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Noble Terry J. Cox, Editor



The Winning Issue!



The Potentate's message



We are now in the second half of our year, and it is truly amazing how fast the time has flown past since my installation in January. I have been inspired by the many Shriners I have met and talked with in the Clubs I have visited. I sincerely feel that we are in our best days of Shrinedom, and our members are absolutely putting our kids first in their many efforts to support our Children's Hospitals.

July saw us at the Imperial Session in Indianapolis Indiana. How great it was to meet with the many other Shrine Center leaders and with Imperial Officers and experience the great work that is being done for our Fraternity. I see great things happening over the next years to

solidify our organization as one of the best in the nation. Congratulations to Imperial Sir Al Madsen and Lady Jan for their successful year leading Shriners International. We wish them well in all of their future endeavors.

You will read in this issue the Imperial Potentates message regarding our Brothers in Arkansas. Let me say that this vote has nothing to do with Shriners outside of the State of Arkansas, and is not a precursor to eliminating the Masonic requirement for Shrine membership. This vote was presented and passed solely to protect our Shrine brothers in Arkansas, and was presented after a great deal of deliberation. Without this amendment to our by-laws, those Brothers who are Shriners in Arkansas would no longer

be able to enjoy the benefits of our Fraternity. It is a sad day, indeed, that this action had to be taken, however, we should be proud that the leaders of the Shrine were able to come together to preserve the rights of our Fraternity for those loyal members in Arkansas. Rest assured that we are still a Masonic organization, and will remain so despite the efforts of those who would attempt to separate us.

At our Imperial Session, the three Shrine Centers in North Carolina, Oasis, Amran and Sudan, hosted a dinner for our Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, Dewey Preslar and Lady Terri. I was pleased that, of the 64 members present, 39 were Oasis members. Most Worshipful Brother Preslar renewed his pledge of support for Shrine. We

are fortunate to have such a loyal member leading the Masonic fraternity in North Carolina.

The Imperial Parade was a sight to behold, being led by what seemed like blocks and blocks of Shrine clowns. Many thanks to Noble Al "Poppi" Clegg for representing Oasis. Followed by our award winning Patrol Color Guard. Two of our Band members, Illustrious Sir John Elder and Band Captain Paul Blosser played with the Murat Shriners band on their float. Seeing these Nobles representing Oasis on the international stage made me very proud as I watched them go by.

You cannot imagine how proud I was to visit Shriners Village at the Imperial Session and see the Oasis Shrine displayed as the winner of the Dromedary Award of excellence for our Desert Dust newspaper. In addition, the Award, with our newspaper very prominently displayed, was shown on the big screen televisions during the PR meeting, which was attended by representatives from all over the world. I am certain they could all see the pride in my face in being the Potentate of

the Shrine Center to win this distinguished award. Thanks to the team of Lexi Eden, Steve Jordan, John Sullivan and Terry Cox for making Oasis Shrine stand above all other Shrine centers in the world.

During July, I attended the Tripster picnic at Red Fez Shrine Club. These loyal nobles really go the extra mile to transport our children to the several hospitals. They are to be commended for their selfless work.

I also attended meetings at Avery County Shrine Club, and at High Point Shrine Club. It warms my heart to see our clubs so active, bringing our message to the public, and raising money for our Hospitals.

I would like to invite everyone to attend the 41st Annual Shrine 100, hosted by the Gaston County Shrine Club. It will, as usual, be a great display for our Shriners, and our Children's Hospitals.

You will note that Holland's Hope has now received more than twice the original amount of donations that was the goal of my daughter, Holland. Thanks to all who have donated to this worthy cause. The funds collected will be used for a

special project to benefit the Greenville Shrine Hospital.

September will find us at Myrtle Beach for the South Atlantic Shrine Association meeting. This is a highlight of our year, and I hope you all can attend.

November carries us back to Hickory for our Fall Ceremonial. Start recruiting now. It is never too early to recruit new members. After a banner class at Blowing Rock, it is my hope that the fall class will be even larger.

I want to thank each of you for placing your trust in me by electing me Potentate of Oasis Shrine. It has been one of the greatest pleasures in my life, and Lady Rhonda, Holland and Warner want to thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve you during 2013. This experience has provided a lifetime of wonderful memories for all of us. I feel so blessed to have been able to lead the best Shrine center in the entire world in both membership and in fundraising. You, as members of Oasis Shrine, are the best.

Yours in the faith,
Fred



The Recorder's message

Hello Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of the Shrine. My items this month will be to cover a few of the legislative items that were voted on at our recent Imperial Session that I believe are of importance to our members. Please note that these items are not presented in totality, and specific questions should be addressed to either me, or one of the Oasis Representatives that attended. Those Representatives were Illus. Sir Fred Laxton, Noble David Sumpter, Noble Todd Ham, and Illus. Sir Bob Burroughs. Also please note, I may not always have the right answer, but I always have an opinion (smile).

1. Proposal to allow "in an emergency situation", Imperial to be able to transact legislation with the Representatives via electronic means versus waiting until the annual Imperial Session. Passage of the electronic legislation would require approval of 2/3 of the electronic ballots returned. **This item passed for both fraternal**

and hospital items.

2. Proposal to allow a Noble to join any temple he chosen, regardless of jurisdictional lines. **This item failed.**

3. Proposal to add \$1.00 to the current \$15.00 per capita tax to be used to help defray the costs of the annual Imperial Session. **This item failed.**

4. Proposal to allow Algeria Shriners (Montana) to allow candidates with no pre-requisite of Masonry. **This item failed.**

5. Proposal that if a Noble who loses his membership in any pre-requisite body (e.g. Blue Lodge) for any reason except non-payment of dues, a 2/3 majority of the Imperial Board of Directors members would be required to allow him to remain in the Shrine during his appeal process. Currently the Imperial Potentate has this authority alone. **This item passed.**

6. Proposal to allow the two temples in Arkansas, Scimitar Shriners and Sahara Shriners to admit candidates who are not Freemasons. **This item passed due to the unique situation between the Arkansas Grand Lodge and the two Shrine temples.**

7. Proposal to change the Recorder title to Chief Operating Officer. **This item failed.**

8. Proposal to abolish all temple jurisdictional lines. Any candidate could join any temple he preferred without regard to where he lived. **This item failed.**

9. Proposal to allow Imperial to gain access to temple membership lists for solicitation without approval of that temple. **This item failed.**

10. Proposal to allow youth groups and Masonic lodge members to participate with Shriners in civic parades. Also clarified that only Nobles can perform, compete,

and ride vehicles with fewer than 4 wheels. **This item passed.**

11. Last, but not least, Imperial Colorado Corporation Representatives (those that vote on Shriner Hospitals items) that have attended at least ten (10) consecutive annual sessions would be granted emeritus status (formerly 15 years). **This item passed and Illus. Sir Billy Farris and Illus. Sir Gary Taylor became Colorado Corporation Emeritus Members!!!! And while we're here, I would also like to congratulate Illus. Sir Bob Burroughs who became a Colorado Corporation Emeritus Member this year (under the older 15 year rule)!!!! Rumor has it he will become an emeritus member of the Iowa Corporation (fraternal portion of the Shrine) next year.**

Well, I've rambled long enough. Things are going 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 hospital children.

Gary



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ARKANSAS STATEMENT

Imperial representatives of Shriners International voted to make a change to its articles of incorporation regarding membership at the 139th Imperial Session. The prerequisite requiring that members of Shriners International are first members of Freemasonry (Masons) in good standing has been amended to exclude the requirement for the state of Arkansas.

This legislation was brought forth by the two Shrine temples in Arkansas following the Arkansas Grand Lodge edict last November that would no longer allow anyone to remain an Arkansas Mason AND an Arkansas Shriner. Shriners International has always had a Masonic prerequisite and regrets that the actions of the Arkansas Grand Lodge made the passage of this legislation necessary to preserve the existence of the two Shrine temples in Arkansas.

Shriners International is committed to maintaining open lines of communication with the Grand Lodge of Arkansas to encourage amicable relationships for current and future Masons and Shriners. This change does not affect other Shriners across the country, and the organization remains a fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief and truth. Shriners International's primary focus continues to be its philanthropic mission to support Shriners Hospitals for Children, a world-renowned health care system with 22 facilities in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Yours in the Faith,

Alan W. Madsen

Alan "Al" W. Madsen, Imperial Potentate



FROM THE Editor

When Illustrious Sir Fred Laxton approached me and asked me to be Editor of the Desert Dust, needless to say I was honored. But I also realized what a tremendous task it would be to produce a newspaper that would be of benefit to all of the members of Oasis. I began talking with members, asking what they wanted to see in our newspaper. I took notes.

I have attempted to use those suggestions to produce a newspaper that is read and appreciated by everyone. From reports that I have gotten, that goal has been realized.

What an honor it was when I was notified that The Oasis Shrine Desert Dust was selected to win the Dromedary award. When the realization truly sank in, I was humbled to know that our newspaper was selected as the #1 Shrine newspaper in all the world. How awesome.

Since that time, I have received dozens of emails and phone calls congratulating me for this award. I want to be the first to say that this award is not mine, but belongs to Oasis. I am not solely responsible for receiving this award. It has been a team

effort. My many thanks go to Ms Lexi Eden, who is responsible for the professional lay-out of the newspaper each month. To Steve Jordan, Chairman of the Photography Committee for his diligence and loyalty in attending a great many functions conducted by Oasis Clubs and Units to preserve these events through his photos. To Illustrious Sir John Sullivan, who is invaluable in his advice, and his photo skills. Were it not for his support, I may well have not attempted the task of Editor. In short, the Desert Dust is a team effort. I am proud to be a part of that team, but assure

you I am not the only member of the team. I have had lots of help, and I am very appreciative of the fact that these loyal people have come together to produce for you a newspaper worthy of being judged as the Number One Newspaper in all of Shrinedom.

The bar has been set. The

efforts of this team will now turn to winning this award again. You, as members of Oasis Shrine, deserve it, and the Desert Dust team truly wants to give it to you.

Stay tuned.



2013 OASIS SHRINE CALENDAR

August 13	Gaston Shrine 100 Race
September 19 - 22	SASA - Myrtle Beach
November 1 - 2	Fall Ceremonial - Hickory
December 7	Annual Meeting - Elections
January 3, 2014	Club & Unit Appreciation

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INTRODUCING YOUR DIVAN

John D. Burgess, Sr.

Our First Ceremonial Master, **John D. Burgess, Sr.**, has a long and storied history of Freemasonry and service to the Shrine.

Noble John calls his hometown, Charlotte, home, having lived there all of his life. He graduated from Myers Park High School, and attended Central Piedmont Community College. He is employed by Genuine Parts Company (NAPA) in Charlotte.

Noble John was raised a Master Mason in Saint Andrew Lodge #702 on November 29th, 1978. He did not wait long to become a Shriner, walking the hot sands in November, 1979. He became a life member of Oasis Shrine in 2007.

Noble John is a member of Red Fez Shrine Club, where he served as President in 2000, and also holds membership in Mecklenburg Shrine Club and is a Charter Member of Past Captains Shrine Club. In addition, he is a member and Past Captain of the Potentate Guard and a charter member of the

Past Masters Unit. He is a member of Royal Order of Jesters Court 109, the 100 Million Dollar Club, and served as Chairman of the Shrine Mart for 15 years. Most who attended Family Fun Day at Red Fez Shrine Club likely saw Noble John spread thin throughout the day as he organized and coordinated many aspects of this wonderful event.

Noble John and Lady Charlotte are proud parents of son John, Jr. and wife Allison, and daughter Jennifer. He enjoys camping and golf.

Noble John notes as his most memorable Masonic experience being raised by his Dad, Brother F.R. Burgess, who was there for all of his Masonic degrees, his Scottish Rite degrees, and was there when he walked the hot sands of Oasis Shrine. Additionally, he and his four brothers have had the unique pleasure of serving as Master of St. Andrew Lodge. If you occasionally think you are seeing double when Noble John is around, you are likely seeing his identical twin brother, Jimmy, who was by his side throughout his travels in Masonry and the Shrine.

In addition to his Masonic service, Noble John is an active member of Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church, where he has served as Elder, Deacon, Adult Sunday School Teacher and Youth Advisor. He currently serves on the Finance Committee for his church. He is a Past Board Member of Central Carolina Emmaus Community.

To say his plate is full is an understatement. But he is never without a smile and a word of encouragement. We are truly fortunate to have Noble John as a member of the Board of Directors of Oasis Shrine, and look forward to his service as Potentate in 2018.



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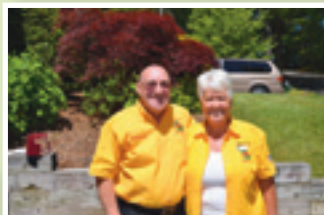
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Shrine activities around the annual meeting begin with a golf tournament on Thursday morning, September 19th, continuing with unit competitions and a Ladies Luncheon on Friday, September 20th, and culminating with a 'Grand Shriners Parade' and 'SASA President's and Officers' Installation Banquet' on Saturday, September 21st.

SASA Schedule of Events is Coming Soon and can be viewed on their website:
www.southatlanticsa.org

Registration Deadline: September 1, 2013

On-site Registration fee at the convention will be \$15

Registration is required for all events. You must have a registration badge to participate in the SASA parade on Saturday.

Registration form is available online.

(Nobles of Oasis parade units, please contact your Unit Captain to register you and your Lady.)

President's Banquet

Saturday, September 21st at 6:00pm

Cost: \$40 each, \$80 Couple

Dress code: Coat/Tie & Fez

Ticket deadline:

September 1, 2013

(Ticket info is on Registration form, available online.)

SASA Ladies Breakfast

Friday, September 20th at 9:00am

Look for the flyer on this page of the Desert Dust.

Cost: \$30 per ticket

Limited seating, Get your tickets today!

Dress code: Dressy Casual

Ticket deadline: September 1, 2013

Oasis Shriners Host Hotel

For room reservations, please call the resort's reservation line at (800) 770-6895.

Room rates starting at \$99

Block Code: Oasis Shriners

Cut-off date: Thursday, August 1, 2013

Reservations made after the cut-off date will revert to their standard daily rate.

Additional questions, please call Oasis at 704-549-9600.



2013 SASA Ladies Breakfast



Make your plans to attend the 2013 SASA Ladies Breakfast. President's Lady Kathy Simmons and her assistants have planned a delightful breakfast that will be enjoyed by all.

Get your tickets today! Limited seating is available.

When: Friday, September 20th, 2013 at 9 O'clock AM

Where: Springmaid Resort, Myrtle Beach, SC

Cost: \$30.00 per ticket

Name: _____

Shrine Temple Association: _____

Telephone: _____

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Questions? Call Dan McCurry at 704-813-8177

The Official Golf Brochure and Golf Registration Form in Adobe PDF Format can be found on the SASA website - at the bottom of this link:

<http://www.southatlanticsa.org/sasafall2013.htm>

A message from the *Imperial Potentate*

~ THE FINAL MESSAGE FROM THE 2012-2013 IMPERIAL POTENTATE ~

Dear Shriners and Shrine Ladies,

It has been an honor and pleasure serving as your Imperial Potentate and First Lady during the 2012-2013 Shrine Year. We thank you for the warm welcome and great hospitality you showed us throughout the year as we traveled far and wide on behalf of Shriners International, Masonry and Shriners Hospitals for Children®.

Thank you for your support of First Lady Jan's program "The Miracle of a Single Seed," which will benefit genetic research at Shriners Hospitals for Children. Many seeds have been sown because of your generosity. We'll have to wait to see what miracles occur!

Over the course of the year, we have visited Shrine temples, clubs and units, as well as Masonic lodges. We have attended and participated in association meetings, anniversary and ceremonial celebrations, special meetings and other events in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and the Republic of Panama.

Finally, we enjoyed the Shrine trip to Russia. Several nobles and ladies flew to Moscow to share four days in this fascinating city. We boarded the M/S *Rossia* and cruised on the storied Volga River with stops at Uglich, Goritsy, Kizhi, Petrozavodsk, and Svir Stroi. Trip Highlights included city tours in Moscow and St Petersburg,



beautifully restored Catherine's Palace, historic Kizhi Island, home hosted visit in village of Svir Stori, Hermitage Museum, and meeting with Russian World War II veterans. After the cruise, we spent three days in St. Petersburg, Russia, prior to flying back home. Lots of FUN, food and drink was had by all.

Our last visit prior to the Imperial Session was attending the Daughters of the Nile Installation and 100th anniversary celebration in Grapevine, Texas at the Gaylord Texan Resort. Supreme Queen Margaret Ann Risk was installed on June 20th. She will be traveling to more than 96 cities and to 16 of our hospitals in the new Motor Coach nicknamed the NILA over the next 10 months. During the Imperial Session, the Motor Coach will be parked at the convention center for all to view and it will be at the end of the Shriners parade! The unique vehicle will be a remarkable way to promote awareness for our health

care system. We can't thank the ladies enough for the millions of dollars they have raised and the thousands of volunteer hours they have given for the sake of the children in our care!

Our National Pa-

tient Ambassadors for this Imperial Year, Hunter Woodhall and Jérémy Gabriel, did a fantastic job representing Shriners Hospitals for Children at various temple functions, Association meetings, sports and other special events throughout this year. Lady Jan and I are very proud of the selection of these two outstanding ambassadors for this 2012-2013 Shrine year!

We look forward to seeing all of you in the beautiful city of Indianapolis from June 30th through July 4th, where we will enjoy a lot of family fun and fellowship.

Temple leadership and Clown Unit officers: don't forget to SEND IN THE CLOWNS (both noble and lady clowns) so that we can set the record for the parade with the most clowns. We CAN DO IT by working together on this goal!

We want to take one last opportunity to thank each one of you for the opportunity to lead our beloved International fraternity and hospitals. It was an honor and pleasure to serve you and your ladies.



Yours in the Faith,

Alan W. Madsen

Alan "Al" W. Madsen, Imperial Potentate



Oasis Kid's News

Brady Whipple

By Lady Jacki Whipple

It often seems as if Shriners or Shrine Ladies (whichever the case may be) only have the privilege of seeing the before and after with our very special patients. However, I thought perhaps we should see what goes on "in the process" itself. This past Monday, one of Oasis' favorite children, Brady Whipple went in for his bi-annual check-up in Greenville. The morning started out bright and early with a wake-up time of 5 am... well, maybe I should just say early as it was still dark outside, and Brady is no morning person! It takes us slightly under 2 hours to make the drive from our home in Charlotte! We arrived at 7:54 for our 8:00 appointment in the limb deficiencies clinic with Dr. David Westberry (and yes, he is the very same doctor we have seen since Brady was 3 months old!) Upon arrival Brady immediately took his favorite seat near the fountain and animals and asked me a great question, "Mommy, do you think Mr. John (Past Potentate John Sullivan for those of you that are not aware of Brady's forever Potentate) brought those big rocks in here? After a short wait in the lobby we were called to the clinic and had our height and weight evaluated by a nurse. Brady is now 46" tall and 46 lbs--he's growing up too fast for this mommy! We then moved to a treatment room where we were greeted quickly by one of Dr. Westberry's PA's. We addressed

our concerns with her and then were visited by Mr. Ed (head of prosthetics and orthotics, but more importantly, the hospital's resident Donald Duck!!!). He took one glance from across the room and said, "Wow Brady! You need some new legs!!!" He went on to tell us that it was quite evident that Brady uses his legs and that is what he loves to see. Pictures surely show that his prostheses take a lickin' and keep on tickin' with their own marks, chips, and scars! Dr. Westberry then did his evaluation, and we learned that Brady may need another small surgery sometime around the age of 10 or so. Next we were off to the prosthetics department for the messy but fun part of molding for new legs. Ms. Chrissy is always a pleasure to see as she made Brady's very first set of legs and always loves to see what kinds of shoes he will be sporting next! It takes about 4 weeks for the new prostheses to be constructed. We return to the hospital on August 14th for fittings and adjustments and will find out the all important new shoe size! By this time it was about 10:15 and we were all finished and headed home. With a quick lunch stop in Gaffney, we made it home just before 1:00 pm. Next month, I will continue our story with details about the fitting and finishing process for new legs and will share some pictures of just how far Brady has come from his very first set to this new fifth pair!



Rowan Shrine Club Fall 2013

Fish Fry Saturday

September 28, 2013
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM



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Registration Starts at 11:00 AM

First Bike Out 11:30 am

Last Bike In 4:30 pm

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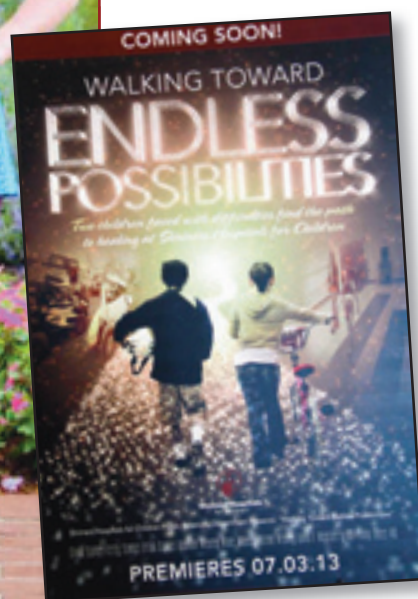
Greenville Shriners Hospital Patient Named National Patient Ambassador

The Public Relations department is excited to announce that one of Greenville's patients has been chosen as one of only two National Patient Ambassadors for Shriners Hospitals for Children system-wide! Olivia Stamps was selected by Imperial Potentate John Cinotto to represent the thousands of kids cared for each year at Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Diagnosed with diplegic infantile cerebral palsy, Olivia was walking way up on her tippy

toes, had no balance, and could not stand in one place, unless she was bent over. After analyzing Olivia's gait study performed in our MAL, our orthopaedic surgeon recommended surgery and in March 2010, performed bilateral hamstring lengthening and bilateral heel cord lengthening. Olivia's mom says, "It's been a long road, but since her surgery, Olivia has a completely normal walking gait. [The spunky nine year old] can ride a bike and does all the things other kids do like swimming, running, and jumping."

To my knowledge, Olivia is the first patient ever from our hospital to be selected as a National Patient Ambassador. Olivia is pictured to the left. The young man beside her, also a National Patient Ambassador, is a patient at Shreveport. Next to Olivia's picture is the National Patient Ambassador Announcement presented at Imperial Session noting Dr. Westberry as Olivia's surgeon! What a great compliment to Shriners Hospitals for Children - Greenville staff!



Gaston County Shrine Club

505 Pinkney Road
Dallas, NC 28034



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What: Monthly Club Meeting

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IMPERIAL SESSION



Noble Al "Poppi" Clegg and Hospital patient Megan Johnson preparing for the Imperial Shrine Parade in Indianapolis.



Sir Fred Laxton watches the parade from the vantage of his own park bench







John H. Stanley,
P.P., Chaplain

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

TAKE COURAGE—DO NOT FEAR!

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Jesus Christ said: "Take courage. It is I. Don't be afraid".

and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

In the storms of life it is easy to lose our faith. But losing our faith is the worse thing we can do. We lose our faith when concentrate on the storms, the huge waves engulfing us. That is when we lose confidence.

God reminds us to take courage, to trust in Him.

When faced with the storms of life, when we are afraid, God gives us words to live by when he has his prophet Jeremiah to write: "For I know the plans I have for you" declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you

And, another writer of the Bible says: "(We are to be) joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Finally, we remember the words of Psalm 23: "The Lord is my Sheppard, I shall not want".

So, armed with such promises from our Lord, we face the world with courage, faith and hope. The option is ours, we can choose to live in fear, or we can live our lives by "Taking courage". We hope that you have a great month. Blessings, peace and grace.

John Stanley, P.M., P.P. is Chaplain, McLean Funeral Directors, and Minister of Visitation of First Presbyterian, Gastonia. In the fiscal Shrine Year, 2012-13, he served Shriners International Imperial Potentate Al Madsen as Imperial Chaplain. He can be reached at jstanley1@carolina.rr.com.



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John Stanley, P.M., P.P.

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If you would like to explore becoming an Oasis Ambassador to your Lodge, or if you have questions regarding the unit, please

do not hesitate to call Illustrious Sir Terry Jones at (336) 764-5502. Also, Past Master's Secretary, Gordy Peeler can be reached by e-mail at gordypeeler@msn.com. Gordy's telephone number is (704) 279-5764.

There is a needed and wanted place for all **Past Masters** who are Shriners to cement the brotherly love and friendship. Please consider the Past Masters Unit by calling either W.B. Jones or W. B. Peeler.

W. B. and Noble Peeler reports that the unit is now up to **210 members**, with 25 new members to join so far this year with 4 more to come in!

Captain Terry Jones' ambitions are great! He would like to have a Past Master as an Oasis Ambassador in EVERY Masonic Lodge in the jurisdiction by the end of the year. Won't you please consider joining? The dues are cheap! Thank you.

John Stanley was Master of Gastonia Lodge 369 in 1979, and Potentate of Oasis Shriners in 1997.

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Logan's Roadhouse in Statesville at 3 pm**

Contact one of the following for more info:

Captain: Ron Bailey - 336-769-9780 • Lieutenant: Charles Hale - 336-696-2652

Secretary/Treasurer: Pat Stanley - 336-240-5728



Recruitment is Your Job

As many of you now know, we had the largest class of candidates in recent memory at our Ceremonial in Blowing Rock. The most impressive thing was, the candidates were youthful.

Our Shrine has experienced a tremendous loss of members over the past 10 years. This is mostly due to the Black Camel. During the '30's, '40's and '50's, Freemasonry and the Shrine was experi-

encing the largest growth period in history. A great many men wanted to be associated with the Freemasons, and with the organization that had gained the reputation as one of the greatest benevo-

lent fraternities in the world.

Unfortunately, those who joined during this period are now being taken from us. The Black Camel takes two members for every new candidate, and in some Temples, it is an even greater number.

If this trend continues, we will be faced with a number of unfortunate circumstances. We, of course, will experience a de-

cline in our membership, which will naturally reduce the number of workers to carry on the fund raising efforts which fund our hospitals. Along with this, we will have fewer members paying dues, which will necessitate an increase in dues for remaining members. These are things none of us want to see.

There are hundreds of Masons in every county who would make great Shriners. All it will take, in most cases, is for an active, dedicated Shriner to ask them to join.

As new members of the Scottish Rite, we were challenged to recruit two new members over our

remaining lifetime — one to replace ourselves when we die, and one to expand membership. I now challenge each of you. Whether you have ever been top-line signer on a Shrine Petition or not, let's each of us going forward pledge to be top-line signer on two new petitions. Imagine if every member of Oasis were to do this. Our membership would grow rapidly to over 12,000 members. Make it your goal to recruit every eligible Mason you know. Not for the money in dues, but to help expand our work force to enable us to continue to support our 22 hospitals that need us desperately. Today would be a great day to start.



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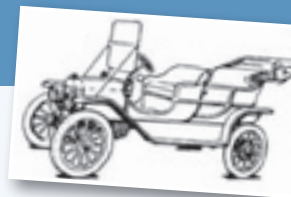
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SAND-Ts



The SAND-Ts unit of the Moore County Shrine Club is celebrating a decade of fun and fellowship this year. The unit was re-formed in 2003 after the Hamlet Shriners, creators of the original SAND-Ts, decided to retire and enjoy parades from the sidelines. But the celebration comes with a measure of melancholy.

The little car that changed America has been one that is also changing the local Shrine Club scene. SAND-T members now make up the heart and soul of the Moore County Shrine Club as well as being members of the SAND-T parade unit.

With the aging of our regular Shrine Club membership, SAND-T members now fill most leadership positions and provide experience and dedication for the entire organization. In a manner of speaking, the drivers of the little cars that revolutionized mass production have also provided the knowhow and fuel to keep the Moore County Shrine Club moving.

One member especially has been truly an inspiration and guiding light for our travels through life as well as our parade journeys. He was Noble Jim McKee. A recent visit by the Black Camel was a shock to us all. The talents and inspiration he provided is a loss to our organization and our community, as well as his family.

Jim's accomplishments ranged from a distinguished government career to one as a talented craftsman capable of designing and building anything that interested him. From miniature working motors to fabricating every part of a working Gatling gun. In order to design and build a replica antique horse buggy, he did his research and learned the woodworking skills that allowed him to make a museum quality buggy now on display in Carthage. Metalworking and electrical engineering were abilities that seemed to come naturally to him as he created his own parade vehicle from a worn out lawn tractor.

He spent a year in his shop creating the SAND-T parade unit's airplane from one that had crashed at our local airport, making it a real crowd favorite wherever we parade. He even found time to become an award winning Vintner somewhere in his travels. Never one to put himself first, his most recent passion was creating awards and plaques for each NOBLE or event he thought should be recognized.

McPherson's First Annual Shriners Hospital for Children Golf Tournament
sponsored by Oasis Scooter Patrol & McPherson's Bar & Grill

SEPTEMBER 14, 2013
Jamestown Golf Course
7041 East Fork Road
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- Four person captain's choice - \$240 per team/\$60 per player
- Mulligans: \$5 each – limit 2 per person
- Gift Bag includes sleeve of balls, bag of tees, etc.
- Valuable prizes for closest to pin, Longest Drive, Hole in One and Putt-Off challenge
- Trophies and cash prizes awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place
- Registration starts at 8:00am (breakfast buffet provided)
- Shotgun start at 9:00am
- Award ceremony with meal provided at completion of tournament at McPherson's Sports Bar and Grill (ribeye steak, baked potato)
- Raffle drawings for other door prizes
- "FREE" beer – limit 2 per player

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION:

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ENTRY FEE

\$240.00/Team or \$60/player

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Entry forms may be obtained at McPherson's Bar and Grill at 5710 N. High Point Rd. Greensboro 336.292.6496 or email mcphersonsgolf@gmail.com to receive a PDF. Remit in person by cash or mail with checks payable to Shriners Hospital for Children.

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Membership begins with Me

Cabarrus Shrine Club 5k Run for the Kids

Saturday, September 28, 2013

5k at 9:30 a.m. / One-Mile Fun Run at 9:00 a.m.

COSTS

5K: \$25 if received by September 27, 2013.

Race day registration is \$30

Fun Run: \$10 if received by September 27, 2013.

Race day registration is \$15

**Location: Downtown Kannapolis
at Main Street and West A in front of the
Dale Earnhardt Tribute Plaza
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Chip Timing; Awards

Same-day registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Early Registration: <http://www.queencitytiming.com>

Running Today to ensure The Children will Run Tomorrow

Carolinas' top bluegrass artists team to raise money for Masonic charities

Seven of the Carolinas' top bluegrass groups will take the stage at the Scottish Rite auditorium on Randolph Road to help raise money for three Masonic charities.

The groups will headline the first "Masonic Bluegrass Festival," to be held Sept. 21 at the auditorium many have called "one of the most acoustically perfect facilities anywhere."

Sponsored by Masons Helping Children, Inc., a North Carolina non-profit group, the Masonic Bluegrass Festival will feature Chapel Road from Chester, S.C., the Hinson Girls from Lancaster, the McFarland Road Band from Laurel Hill, N.C., Pinetucket from Wesley Chapel, Country Grass from Chester, Gipton Hill Boys from Weaverville and Slope

Valley from Hartsville.

"This is going to be an exciting day of the best down-home music you'll ever hear," said Max Walker, who chairs Masons Helping Children and is one of the organizers of the day-long bluegrass festival. "If you're a fan of any kind of music you're going to love this, and you'll be helping the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford, the Shriners Hospitals for Children and the Scottish Rite's RiteCare program."

Walker said 100 percent of the net profits from the show will be given to the charities.

The event kicks off at 11 a.m. at the Scottish Rite building, located at 4740 Randolph Road in southeast Charlotte. Entertainment will continue until 10

p.m., food and refreshments will be available and there will be several music-related vendors on hand.

Tickets are only \$20 in advance for the entire festival, \$25 at the door, though Walker said organizers expect the show to sell out completely before the September event.

Tickets go on sale June 1. For ticket information, call (704) 365-0735 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

A limited number of corporate/business sponsorships are also available. Information on sponsorship may also be obtained by calling Max Walker.

Contact B. Max Walker, 33rd, PM, PDDGM at (704) 843-3721 for any additional information.

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PATROL UNIT & COLOR GUARD

PATROL NEWS FOR AUGUST 2013 • WWW.OASISPATROL.COM

Ah, Summer-time is well upon us and quite a wet one at that. Pretty soon we'll be succumbing to a "lets drill" command but for now let's look back to where we have been. Recently many of our committed Patrol bunch loaded up the Oasis Fraternal GMC Van and made our pilgrimage to Indianapolis to participate in The 139th Imperial Session. This Session is where our own Imperial Sir Alan W. Madsen relinquished his command as our Imperial Potentate.

Upon arriving at the Public Opening Ceremonies our host Shriners did not have any assigned duty for The Imperial Potentate's Patrol Unit. So the Captain and 1st Lieutenant did some quick brainstorming and hatched out a plan taken from the pages of Mission Impossible. We would stand dressed out in our bright Oriental uniforms in a main hallway /

lobby of the Indianapolis Convention Center, just outside the entry door to the Dignitary preparation room. Hum-de-dum... we waited. Then Imperial Sir Al emerged from the preparation room in a long line of Shrine, Masonic and local dignitaries. We seized our opportunity to intercept our Imperial Potentate by forming a cocoon of Patrolmen around him as the Captain took his semi-willing arm and kept the procession moving. It is rather amazing how people will get out the way when being marched upon with a drawn sword. Out of the way they were as The Oasis Patrol Unit escorted The Imperial Potentate into the main convention hall for the Public Opening Ceremonies. Just prior to Imperial Sir Al's ascension of the stage stairs we turned inward to touch saber tips and performed a final Arch of Steel as a high Shrine honor. If you cannot tell, the Oasis Patrol Unit is right proud to be able to glorify our fellow Patrolman and Lady Jan for their many years of tireless, un-selfish service to our Shrine and Masonic Fraternities and our Charity; Shriners Hospitals for Children. Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant(s)...

The following evening the Color Guard stepped off in formation to lead the Imperial Shrine Parade. We marched down a recently rain soaked downtown Indy street to the cadence of an old, antique Shrine Calliope!?!?

not exactly our Oasis Drum and Bugle Corp's heavy down-beat we so richly missed and desperately needed. We kept our pace right through our 'eye's left' command at the dignitary review stand filled with many of our Oasis and Patrol Ladies. The 'fall out' command was bellowed shortly thereafter as mutual relief and appreciation was exchanged for the Color Guard leading our 2nd Imperial Shrine Parade.

The Patrol Unit was also responsible for a 2nd Color Guard presentation during the arrival weekend of Imperial Session. We borrowed and separated Patrol flags for a Color Guard court-side presentation at the 1st annual Oasis Shriners Tennis Classic. A Past Captain, 2nd Lieutenant, Sergeant Major and Chaplain were among the Oasis Patrol representation that was co-ram-headed by Patrolman Nob. Mike Davis. The collective efforts of this new Hospital fundraiser netted almost \$3,000. of which the Patrol Unit is credited with one-third as are the Dune Cats Unit and Mecklenburg Shrine Club. Something else not all of our folks know is that Nob. Mike Davis, after co-chairing the Tennis Classic all day Saturday in Charlotte, hopped a plane early Sunday morning to join and assist the Indy Patrol Group to perform our Imperial tasks. He is to

be commended for his very valiant efforts of stepping up and over the normal Patrol parameters.

Please, please, please take heed to our inner-unit communications alerting everyone to our Health and Happiness reports. Our lives are precious and sometimes too short. We still have many of our Unit members and family members routinely suffering. A call, card or visit as appropriate just to let them know you care will do wonders for our struggling members. Continue to notify the Captain with any updates to share with the rest of our group.

Keep looking to our internet resources; our website www.OasisPatrol.com and FaceBook; Oasis Shriners Patrol for further images, information and schedule updates.

Congratulations to Noble Terry Cox, the Editor of this fine 'rag' we call The Oasis Desert Dust which won this year's Dromedary award. That is equivalent to a newspaper's Pulitzer, a singer's Grammy and an actor's Academy Award / Oscar — all combined. Noble Terry hits it hard with his resources and deserves the kudos accolade.

"The Destiny of Man is to unite, not to divide. If you keep on dividing you end up as a collection of monkeys throwing nuts at each other out of different trees." - T.H. White

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Gator Tales

SPRING 2013

The Gators gathered on May 31st at the Spring ceremonial at Chetola Lodge on Blowing Rock...it was a pleasant trip up the 321 mountains on Friday afternoon for a lot of us and we revved up our gator engines to congregate with our "snacks" at our hospitality "garage" of the Huffs, Crawleys and Reeps. Our snacks turned out to be "enuff" dinner for the gang and the evening was spent at our hospitality room or Fred Laxton's hospitality room and then the dance.

Saturday morning ...breakfast at the Bob Timberlake restaurant inside of the main building was enjoyed by many...Several more Gators and Gals appeared on Saturday morning, just coming to Blowing Rock for the day, and many of our Gator Gals attended the beautiful luncheon the Ronda hosted, while the men enjoyed their "bag" lunch provided for those in the parade.

The parade is always special in Blowing Rock's quaint little town and our Gators did us proud...I believe 15 Gators owners were parading as well as the Associate members who were riding with them.

Captain David Reep called a meeting for the Gators back at the hospitality "garage"...up coming events that were discussed are Red Fez Family Day and a week-end camping trip at the Crawley's mountain house on the New River in Jefferson on July 25th- 28th. Dinner will be served on Saturday July 27th at the Gator business meeting. Twenty Gators shared a family style dinner reserved at

the Daniel Boone Inn at 6 o'clock on Saturday night. After dinner, many attended the dance on the grounds.

Thursday, June 13th was a busy set up day for the eight campers who headed out of Hickory at various times to set up their campers at the Red Fez Family day site at Lake Wylie near Charlotte. Again, "When we meet, we eat" applies as most of the campers enjoyed hamburgers and hot dogs together that Thursday night. Friday morning brought out the multiple cooks, sharing their specialties of liver mush, country ham, bacon, grits, gravy, pineapple "casserole", scrambled eggs and "homemade" biscuits...for the starvin' campers. We start cooking and people start coming... Friday day was spent in fine fellowship and fishing and swimming and some eating again around lunch time and getting ready for the "cook off" contest on Saturday. Friday night Fred Medlin (our fishing buddy and Gator) shared his generous load of crappies, halibut, flounder and maybe other kinds of fishes with the 60+ "Red Fez family and friends". Chief Cook David Bowman and Judy Bowman were in charge of the cooking the fish, onion rings, and french fries and they had lots of help from the Gator guys.

Saturday morn breakfast was a ditto of Friday's and then the guys started hanging out at the cooking tent. Hot dogs and all the trimmings were served on Saturday noon to all the guests on the Fed Fez Shrine's acreage. Doris and Allen Leatherman manned the serving booths with help from Frankie Kirk, Judy and David Bowman, Pam and David London. The cook-off ended and all the folks were served around four o'clock on Saturday night...food served was what was cooked all night in anticipation of the judging and awarding of prizes...BBQ pork, and sauces, chicken, ribs and "anything but" was served to the masses...followed by multiple desserts.

Prizes were awarded and the MasterGators were pleased to receive 3rd place in chicken preparation. Thanks to Kenny Jarrett, David Bowman and Captain David Reep and all who helped in these preparations.

Sunday - time to head for home.

And that's the Way it Was...See ya' later Gator!



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Fast Friends

"Watch Sadie pick up her food," John Hixson says encouragingly as he guides his two-year-old son Tyler's hand to his lunch tray. Tyler and his parents have joined Sadie Spring, also two, and her parents for a lunch of chicken nuggets and French fries at Shriners Hospitals for Children—Greenville. Sadie, with her bright smile and never-meet-a-stranger personality, is familiar to the hospital staff, especially since, upon learning her daughter's diagnosis while Sadie was still in utero, Jessi Spring began meeting with hospital staff in preparation for Sadie's arrival.

Today is young Tyler's second hospital visit. For her part, Sadie seems to relish playing the part of seasoned veteran, flashing Tyler an encouraging smile when he tries using his fingers, pincer-like, to grasp the small pieces of chicken his dad has placed on his tray. Both toddlers have been diagnosed with arthrogryposis, a stiffening of the joints, and both sets of parents have brought their child to Greenville, SC, for the expertise of the pediatric orthopedic surgeons and other staff at the hospital.

The two—Sadie and Tyler—have become fast friends in their short time together. Today's lunch is more than chicken nuggets; it's a time of bonding and sharing for parents and children alike. Because of Shriners Hospitals for Children physicians treat many patients with the same conditions, a clinic visits can become an opportunity for making friendships that last a lifetime. "Meeting the Spring family was great," Tyler's mother Jessica says. "It's very important for Tyler, Sadie, and other kids affected by arthrogryposis to interact with each other. It allows the children to know that many things are still very achievable, like a simple wave hello or goodbye."



Tyler's parents, like all the hospital's patients, came to Shriners Hospitals for Children—Greenville for the expert care. After meeting Sadie and her parents, the Hixson family left with something just as valuable—a shared experience with new friends.

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PAST MASTERS *3rd Degree*

Pictured with aprons are newly raised Brothers Pablo Medina, Majer Elswick and John Halvorson, II, who were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on July 15th at Guilford Lodge #656, AF & AM, Greensboro, NC.

The Degree was unique in that all Stations and Places were filled by Past Masters of Guilford and

other area Lodges. A total of 23 Past Masters took part in the degree, as well as two District Deputy Grand Masters and one District Deputy Grand Lecturer.

We welcome Brothers Medina, Elswick and Halvorson into our Fraternity. We hopefully will soon be welcoming them into Oasis Shrine also.



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Reminder:

All ads & articles for the September edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted by **August 10**

Statesville Shrine Club 21st Annual Charity Golf Tournament and Auction Friday August 16th, 2013

Statesville Country Club, 635 Deauville Drive, Statesville, NC (704) 873-8376

(All Golfers should arrive early to register!)

Tee Time: 1:00 PM Shotgun Start 64 teams.
(Golfer's Briefing at 12:30 pm sharp)

A limited number of 8:00 am Start Times
(Golfer's Briefing at 8 am sharp)

Format: Two Man Captains Choice
Entry Fee: \$75.00 per player
Mulligan: Limit 2 per player, \$5 ea.
Strings: Limit 2 per player, \$5 ea.



Each Player receives:
One round of golf & cart fees
Complimentary Beverages
Goodie Bag
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Auction is open to the General Public

Dinner and auction will start around 6:30 pm.
All Net Proceeds to Benefit the
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Auction Info: Paul Henderson (704) 872-8334, Ncmule@hotmail.com

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Sponsor Info: Kevin Bodenheimer (704) 902-2039, Iredellshriners@gmail.com



Please Remit Entry Form & \$75 Per Player To:

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Statesville Country Club
August 16th, 2013
Rain Date: Aug 23rd

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UPDATE ~ AUGUST 2013

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\$32,622 YTD

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on their birthdays*

in memory of Mabel Mayes Dodson

TELEMARKETING FOR OASIS CIRCUS

This is to inform the Nobility that we have contracted with Etsell, Inc (Shrine Services) to handle the telemarketing for our circus again this year. The telemarketers started in April and we have sent them an updated listing of Oasis Nobles and their telephone numbers so they would not call our members. If you have multiple telephone lines or run a business, then you may be called by the telemarketers. If you do receive a call, politely inform the caller that you are an Oasis Member and that you will be contributing through our Circus Mom & Dads Program which is for Oasis Shriners and their family.

We have had several people contact local Shriners to see if this is a legitimate operation. This is very much supported by Oasis and was approved at the stated membership meeting at the beginning of the year. If you are asked about this, please let the interested party know that this is an Oasis Fundraiser and that Etsell (Shrine Services) sends runners out to collect the contributions from participants after they agree to contribute to the circus project.

If you have questions, please contact **Noble Rodney Morgan at (704) 985-5253**. If you need to leave a message we will get back in touch with you.



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AUGUST 2013

NAME	CITY, STATE	CREATED	DIED
Ben S Foust	Siler City	5/22/54	10/3/11
Jerry L Frogge	Norwood, NC	4/2/90	11/11/11
Leroy H Harvell	Greensboro, NC	5/29/82	12/17/11
Robert G Williams	Greensboro, NC	5/31/80	5/14/12
Jackie C Adkins	Eden, NC	4/2/90	10/4/12
H C Aldridge	Crossnore, NC	10/17/64	11/9/12
Theodore J Solomon	Charlotte, NC	4/2/90	2/4/13
James R Wiggins	Carrollton, GA	12/12/75	4/19/13
Clarence M Williams	Faith, NC	9/16/67	5/30/13
Willard C Davenport	Webster, NC	11/9/02	6/8/13
Robert K Marshall	Columbus, NC	6/4/77	6/11/13
Herbert E Stanley	Troy, NC	9/18/71	6/26/13
Weldon L Wilkins	Greensboro, NC	10/26/74	6/26/13
Charles E Holcomb	Hendersonville, NC	11/1/75	6/26/13

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Correction to July's Desert Dust Issue:

The following donors were from Appalachian Shrine Club and not Ashe Shrine Club.

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\$5,523.44 Greensboro Shrine Club - Paper Sale & Tip-a-Celebrity Fundraiser
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\$15,380.81 Hendersonville - Paper Sale
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\$3,264.08 Mountaineer Shrine Club - Paper Sale
\$1,025.00 Mountaineer Shrine Club - Plaque & Year Bars
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To start, enter the following website address into your internet browser: **www.shrinersvillage.org** this will take you to the screen shown on the right.

If you are a first time user, you will need to **register** and create your own personal account setting up your username and pass- word. See red arrow (right).



After setting up your new account, future visits will only require entering your username and password each time you visit Shriners Village. The layout of the Shriners' Village website is easily navigated and Shriners can effortlessly find everything this site has to offer.



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