

# DESERT DUST

## Shriners Children's Greenville



Shriners International



## Your Potentate

Thank you to each noble and lady of Oasis Shriners who has contributed to sharing the good news about our Shriners Children's this year. We all should be very proud of the

amazing miracles that are performed daily at each of our facilities. It takes a great amount of love from each of us every day to help complete this mission. I am so honored to have the opportunity to serve each of you in 2023 as your elected Potentate. I can see the hard work that Oasis Shrine Clubs and Units perform each month. Whether it is fish fry, car show or duck race, raffle ticket sale, barbeque, festival of tables, or musical concert. Oasis members always show up and work hard. One group that is near and dear to my heart is the Oasis Tripster Unit. These members are the face of Oasis Shriners for many of our patients and their families. They get up early and pick up our patients and their families. These individuals provide a safe option for families who have no transportation. If you have any extra time, I encourage you to contact Karen Henley at the Oasis Shrine Center to get more information on becoming a Tripster. Your heart will be filled with purpose and love when you return home.

Thank you to each noble and lady who traveled to Myrtle Beach to participate in the SASA events. Twenty Shrine Centers from the South met in Myrtle Beach to parade and have fun together. Oasis parade units braved the wet weather as we made our way down Ocean Blvd. The sky cleared and we were able to parade without maneuvers. Thank you to Noble Ken Klutz, and the Ragtops for riding your Oasis Divan members. It was great to see so many Oasis fezzes on the street. I was so proud to represent Oasis parade units at the SASA Banquet. Oasis units received many awards at this event. Divan members were honored to celebrate your achievements as we presented the awards to you at the Saturday evening celebration. DJ Chad Sain provided the music, we had food, and we celebrated by raising \$2,500 for the Shriners Children's and \$1,500 for the bicycle give away at our circus. We had so much fun, and there is a rumor that Oasis members were evicted from a pool. I can neither confirm, nor deny that allegation. I can say that we all enjoyed a great time as an Oasis family.

It has been a busy time for our Divan and support staff this fall. We have visited several clubs and units. Membership has been and is still my number one

goal for 2023. The membership team has not only been working hard to encourage new nobles, but they have also been calling nobles who have not paid their dues for 2023. I am asking each of you to please confirm that you have paid your dues for 2023. If you have received a call or message from one of our membership team members, you may have missed paying your dues. If you are a noble who may be having financial issues that affect your ability to maintain your current dues, please email [support@oasisshriners.org](mailto:support@oasisshriners.org), [membership@oasisshriners.org](mailto:membership@oasisshriners.org) or call one of the support staff members at Oasis Shrine Center. You have worked too hard to become an Oasis noble. Your divan members are here to assist you. We are Shrine Masons and we do not want to lose you as a member. Please email or call us today to see how we may be able to help you with your membership dues. If you are an Oasis member who has 130 years combined, (age + years as a Noble) and facing financial difficulty, please contact Oasis support staff. We can help reduce your membership dues. No matter what your age or health condition, Oasis does not want to lose you as a member. We are one big family, and we will work together to find solutions. My goal at the beginning of 2023 was "plus 100." This goal meant that we would work hard together in 2023 to gain 100 Oasis nobles. If we can do this for ten years, we would increase our membership by 1,000. I admit this goal is a challenge. However, we are working to gain 200 new Nobles in 2023. I need each you to help me with the goal by paying your 2023 and 2024 dues. We cannot control the Black Camel, but we can encourage Master Masons to join, and we can continue to pay our dues today.

Many nobles have asked questions about the recent dues increase. I would like to take a moment to ensure that everyone understands the breakdown of your dues. Your dues for 2024 increased by \$20. This was not an Oasis increase but a Shriners International increase. This increase was voted at the July Imperial Session in Charlotte. Oasis currently receives \$47 per noble; Shriners Children's receives \$5 per noble, Shriners International receives \$50 per noble for a total of \$102. Your Oasis Divan has worked very hard to maintain our dues at \$47. If you have attended any Oasis sponsored event this year, I know that you have received a value of more than \$47. Oasis is blessed to rent our Shrine Center which provides for additional funds. Oasis also benefits from our Shrine Circus and annual Golf Tournament. These events provide income which helps keep your membership dues at the current rate. We all know the price of everything has increased significantly. This is why it is so important that we continue to work to increase our membership. Many years ago,

we had more than 15,000 Oasis members. We are now around 3,700 nobles. We can increase our membership, and this is why it is important that we all grow together. Our Shrine patients and families depend on us for their medical needs.

Another way we can increase membership is to promote more family-fun events for our members to enjoy. Noble Jack Wallace and the Oasis Clown Unit just completed our Shrine Circus events for 2023. Many clubs, units, and nobles donated money and time to help continue the Rodney Morgan Bicycle Giveaway. At least 115 bicycles and helmets were purchased, assembled, and given to kids who attended the Shrine Circus events in Greensboro and Concord. What better way to have fun than to sponsor a circus and give away bicycles to the kids who attend. Once again, the circus was a fun success! Thank you, Noble Jack Wallace, Oasis Clown Unit, and the many volunteers who participated in these events.

Oasis parade units enjoyed a great time as we paraded in Oxford, NC while celebrating the 150th birthday for our Masonic Home for Children. The kids had a great time, and it was so much fun seeing so many of our Masonic families and friends at this event. Oasis made a \$5,000 donation to our Masonic Home during this weekend. We, as Shrine Masons, work hard to support our children. Your divan members felt the donation would benefit the future of our kids in Oxford, NC. You also have an opportunity to donate to support these kids. I am told that if every Mason in the state of North Carolina would give \$10 each month to our Masonic Home for Children, the home would not need additional donations to take care of these kids. You can learn more about this by visiting the website for our Masonic Home. Happy 150th Birthday!

I hope each of the clubs and units have held your election of officers for 2024. Please ensure your elected officers have paid their dues for 2024. Your Potentate, Past Potentates, and Divan members are happy to install your officers. Please send your election results to [support@oasisshriners.org](mailto:support@oasisshriners.org) as soon as possible. The 2024 directory will be printed soon, and we need your meeting and officer information to be accurate. Don't delay, call or email Oasis support staff today.

We will have a Veterans Day Event and a Black-Tie Ceremony at Oasis Shine Center on November 10 and 11, 2023. The information can be found online at [www.oasisshriners.org](http://www.oasisshriners.org). Look at the Calendar of Events. We work to keep this information updated so keep checking. We will have a great time this weekend.

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# Your Recorder

Hello nobles, ladies, and friends of the Shrine. My message this month will focus on the current state of our Shriners Children's health care system.



The following information in from Shriners Children's online website: At Shriners Children's, we are committed to reaching as many children as possible, wherever they may live, and offering them our unique, patient-centered, wrap-around care.

For most of its history, our health care system has been known as Shriners Hospitals for Children. As we adapt to current nationwide trends in health care, especially the emphasis on outpatient care, and as some locations become clinics or outpatient centers, we have introduced the phrase "Shriners Children's." It is shorter and more definitive – clearly stating who we are and what we care about. We are Shriners and our commitment is to Children. In today's fast-paced world, this short phrase helps to succinctly and clearly define us.

Since opening our first hospital in 1922, we have been devoted to providing high-quality specialty medical care to the children and families who come to us, regardless of their ability to pay or insurance status. A century later, our commitment hasn't changed – only expanded.

Our three-part mission has one goal: to change and improve lives. We do this by caring for our patients, conducting research to gain knowledge and develop new treatments, and providing educational opportunities for physicians and other healthcare professionals.

## From One Location to Worldwide Reach

The members of the [Shriners fraternity](#) have always shared a desire to help those in need. In the late 1910s, as a polio epidemic swept across the United States, it was apparent that many children were going without appropriate care. So the Shriners established a children's hospital to meet this need.

On May 12, 1922, thousands gathered to witness the placing of the cornerstone of the first Shriners Children's hospital, in Shreveport, Louisiana. The first patient – a little girl with clubfoot – was seen on Sept. 16, 1922, in a remodeled home adjacent to the Masonic temple while construction of the permanent hospital was underway.

What began as a single hospital is now a world-renowned and beloved healthcare system with hospitals, outpatient clinics, ambulatory care centers and outreach locations across the globe. We are now providing hope and healing to more children in more places.

## Hope and Healing

Today, Shriners Children's offers care for a range of orthopedic issues, as well as care for burn injuries, craniofacial conditions, spine care and spinal cord injuries, colorectal and gastrointestinal care, and sports medicine. Our experienced, innovative and dedicated teams work together to provide treatment to help each patient meet their goals and reach their full potential.

At Shriners Children's, we are grateful for the vision of the Shriners that led to the creation of our healthcare system. We look forward to a second hundred years of changing and improving the lives of children.

## Our Core Values

At Shriners Children's, we are committed to improving children's lives every day. Our compassionate, wrap-around care envelops each patient in a supportive and loving environment that helps them thrive.

O.K., that's enough for now, more to come next

## On the Cover

Check presentation to Shriners Children's Greenville: see page 8.

## Reminder

All ads & articles for the December edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted to **Eddie Wilson** at [Ediewilson7@gmail.com](mailto:Ediewilson7@gmail.com) by Nov 10.

month!! You can reach this information to share with others as:

<https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/about>

Also, I would like to use this opportunity to solicit input and feedback on how we can improve in the future. I'm not just talking about how to improve our front office support at Oasis Headquarters, but also, how to better meet the needs of our nobles, ladies, and friends of the Shrine at annual functions like our recent trip to SASA. Please continue to provide feedback either through emails, phone calls, texts, and yes, even snail mail, on ways that we can better improve the support we provide to our Shrine family. My cell phone number is 704-507-3693 and my email is [Recorder@OasisShriners.org](mailto:Recorder@OasisShriners.org).

Things continue to go well here at Oasis, and we would love to have your stop by and visit *your* temple. Take care until next month, and remember, the work you do for our fraternity and philanthropy is sincerely *appreciated* and *essential* to our hospitals and the children they serve.

## Gary Taylor



## The Desert Dust

### Illustrious Sir Doug Garland, Potentate

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### 2023 DIVAN

**Chief Rabban** - Shea Fadel

**Assistant Rabban** - Chris Hall

**High Priest and Prophet** - Tim Farris

**Oriental Guide** - Donnie Wrenn

**Treasurer** - Bill Depriest

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**Marshal** - Tom Bridges

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John Stanley (PP-1997) - Chaplain

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# Oasis Shriners Schedule

**SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

## NOVEMBER

- 10th-11th** Oasis Military Veterans Event and Black Tie Ceremony - Oasis Shrine Center
- 16th** Divan Meeting

## DECEMBER

- 2nd** Oasis Shriners Annual Meeting & 2024 Officer's Elections - Oasis Shrine Center at 3pm
- 9th** Cat Square C - 1-day Ceremony Cat Square
- 14th** Divan Meeting

## JANUARY 2024

- 5th** Club & Units Appreciation Night - Oasis Shrine Center
- 6th** Installation 2024 Potentate - Oasis Shrine Center

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We will celebrate our Veterans at an Event on Friday, November 10. This will be a fun event as we celebrate our patriotism. I encourage you to bring your family and help us celebrate our veterans. Oasis has many veterans who sacrificed their time to ensure we can all enjoy freedom. I hope our veterans and families will support this event. We will have two guest speakers who you will not want to miss.

On Saturday, November 11, Illustrious Sir John Stanley, Oasis Chaplin, will lead a memorial service at the Oasis Shrine Center at 4 pm. I invite each of you to attend this event as we remember our noble who have passed away in 2023. The event will last one hour. We will enjoy a meal and then move into a Black-Tie Ceremonial. This event will also be to honor the North Carolina Grand Master of Masons, Dr. Kevan D. Frazier, who is also an Oasis Shriner. We will enjoy entertainment after we have welcomed our newest nobles and ladies. If you are a new Oasis member in 2023, please bring your family and join us at these events. We look forward to seeing each of you again soon.

**Illustrious Sir Doug Garland and Lady Leah**

### RESERVATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND

*Midnight at the Oasis*

**Chief Rabban Shea Fadel and Lady Sandra**

request the pleasure of your company as  
the 2024 Elected Divan is installed

Saturday, the sixth of January, 2024  
at five o'clock

**Oasis Shrine Headquarters**  
604 Doug Mayes Place  
Charlotte, NC

Followed by social, dinner,  
and music

R.s.v.p. 704-549-9600 by December 6, 2023

Black Tie - Formal  
no jeans

Here is the link to the Hilton Hotel for the nobility to book rooms

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/clthuhf-oai-8333c342-82fd-4086-9cb3-802645a353b4/>

The hotel number is 1-800-HILTONS and Group Code is OAI

We highly recommend that the guests use the website.



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Potentate and First Lady  
Douglass and Leah Garland  
requests your presence at the

## 2023 Black Tie Ceremony

Honoring Most Worshipful Dr. Kevan D. Frazier  
North Carolina Grand Master of Masons

4:00 pm on Saturday, November 11, 2023  
Oasis Shrine Center  
604 Doug Mayes Pl. Charlotte, NC

*A meal will be served  
Dancing to follow ceremony*

### BLACK TIE ITINERARY

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Memorial Service – Oasis Temple
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Social Time. Arrival of other guests. Oasis Temple
5:30 pm – 5:45 pm	Black Tie Introductions and Greetings
5:45 pm – 7:00 pm	Dinner
6:45 pm - 7:00 pm	Ritualistic Cast prepare for ceremony while Oasis Band to begin playing
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Black Tie Ceremony. (Ladies to be excused to the Sands, when requested)
8:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Rose and Fez Presentation
8:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Dancing and Social

### MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

Dear Oasis Nobles,

Our membership team is seeking your assistance. We have had a successful year thus far, with 123 new nobles created at five ceremonials. However, we still have three more one-day ceremonials scheduled for 2023. By now, we have already held a one-day ceremonial in Hayesville on October 21 leaving us with our Black-Tie Ceremonial on November 11 and our final one-day ceremonial of the year at the Cat Square Christmas Parade on December 9.

Our Illustrious Sir Doug Garland is committed to membership growth and has issued a challenge to all Oasis Nobles. If we can create a total of 200 new nobles in 2023, he will shave his head, face, and eyebrows. We need your help to encourage every Master Mason you encounter to become a Noble Shriner at our upcoming Black-Tie Ceremonial on November 11 at Oasis Headquarters or at the Cat Square Christmas Parade on December 9. We need 77 more new nobles to meet Doug Garland's challenge. I overheard him doubting our ability to achieve this goal, but I am confident that we can do it with your support.

Additionally, our Membership Team has put in a lot of effort this year, and we are now in the process of assembling the team for 2024. If you are interested in contributing as a district membership representative, an assistant district membership representative, or any other potential opportunity, please do not hesitate to contact me by email: [membership@oasisshriners.org](mailto:membership@oasisshriners.org).

Thank you for your continued support and dedication.

YITF  
Noble Ben Hamilton  
Outer Guard/Membership Chair  
Oasis Shriners



### Upcoming Events

November 4th, 2023  
**Red Fez Shrine Club Casino Night**  
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November 10th, 2023  
**Veterans Appreciation**  
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December 2nd, 2023  
**Breakfast with Santa**  
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December 9th, 2023  
**Cat Square Parade Ceremonial**  
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December 10th, 2023  
**Mecklenburg Shrine Club Elvis night**  
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# Oasis shows SASA how it's done

It was a dreary morning as our parade units lined up in the 18th position for the SASA parade. Nevertheless, the flags were up and the tops were down as Oasis' finest proceeded past the reviewing stand.



# And the award goes to...



Buccaneers



Drifters



Dune Cats



Keystone Kops



Mini Trucks



Oriental Band



Patrol



Pickers



Ragtops

*These winners made the night complete*



Hospital Trailer



Our Hospitality Team



Our DJ Chad Sein



And Oasis Chief Photographer Noble Les Dix

# Let's hear it for Smoky Mountain Shrine Club

The ninth annual 80's Flashback Weekend hosted on Friday August 4 and Saturday August 5 raised \$27,004.78 for Shriners Children's Greenville. Proceeds raised from the annual fundraiser will be used to assist the hospital with helping children become "HANDICAPABLE!" On Tuesday September 19 this year's donation check was delivered to the hospital. Shriners Children's Greenville celebrated the donation by hosting an 80's-themed day with staff and patients of the hospital dressing up. The 80's Flashback Weekend Committee gave praise to the hospital staff by hosting 80's trivia and various giveaways as a way to say "Thank you!" for what they do for the patients and their families.

This year's fundraiser boasted the largest attendance since the fundraiser began, and plans have begun for the 10th year celebration next summer (August 2-3, 2024). For information about the annual fundraiser please contact Dave Linn at: 828-421-7637.

The mission of Shriners Children's is to provide the highest quality care to children with neuromusculoskeletal conditions, burn injuries and other special healthcare needs within a compassionate, family-centered and collaborative care environment.

Photos of various 80's Flashback Weekend Committee members, Smoky Mountain Shrine Club, JCreek Cloggers, Miss 1980 Something 2022 (Maria Moran), Miss 1980 Something 2023 (Dannyle Williams), and the nursing staff of Shriners Children's Greenville.




  
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# ANNUAL VETERANS *Appreciation*

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FRIDAY  
**10 NOV 2023**  
HAPPY HOUR 5:30 PM  
DINNER 6:30 PM

## Oasis Shriners Veterans Appreciation Night

- 5:30 pm Doors Open - Hospitality
  - 5:30 pm Band Music
  - 6:15 pm Welcome Comments - Ill Sir Doug Garland  
Flag Presentation - CMS ROTC  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation and a moment of silence w/ Taps
  - 6:30pm Dinner - Metrolina Shrine Club  
Baked Chicken, Green Beans, Potato, Desert
- Speakers  
Brother Steven Campbell  
Dr. Keith Bailey
- Recognition of Military Veterans  
Door Prizes  
Closing Remarks - Ill Sir Douglass Garland  
Closing Prayer



## Follow-up report from High Point Shrine Club

If you saw the October issue you've already read this success story. Here are just a few more notes from Club Secretary Philip Martin.

Karen Hatchett was our speaker for September. She discussed the benefit and how Shriners Children's had helped her son Blake. Club President Tim Nall presented Karen with a plaque for the work she puts in for the children. Karen has sponsored this event for over 13 years and raised over \$130,000. Congratulations to High Point Shrine Club and a giant thank you to Karen Hatchett.



Greg Key, IS Doug Garland, Karen Hatchett, PP Mike Neaves, Blake Hatchett, Bill Phillips, Cindy Welborn, Philip Martin, Edd Little



Photos courtesy of Full Throttle Magazine

# The "beat on the street"

*Submitted by Noble Ned Yates*

*When \$4 is better than Mayberry and Myrtle Beach*



Greetings to all nobles, ladies and friends of Oasis Shriners. On behalf of the Drum & Bugle Corps family it is a pleasure to be able to do some catching up with you. Since our last story in the Desert Dust, we have had an active summer. Along with other parade units, we sweated out two parades, one in Mt. Airy in early June for the Spring Ceremonial and a second in Asheboro in late August. We are excited to say "welcome" to our newest Oasis Shriners and their ladies. We pushed into the early fall season with a trip to the big SASA weekend in Myrtle Beach and our annual golf tournament.

We believe the Mt. Airy parade was a huge success with the streets full of parade watchers. And if anyone thought that they saw our Corps posing with a llama on our Facebook page, well...you did! There was a gentleman walking around prior to the parade with a llama, and after he'd hung out with us under a shade tree for a bit, we all decided we would need a picture to prove it, so we posed with the llama. Turns out some of the townsfolk knew the man and his buddy. We could hear people shouting their names as they walked along the side of the parade route.

Jumping forward to September, everyone was excited to be heading to the beach for the big SASA parade. With a storm out in the Atlantic, we tried to stay positive in hopes that it would blow through earlier than predicted, but alas, it stalled, and the call had to be made to move up the

step off time. This caused a problem for us that couldn't be fixed, and the difficult decision had to be made for our Corps not to march. However, we did have our always popular hospitality room. Those that were setting it up had been able to arrive early and by Friday evening, the room was decorated and ready to go. As the weather had become rainy and windy, many staying at the host hotel chose not to go out on the town but instead chose to spend their evening with us. Captain Ryan Eaton and Lady Jill had planned well and there was plenty for all to share. We don't believe anyone went away hungry. With many in the room we were able to sell lots of rubber ducks for Saturday afternoon's duck race on the lazy river. Yes, the sun finally came out. Lots of fun was had by those in attendance and our winner, Donnie Wrenn, very generously donated his share of the winnings back!

Most recently, our D&B family was blessed with wonderful weather for our golf tournament. The event had a maximum number of players again this year. A wonderful meal was prepared by the cooking team led by Past Captain Eddie Wilson and served by the Ladies of the Corps. After the meal, prizes for various contests within the tournament were handed out by the daughters of Past Captain Joey Ham. We are thankful for the ongoing success of this event and appreciate each and every member of the Corps family that pitched in to make the day go smoothly. Now, here is where the \$4 comes in. Let's go back to late August, to the Asheboro parade, a parade that was a bit warmer than Mt. Airy...okay, it was hot in Asheboro. (Thank you, Divan for driving around prior to the parade with those coolers of bottled ice water.) We had arrived early and while waiting to step off, we found some relief under an awning of a local business. While waiting, a lady and her two daughters stopped on their way into the store to ask what was going on. Nobles shared about the parade and how we help fundraise for the hospitals. Well, wouldn't you know, one of the daughters was moved by the story. If I understood correctly, as they left us to head into the store, that young lady handed our Treasurer, Past Captain Hood Dulin some money and said she wanted to help. It was \$4, and it was the best \$4 of the summer and thus the title of our story, "when \$4 is better than Mayberry and Myrtle Beach". A young lady going into a store to shop with her mom and sister decides to give her pocket money to a Shriner that just happened to be our Treasurer. To some, it may only be \$4, but to many of us, it was the gift that made marching and sweating in the August heat more than worth it.

As the month of November is upon us, we would remind you of a couple of things to be thankful for. On November 11 our nation celebrates Veterans Day. We are thankful for each veteran and the contribution that they made or are making even today. It is our hope that the Veterans Celebration at the Oasis Temple is a big success. We also want to say Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours from our Drum & Bugle Corps family. Thank you for taking time to read this story about our Drum & Bugle Corps. If you are looking for a parade unit to march with and want to be part of our family, just reach out to us. Yes, it helps if you can play a bugle or a drum, especially a bugle, but, if you want to learn, we will do our best to help you.

Finally, thanks to each and every one for your contribution to Oasis Shriners. Each club or unit, noble or lady contributes to the overall success in different ways, but each person's contribution is so important. Whether it is \$4 or \$400 dollars, they are all winning amounts and "When the Hospitals Win, We All Win!"

## God's GPS for us

In the Bible, in the Book of Exodus (Exodus 20:12-20) we learn how God expects us to live within our relationship we have with God. A variety of laws are presented in this scripture showing that God is concerned with all areas of our life. We have the Ten Commandments.

- The first four commandments deal with our relationship with God.

- The last commandments concern our relationship with each other.

- Some have referred to the Fifth Commandment as the bridge commandment.

- The fifth Commandment is “Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you” This suggests that unless people learn to live together in families, they will not be able to get along with others.

God wants his people to be honest and just. He obligates us to be responsible for the well-being of others.

In our 2023 world the Ten Commandments may be considered God's GPS Gift.

- We all need guidance.

- We can look at the Ten Commandments as God's desire to point us in the right direction,

- The Ten Commandments reflect God's love for us.

We trust that you are doing well, and we hope to see you in good health very soon. Blessings.

*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](mailto:jhstanley1965@gmail.com).*

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On Monday, October 2, Noble Paul L. Teem, Jr. of Gastonia was presented his 50 Year Shrine Service Award before a gathering of family and friends. Oasis Assistant Rabban Chris Hall made the presentation at Covenant Village accompanied by two other Gaston County members, Noble Robert W. “Bob” Erwin, Jr. of the Past Masters Unit along with Illustrious Sir Tim Daniels, 2022 Oasis Potentate and Associate Member of the Board of Governors at Greenville Shriners Children's.

Noble Teem was most appreciative for the recognition and has enjoyed his association with our fraternity and philanthropy.

# Oasis Desert Dust "GO GREEN" Campaign is Underway!

At its April 2023 meeting, the Oasis Divan unanimously voted to commence a new "GO GREEN" campaign with the goal of reducing the number of printed and mailed hard copies each month. In order to accomplish this shared team goal, the following will occur:

- **Monthly Reminder:** The Desert Dust is already electronically available each month on the Oasis Shriners website at <https://oasisshriners.org/connect/desert-dust>
- **Monthly Oasis Email:** To be sent once the new issue of the Desert Dust has been posted on the Oasis Shriners website, making you aware that it is available for your immediate ease of viewing at <https://oasisshriners.org/connect/desert-dust>
- **WHAT YOU MUST DO: To "OPT-OUT" and no longer receive a hard copy in the US Mail:** Just submit your information at <https://forms.office.com/r/XKRM3n27mW> or scan the QR code below with your device, then complete the form. That's it! Oasis office staff will receive your response and monitor submissions each month. Your mailing address will be removed from the list that is sent to our printer, so you should soon no longer receive the US mail version - and, if for some reason you do, please call the Oasis Office to let us know!

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# Spotlight on The Oasis Oriental Band

## *The first 75 years*

The Oasis Oriental Band is currently celebrating its 75th anniversary with great joy throughout 2023. Since its establishment in January 1948, the band has had a rich and lengthy history. Beginning with the leadership of the famous Charlie B. Robinson, who used to march ahead of the band in full attire, high-stepping and swinging his iconic sword. According to The State Magazine dated September 17, 1949, Charlie Robinson exclaimed, "There is not a musician in the crowd." In 1949, the band traveled to Norfolk, VA, to compete against Oriental Shrine Bands from 17 other cities and won first place. The founding members of the band worked diligently to learn the music, march, and contribute funds to combat the dreadful polio epidemic in Greensboro, NC.

I have heard numerous stories from veteran band members concerning their prime years. During those days, new recruits had to be Noble Shriners aged 40 years or younger. Moreover, the band restricted the number of members allowed to participate in a parade to 40, and those spots had to be earned. If a member missed practice or a parade, they were removed from the lineup and had to wait for another opportunity to arise.

Over the past 75 years, many things have changed, including the fact that the band no longer marches in parades while playing but instead rides on a float. There are also no longer age restrictions on joining, and our oldest active member, Noble Ray Anderson, celebrated his 95th Birthday last week. While much has changed, many things have remained unchanged, except for associate member Noble John Elder P.P., who is a member of and plays tuba in The Oasis Band (Big Band), there is still not a musician in the crowd. The Oriental Band celebrated its 75th anniversary at SASA by having dinner as a group with wives present and were very excited to win first place in the Oriental Band Riding Category.

Noble Chip Burch, Past Captain of The Oriental Band, often says, "The oriental band makes a Joyful Noise." The band is currently led by Joe Deich and Captain Doug Gaines. They practice every Wednesday at 6:30 pm at the Greensboro Shrine Club, and if you are a noble who isn't a part of a unit, come make a joyful noise with the legendary Oasis Oriental Band--no musical experience is necessary.

Ben Hamilton  
2nd Lt. Oasis Oriental Band



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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.



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## *From Basement to Rose Garden* by Chuck Olson

### Book Summary

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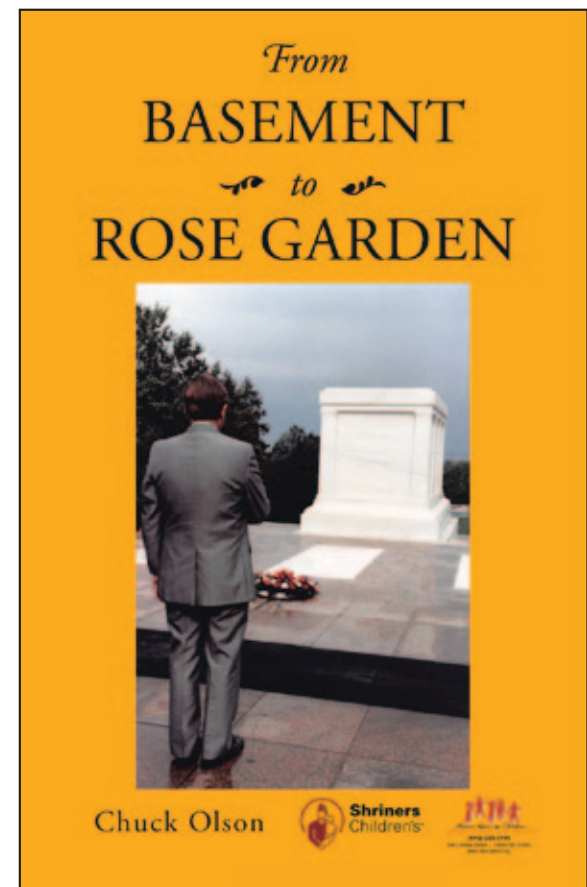
This boy learned to adjust in setting and achieving many goals as he was challenged at every turn. He excelled in sports, the military, being a provider, and experiencing how politics are handled in Washington, DC. He learned to communicate at all levels. He founded and co-founded, over twenty businesses – one of which produced 3.4 billion in international business last year.

In 1988, during Small Business Week in Washington, DC, this man was honored by President Ronald Reagan and Vice President George H Bush in the Rose Garden. He was selected out of 18 million small business owners in the United States to do what?

Over the past few years, he has concentrated on sharing what has been learned and giving back to others.

### A Word From The Author

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## Ashe Shrine Club golfers wait out the weather

We had a great day on Sunday, September 17 for Ashe Shrine Club's 43rd annual golf tournament. The morning started off a little wet, but it didn't discourage the golfers that showed up to support our club. The afternoon players were blessed with sunshine and cool weather. We had a lot of fun, fellowship and good food. We want to thank Mountain Aire Golf Course and Philip Shepherd for their efforts in supporting Ashe Shrine Club. We Thanks also to our Ladies and fellow Shrine Nobles who came out and made this event a great success.



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# Patrol News

Patrol Family,

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Save the date! The Oasis Patrol will have their Covered Dished/Officer Installation night on December 1, in the Sands Restaurant. Social will begin at 6pm, dinner at 6:30 with the Officer Installation to begin at 7pm. Please plan to come out to support the new Patrol officers and share some of your favorite delicious recipes.

Scottie Cox,  
Oasis Patrol Captain  
scottcox67@aol.com  
704-467-3677



Divan members John Cable and Jimmy Owen were invited to the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's 2023 Hall of Fame Banquet! Coach Gentry won the 2017 Shrine Bowl and retired as the "winningest coach in the state of North Carolina." John and Jimmy were honored to be invited as special guests for the presentation.

## OASIS SHRINERS 2024

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Our 2023 Oasis Shrine Circus was a huge success with record crowds in Greensboro and Concord. Thanks to everyone who supported it in any way. A big thank you to all who donated to our Rodney Morgan Memorial Bicycle Giveaway. The Clown Unit was able to give away 91 bikes and helmets because of your generosity. As always, the Clowns included our Potentate and First Lady in the skit they performed as one of the Circus acts. They both were in full make-up and they looked like they fit right in and had a fun time. Until next year...

Jack Wallace,  
Captain of the Guard



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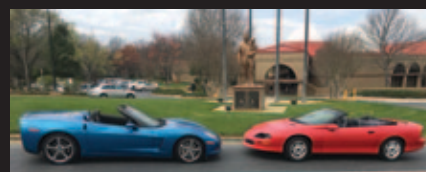
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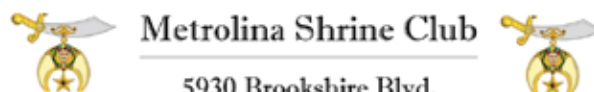
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Ralph F Dellinger	Clover, SC	9/13/1969	9/29/2023
Harry Pegram Booth	Charlotte, NC	10/26/1974	9/30/2023
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**8:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

8:30 am - Breakfast/  
Registration of Candidates  
 9:15 am - Oasis Divan meeting  
 9:30 am - Ceremony Begins  
 9:30 am - Ladies Meeting  
 10:45 am - Fez Ceremony  
 11:15 am - End of Ceremony/  
Lunch  
 12 pm - Parade Line Up  
 1 pm - Start of Parade

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