



SHRINER DAYS AT SHRINERS CHILDREN'S GREENVILLE









Your Potentate

As we ease into the fall, I hope you all had a great summer and found time to spend with family and friends and time to relax. September ushered in our SASA meeting at Myrtle

Beach and what a great event and weekend that turned out to be. Oasis was well represented from the business meetings beginning on Thursday through the Saturday evening Oasis hospitality event. On Saturday, our Oasis parade units managed to bring home 14 trophies/plaques overall. One third place, nine second place and four first place awards. A tip of the hat to our units for all their efforts and immense success at SASA. Your Potentate received many positive comments from other shrine temples, SASA officers and the Imperial Divan members. While at SASA and in the spirit of giving, an anonymous Oasis noble and his lady presented me with a check for Shriners Children's for \$4,000. What a fantastic way to begin the weekend in such a positive spirit.

On September 1, I was honored to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Surry County Shrine Club along with Noble Chief Rabban Doug Garland and bring greetings from Oasis Shriners. Thank you to the Surry Nobles for your warm welcome, generous hospitality, and all you do to support Oasis.

September 2, Lady Leigh and I were at the Red Fez Shrine Club, where we held a Fall Ceremonial planning session followed by the Red Fez Club meeting. Several Divan members were in attendance and again we brought greetings from Oasis Shriners. Thank you to the Red Fez nobles and ladies for all you do to support Oasis, and your warm welcome and great hospitality. Keep Red Fez strong!

September 9, the Oasis Patrol held their regularly scheduled meeting to plan for delegated SASA duties from the Potentate. A special thank you to the Patrol Unit for all you do to support Oasis Shriners in taking part in our events and performing the duties at the will and pleasure of your Potentate. As the Patrol is my personal unit, Lady Leigh and I are proud to be a part of the oldest and first unit of Oasis Shriners. Keep up the great work of supporting Oasis Shriners!

September 10, I was back at the Red Fez for the Hillbilly Clan #13 Degree hosted by the Red Fez Shrine Club members. The Hillbillies did not disappoint with the activities of the day in raising funds for their unit and hospital and initiating new Clan #13 members. Thank you to the Oasis Hillbilly members for all you do for Oasis Shriners. Long Live the Cob! Lady Leigh and I planned to support the Gaston County Shrine Club's 1st Annual Toy Drive and Show-and-Shine on that same morning, but it was rained out and will be rescheduled for a later date. Thank you Gaston County Shrine Club!

Nobles, we have a need of great and urgent importance. Come January 1, 2023, we possibly could have over 500 Nobles removed from the rolls for non-payment of dues (NPD). It is urgent that you ensure you are current on your 2021 and 2022 dues to Oasis/Shriners International. You can look at your dues card for 2022 sticker, log on to WEBFEZ to check your status or simply call Oasis office to check. Contact Sherrie Vandergriff, 704-549-9600, select option 1, or send her an email request to check support@ oasisshriners.org. You may also contact any Divan member for assistance. Act now and don't delay in keeping your membership current. If you happen to know of a noble who may need aid in paying his dues, please contact a Divan member and bring that to our attention.

Our next Guiding Principle is "Hope." As described in the encyclopedia for Freemasonry:

"Depictions of the graces have been found throughout the centuries. Within Freemasonry Faith, Hope, and Charity have also been depicted as three women: the frontispiece to Albert Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasonry in a stunning illustration:

Faith is shown standing between two Corinthian Pillars holding a lamp in her hand, which symbolizes the 'lamp of knowledge.'

Hope stands before a window, flowers in her arms and new growth springs at her feet.

Charity, with the clouded canopy of heaven behind her, holds a small child in one arm and two older children cling to her.

In religious or spiritual terms, we aspire—or hope—that we will achieve Salvation and enter the 'Canopy of Heaven' at the end of our life, in "hopes" of reaching the Promised Land. In daily life, hardships, fears and frustrations are abundant; we often encounter obstacles that make life difficult; people we don't like or those who make us feel inferior, but as long as we have faith in ourselves—and our God/Supreme Being-and "hope" to anchor us to the right path and the way to walk it, we will succeed. Freemasonry offers the tools for all these things."

Finally, Nobles and ladies, live in peace and may the God of love and peace delight with and bless you all!

Illustrious Sir Tim Daniels and Lady Leigh



Faith



Rope



Sharity



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.

This month's spotlight on Oasis Divan leadership takes us just close to the end and to the elected position of Chief Rabban. This position is held by Noble Doug Garland.

Noble Doug came into the Shrine in 2008 during the spring Ceremonial in Asheboro during III. Sir John Elder's year. Doug has served as an officer on the Greensboro and High Point Shrine Clubs before being appointed to the moving Divan line by III. Sir Mike Neaves in 2017.

Noble Doug gives credit to several people who helped mold him during his tenure, but it was III. Sir Sticky Burch who had a very big influence



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on Noble Doug and his career in the Shrine. As Chief Rabban, Noble Doug is responsible for the operations of the Divan. This position, some would say, is like the position of majority whip. He is constantly calling members of the leadership team along with clubs and units while working with each member of the Divan to make sure projects get done. He is doing all of these things while preparing his own budget and planning his year of 2023.

Clubs that Noble Doug is directly responsible for are Appalachian, Ashe, Elkin-Jonesville, High Point, Legion of Honor, Mystic, New River, Randolph, and Surry. His unit is the Surry Mini Truckers. If you need his assistance, please reach out to Noble Doug at dgarland@oasisshriners.org or call his cell phone 336-963-1326; he is there to assist you and get ready for a fun filled year in 2023.

Next month we will move up to the middle of boardroom table to the office of Oasis Potentate.

Since my last article Oasis has attended SASA and elected a new fifth vice-president in III. Sir Bill Carter. By now all of you know how much III. Sir Sticky meant to me and Lady Carol. While at SASA I had an opportunity to sit and talk with Noble Chip Burch about his dad and remember a lot of the good times. Noble Chip informed me that he was moving items of his dad's and found his SASA President's jewel. That night after we finished talking, he and I decided that III. Sir's SASA jewel is going to be donated to Oasis, so it can be worn by each newly elected SASA President from Oasis. That means from now on each time Oasis holds that office that jewel with be presented at the installation. Just think about 200 years from now, how cool to have this live on.

As of this article, I still don't have a time for the Oasis elections on December 3. We are hoping

On the Cover

Dave "Thumper" Linn, Smoky Mountain Shrine Club presents a great big check. This year's 80's Flashback Weekend raised \$27,000!

Reminder

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

for an early starting time but will not be able to announce that until after the Grand Lodge elections on September 30 and October 1. Once I know I will share it.

We have several things coming up. The third annual Oasis golf tournament is October 21 and there is still time of sponsor a team or hole. Call the office or email Jimmy Owen at jowen@ oasisshriners.org . We have our Fall Ceremonial at Oasis on November 4-5. Make sure to book your rooms now at the Hilton University.

Before I go, I would like to congratulate our very own Edie Wilson, who once again won first place out of all 200 shrine Temple / Centers for the Oasis Desert Dust. Lady Edie, I believe that makes three wins and one honorable mention for Oasis. Great Job and keep up the good work!

I always like to close by remembering to thank GOD for all His glory, enjoy your family, stay safe, and 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



The Desert Dust

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2022 DIVAN

Chief Rabban - Doug Garland Assistant Rabban - Shea Fadel High Priest and Prophet - Chris Hall

Oriental Guide - Tim Farris

Treasurer - Bill Harward (PP-1998)

Recorder - John Cable

1st Ceremonial Master - Donnie Wrenn

2nd Ceremonial Master - Scottie Cox

Director - Jimmy Burgess

Marshal - Jimmy Owen

Captain of the Guard - Jack Wallace

Outer Guard - Tom Bridges

John Stanley (PP-1997) - Chaplain

EDITOR

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE

OCTOBER

7th-8th Oxford Homecoming - Oxford NC12th Oasis Circus - Greensboro, NC

The Field House

14th-15th Oasis Circus - Concord, NC

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

Oasis Shrine Center

21st Oasis 3rd Annual Golf Tournament

Woodbridge GC, Kings Mtn, NC

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



Upcoming Events

October 8th, 2022

Lake Norman Car Show

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October 8th, 2022

Thermal Belt SC Car Show

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October 22nd, 2022 Red Fez SC Oktoberfest

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December 4th, 2022

Gastonia Parade

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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.



Nobles Don Stills and Paul Gentry of Land of Sky Shrine Club deliver a large load of pop tabs on behalf of Street-Tiques of Asheville.



OASIS POTENTATE TIM DANIELS REQUESTS THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT OUR

★VETERANS ★

APPRECIATION DINNER
Saturday, November 19, 2022 at
6pm

Oasis Veterans, Nobles and their families are invited to attend as we honor our veterans.

Lt. Colonel Arlin Wilsher will be the guest speaker.

Please RSVP by 5 pm on Monday, November 14, 2022. Please call Karen at 704-549-9600, Ext #2 or email coordinator@oasisshriners.org.

November 19, 2022*6:00 PM *Oasis Shrine
 Temple, 604 Doug Mayes Pl. Charlotte, NC *

2022

Potentate's Visitation & City of Gastonia Christmas Parade

Sunday, DECEMBER 4TH
Parade begins at 5:00 pm
Downtown Gastonia
to Caromont Health Park
(Honey Hunters Baseball Field)

All Nobles & Units are invited to participate! Please contact Noble Director Jimmy Burgess if your club or unit will join us jimmyburgess57@gmail.com

Oasis Hospitality Team Wants You

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INDEPENDENT LIVING

Continuing education, employment, transportation access and ILS development are the primary goals. Individual supports are also provided including academic scholarships.

SUPPORTS PROVIDED

Safe Living Environment
Family Style Care with Houseparent
Tutoring and Academic Supports
Vocational Counseling
Networking and Referrals
Transitional Planning
After Care
Recommendations for Deferrals

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Parental Substance Abuse
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- Three in Band
- Two in JROTC
- One in Karate
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- Movie Night for Cottage
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- · JROTC for two Youth
- · Haircuts for a year

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SASA PARADE

FIRST PLACE AWARD

Shriners Children's Greenville – The first hundred years

"Healthcare has changed and we are changing." According to Imp. Sir Jerry Gantt, Shriners Children's is not only offering the best care for "our kids," we're reaching out to El Salvador, Viet Nam and beyond to provide orthopedic treatment and aftercare to children across the globe.

On Saturday, September 24, hundreds of Shriners and guests gathered at Shriners Children's Greenville to celebrate a Legacy of Generosity. There were check presentations and happy birthday songs. We heard Trana Pittam, Director of Marketing and Communications, emphasize the fact that we're not just "free care," we're THE BEST CARE! Shriners Children's Greenville treats over 85 orthopedic conditions and is in the top 1% in patient satisfaction. Patients and their stories brought home that fact.

With alternative payment arrangements that create a network of contacts and record-breaking referrals – 465 in August alone - Shriners Healthcare System is experiencing phenomenal growth. During and after the 2020 pandemic many non-shrine hospitals collapsed. They were forced to cut services, layoff employees and even close their doors. Cleveland Clinic experienced a \$1 billion loss, while Shriners Children's Greenville remained "Shriner Strong." No missed payroll, no cut services. Built on a foundation of philanthropy, Shriners Healthcare System continues to provide THE BEST CARE - comprehensive, wrap-around care - to children in the Upstate and beyond.

























Happy 150th Anniversary, Shriners!

Happy Anniversary to Shriners International! For 150 years, you've made the world a better place through fun, fellowship, and philanthropy! In 1922, the fraternity opened the first Shriners Hospital for Children. Since then, the healthcare system — now known as Shriners Children's— has helped more than 1. 5 million children around the world! Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication!



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Please bring a TOY for the "Potentate's Grandson's Toy Drive" – New/unwrapped toys only

Friday, November 4

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Registration at Oasis Headquarters

7:00 pm — 11:00 pm Hospitality and DJ at Oasis Headquarters

Saturday, November 5

7:30 am – 8:45 am Registration and Shrine Mart Oasis Headquarters

Doughnuts/coffee by Keystone Kops

9:00 am Ceremonial Oasis Headquarters

(Ladies are invited and encouraged to attend the

Opening ceremony; they will be dismissed to the Ladies Social)

10:00 am Ladies Social Sands Restaurant @ Oasis Headquarters

(See Information pg. 11 of this edition of the Desert Dust)

Time/TBD Afternoon Hospitality University Hilton

7:00 pm – 10:00 pm Hospitality and DJ Oasis Headquarters

10:00 pm Hospitality University Hilton

Sunday, November 6

9:30 am Church Service w/Rev. John Stanley, PP University Hilton (Hospitality Room)

Schedule is subject to change



John Stanley, Chaplain

Happiness and/or Joy

These past few days we have received much needed rain in many areas of our state. And, the cloudy, rainy days bring to mind the wonderful song recorded by the Carpenters some years ago "Rainy Days and Mondays" (always get me down).

And, in those rainy days, there is much we

can allow to get us down—not only rainy days. We fret and worry about so much. And, two words that come to mind. One is that word HAP. Hap is the root word of HAPPY and HAPPEN. Something must HAPPEN TO MAKE US HAPPY.

The other word is JOY. Joy comes from within. We can have joy regardless of what is going on out there. Nothing has to HAPPEN to make us Joyful.

The late great author and speaker, Zig Ziglar must have been thinking of the word JOY when he said, "When you can't find the sunshine,

then BE the Sunshine. And, that brings us to Proverbs 31. The writer says "A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones." "A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones."

A JOYFUL HEART, A CHEERFUL HEART is good medicine. And that says to us When we can't find the sunshine, then BE the Sunshine.

Remember, we have the choice; we can get Better or Bitter. I hope you and I will choose to be joyful and not wait on something to HAPPEN to make us HAPPY.

May God bless you most abundantly!

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.

please join us

Fall Ceremonial Ladies Social

Continental Breakfast with Entertainment to follow

Saturday, November 5, 2022 @ 10:00 am The Sands Restaurant Oasis Headquarters 604 Doug Mayes Place Charlotte NC

rsvp ta:

704-549-9600 (option 8) \$20.00 per person by Tuesday, October 25th

Anchor. Author. Speaker. Mom

We will have a special guest at our Ladies Social on Saturday, November 5.

Molly Grantham is the evening news anchor at WBTV News, Charlotte NC, and a three-time Emmy award winning journalist who has been named TV News Reporter of the Year for both Carolinas and a Charlottean of the Year by Charlotte Magazine in 2020. She juggles life with humor and poise and is a popular speaker who helps women feel seen. Her 2018 Tedx Talk, called The Real We Are, broke through stereotypes about women and image, and her two books both sold out on Amazon in their first week. Both are funny, accurate, real-life accounts of showing imperfections in relatable ways. (Think raw direct truth of comedian Nora Ephron, combined with Renee Zellweger's inner-monologue in Bridget Jones Diary.) Books will be available on the day of the social and she will even sign them.



Molly has been at WBTV News since 2003. She is actively involved in Charlotte's cancer community and well-known for writing about children with a variety of uphill medical battles. She is very familiar with Shriners and the work we do for children, as her father was a Shriner. She also knew our beloved, Past Potentate Illustrious Sir Doug Mayes. Molly and her husband have an 11-year-old daughter, 7-year-old son, and a (surprise!) baby boy born in July 2020, during COVID.

She says in her next life, she wants to be a mermaid.

235th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina













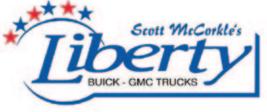












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The Illustrious Grandson's Toy Drive

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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 Shriners Children's Greenville.

*Deadline to turn in Toys and/or Donations will be December 3rd, 2022





Referrals: 866-459-0013 GreenvilleShrinersHospital.org SHCGreenville

Current Items Needed

- ▼ New release DVD movies (G. PG. PG-13)
- ♥ Wallets
- ♥ UNO/Phase 10/Skipbo
- Craft kits
- ♥ Baby dolls
- ♥ Remote control cars
- ♥ Super Hero toys/action figures (Marvel, DC)
- ♥ LEGOs large sets (Marvel, DC, Harry Potter, Technic, Lego Friends)
- Fisher Price medical kits
- ♥ Hello Kitty toys/items
- ♥ Gift cards (Walmart, Target, Amazon)
- ♥ Little kids flash lights (in the shape of animals)
- ♥ Fisher Price toys
- ♥ Xbox One games (NO mature rated games)
- ♥ Nintendo DS games
- ♥ Electronic games Football, Yatzee, Simon, Catchphrase, Bop-It, Solitaire
- ♥ Recent Movie toys (Toy Story 4, Secret Life of Pets, Frozen 2, Star Wars, Mulan, Trolls 2)

♥ Blume Dolls

♥ VTech toys

♥ Leap Frog toys

♥ Imaginext toys

- Minecraft toys
- Pokémon toys
- ♥ FurReal interactive pets Shopkins
- Melissa and Doug toys
- ♥ Thomas the Train toys
- ♥ Blimpie
- ♥ JoJo Siwa toys
- ♥ LOL Surprise!
- PJ Masks
- Paw Patrol

Castroom needs:

- Headphones (not earbuds)
- ♥ Bluetooth speaker ▼ Teething toys
- Gripper socks
- ♥ Knee length, thin socks (all sizes)
- ♥ Small light up toys
- ♥ Large toenail and fingernail clippers
- Pacifiers
- ♥ New release DVDs



Baclofen/Tone Clinic needs:

(children that have limited movement)

- Musical toys
- ♥ Toys/cars that make noise
- ♥ Play guitars/keyboards that make sounds
- ♥ Model magic dough
- Lite up tovs

Nursing Unit needs:

- Gripper socks
- ♥ Small pillows to go under casts
- Give away bed pillows
- Drawsheets (48" x 64")
- Colorful pillowcases
- ♥ Surgical gowns with snaps/ties in back (small adu
- ♥ Small tape measures (8ft)
- Harmonicas
- CVS and Walgreens gift cards

Teen Items Needed

- ♥ Bluetooth dancing water speakers
- ♥ Headphones over the ear, padded
- ♥ \$10 \$15 gift cards: Amazon, Walmart, Target, McDonald's, Taco Bell, Subway, Burger King, Starbucks, Chil-fil-a, Wendy's, etc.
- Jewerly
- Jewerly organizers
- DVD players
- ♥ New Release DVD's PG or PG13
- ♥ Wireless Karaoke Microphone
- ▼ Toiletry bags/Cosmetic bags
- Kayu bags
- ♥ Bath and Bodyworks products (hand sanitizer/holders)
- ♥ Hair chalk brush applicators
- Art sets
- ♥ Adult coloring books
- ♥ Markers (fine tip)
- Colored pencils
- ♥ Electronic games Football, Yatzee, Simon,
- Catchphrase, Bop-It, 20 Questions, Solitaire
- Memory Maze game
- ♥ Wallets
- Yeti cups
- Airpods with case
- Gel pen sets
- Calligraphy markers (dual tip)
- ♥ Slime kits





WANTED

Local newspaper is seeking amateur photographers from Clubs and Units in every district to take pictures at Shrine events.

Action shots preferred. (Beer cans prohibited.)

REWARD OFFERED:

A byline in The Desert Dust

SEND RESPONSE TOEdie Wilson, Editor

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Shrine Trailer Travels for You

Did you know the Shrine Hospital Trailer is available for your public fund raising or awareness events? Noble Sam Moody has generously agreed 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 Sam is ready and willing to bring the trailer to your location, with advance notice.

980-722-7951 sambo447@aol.com

Second Opinion Gives School Basketball Star A Second Chance



After persistent and worsening knee pain, Shane Hollinsend wasn't able to play the game he had loved since he was 6 years old – basketball. After seeking a second opinion from Shriners Children's Greenville, he was diagnosed and treated for diagnosis-patellar tendonitis of the left knee. Now, he's back on the court and giving back to the hospital that gave him a second chance.

Shane says: "Shriners Children's is such a good environment for kids of any age. To give back $-\mathsf{I}$ wanted other kids to get the opportunity to go out and play just as Shriners did for me."

Injury Care at Shriners Children's Greenville

From the playground to the playing field, we know the start of the busy school year has kids more active and vulnerable to injury. Our trusted leaders in orthopedic care for kids can get patients scheduled within two business days.

- Acute and stable injuries
- Strains and sprains
- Stable fractures
- Sports injuries
- Painful, swollen or injured joints





Refer a Patient

In addition to injury care, our hospital treats over 85 different orthopedic and neuromuscular conditions. Refer a patient to be seen virtually or in-person by calling **866-459-0013** or fax a referral form to **864-240-3111**.

All patients are treated regardless of a family's ability to pay or insurance status. Free transportation is available, upon request, to and from our hospital and outreach clinics. Interpreter services are also available.

Street-Tiques Car Show benefits Land of the Sky Shrine Club







Chartered in 1972, Street-Tiques is proud to be the oldest continuously active car club in Western North Carolina. Through fellowship, we are dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of pre-1949 American cars. Other cars are allowed by invite only. Additionally, we are a 501C-3 charity, funding many organizations in the area. We have raised and donated well over \$178k to the Land of the Sky Shrine Club, as well as additional funds to other area charities.

Many Shriners and car club members were in attendance when Street-Tiques president Jamie Morgan presentied a check for \$22,500 to Land of the Sky Shrine Club president Donald Stills.

This year's show was the 16th car show they have done bringing the total for all 16 shows to just over \$203,000. This is a big win for Land of the Sky Club and Shriners Children's.

Submitted by Noble Donald Stills

"Another great example of Shriners working with their communities to make a POSITIVE difference in the life of a child."

Oriental Guide Tim Farris







We have an exciting opportunity for any noble, club or unit!

Do you have any Remote Control experience? Willing to learn?



Earlier this year I was contacted by Bill Loeser, President of the Moore County Shrine Club. He had been contacted by a non-Mason from Pinehurst who had robotic equipment he wanted to donate to the Shriners. Bill gave me his contact information and I reached out to Mr. Mike Robeano about what he had to offer. Now before I spoke with Mr. Robeano, I must admit I had a picture in my mind of about how I thought the robots would look. But after just a brief conversation that changed. He then directed me to the manufacturer's website and I was able to see for myself what he

was offering to Oasis. My mind immediately started thinking about how these robots could be used to interact with our Shrine Children. This is the address for the website, check it out for yourself - proboticsamerica.com

Mr. Robeano said he had used these robots to travel to schools, hospitals and special events to speak with children on a variety of subjects like fire safety and crime prevention. He said the children really interact well with the robots. Yes, I said interact. These robots are equipped with cameras, microphones and speakers. They are mounted to RC vehicles and drive around the room talking to the children and answering their questions. It would be a great tool for any noble, club or unit to use to interact with our Shrine Children, use at fundraising events to engage the crowd or even at Ceremonials to greet people or help instruct the Candidates.

We have a robot body and three interchangeable heads consisting of a boy, a girl and Al, who looks very much like Einstein. All of them have their own wardrobe of clothing to choose from. The RC vehicles they can choose from are a tricycle, a pink corvette and a yellow corvette. The RC vehicles and the robots are controlled from a single main console.

So, if you think you or your Club or Unit would be interested in taking ownership of these robots, please contact me anytime!

YITF,

Scottie Cox scottcox67@aol.com scox@oasisshriners.org 704-467-3677



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.



SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED!

Keystone Kops asking for help

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer and enjoying all that life has to offer.

It pains me to write this but, as we all know things happen beyond our control. For about 15 years the Oasis Shriners Keystone Kops have been hosting a weekly cruise-in during the Spring/Summer. We inherited it from the Steel Drum Band when it was at the old Riverview Inn fish camp on Wilkinson Boulevard in Charlotte, and then we relocated across the river to downtown Belmont; and there it continued for many wonderful and rewarding years that can't be described. If you ever attended one of our cruise-ins, than you will know what I'm talking about.

On July 5 of this year, our weekly cruise-in ended. One of our longtime sponsors, Glenway Premium Pub, sold out to Pita Wheel. And our other sponsor made a business decision to no longer offer up their parking lot on a weekly basis for our cruise-in due to their increase in business. Coupled with the closing of Glenway and the other sponsor's decision, the gut punch was felt, and it was felt hard. The Keystone Kops enjoyed a long and productive relationship with all our sponsors over the years. And we are grateful!

So, with that being said, we are looking at other options and, yes, we have discussions going on with other locations and hopefully something will work out.

Now, onto something more pressing. The Keystone Kops, like many of our units and clubs, is seeing a decline in membership. Most of the Keystone Kops and ladies have been in the unit 25+ years. The oldest is 89 and the youngest is 54 years old. No matter how hard we try, the Keystone Kops have not been able to recruit new members in a long time. We've had one new member and his lady join in the last year. That's it! Most nobles we talk to and try to recruit, give us the same answer, "Ya'll are too busy, and I can't make that commitment." Our answer to that is "Well duh, why do you think we're the #1 fundraising unit in Oasis?" Shriners have two goals: Raise money for our hospitals and have FUN.

My question to our new nobles is "are you getting involved?" If not, that's a problem and you should ask yourself why. There are units and clubs within Oasis that need your help. And you would be blown away at how much fun you can have. But the old saying goes, "You get out of it, what you put into it." If you know a noble and his lady that would like to get involved with a fun and active unit, then The KEYSTONE KOPS ARE FOR YOU!

For the last nine years or so, the Keystone Kops have been the #1 fundraising unit in Oasis. This speaks volumes considering we only have around ten active members. If it wasn't for our ladies, we probably wouldn't be in existence. Our ladies are everything. If you don't believe it, just come to one of our meetings and see. I ask you again, if you would like to be part of something bigger than yourself, then become an Oasis Shriner Keystone Kop! We meet the second Thursday of every month at Sports Page Restaurant in Charlotte starting at 6:30pm. From now until the end of this year we are waiving the \$200 joining fee. Our joining fee covers your summer and winter parade uniform, but we're going to give them to you and waive the fee. Our annual membership fee is \$50 and that covers you and your family.

I urge you is to get involved before it's too late. The units and clubs can't survive without members. Plain and simple. But really, at the end of the day, the children and families we serve in our hospitals are the ones that will suffer.

The Keystone Kops have an ad in the back of the Desert Dust along with many other clubs/units. All the contact info is there. Make that phone call and get involved.

In Faith and Brotherly love,

Brian Wilson Phone 704 221 9751 Email: musicsolutions21@yahoo.com Captain of The Keystone Kops







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 and over, 12 years old and 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, 2022. 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!

The Fieldhouse - Greensboro, NC

Wednesday, October 12th, 2022 at 4:30pm & 7:30pm

Fraternally yours, Jack Wallace Circus Chairman

Cabarrus Arena - Concord, NC

Friday, October 14th at 7:30pm Saturday, October 15th at 2:00pm and 7:30pm

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I encourage everyone to donate too donation will purchase a bike and a Contact Oasis Office to learn how yo	helmet for some lucky child.











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

Cabarrus Shrine Club

Address: 1460 Oakwood Ave, Kannapolis NC

Nobles, Ladies and Guests Welcome!

Phone: 704-933-2797
Email: cabarrushrineclub@gmail.com

Web: www.cabarrusshrineclub.org
Like us on Facebook: Cabarrus Shrine Club

OASIS SHRINE CLOWNS



Accepting New Members
No Experience Necessary

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

Contact Robert Dye with The Oasis Shrine Clowns at 336-596-2006 or bobpdye@gmail.com

The Greensboro Shrine Club

5010 High Point Road Greensboro, NC 27407

Call 336-707-6588 for information.

Mt. MITCHELL SHRINE CLUB

Centrally located in McDowell County

Contact: Noble Secretary Mike Pritchard 828-442-9170



PAST CAPTAINS CLUB

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



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

Shriners on Bikes



CONTACT:

STEPHEN TRITES

STRITES@

ROCKETMAIL.COM

803-610-7876

OASIS HIGHLANDERS

PIPES & DRUMS

Contact Rich Hartman cell (814) 746-0466 rohartman48@gmail.com





Oasis Keystone Kops

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

CONTACT
CAPTAIN BRIAN WILSON
FOR INFORMATION

704 221 9751

musicsolutions21@yahoo.com



Club and Unit Bulletin Board







Contact President Bill Loeser

910-759-0571

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

























Club and Unit Bulletin Board



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



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



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Almost everybody orders stuff from Amazon. Did you know that you can make a donation to Shriners Hospitals For Children when you order something from Amazon, and it won't cost you a penny!

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HENDERSONVILLE SHRINE CLUB



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

Contact: www.hendersonvilleshriners.com



Like to Homebrew?

Join the Oasis BrewMasters today!

Contact President Brian Clay (brianclay@windstream.net) or Secretary Scottie Cox (scottcox67@aol.com)



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

OASIS 3RD ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

October 21st, 2022 | starts @ 12pm

WHERE: Woodbridge Golf Course

Kings Mountain, NC

FORMAT: 4-Person Captain's Choice

*Meal will be served on the course

COST: \$75 per player

\$300 per team

\$100 - Hole Sponsor



REGISTRATION: Oasis Center: 704-549-9600 or 800-226-2747

Credit cards accepted for pre-register and sponsorship

QUESTIONS: Brad Spelbring 704-689-4572 | Jimmy Owen 919-730-3076

THIS IS A FUNDRAISER FOR OASIS CENTER





Is your Club/Unit looking for a fundraiser?

The Dune Cats are looking for extra help with our holiday fundraiser The Southern Christmas Show from Nov 11-20. Show Hours are 10-6 Sun- Wed and 10-9 Thur- Sun. Need help on weekdays during day and some weekend help. Please contact Rob McDowell @ 704-605-9498 if you are interested.

Nobles and Ladies welcome

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Ralph H Leonard	Mocksville, NC	11/11/1978	7/26/2022
Bobby H Downs	Casar, NC	5/20/1972	8/13/2022
Charles Thomas Wheeler	Elkin, NC	9/26/2006	8/14/2022
Charles W Brown	Cherryville, NC	10/27/1973	8/24/2022
James R Tate	Wadesboro, NC	5/13/1978	8/26/2022

Update from the clowns

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

As the 2022 Circus is going to be upon us before we know it, we would like to give an update about the Rodney Morgan Memorial Bicycle give away. With your help and support we plan to give away as many bikes as possible this year.



With every \$100 donation, we can purchase a bike and helmet. Thanks to the support of our clubs and units, we are looking forward to being able to make this happen for the children again this year.

Please direct any questions to Wayne Alley at mr.dimples1970@icloud. com or phone 864-706-6282. Thank you in advance for supporting this wonderful opportunity to make a child smile. We at the Oasis Clown Unit look forward to another successful event!

SEE YOU AT THE CIRCUS!

Sincerely,
The Oasis Clown Unit

RANDY MARION OASIS SHRINER

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