospital Days

weekend - **NEW DATE**

24th-1st Fall Potentate Trip -

Disney World, Orlando FL

OCTOBER

7th-8th Oxford Homecoming -

Oxford NC

12th Oasis Circus - Hickory, NC

14th-15th Oasis Circus - Concord, NC

20th Divan Meeting (4th Qtr 'Stated') -

Oasis Shrine Center

21st Oasis 3rd Annual Golf

Tournament - Location TBD

NOVEMBER

4th-5th Fall Ceremonial -

Oasis Shrine Center

19th Oasis Military Veterans Event -

Oasis Shrine Center

DECEMBER

3rd Grand Master's Installation -

Location TBD

3rd Oasis Shriners Annual Meeting

& 2023 Officer's Elections -Oasis Shrine Center at 3pm

4th Potentate's Visitation Parade,

Gastonia, NC

JANUARY 2023

6th Club & Units Appreciation Night -

Oasis Shrine Center

7th Installation 2023 Potentate -

Oasis Shrine Center

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Upcoming Events

April 30th, 2022

Shriners on Bikes Poker Run

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May 7th, 2022

Red Fez Shrine Club Derby Party

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May 7th, 2022

Mecklenburg Shrine Club Derby Party

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May 13th, 2022

Mecklenburg Shrine Club Fish Fry

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May 21st, 2022

38th Masonic Jam Session

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June 29th, 2022 **2022 Tractor Ride**

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event. He sets the line up and makes sure that all Oasis participants are duly authorized to conduct themselves in that event.

Another function of the Director is to receive, review and approve all fundraiser requests for all clubs and units in Oasis. Any club or unit who is participating in a fundraiser <u>MUST</u> notify the Director and receive approval before conducting themselves in such event. Noble Jimmy has been having issues with some holding or assisting in fundraisers without approval. This is an absolute do not do.

If you feel you can assist in anyway or want any additional information about the Director's responsibility, please feel free to contact Noble Jimmy Burgess directly at jburgess@oasisshriners.org or just give him a call at 803-367-2775.

In my last couple of Desert Dust spotlight articles, I failed to mention the clubs and units that those Divan positions of Outer Guard, Captain of the Guard and Marshal cover: Tom Bridges, Outer Guard, has the following clubs: Avery, Catawba, East Burke, Foothills, Lincoln County, Mountaineer, Mt. Mitchell along with the units of Gator Patrol and Mountain Buggies.

Jack Wallace, Captain of the Guard, has Mecklenburg, Rowan and Union clubs and the following units: Clowns, Greeters, Highlanders, Hillbillies, Keystone Kops, Oldies and Potentates Guard.

Jimmy Owen, Marshal, has Blue Ridge, Brushy Mountain, Golf, Greensboro, Lexington, Rockingham, and Winston-Salem along with the Big Rigs, NASCARTS and Oriental Band.

You can look these and all club and unit Divan representatives up on page 25 and 26 of this year's Potentate's Directory or on the Oasis app website.

I always like to close by remembering to thank GOD for all his glory, enjoy your family, stay safe, be thankful every day for what you have and where you are. Hope to see you at Oasis or at an Oasis function soon. Until next month.

YITF,

John G. Cable



Lady Leigh's Oasis Sunshine Fund Drawing Scentsy Gift Basket

We will have a drawing for a Scentsy Gift Basket on Saturday, November 5, 2022, at the Fall Ceremonial to be held at the Oasis Headquarters.

This basket is valued at \$350.00 and is filled with many Scentsy Home and Body products. Tickets, \$5/each or 5 for \$20, are available at the Oasis Headquarters office, at any Oasis event and from the Divan Ladies. There is also a link on the Oasis Shriners Website at www.oasisshriners.org.



All funds will go to the Oasis Sunshine Fund, which is used to assist Shriners, who may need assistance to continue their membership with Oasis Shriners.



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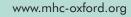
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Simply use the QR code with your smart phone to change the life of a child. *Be sure to check the First Lady Leigh MHCO Memories box*. Thank you for your support.



Spring Ceremonial Weekend | Blowing Rock, NC



June 3-5, 2022 | Chetola Resort

Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday, June 3rd

2pm – 5pm New Candidate Registration; Chetola Resort

2pm – 5pm Hospitality Room open – Embers Room @ Chetola Resort

5pm – 6pm Ladies Social – Evergreen Room @ Chetola Resort

Open to all Shriners Ladies, New Candidates Ladies - \$10/person

Contact Oasis Office to reserve by Monday, May 23, 2022

6pm - 7:30pm Dinner - On your own

7:30 pm – 11pm Music/Hospitality – Chetola Resort by the lake

Saturday, June 4th

9am – 9:30am New Candidate Registration; Blowing Rock Elementary School

9:30am – 12pm Ceremonial for Oasis Nobles and New Candidates

Ladies invited to attend opening; will be dismissed

after opening ceremony

Ladies have a free morning for shopping, sightseeing, attractions, lunch. Blowing Rock Retailers are sponsoring a Scavenger Hunt for the ladies.

12:00 pm Lunch for Parading Units and New Nobles

1:00 pm Parade line up

2:00 pm Parade steps off

2pm – 5pm Hospitality Room open – Evergreen Room @ Chetola Resort

5pm - 7:30pm Dinner – On your own

7:30pm – 11pm Music / Hospitality – Chetola Resort by the lake

Sunday, June 5th

9:30 am Church Service w/Oasis Chaplain, PP, John Stanley

Chetola Resort – Evergreen Room



Blowing Rock Area Hotels, Inns, Lodges



Alpine Village Inn 828-295-7206 | www.alpine-village-inn.com

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Blowing Rock Inn 828-295-7921 | www.blowingrockinn.com

Boxwood Lodge 828-295-3380 | boxwoodlodge.com

Chetola Resort (Host Hotel) 828-295-5500 | "Oasis Shriner" for room block

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The Manor 828-414-2800 | www.blowingrockmanor.com

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The host hotel is Chetola Resort with condos and hotel rooms. Deadline for the group block is May 1. Group code is "Oasis".

Other hotels in Blowing Rock are also taking reservations but no group block or code is needed.



MECKLENBURG SHRINE CLUB

5200 Mecklenburg Shrine Club Rd Charlotte, 28215





11:AM Till 7PM

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Kids Under 5 Eat Free

Desserts \$1



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Charleston welcomes Shriners to Low Country

Oasis Shriners were fortunate to be able to spend some time in the "Low Country" of South Carolina with the Nobles and Ladies of SASA.

President, Illustrious Sir Ralph Calhoun, PP, assisted by Director General, Rusty Watson, and the Nobles and Ladies of Omar Shriners put on a fantastic event The meetings were informative,

the hospitality welcoming, and the fun and fellowship outstanding and infectious,

One of the highlights of the weekend was the presentation by a Master Tour Guide who offered us an interesting perspective on Charleston, SC history.

Graham Wilson receives 50 year award



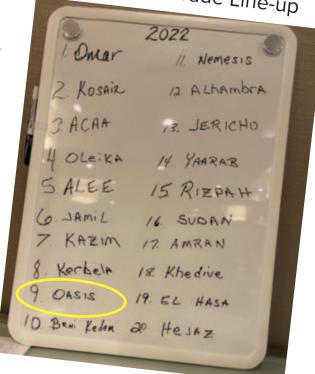


Noble Graham Wilson receives his 50 year Shrine pin and certificate, assisted by Imperial Sirs Al Madden and Jerry Gantt and Illustrious Sir John Stanley, SASA Chaplain for 2022.











John Stanley, Chaplain

But those who hope (who wait, who trust) in the LORD...

In the past two years institutions, clubs, units, lodges, have been shut down, opened up, closed again, and opened up gradually. We have been unsure, we have grown weary,

many of us are still apprehensive about being around others, about being in small and large crowds. So much uncertainty!

All our lives we have been preparing for something. We are taught and are constantly reminded about the importance of preparing. It may be preparing for our careers, preparing for marriage, for special events and now attempting to prepare for future unknowns. In the past most of the things for which we prepared seemed to have been within our power to influence or control. Nope. No more within our power!

Now, in this world of uncertainty we can only prepare ourselves through strengthening our relationship with the Supreme Architect of the Universe and growing our faith. Our Holy Writings state in the Book of Isaiah: "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Some versions state "those who WAIT, or those who TRUST in the Lord."

So, Patience and perseverance are critical, and are essential as we emerge from the restrictions and the uncertainty of the Pandemic. We are now in a position to prepare for changes in our lifestyle and activities. And, a huge part of that

preparation is to hope, to wait, to trust in the Lord. And, how do we do that? We read the Holy Writings, we pray for the perseverance to trust in the Lord's Timing. It is the Lord's Will and the Lord's Timing—not ours.

And, we constantly remember "those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will

soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31.

John Stanley, is Chaplain of Oasis, and Chaplain of South Atlantic Shriners. He served as Imperial Chaplain when Imperial Sir Al Madsen was Imperial Potentate. John can be reached at: jhstanley1965@gmail.com.



Oasis Drum & Bugle Corps Car & Truck Show

May 7th, 2022



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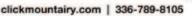
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Noble receives 50 year service award from Oasis

Divan member, Donnie Wrenn, presents Noble John Edwards, PM his 50 year service award from Oasis Shrine.







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Drop-off Location:
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or Units

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The Illustrious Grandson's Toy Drive

My name is Levi and I want to tell you about the Toy Drive William, Ryan Jr. and I will be sponsoring this year.

We are asking for new and unwrapped toys or for donations to purchase toys for the entire year.

You can bring toys to the Temple, or to your unit and club meetings. We will arrange to get the toys delivered to the hospital throughout the year.

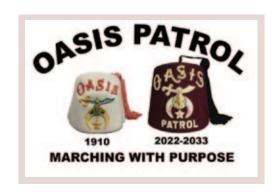
On the Oasis Website we will have more information and also a link you can donate dollars to, and we will purchase the toys for you

Thank you for helping us support the Greenville Shriners Hospital.



Oasis Patrol News

Spring is here and that means that the Spring Ceremonial is fast approaching. It is being held this year June 3 – 5 in Blowing Rock NC, with the Chetola Resort serving as the host hotel. The Ceremonial will be held Saturday morning at the elementary school. The Patrol will be there serving in our usual rolls from posting the colors, to tiling the doors during the Ceremonial, to selling jewelry before and after the Ceremonial and any other duties that may arise. The parade will be held in downtown Blowing Rock at 2 pm, line-up beginning at 1 pm, with the Oasis Patrol leading the way. If you are planning to stay overnight, please make your reservations as soon as possible.



The annual Paper Crusade will be held May 5-7 this year. The Patrol is planning to distribute papers at the Drum & Bugle car show in Mt. Holly to be held during Springfest on Saturday May 7. More details will be forthcoming about this event. We have been given permission to attend the WFNZ Doghouse before the Charlotte Football Club's home soccer matches to collect donations for Shriners Children's. We will announce the dates and times at a later date.

Shrine Trailer Travels for You

Did you know the Shrine Hospital
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Please join me in welcoming our newest Patrolman, Noble Marvin Dayne Marsh III who was elected on February 28, 2022. Dayne was raised a Master Mason on September 14, 2021 in Mooresville Lodge #496 and is serving as Junior Deacon this year. Dayne joined Oasis on November 6, 2021 at the Fall Ceremonial held at the Oasis Shrine Center. Dayne resides in Mooresville NC and is employed as a Funeral Director with Cavin-Cook Funeral Home and Crematory. Dayne, the Patrol Family is delighted to welcome you as our newest member and we are looking forward to working with you in the future to keep the Oasis Patrol Marching with Purpose.

The next meeting of the Oasis Patrol will be held on April 22, 2022 in the Patrol meeting room at the Oasis Shrine Center. Social will begin at 6:00 pm with the meeting beginning at 7:00 pm. Remember to bring your favorite dish to share, and an unwrapped toy for the Illustrious Grandson's Toy Drive, for extra points. All Patrolmen and their families are encouraged to attend. The meeting is also open to any Noble who is interested in petitioning the Patrol, so please bring your family and join us.

For more information about Oasis events, please check the website at www.oasisshriners.org. Please contact your Chaplain with any health and happiness updates and feel free to contact me with any questions or needs.

YITF,

Scottie Cox, Oasis Patrol Captain

Grand York Rite Annual Communication celebrates 2022 Officers



Pictured Left to Right: Scottie Cox, Tom Bridges, IS and Honorary Patrolman Terry K. Jones PP, Chris Hall, Brandon Penley and Rory J. Byers

We congratulate the following Patrolmen who are serving the Grand York Rite of North Carolina as Officers. They were installed on March 22, 2022 at the Grand York Rite Annual Communication.

Scottie Cox, Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of NC; Tom Bridges, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of NC; Chris Hall, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of NC; Brandon Penley, Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of NC; and Rory J. Byers, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of NC.

"It is truly an honor to serve Oasis Shrine and the York Rite of Freemasonry with these distinguished gentlemen."

Noble Scotty Cox

OASIS ANNIVERSARY CHALLENGE COIN



The Membership Team will be selling coins to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of Oasis and raise money to send a child or children to Victory Junction.

THE COST WILL BE \$20.00 EACH

Coins can be purchased through the Temple office or from Divan representatives.



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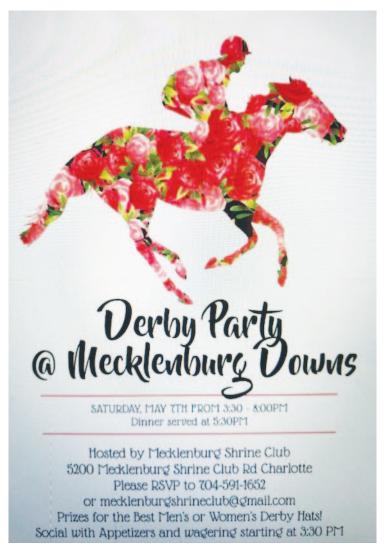




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Thursday, July 14, 2022

Check in: 11:00 AM Shot Gun Start 12:00 NOON

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Oasis Baseball Event in the Potentate's Hometown

Gastonia Honey Hunters

Caromont Health Park; 800 W. Franklin Blvd, Gastonia NC

Saturday, May 21, 2022

Gates open at 5:30pm; First Pitch at 6:15pm

\$25 per person includes:

All You Can Eat Buffet

begins at 6:15pm for 90 minutes

General Admission Seating

Tickets must be purchased in advance by contacting the Oasis Headquarters at 704-549-9600 option 8, by Thursday, May 12th

Bring the family and enjoy a night of baseball!

ALL YOU CAN EAT BUFFET INCLUDES:

ENTREES

- Pulled pork sliders w/house made Sundrop BBQ Sauce, crispy onion straws and Hawaiian slider rolls
- Gas House cheeseburger sliders
- Sabrett's hot dog

SIDES

- Homestyle Mac & Cheese with Carolina Red Sauce and crispy onion straws
- Baked beans with bacon and brown sugar
- Peach coleslaw
- Kettle chips

BEVERAGES

 Sweet tea, water, and lemonade









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Email: cabarrushrineclub@gmail.com

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Contact: Noble Secretary Mike Pritchard 828-442-9170



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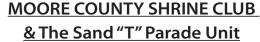
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Contact President Bill Loeser

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Contact Noble John Brown 336-977-8668

or Noble Alex Edmisten 336-467-4478



Contact Captain Scottie Cox at 704-467-3677 or scottcox67@aol.com to join the Oldest Unit of Oasis Shriners

HENDERSONVILLE SHRINE CLUB



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Terry J Cox, Secretary
Oasis Shrine Scooter Patrol



We meet on the 3rd Thursday of every month at the Fairview Masonic Lodge #339 in Kings Mountain. The meal is at 6:30 and the meeting is at 7:00.

President - Rusty Carringer / VP - Joel Summitt Email: WhitePlainsShrineClub@gmail.com



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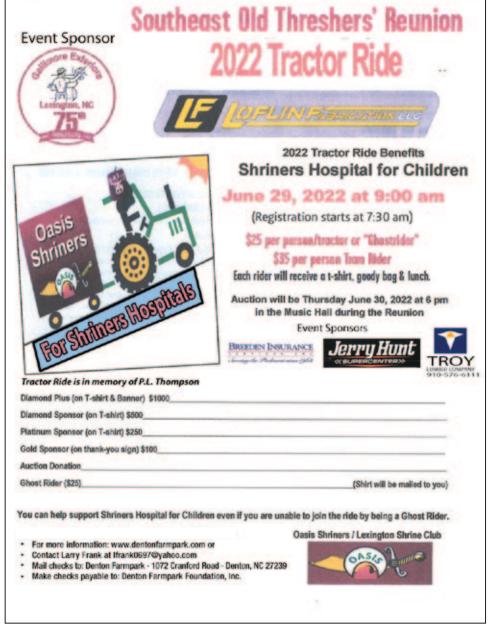
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