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The Potentate's message



By the time you read this, 2013 will be half over. It has been inspiring, to say the least, seeing the excitement in the Clubs and Units over the groundbreaking work that is being done throughout the jurisdiction. Some of my most prideful moments have been when I have talked to Shriners who have seen what is being done by their club or unit, or have read the exciting articles in the Desert Dust, and want to get involved again. This enthusiasm is contagious, and the greatest benefactor is our "Kids".

For those of you who were fortunate enough to attend our Spring Ceremonial, you know what a great time was had by everyone. The weather was absolutely beautiful, the parade was great, and the streets were packed with spectators. The most important part of our weekend was that 56 Shriners were made – the largest class of new candidates in recent memory. Our class was highlighted by two Shriners who have close ties to our hospitals. One is the grandson of one of the first patients to be cared for by the Greenville hospital during the 1930's. The other was a burn patient at our Cincinnati

hospital during the 1970's. I had the pleasure of presenting the fez to our patient/Shriner, along with Illustrious Sir Bill Harward on Saturday night. His enthusiasm is a true inspiration to us all. Both will be featured in upcoming issues of The Desert Dust. I want to thank all who were involved for making our weekend a grand success.

I also want to thank all of those who came to the Ladies Luncheon to support Lady Rhonda. Outer Guard Ken Bowen presented the program, with a focus on our hospitals, and on the role our significant oth-

ers play in our Shrine activities. My son, Warner, started his own project by making pot holders, selling them to raise funds for our hospitals. Thanks to the generosity of our ladies, he raised nearly \$400.00.

I had an interesting email waiting for me when I returned from Blowing Rock. A Noble who moved from Washington, DC to Denver, NC contacted me and wanted to know how he could become a member of Oasis. I called him, introduced myself, and explained the procedure to become an Oasis member. I also explained that Oasis was the #1 Temple in the world in both contributions and membership. He was truly surprised to learn this. I went on to tell him that his Lady was welcome at Shrine Club meetings, and told him that our Ladies are a major player in our success. He was shocked at

the involvement of the Ladies of Oasis, and said that was not customary where he comes from. He was very excited to visit the local Shrine Club, and to join Oasis. I am excited to spread the good news of what Oasis has to offer.

By the time you read this, Family Fun Day at beautiful Red Fez Shrine Club will have come and gone. I hope you were able to

join us for a day of great fun, food and fellowship. We will have a full report in the August edition of the Desert Dust.

In closing, always remember the real reason you became a Shriner. Our only goal is "Putting Kids First".

Yours in the Faith
Fred



The Recorder's message

Hello Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of the Shrine. My items this month will be rather brief since our infamous, I mean famous Desert Dust Editor tells me that there are lots of items for this month's issue. Since I don't have a great deal to report, this has worked out perfectly for me.

O.K., I was reading the Imperial Shrine Protocol manual the other day, as I'm sure most of you also do on occasion. These rules get into the "down and dirty" on how we should conduct Shrine business and ourselves. I'm sure I have read some of the rules before, but a refresher was quite interesting and I would like to share some of my findings.

Parades...of course we can't throw candy in a parade, but, a Shriner can walk alongside the road and hand out candy. Now here's a little known fact, at Imperial parades, no temple officer is permitted in a parade unless there are at least 15 members from the temple's units there, or unless the Imperial Potentate has given express permission. I did not know that one.

When the Imperial Potentate comes 'avisitin, make sure that during ceremonials and business meetings he is seated to the immediate right of your Potentate, with the Chief Rabban being seated on the immediate left. And, your potentate should personally escort the Imperial Potentate to their table. Now Canadian protocol

is a bit different, but you can read up on that one yourself.

Ah, now a little bit about the fez. The fez is to never be worn at a Masonic lodge communication or meeting. At non-Shrine functions, if a temple officer is representing the Shrine, he may wear the fez. No other Nobles there are to wear the fez. I didn't know this one either. No other person is ever allowed to wear a Noble's fez. No more than two clasps or pins are to be used to secure the tassel. Interesting isn't it? O.K., if you're heart isn't racing yet, here's one for you, how should a Shriner wear his lapel pin on a sport coat or jacket? On his left lapel of course. And, a Shrine pin cannot only be worn at non-Shrine events,

but is actually encouraged to be worn.

O.K., that's probably enough for this learning session. Wow, the time does fly. As I mentioned last month, the 2013 Oasis Shrine Circus telemarketing is in full swing, and I would encourage everyone to contribute to the Mom & Pops Program which should be out, according to our Circus Chairman Rodney (the circus man) Morgan in early July. Join Rodney and me by contributing at the Ringmaster level this 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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*News of the***NEW Past Masters Unit****John Stanley, P.M.**

It was on a Friday afternoon in cool, green, clean Blowing Rock. People were planning BIG things for a huge Shrine Ceremonial. In a small meeting room within the Chetola Resort sixteen people who had served their Masonic Lodges as Master sat on the edge of their chairs. They came from throughout Oasis Shriners Jurisdiction to say, "What can I do? I want to be involved in something great!"

When the meeting ended Noble and Past Master Gordy Peeler, Secretary reported

that there were now 15 Past Masters covering 17 Masonic Lodges as Ambassadors, and that we had added four new Past Masters to our number just prior to the meeting, and that there were now

198 Past Masters in the unit.

Captain and Past Master (and, Past Potentate) Terry Jones predicted that by the conclusion of the Blowing Rock Ceremonial, the Past Masters Unit would have over 225 members!

The by-laws are being revised by P.W.M. Ed Becton, and meetings are being planned at each ceremonial.

If you are a Past Master of your Lodge, and you would like to investigate the possibility of 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.

**DONATION FROM Sunshine Elementary School**

Again this year, the children at Sunshine Elementary School have been collecting aluminum tabs to be given to the Temple by the Thermal Belt Shrine Club with the proceeds going to support the Shriners Hospitals for Children. This year the most tabs were collected by the 5th. grade class of Mrs. Travis and Mrs. Whitesides.

The children are from L to R first row: Wayne Parker, Evan Ramsey, Parker Hodge, Dylan Ford, Brandon Taylor, Justin Irvin, Robby Tasker. **Second row:** Sarah Higgins, Ally Carpenter, Addison Whiteside, Fatima Ghaleb, Alyssa Bronson, Karli Hoyle, Danielle Thomas, Dawson Padgett, Olivia Hallman, Baylee Short, Hannah Bennett, Alexis Herring, Summer Taylor, Madison Goins. **Third row:** Camden Bostic, Brooklyn Dunham, Matt Hollifield, Lexey Kelley, Bo Nolan, Lilli Peeler, Maddie Walker, Savannah Culler, Aidan Curcio, Jimmy Layton, Luke White, Nathan Bayley, Christian Daugherty.

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INTRODUCING YOUR DIVAN

Noble Mike Neaves

Noble Mike Neaves who serves as Oriental Guide, member of the Oasis Board of Directors, has had a rich history in Masonry, and in the Shrine.

Noble Mike lists his hometown as Lansing, North Carolina. He and his Lady, Bobbie, currently call Jefferson, NC home.

Noble Mike graduated from Ashe Central High School, and is the owner of Mike Neaves Trucking Company.

He was raised in Ashe Lodge 594 in June, 2000. He is a Life Member of the Winston-Salem Valley, Scottish Rite. Is a member of York Rite, and a member of Royal Order of Jesters #109. He served as Master of Ashe Lodge 594 in 2006, having the distinction of serving as Master of his Lodge and President of his Shrine Club, all in the same year. Full plates are what it is all about.

Noble Mike became a Shriner in November, 2000, and hit the ground running. He was President of Ashe Shrine Club in 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, and led the club in the construction of their new Ashe County Shrine Club building,

located at 117 Morphew Lane, Jefferson, NC.

Noble Mike is the father of Noble Christopher Neaves, a member of Lexington Shrine Club, and daughter, Chiquitha Ackerman.

He is grandfather to Riley and Mason Neaves, and Chasiti Jordan, who is the wife of Noble Terry Jordan.

Although Noble Mike is quiet and unassuming, he works hard in the background. He has generously in the past used his trucks to pick up and deliver the onions from Georgia, delivering them back to our Clubs.

In addition, he is a Patient Coordinator, a long time Tripster, is a Past Ambassador, and a Past Trustee for District 3 of Oasis Shrine.

He counts watching his son journey through the degrees in Masonry as being one of his most prideful periods in our Fraternity, and then seeing him made a Shriner. He cites the Caribbean Trip with Illustrious Sir John Sullivan one of the most special times since he has been a Shriner. His granddaughter, Chasiti, had just gotten married, and he and Lady Bobbie's gift to them was treating she and her new husband to the cruise with them. Plus, he was able to keep his eye on his new



grandson-in-law, which he still does!!!!

The experience that is most memorable to him in the Shrine was when Illustrious Sir John Sullivan asked him if he would serve in the Divan line as a Director of the Board. It was indeed special to be asked to serve, and be a part of a Fraternity which he had worked so hard in.

Noble Mike is slated to become Potentate in 2017, at the will of the Nobility. I know he will have the full support of Oasis Shrine members. We welcome him to the ranks of the leadership of Oasis Shrine Center.



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Dan McCurry

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Questions? Call Dan McCurry at 704-813-8177

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

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40222	WAYNE A ALLEY
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40231	MARK S BLOOMER
40250	FRANK T BRADY
40269	THOMAS A BRANDON (ANDY)
40285	HERBERT L CARTER (H.L.)
40239	BEDFORD L CHAMBERS (BUC)
40236	CHARLES A DOLL (CHUCK)
40262	WILLIAM A DOWNS (ANDY)
40229	BRADLEY N DUKE (BRAD)
40276	JIMMY L EPLEY
40267	KEVIN L FRYE
40259	TIMOTHY K GATES (TIM)
40221	JAY M GLEN
40226	ROBERT B GRIFFITH (REO)
40251	HANS C HAAS
40255	GREGORY M HANNOLD (GREG)
40243	KENNETH G HARPER (GRAY)
40233	MELVA R HEARNDON (RAY)
40260	WILBERT C HODGES (WILL)
40277	MICHAEL J HOLLOWAY (JAMIE)
40278	LAWRENCE E HUGGINS (LARRY)
40253	GEORGE O HUNSUCKER
40227	JOHN E ISAACKS, JR
40245	CHARLES A JONES (CHUCK)
40244	JESSE B JOYCE, JR (JAY)
40273	JEFFREY P KENDALL (JEFF)
40248	BRYAN C LEE
40279	JOEY S LUCAS
40247	ANDREW P MCCLURE
40246	GREGORY J MOORE (GREG)
40242	GEORGE H NELSON, JR
40275	GARRETT V NORRIS
40238	WILLIAM C PHILLIPS (BILL)
40263	RONALD M PIERCE
40257	CHARLES T QUEEN (TOMMY)
40266	KENNETH B RITCHIE
40264	ROBERT A ROGERS
40232	DANIEL S SCHERR
40228	WILLIAM H SMITH (BILL)
40254	LYLE S SMITH
40252	MARK A STOUT
40272	KENNETH W SUDDERTH
40283	KENTON L TARBUTTON (KENT)
40282	MAX G TAYLOR, JR (GERALD)
40249	DUANE T TINCH
40235	RANDY VEROLINE
40234	BOBBY S WALKER
40237	RICKY D WALL (RICK)
40256	JONATHAN P WEST (JON)
40270	DAVID B WHISNANT (HOGG)
40261	JASON P WHITLEY

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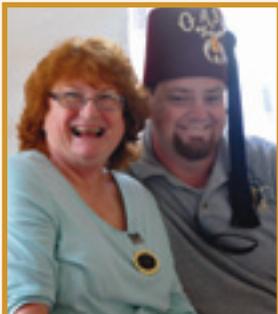
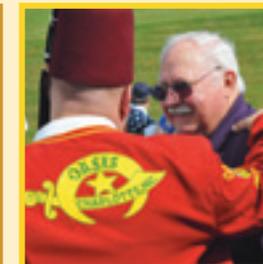
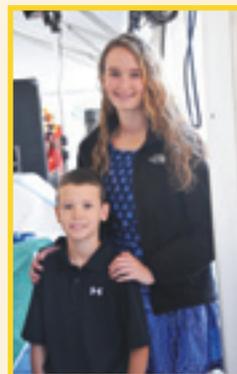
Talk about a family affair. Warner Laxton, son of Illustrious Sir Fred Laxton, collected a total of \$390.00 for Shriners Children's Hospitals by selling his hand-made pot holders at the Blowing Rock Ceremonial.
Way to go Warner!!!!



Harold Davis, Class Honoree for the 2013 Summer Ceremonial, with wife Susan



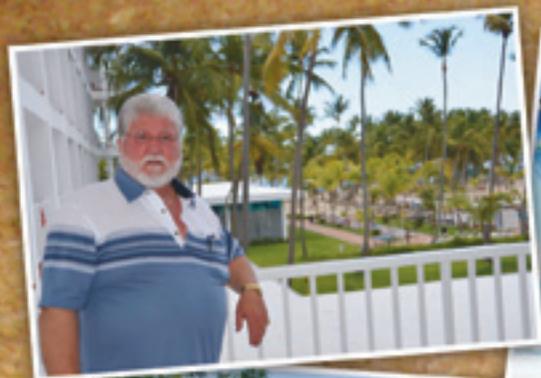
Class Honorees Noble Harold Davis and Noble Jim Beaty.



Punta Cana

2013





The "Beat on the Street" Shows Off



The Oasis Drum & Bugle Corps held their 3rd Annual Car & Truck Show recently during the Mt. Holly Spring Fest, and we are happy to report that this "Hospital" fund raiser was a wonderful success.

The 2013 show had over 50 entries, the most in its short history. One great thing about this show is the variety of vehicles that enter. Strolling across the parking lot you can take in the beauty of brand new cars, old cars that still had their original paint, interior, & engine; hot rods, restored vintage cars, customs, rat rods, and pickups.

There was wonderful fellowship throughout the morning and early afternoon led by the Captain of the Corps, Dale Morton. The event was headed up by Past Captain Tommy Helms. Both of these Noble Brothers would be quick to point out how many corps members and their ladies provided the backbone of support that you must have to make this type of fundraiser a success. They made the show more successful with their hard work in the raffle, silent auction, 50/50 ticket and water sales. Keeping the air filled with music were The Boogie Woogie Kings, "Smokey" and "The Pope".

Speaking of fellowship and unity, the Corps was thrilled to welcome members of the Oasis Ragtops to the show with their convertibles. Also, the Mt. Holly Masonic Lodge #544 was set up at the entrance of the show with their cookers and fryers. They had a very successful day and we understand that the fried bologna

sandwiches sold out early. One of the leaders of 544's "cook team" is the Corps' Drum Major, Eddie Wilson.

An additional unity & fellowship thought, if you please. The 1st Lt. of the Corps, Brian Wilson was able to bring out and set up the Oasis Big Rig Trailer with its' walk through display about the hospital. At the end of the show, Brian reported that in addition to providing information to visitors, the donation jar had received contributions. Perhaps your club or unit will consider using this asset at an upcoming event to increase awareness about the mission of our hospitals. Contact the temple for more info.

As the early afternoon arrived, it was time to start announcing the various winners of the raffles, auctions, and of course the Car & Truck Show. Best car award went to Neal Sparrow of Charlotte, for his red '57 Ford Fairlane. Best truck went to Robert White of Huntersville for his gold '75 Ford F-100. Lastly, the best of show went to Noble David Tuttle for his green '47 Ford. By the way, a "thank you" to the Desert Dust for helping the Corps promote the show. David Tuttle came to the show with his copy of the "Dust" in hand. He had seen the ad and entry form in the paper and had come to support the event.

The Drum & Bugle Corps is very grateful for each man and woman that made a donation to enter their vehicle in the show. When the "Hospital" wins, everyone wins!

- Ned Yates

ATTENTION CLUBS & UNITS

If you are having a special event and would like photographs, please contact:

Steve Jordan, Chairman of the Photography Committee at stevejordan707@gmail.com.

These photos will be displayed in the Desert Dust & on the Oasis Photo website at www.oasisshrinephotos.com.



Oasis Shrine Photography



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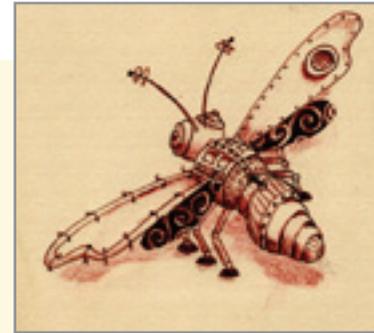
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Another Success Story

These etchings were drawn by Presley McGinnis, a Shrine Hospital patient who has Cerebral Palsy. Presley was born 3 months premature, and had to spend the first 3 ½ months of her life in the hospital. She was diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy at age 13 months by Shrine Childrens Hospital, and has been a patient ever since. She is now 16 years old. She has had 9 operations thus far, and has used a walker since she was very little.

Due to her condition, she is unable to use a typical computer mouse, instead using a trackpad, which makes her etchings all the more amazing. At a recent graphic showcase, all of the graphic designers were stunned that the professional work you see here was completed by someone with such a significant disability.

She is truly talented and amazing, and is ever so grateful to Shriners Children's Hospitals for helping her. She says she likely would have never walked without their help. Another success story from Shriners Children's Hospitals.



All artwork by Presley McGinnis

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September 19 - 21, 2013

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.)

Oasis Shriners Host Hotel

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

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.



A message from the

Imperial Potentate

Dear Shriners and Shrine Ladies,

The 139th Imperial Session is only days away. We hope you have added this important event to your calendar. When Shriners and their Ladies gather together there is always fun and fellowship. However, it isn't all about the fun. Your voting representatives will be meeting daily to conduct the business that is necessary to continue our great fraternity and health care system.

“SEND IN THE CLOWNS”



The largest documented gathering of clowns was in 1991 at Bognor Regis, UK, where 850 clowns, including 450 from North America, gathered for their annual clown convention. Nobles and Ladies, let's work together to exceed the record of 850 clowns as documented in the Guinness World Records. Or, we'll set a record for clowns in a parade in the United States. With teamwork, we can "Make-it-Happen!"



International Shrine Clown Association members, Noble Ernie "Rollo" Pearlstein and Noble Mark "Buzzy" Burgard have contacted Guinness World Records to secure our Claim ID #424879 and Membership #330549 for the application.

The leadership of ISCA under President George "Patches" Pipes will assist in complying with Guinness' requirements to document the event. They will be aided by Murat Shrine Clowns and the Public Relations Department, under the leadership of Amy Ritzel.

The Shrine Clowns will gather immediately prior to the parade for documentation and registration. They will lead the parade by appearing before the color guard in keep-



ing with Shrine bylaws.

The recent Public Relations Seminar, under the leadership of Deputy Imperial Potentate John Cinotto and his team of Imperial Officers Dale Stauss and Gary Bergenske, provided an informative program to the PR teams from the various hospitals and temples. Corporate Public Relations Director Amy Ritzel and her staff added their valuable expertise to bring the seminar to a new level. Topics included Media and Marketing for a New Era, Dealing with Change, notification of Dromedary awards, Electronic Media and Media training.



The Florida Shrine Association was hosted by Egypt Temple in Tampa, Fla., under the leadership of Past Potentate and FSA President Frank Mongiovi assisted by his Lady Nancy. The Potentate of Egypt Temple, Tom Robinson, and Lady Trish hosted the dinners and lunches at the temple and activity center. One dinner featured young wheelchair athletes playing soccer. Our patients participate in many athletic activities, encouraging one another and building their self-confidence.

Friday evening, the Prisoner's Ball was organized by the Keystone Kops complete with a jail in the center of the banquet room. During a delicious dinner of "jailhouse stew," arrest warrants could be purchased for a mere \$2. Some of the alleged suspects had difficulty when appearing before the judge; others had difficulty finding anyone to bail them out of jail.

Next we traveled to Sudan Temple in New Bern, N.C., for their spring ceremonial under the leadership of Illustrious Sir Ken Bennett and his Lady Juanita. The event included a big parade in downtown New Bern. Friday evening clubs and units served BBQ, shrimp, hot dogs, hamburgers and much more. What a fun evening with music and dancing under the stars by the Trent River.



Al Bahr's Centennial Ceremonial welcomed 44 new Nobles and their Ladies May 11th. Al Bahr's Director's Staff performed their first-ever Arch degree. Well done! Illustrious Sir Rudy Nazareno's goal this year is to remain GOLD in membership for the third year in a row.



His goal is to add 100 members – one new member for every year of Al Bahr's existence. Illustrious Sir Rudy is on a roll.

The previous day, Imperial Sir Al and Potentate Rudy were interviewed by local media. Al Bahr's clowns and the Tin Lizzies were also featured on the program.

Illustrious Sir Rudy Nazareno with Lady Evelyn at his side had all the details fine-tuned for a fantastic weekend. Saturday night's 100th Anniversary Celebration Banquet was held at the Scottish Rite Center.

We were also given a tour of Al Bahr's Shrine camp in the Laguna Mountains by our personal Aide PP Don Wierman and his lady Shirley. It is a wonderful retreat for ceremonials, camping and other family events.

Acacia Past Potentate James Dodd and his Lady Donna welcomed Imperial Officers Wayne Lachut and Lady Janet, Jim Cain and Bill Bailey as well as Lady Jan and myself to the South Central Shrine Association meeting.

SCSA was "Rollin on the River" at the Belle Hotel and Casino in Baton Rouge on the Mississippi River. Acacia Shriners, under the leadership of Past Potentate and SCSA Past President Danny Johnson and his TEAM had all the details well organized for a weekend which featured motor corp and clown competitions, as well as lively performances by the Oriental Bands of Jerusalem and Acacia.

The Indy 500 Race visit hosted by Murat Shriners in Indianapolis, under the leadership of Illustrious Sir James "Jim" Priest and Lady Tammy, was a fun filled weekend. Friday's activities included a heartwarming Memorial Service Luncheon at Murat, a First Section ceremonial welcoming six new Nobles and their Ladies, a sumptuous prime rib dinner followed by comedian Randy Riggle.

We attended the Carburetor Day Practice on Thursday at the speedway, 500 Festival Parade on Saturday, and the big race on Sunday, May 26th. Thank you Ill. Sir Jim and Lady Tammy.

The next day we traveled to visit with Hadi Shriners in Evansville, Ind., on the Ohio River. Illustrious Sir Kenneth S. Cooper and Lady Marilyn shared the temple's history with us as well as their goals for its future. Hadi has a prominent location on the river and is very active in the community.

We look forward to seeing all of you in the beautiful city of Indianapolis from June 30th through July 4th.

Yours in the Faith,

Alan W. Madsen

Alan "Al" W. Madsen, Imperial Potentate



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Are you a Past Master?
We are your unit. Join Us.

For more information:

Noble Terry K. Jones, PP, Captain: (336) 764-55#2

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

**ATTENTION
NOBLES AND
LADIES**

The Potentates trip to Las Vegas, scheduled for October 3 – 6, has been cancelled. It has been discovered that the group rate for this trip is much higher than the rate members could get by booking individually. It is my desire to provide interesting trips at an affordable rate. I regret that this trip had to be cancelled, but feel it is in the best interest of the Nobility. - Fred

Cabarrus Shrine Club Presents

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THANKS TO ALL OF THE COOKING TEAMS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE FAMILY FUN DAY COOK OFF!

No Name Cooking Crew, Old Guys Rule, Stokesdale Smokers, Saucy Bottom Boyz, Whetstone Country Cookers, Terry's Smoke House, Grants Diesels Blowing Smoke, Crowders Mtn. Hogbillies, D&B Que Crew, High on the Hog, Chef Master Gators, Burnt to a Crisp, Massy Mtn. Grillbillies, and Red Fez Shrine Club

THE WINNERS...

Sauce – 1st Place – No Name Cooking Crew;
2nd Place – Saucy Bottom Boyz; 3rd Place – Red Fez Shrine Club

Chicken – 1st Place – Old Guys Rule;
2nd Place – No Name Cooking Crew; 3rd Place – Chef Master Gators

Ribs – 1st Place – Old Guys Rule;
2nd Place – Massy Mountain Grillbillies; 3rd Place – Terry's Smoke House

Pulled Pork – 1st Place – Old Guys Rule;
2nd Place – Stokesdale Smokers; 3rd Place – Crowders Mountain Hogbillies

Anything But – 1st Place – Saucy Bottom Boyz;
2nd Place – Whetstone Country Cookers; 3rd Place – Stokesdale Smokers

Overall – 1st Place – Saucy Bottom Boyz;
2nd Place – Old Guys Rule; 3rd Place – No Name Cooking Crew

Only perfect score for the day was in the Anything But category, with Saucy Bottom Boyz having a perfect score of 50 points.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

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"But the LORD said to me, 'Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the LORD." (Jeremiah 1:4-10 NIV)

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John Stanley, P.P. is Chaplain, McLean Funeral Directors, and Minister of Visitation of First Presbyterian, Gastonia. This year he is serving Shriners International Imperial Potentate Al Madsen as Imperial Chaplain. He can be reached at jstanley1@carolina.rr.com.



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MYSTERY OF THE APRON



By Jackie Bridges

A Mason's ceremonial lamb skin apron is a record of achievement – the badge of a Mason. The majority of Masons are buried with the apron around them or it is passed down to the family.

"A Mason knows where the apron is at all times and the family knows where it is to be able to use it at the funeral," said Dennis C. Reel.

When an apron dated 1919 was found in a shoebox recently by the Masons at Cleveland Lodge No. 202 in Shelby, they called Reel to come and take a look.

The name written on the apron was H.C. Johnson and his lodge was Orient Lodge No. 395 in Wilmington.

"I'm a life member at the Lodge in Wilmington," said Reel, who moved to Cleveland County in 2005. "I can visit any

lodge in the world. They know I'm from Wilmington and that I visit a lot of lodges."

Reel and the others are wondering how the apron ended up in Shelby and would like to return it to Johnson's relatives. Returning the apron is important, because of the values of Masonry, he said.

"Free Masonry is not a religion, but we are religious in nature," he said. "We believe in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. We teach friendship, morality and brotherly love. It is my duty to see that this apron is returned to the family."

If Reel can't find any living relatives, he will deliver the apron to the Orient Lodge and it will be displayed there.

On the inside of the apron is recorded when Johnson received his First, Second and Third degrees. To receive each degree, a mason must

recite the catechism.

"The catechism is not written down, it is passed down orally," Reel said. "For this man to have gone through all three degrees in 50 days is

unheard of."

With the information he had, Reel contacted the Grand Lodge and found out the following.

Horace Clifton (H.C.) Johnson was born in Fayetteville in 1895 and died March 25, 1956. He

was married to Esther Dew Johnson, who died July 3, 1996.

He received his First Degree July 7, 1919; his Second Degree, July 18, 1919; and his third degree Aug. 27, 1919. He lived at 3919 Sweetbriar Road, Wilmington, and paid his dues

for 37 years. His daughter, Georgia Symmes, died July 6, 1993. She had two sons, Michael D. Symmes and Patrick Symmes.

If anyone has information about Johnson or his family, contact Reel at 704-937-0639 or email deno4reel@aol.com.



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Dennis Reel holds the apron that was found in a shoebox recently by the Masons at Cleveland Lodge No. 202 in Shelby.

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Back to Its Roots, OI Foundation Holds Reunion at SHC – Chicago

Redbook magazine was one of the key elements for the “social media” in 1968. Through it, people communicated about things personally important. In the March 1968 issue, Gemma Geisman of Van Wert, OH, wrote “My Prison of Dreams,” a poignant, pleading testimonial about her young son Mike, who was born with osteogenesis imperfecta, a rare and poorly understood disease at the time. OI, a rare genetic disorder affecting approximately 50,000 people in the United States and characterized by bones that break easily, is also known as “brittle bone disease.” The disease causes fragile bones as well as other complications, including respiratory issues, hearing loss, and cardiac issues. Presently there is no cure for OI. In the months that followed the article, scores of mothers from across the country wrote and called, all so appreciative that someone had the courage to speak out, to detail the dread of the disease, and to seek assistance from someone, some source. On January 23, 1968, under the leadership of Dr. Edward Millar, chief of staff at SHC – Chicago and pioneer in surgical treatment of OI, the first OI clinic was held at our hospital, and in April 1970 parents, nurses, and physicians banded together at our hospital to form the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation, which has become a major factor in the care of OI patients. The OI clinic has continued to be one of the largest centers for OI care and research. In 2007, SHC – Chicago received a \$500,000 grant from the

Dr. Ralph and Marian Falk Medical Research Trust, to expand and deepen the research into the understanding and treatment of OI. This grant has been a key incentive for new and expanded programs for patients with OI here

under the guidance of Dr. Peter Smith, Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Rush University School of Medicine, and Attending Orthopaedic Surgeon, SHC – Chicago. Dr. Smith is a foremost expert in pediatric OI treatment and research. Under the leadership of Dr. Smith and our medical staff, a new book, *Transitional Care in Osteogenesis Imperfecta: Advances in Biology, Technology, and Clinical Practice*, will be published this summer, the fulfillment of years of treatment and research here and the culmination of the Falk grant, a significant contribution to pediatric medicine.

On April 10, 2013, the Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI) Foundation returned to SHC – Chicago to launch “50,000 Lives, One Unbreakable Spirit® Campaign,” a national effort to raise \$10 million in four years to fund ground-breaking OI research and to expand valuable programs and services for people living with OI, their loved ones, and the health-care professionals who care for them.

As would be expected, a close relationship exists between the OI Foundation and SHC – Chicago. Since 2009, the foundation has donated \$128,600 to our hospital, one of several linked research centers. Current OI patients here include 9-year-old Alec Cabacungan (photo left). Because of treatment by Dr. Smith, Alec can now ride on his adapted bicycle, which he received through our “Special Bikes for Special Kids” program, and play wheelchair basketball.

At the recent gathering of the OI Foundation, Tracy Hart, CEO of the OI Foundation (top photo), spoke. In the photo, right, Gil Cabacungan, Second Vice President of the OI Foundation and father of Alec, told about his son’s condition and progress. We are so proud to be part of this developing, important story in pediatric health.

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Dear Brethren,

My sincere thanks for your consideration and participation in one of the most cherished events in our state regarding Masonry. Your support of our third annual Masonic Homecoming Festival and specifically, your participation in the day through the parade and with your attendance is greatly appreciated. Your temple's history of support for not only our Masonic Children's Home, but for Masonry continues through this day and adds to our ability to promote our charity and those it helps - the children.

I personally and cordially invite you to visit your Masonic Home for Children in Oxford this fall by attending and participating in our third annual Masonic Homecoming Festival, October 11 and 12, 2013. I would ask you to make this event part of my charge to you to own and deliver your Masonry and celebrate it. Specifically this day is a celebration of Masonry and our Home and features you and your Temple and their units in the state's biggest and best Shrine parade. You can stay with your family and friends for the afternoon entertainment, award-winning beach music performers, The Craig Woolard Band and for traditional Homecoming events like the crowning of the Homecoming Queen, visits to the Oxford Orphanage museum and archives, tours of campus and cottages, and various alumni activities. The 3rd BBQ Cook-off will decide whose pork is the best - Eastern or Western style! For a nominal fee you can enjoy "all-you-can-eat" by sampling from each cook participating with BBQ, chicken, and ribs. The Friday night prior, Temples and their members who arrive early are invited to join the cooks as they register and enjoy the traditional "Yard Party" on campus, October 11th featuring music by The Music Room Band and Eg Peters Band. For dinner this evening, the world-famous Brunswick Stew of Andrew Jackson Masonic Lodge No. 576 of Salisbury, NC, will be cooked and for sale on-site.

Please contact those listed below for information regarding the parade or the BBQ, look over the schedule of events, or visit the Masonic Homecoming Festival website at www.mhc-oxford.org/john.

For information on the BBQ Cook-off or to register call or email:

Brother David Sawyer - superdavesawyer@hotmail.com or (252)-675-9556

Visit our webpage at www.mhc-oxford.org/john for entry form and rules

For information on the parade details and entries please email:

Gordon Ellis at GMEcomputers@yahoo.com

Visit our webpage at www.mhc-oxford.org/john for parade details this summer

I have been talking about producing a different outcome for our beloved fraternity and our Home for Children. This is a good way to do just that so please join me on October 11 and 12, 2013 in Oxford.

Fraternally,

Dewey R. Preslar, Jr.

Grand Master of Masons in NC, 2013

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Visit www.mhc-oxford.org/john
for the latest information.

3RD ANNUAL MASONIC HOMECOMING FESTIVAL - OCTOBER 11-12, 2013 MASONIC HOME FOR CHILDREN - OXFORD, NC

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2103	EVENT	LOCATION
6:30AM TO MID -AFTERNOON	CHIP SHOTS GOLF TOURNEY	KERR LAKE CC - HENDERSON, NC
12PM TO 6:30PM	BBQ REGISTRATION/TEAMS ARRIVE/SET-UP	"THE PIT" AT MHCO
5:00PM TO 8:00PM	ANDREW JACKSON LODGE STEW SALE	"THE PIT" AT MHCO
5:00PM TO 8:00PM	FOOD AND DRINK CONCESSIONS OPEN	"THE PIT" AT MHCO
5:30PM TO 7:00PM	MUSIC - THE MUSIC ROOM BAND	"THE PIT" STAGE
7:00PM	BBQ CONTEST - COOKS MEETING	"THE PIT" AT MHCO
6:00PM to 8:00PM	MUSEUM OPEN - OPEN RECEPTION	COBB CENTER - GALLERIES
7:30PM TO 9:00PM	FREE COOK PERIOD/COOKING BEGINS	"THE PIT" AT MHCO
7:15PM TO 9:00PM	MUSIC - THE EG PETERS BAND	"THE PIT" STAGE
9:00PM	CAMPUS CLOSED - "THE PIT" CLOSED - PARKING CLOSED**	
** Only those registered individuals will be allowed to remain on campus with cooking teams.		
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2013	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00AM to 9:00AM	ORPHANS LODGE - EMERGENT	MASONIC CENTER - MHCO
8AM TO 9:30AM	PARADE LINE-UP	SPRING ST./BELLE ST.
8AM TO 2PM	INFORMATION BOOTH/FIRST AID/VOLUNTEER CHECK-IN	NEAR MAIN STAGE AT ST. JOHN'S
9AM TO 3PM	PRE-REGISTRATION AREA	NEAR PARHAM COTTAGE
9AM TO 4PM	REGISTRATION	BASEMENT OF YORK RITE CHAPEL
10AM TO 3PM	MUSEUM OPEN	COBB CENTER
9:30AM	OPENING AND WELCOME	MAIN STAGE AT ST. JOHN'S
9:45AM TO 11:00AM	SHRINE PARADE	DOWNTOWN OXFORD
11AM TO 2PM	RAGLAND PRODUCTION INFLATABLES	MHCO CAMPUS
9:00AM TO 11:15AM	BBQ TURN-IN/JUDGING	ST. JOHN'S BUILDING ALCOVE
11:30AM to 2PM	"THE PIT" OPENS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE	"THE PIT" AT MHCO
11:00AM	ANNOUNCEMENT HOMECOMING COURT/QUEEN	MAIN STAGE AT ST. JOHN'S
1:00PM	ANNOUNCEMENT OF BBQ CONTEST WINNERS	"THE PIT" AT MHCO
11:30PM TO 2:00PM	LUNCH - UNDER THE OAKS	MHCO CAMPUS
12:00PM TO 1:30PM	CRAIG WOOLARD BAND	MAIN STAGE AT ST. JOHN'S
9:00AM TO 3:00PM	OPEN HOUSE TOURS - SHUTTLE PROVIDED	TBA
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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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PATROL UNIT & COLOR GUARD

Greeting Patrol Members, Ladies and Friends.

Behold some News of Importance – and Happiness: One of our beloved Patrol Past Captains is M.I.A., sort-of. Noble Dennis A. Wilson has been quite busy away from the normal confines of the Oasis Patrol Unit. As almost everyone is aware “Big D” pulled up his Charlotte stakes a few years ago to take a new job in Denver, CO. He is riding a new career path to perform classified liaison tasks within a rectified Space Program. Below is a copy and paste

from the front page of his company's recent newsletter:

And here is a P/R photo of “Big D” with a couple of Shriners Hospitals for Children patients. (Embellishment: he always has a knack for photo-bombing pictures with the pretty ladies)

All silliness and nonsense aside we are quite proud of our good Member's accomplishments outside of Shrinedom and getting a little notoriety for our benevolent cause at the same time is just like gravy icing on

the cake. Some of us would be hard pressed to win “Employee of the Month”, much less for “the Year” of the companies that we own. So that is a Big Deal. Way to Go Kudos “Big D” and we miss you Pal.

Blowing Rock Ceremonial Wrap-Up: Don't you just hate when someone dangles the ‘this is what you missed because you weren't there’ carrot in front of your face? The recent Summer Ceremonial held in early June was a grand success and if you missed it... The candidate tally exceeded 50, strong numbers for Oasis Shriners and certainly some good

Patrol Unit prospects in the bunch. Of course with that many candidates the Patrol Unit had commensurate success at the sales table filled with our proprietary Shrine and Masonic jewelry and regalia supplies. And what a day for a parade down Main Street of Blowing Rock? It may be officially recognized as the 2nd shortest parade in Shrinedom by distance but the crowd was awesome, the weather was phenomenal; dry and not too hot as the Oasis Shrine Patrol Unit and Color Guard went for a stroll with all seven (7) of the Shrine Nation Flags waving in the light Summer breeze. And if you don't think the merchants appreciated it – you are mistaken as the First Lieutenant took up a straw-pole with merchants and food service folks after the parade and we as Shriners were spot-on. Let's not forget the hospitality in the Hotel Lodge on Friday afternoon and under the Big-Top tent both nights. Illustrious Sir Fred's hospitality team is a very dedicated and hard working Catawba County bunch - a Big Thanks to them. But the high-light of the weekend was at Saturday evening's dance; a special Fez presentation

to a former Cincinnati Burn Center patient from the 1970s who had just joined our Oasis ranks in his effort to ‘Pay it Forward’. Enjoyable hard work is a bit of a misnomer yet holds true for the Oasis Patrol Unit during this Ceremonial trip. That is what you missed.

Oasis Family Fun Day at the Red Fez Shrine Club is always a hoot as many Shrine cooking ‘teams’ (used loosely) migrate to set up and compete for Bar-B-Que bragging rights. The Oasis Patrol Unit likes to mix it up with the best of them from the inside out. It is really nice to be able to mingle with our Shrine members and prospects that we don't have regular exposure with. Great food, camaraderie and a nice river breeze – who could want for more?

As this Patrol News Article and Desert Dust are being readied for print and publication the members of the Oasis Patrol Unit and Color Guard will be making a pilgrimage to Indianapolis, Indiana from June 29th to July 2nd for the 139th Imperial Session for Shriners International. As you know ‘our own’ Oasis Patrolman Alan W. Madsen will be relinquishing his day to day controls as our Imperial Potentate. We have thoroughly enjoyed Imperial Sir Al's tenure as

the #1 Shriner in the World with his First Lady Jan over this past year. We are on tap to assist with the Public Opening Ceremonies on Sunday and lead the Shrine Parade on Monday evening and whatever else we can do to assist as the Primary Service unit of Shrinedom. A better, full report will be forthcoming within the next issue of Patrol News in the Desert Dust.

We continue to be have grieving and health concerns within our Patrol family, the specifics of which remain un-published within this Patrol News. We will continue to use our inner-Unit communication of Wizard Phone and email notes, so please continue to keep Captain Peter apprised of any Health and Happiness reports.

Please enjoy the following non-philosophical yet humorous quote:

Prior to battle a crusader put a chastity belt on his wife and gave the key to his best friend for safe-keeping, in case of his death. He had ridden only a few miles away when his friend, riding bard, caught up with him, saying ‘You gave me the wrong key!’” by Anais Nin

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



Please Remit Entry Form & \$75 Per Player To:
Statesville Shrine Club
P.O. Box 1394
Statesville, NC 28687

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

Golfer #1 _____ Handicap _____ Ph# _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
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From: _____

Corporate Contact: _____
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Platinum Sponsorship () \$1000.00 and Above
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Thank You on behalf of the Statesville Shrine Club and the children we support!

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT BEFORE YOU MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS

As you open your pockets to do a good thing and make yourself feel good, please keep the following facts in mind:

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS President and CEO Marsha J. Evans' salary for the year was \$651,957 plus expenses	MARCH OF DIMES It is called the March of Dimes because only a dime for every 1 dollar is given to the needy.	THE UNITED WAY President Brian Gallagher receives a \$375,000 base salary along with numerous expense benefits.	UNICEF CEO Caryl M. Stern receives \$1,200,000 per year (100k per month) plus all expenses including a ROLLS ROYCE. Less than 5 cents of your donated dollar goes to the cause.	GOODWILL CEO and owner Mark Curran profits \$2.3 million a year. Goodwill is a very catchy name for his business. You donate to his business and then he sells the items for PROFIT. He pays nothing for his products and pays his workers minimum wage! Nice Guy. \$0.00 goes to help anyone! Stop giving to this man.
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Instead, give it to ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AND PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE IT WILL DO SOME GOOD

THE SALVATION ARMY Commissioner, Todd Bassett receives a small salary of only \$13,000 per year (plus housing) for managing this \$2 billion dollar organization. 96 percent of donated dollars go to the cause.	THE AMERICAN LEGION National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!	THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!	THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!	THE MILITARY ORDER OF PURPLE HEARTS National Commander receives a \$0.00 zero salary. Your donations go to help Veterans and their families and youth!
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OASIS HIGHLANDERS

*Can ye play the pipes?
Can ye play the drum?
Would you like to?*

The Oasis Highlanders are recruiting new members and would like to hear from you. Experience is a plus, and so is the willingness to learn a rare skill. We also would like to have a drum major...Interested?



Contact Captain Tom Barnhardt
Home: 704-932-0727 • Cell: 704-796-5762



OASIS SHRINE BAND

BY JOHN ELDER PC PP

Well, we've reached the halfway mark for the year. Here's hoping everything is on track and your fundraising and membership are on the increase.

A few of our members are planning to attend the Imperial Session in Indianapolis over the Fourth of July. The Bandsmen from Murat Shriners (Indianapolis), that were such a big help to our Mass Band in Charlotte 2012, are having the same type band at their Imperial Session. We're looking forward to supporting their band and Imperial Sir Al and Jan.

The Band had a short road trip this past May (6th). Our group, led by Noble Captain Allen Jones attended the Mitchell Community

College Band Spring Concert. The concert really was fantastic. You would never believe the level of music they played coming from a community band. The reason we made the trip was one of our Past Captains, Noble Doug Teague (baritone), participates with their group when he can. Their concerts are always very entertaining. They divide the concert into different styles of music. This time about one third of the show was Big Band (WW II) style music. The last one I attended also had a Dixieland segment.

Our Summer Ceremonial at Blowing Rock was fun again this year. Our Band performed its usual pre-opening concert. Most of the music and the National Anthem were

new. We hope you enjoyed it, we did. We're encouraged about this class of candidates. While talking with as many as we could find on Friday evening, we talked with three musicians. That is exciting to us. Most Units can sign any new Noble, and with a little training they're up and running. The Band has to find the guy that has learned and played an instrument back in his school days. The Parade was also good this year. With it being so short, we play all the way through. Of course the swap off is, while we enjoy playing we don't get to see the crowd. We had two members that we don't see very often show up for the parade. They were Nobles: Fred Ferguson (and Lady Lisa) and PC, V Johnnie Walker. We

want to thank them for the help. One additional function we do. After the parade we drive around the block and play an hour or so in their Memorial Park's gazebo. That is always enjoyable.

A couple of WHYS: 1) Why do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in our driveways and put our useless junk in the garage. 2) Why don't you ever see the headline 'Psychic Wins Lottery'?

Enough for now, see ya at the next event!

(Enjoy the attached Hagar the Horrible comic from back in early May.)

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



Oasis Keystone Kops

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



Other Events Include:

- Meetings the second Thursday of the month
- Annual Keystone Kop Golf Tournament
- SASA and Oasis Installation Trips
- Antique Car Show Appearances
- **Bring your wife and kids!**

Contact Captain Cal Greene for Information:
704-578-9396 or cal.greene5@yahoo.com

Hendersonville Shrine Club 2013 Drawing

Help Us Support Our 22 Hospitals
For Burned & Crippled Children



Prizes As Follows

First Place \$1,000

Second Place \$500

Third Place \$250

*Gift certificates redeemable at
any Sam's Club, Sam's Club
gas station or Walmart store
in the USA*

Tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20

Drawing at auction July 20, 2013

You DO NOT have to be present to win

For more information contact **Charlie Fairbank** at 828-697-5938.

Holland --
I am greatly impressed with your benevolent effort to help the children in the Shriner's Hospitals -- and to stand alongside your dad this year.

Congratulations!
Several years ago I served the citizens of Burke County as a Relay Center Coordinator for the shoe box ministry, Operation Christmas Child, bringing hope and hearts to hurting children worldwide. I believe you share this passion for those less fortunate.
My check for \$100.00 is enclosed.

I wish you Nat's filled with success and happiness
Mrs Patti Matthias, Courtesy Lady!

Holland's Hope

UPDATE ~ JULY 2013

\$21,042
previous
balance

\$4,552
July



\$25,594 YTD

Holland's Hope

DONOR	
50/50 Drawing	<i>Saturday Night, Blowing Rock Ceremonial</i>
David Jackson	<i>in honor of the Shriners' Doctors & Physicians</i>
David LaRoach	<i>in memory of Bill Poteat</i>
Denise L Albano (Joy)	<i>in memory of Forrest W Laxton on Father's Day</i>
Denise L Albano (Joy)	<i>in memory of Forrest W Laxton on the occasion of his Birthday</i>
Denise L Albano (Joy)	<i>on Holland Laxton's Birthday</i>
Fred Laxton	<i>on Fred & Rhonda Laxton's Anniversary</i>
John Rothrock	<i>in honor of Bro Paul Barber</i>
Lloyd & Cathy Golding	
Lori Prockup	<i>for Holland's assistance during Registration at Blowing Rock</i>
Nanny - Sue Laxton	<i>on Holland and Rhonda Laxton's Birthdays</i>
Oasis Drum & Bugle	<i>in memory of Bill McCall</i>
Oasis Drum & Bugle	<i>in memory of Bill Poteat</i>
Oasis Past Masters	
Oasis Sand T's	<i>in memory of Jim McKee</i>
Oasis Scooter Patrol	<i>Fundraiser - Restaurant Contributions</i>
Paul Hagerty, PP	<i>All Star Founders Club Member</i>
Roy D Meredith	<i>in memory of Seth Nall</i>
Steve Laxton	<i>on Holland Laxton's Birthday</i>
Sticky Burch	<i>in memory of Lavinia M Caviness</i>
Sticky Burch	<i>in memory of Billy D. Poteat</i>
Sticky Burch	<i>in memory of Mary Elizabeth Hayes</i>
The Blowing Rock Attractions Co	
Tony & Susan Laxton	<i>on Holland Laxton's Birthday</i>
Warner Laxton	<i>Sale of Pot Holders</i>

Honors

Fred Folger, Jr *in honor of Bobby Harold*
Dwight & Bette Beaman
in honor of Mary Jo & Irwin Rickman - 60th Anniversary
Ted Shiver *in honor of Noble Warren Shiver*

Memorials

DONOR	IN MEMORY OF:
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Annie "Dean" Allen
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Barney Lee Gardner
Walter W Grahling, Jr	Ben Duggar, Jr
Mr & Mrs Richard La Hue	Bill D Poteat
Doug Mayes	Bill Poteat
Jim & Mary LaRoach	Bill Poteat
Howard & Shirley Keyes	Billy D Poteat
Royal Order of Jesters, Charlotte #109	Billy D Poteat
Al & Jan Madsen	Billy Poteat
Alan & Cathy Cloninger	Billy Poteat
Charlie & Colene Russell	Billy Poteat
Lamar Hodge	Billy Poteat
Doug Mayes	Bob Lake, Jr, PP
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Charles Harris
Henry E Johnson, Jr	Francis (Frank) Evans Shields
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Gary Poplin
Order of the Easter Star,	
Mt Pleasant Chapter #67	Willie D Wolfe
Raydell Greene	Harlan Odell Greene
Lloyd & Cathy Golding	J Donald Byrd
Charles & Mollie Johnson	Jack Conley Hall
Bill & Linda Parke	James McKee
Moore County Shrine Club	James McKee
Thomas C Shaylor	James S McKee
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Jane Knotts
Buck & Dottie Kirk	Jim McKee
Rudy & Joy Spurlin	Jim McKee
Amanda Stott	John C Owen
George & Carrie Heckert	John Charles Owen
Paulette D Scott	John Owen
Rodney & Rita Morgan	John Rummage
C Doug Mayes	Mabel Dodson
Woodmen of the World	Mary Rebecca Anderson Maute
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Maureen Tucker
Lloyd & Cathy Golding	Michael McKagen
John & Jean Freeman	Mike Elmore
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Myrtle Howell
George & Betsy Wilcox	Noble Billy Poteat
C Doug Mayes	Noble HG Kirby, Jr
C Doug Mayes	Noble John T Black
Oasis Patrol	Noble Junior Moore
R Neil Johnson & Family	Noble Paul Causey
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Patsy Smith
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Peggy Bullington
Jean R Hargett	Shannon Brewer
Richard & Becky Wilson	Thomas Michael (Mike) Elmore
Rodney & Rita Morgan	Troy "Bull" Lee, Jr
Doug Mayes	Wallace Snuggs
Doris R Forte	William L (Bud) Goforth
Edwin Van Hoy	William L (Bud) Goforth
Elaine G Clack	William L (Bud) Goforth
Goforth and Winnie Goforth Raymond	William L (Bud) Goforth
Hazel L Lefler	William L (Bud) Goforth
Janet Boyd Dettmar	William L (Bud) Goforth
Peggy A Howard	William L (Bud) Goforth
Rowan Shrine Club	William V Whitley



JUMPING HURDLES FOR CHILDREN

Captain Donnie Wrenn 980-521-3523

Donations

\$6,132.94	Ashe Shrine Club - Paper Sale	James R Tate
\$1,750.00	High Point Shrine Club - Plaques/Year Bars	Jefferson Drug Store (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$360.00	Hospitality Committee - Donation	Jeffrey L Kuk
\$4,987.00	Land of the Sky Shrine Club - Paper Sale	Jerrell C Little (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$113.00	Mecklenburg Shrine Club - Paper Sale	Joe's TV and Satellite Service (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$4,300.00	Moore County Shrine Club - Paper Sale	John Finney (Gaston County Shrine Club)
\$700.00	Mountaineer Shrine Club - Year Bars	Joseph P Atzenhoffer
\$100.00	New River Shrine Club - Year Bars	Joseph R Narciso
\$1,814.07	Oasis Mountain Buggies - Paper Sale	JR Vannoy & Sons Construction Company (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$1,200.00	Oasis Roadrunners - Donation	Katrina Teaster (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$440.16	Oasis Scooter Patrol - Paper Sale	Kelley Bros Tire & Auto Center (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$1,303.85	Oasis Wagoners - Paper Sale	Kenny's Auto Sales (Gaston County Shrine Club)
\$1,842.00	Piedmont Shrine Club - Paper sale	Kings Garage (Surry Shrine Club)
\$3,000.00	Robbinsville Shrine Club - Floyd Crisp BBQ	Lamar Cash Register (Gaston County Shrine Club)
\$550.00	Robbinsville Shrine Club - Year Bars	Lansing Pawn & Trading Co (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$1,063.03	Rowan Shrine Club - Paper Sale	Lee's Trees (Ashe Shrine Club)
\$1,168.00	Stanly County Shrine Club - Paper Sale	Lowell Pump & Water (Gaston County Shrine Club)
\$1,128.37	Thermal Belt Shrine Club - Donation	Machine Tool Products (Surry Shrine Club)
\$3,561.28	White Plains Shrine Club - Spring BBQ	Mack Brown Inc (Ashe Shrine Club)
	A&S Trade and Loan (Ashe Shrine Club)	Macon Funeral Home (Smoky Mtn Shrine Club)
	Abner B Fortner, Jr (Ashe Shrine Club)	Mark J Bender (Surry Shrine Club)
	AEV Mold Shop (Ashe Shrine Club)	Mary Jane Voeltner
	AEV Service Dept (Ashe Shrine Club)	McFarland & Company (Ashe Shrine Club)
	AJ Tire & Auto (Appalachian Shrine Club)	Mellow Mushroom (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Andrea M McDonough (Ashe Shrine Club)	Midtown Service Center (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Ashe Co Airport (Ashe Shrine Club)	Miller Industries (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Austin & Barnes Funeral Home (Appalachian Shrine Club)	Modern Toyota of Boone (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Beaver Creek Café (Ashe Shrine Club)	Mountain Creek Baptist Church (Robbinsville Shrine Club)
	Bella Donna (Ashe Shrine Club)	Pack Brothers Partnership (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	Bills Garage (Ashe Shrine Club)	Pat Vines (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Bobby Mash Salon (Ashe Shrine Club)	Phils Citgo Service Center (Appalachian Shrine Club)
	Boone Dermatology Clinic (Ashe Shrine Club)	Randy Vines (Appalachian Shrine Club)
	Boone Tire Center (Appalachian Shrine Club)	Ray Willis
	Brown Heights Apartments (Ashe Shrine Club)	Robert S Coleman (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	Bryce Holder (Ashe Shrine Club)	Ronald P Wogan
	C Lee Abernethy, III (Mecklenburg Shrine Club)	Roten Insurance Agency (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Carolina Farm Credit (Ashe Shrine Club)	S&G Furniture (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	Catfish Cove (Oasis Wagoners)	S&G Interiors (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	Charlie's Auto Parts (Appalachian Shrine Club)	Sam H Moody (Mecklenburg Shrine Club)
	Cheap Joe's Art Stuff (Ashe Shrine Club)	Sams Stereo Jewelry & Pawn (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	Col Charlie T McGugan (All Star Founders Club Member)	Shirley Greene Isenhour (Appalachian Shrine Club)
	Creative Hair Styles (Ashe Shrine Club)	Shuford's Car Care Center (Appalachian Shrine Club)
	D Ned Lyons, Jr (Appalachian Shrine Club)	Smith Auto Parts & Supply (Surry Shrine Club)
	Days Body Shop and Towing (Ashe Shrine Club)	Southern Agricultural Insecticides (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Dewitt L Currie, Jr	Stafford Jewelers (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	Diane C Deal (Ashe Shrine Club)	The Corner Market (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Donald L Payne	The Jewel Shoppe (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Elizabeth & Daniel Pierce (Easter Egg Hunt)	The Oil Exchange (Ashe Shrine Club)
	G Todd Moore, DDS, PA (Ashe Shrine Club)	The Stone Jewelers (Ashe Shrine Club)
	H&W Oil Company (Ashe Shrine Club)	Thomas A Jenkins
	Harkins Agency (Ashe Shrine Club)	Tommy Arakas, PP (All Star Founders Club Member)
	Hart Power Equipment (Ashe Shrine Club)	Tommy's Wrecker Service (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	HD Truck & Equipment (Ashe Shrine Club)	Trac Plastics (Gaston County Shrine Club)
	High Country Insurance Services (Ashe Shrine Club)	United Chemi-Con (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Holton Management (Appalachian Shrine Club)	Vickie T Bledsoe (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Howard Keyes (Oasis Provost Guard)	Watauga Insurance Agency (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Idols Tire and Auto (Ashe Shrine Club)	Wellborn Shell (Appalachian Shrine Club)
	J Ralph Linn, Jr MD (All Star Founders Club Member)	West Jefferson Coffee House (Ashe Shrine Club)
	Jack Feimster (Ashe Shrine Club)	William L Idol (Ashe Shrine Club)
	James J Flowe, Jr	Wilson & Gayle Friday (Brushy Mountain Shrine Club)

PASSED WITHIN THE UNSEEN TEMPLE

JULY 2013

MEMBER #	NAME	CITY, STATE	CREATED	DIED
11175	Ulysses L Hafer	Savannah, GA	1/15/48	11/21/12
12594	Stanley J Lieber	Maplewood, NJ	5/19/51	7/25/12
26850	Lonnie R Davis	McLeansville, NC	10/30/76	6/1/13
32216	John W Cranor	Wilkesboro, NC	6/1/85	6/3/13
15157	John T Black	Charlotte, NC	10/19/57	6/4/13

Reminder:
All ads & articles for the August edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted by July 10



3RD MONDAY of the MONTH
6 PM @ BIG DADDY'S
HWY 150 MOORESVILLE
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Now is the Season for Summer Safety Awareness

Every year, kids cannot wait until the summer season arrives. School is over, the weather is warmer and there is a lot more free time to spend outside. But along with this time of year comes an extra dose of responsibility for parents. **Keep your family safe and healthy this summer by following these safety tips offered to you from Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Cincinnati:**



FIREWORKS SAFETY

- Fireworks that are thought to be safe, like sparklers, can reach temperatures above 1000 degrees and can burn users and bystanders
- Mishandled fireworks can result in severe burns, scars and disfigurements that can last a lifetime
- Families should attend community fireworks displays handled by professionals rather than using fireworks at home



LAWNMOWER SAFETY

- Only use a mower with a control that stops the mower blade from moving if the handle is let go
- Children younger than 16 years old should not be allowed to use ride-on mower. Children under 12 years old should not use walk-behind mowers
- Wear appropriate shoes and clothing
- Never smoke or use any type of flame around gasoline
- Gasoline has one purpose – to fuel an engine



DOG SAFETY

- Consult with a professional to learn what breeds of dogs are the best fit for your household
- Dogs with histories of aggression are not suitable for households with children
- Be sensitive to cues that a child is fearful or apprehensive about a dog. If a child seems frightened by dogs, wait before bringing a dog into your household
- Spend time with a dog before buying or adopting it. Use caution when bringing a dog into a household with an infant or toddler.

Summer should be a fun time, not a scary time, but it also shouldn't be spent in a hospital. By taking these few extra measures, parents can make sure their children have a safe, happy and healthy summer.

If you know a child we can help, please call:

Burn Services

(a burn injury, possibly requiring admission to hospital)

866-947-7840

Non-burn Services

(non-emergency burns and non-burn conditions)

855-206-2096 or helpachild@shrinenet.org

Conditions Treated at the Cincinnati Hospital

BURN CARE

- Burn injuries
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- Burn reconstruction & rehabilitation

PLASTICS & RECONSTRUCTIVE CONDITIONS

- Congenital ear deformities
- Congenital hairy nevus (large birthmarks)
- Cleft lip and palate
- Brachial plexus injuries (nerve damage affecting upper extremities)
- Congenital hand malformations
- Gynecomastia (abnormal breast development in teenage boys)
- Congenital breast deformities
- Hidradenitis (chronic sweat gland disorder)
- Post trauma deformities (treadmill injuries, dog bites, lawnmower accidents)

COMPLEX WOUND & SKIN CONDITIONS

- Purpura Fulminans
- Necrotizing skin infections & Necrotizing Fasciitis
- Stevens-Johnson Syndrome
- Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis
- Port wine stains

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