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The Potentate's message



Nobles and Ladies, My year is at its end, and Lady Sandy and I have never had such a wonderful and enlightening experience.

Due to the support shown by you, the strong members of Oasis Shrine, we have been able to bring 145 new members into our ranks. We are on track to contribute another record amount in donations to our Hospitals, and from my prospective, the year has been extremely fruitful and controversy free. No Potentate could ask

for more.

Congratulations to Illustrious Sir Todd Ham, 2015 Potentate; and to his dedicated Divan Membership Team as they continue to provide laudable leadership to and on behalf of the Nobles and Ladies of Oasis Shrine Temple.

I want to thank Noble George Wilcox and all of those Nobles who assisted in finally recognizing our Military Veterans. I have hopes that the Veterans Appreciation Gala

will become a tradition and, in the future, will recognize those in our Shrine who have paid the ultimate price, and who have served our country to keep us free, both in time of war, and in time of peace.

I look back on the year, and my heart swells with pride to remember each of the events, from the Installation of Officers, the four very successful Ceremonials, Red Fez Family Fun Day, our cruise, and of course the Veterans Appreciation Night, to all of the many Club and Unit events I have

attended, which has solidified my belief that Oasis Shrine truly has the hardest working and most benevolent members in all of Shrinedom.

It is the desire of every leader to leave a legacy that will follow him throughout the continuing decades. As Potentate of Oasis Shrine for 2014, I can truly say, from the depths of my heart, that my legacy will be due to the lives and actions of each and every member of Oasis Shrine who have exhibited a dedication to our Fraternity, our Hospitals and our families that is unmatched by no other Shrine Center in the world. I leave office as a happy Past Potentate, and express to you my undying gratitude for being the impetus which made my year one

that any Potentate would be proud to experience.

I leave Oasis Shrine to the very capable leadership of soon-to-be Potentate Todd Ham, knowing that his year will be just as successful as mine was. Do not expect to see me fade into the woodwork. I offer to Illustrious Sir Todd, to Oasis Shrine, and to each of you my continued support, and look forward to working with each of you in the future to maintain the progress each of you has worked so very hard for, making Oasis Shrine the best in the world.

My Potentate Salutes for this Desert Dust Edition include: a) Noble Mike Neaves and the Ashe County Shrine Club Nobles and Ladies who cel-

ebrated the "burning of the Ashe County Shrine Club Mortgage" during their 12/13/14 Christmas Party and Officer Installation Gala; and, b) to the Oasis Clowns who bring cheer to children and epitomize the spirit of the Nobility during our parades and other functions.

This, being my last message as Potentate, is not farewell. It is simply my promise to you that, after shedding the responsibilities of the Divan, I will now move to the more important task of working, elbow to elbow, with you, the ones who have made what Oasis Shrine is today. Move over and make room. I am on my way.

Yours in the Faith
David

The Potentate Elect's message



Nobles and Ladies, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to each of you who have stood with me over the past years in my travel to the top position in the greatest Shrine Center in the world. Your support and your votes placing me at the helm of Oasis Shrine are accepted with the utmost humility.

Lady Mary and I have worked hard to plan for you a full year of activities. I have discussed the desires of Oasis Nobility, and have attempted to include something for everyone. To continue the efforts of Potentates before me, one of my main thrusts will

be to increase membership. Freemasonry and the Shrine are slowly but surely dying Fraternities. It is my goal to offer programs and incentives which will hopefully equip our members to increase our membership, and bring those of our Masonic community into the ranks of the largest and most generous organization in the world.

Our planned Ceremonial, traveling to the mountains of North Carolina to Maggie Valley, has been organized with the members in mind. The Town of Maggie Valley has assisted in our plans to make this weekend trip not only a productive event for

Oasis, but a fun-filled occasion for our Shrine families.

For the past several years, each Potentate has used common goals to project to the Shriners throughout the world that we are deserving of the accolades which have been showered upon us by Imperial Shrine, and our Shriners Children's Hospitals. Those goals have been very much on tract, from the large number of new Shriners we have brought to our ranks, the award-winning Desert Dust newspaper, the continued record amount of the donations we have been able to donate to our hospitals, thanks to the hard work of our membership, to the

much needed recognition of our members and our veterans. It is my desire to continue in this successful tradition. I assure you that I will employ the mindset that the position you have entrusted to me is, by no means, all about me, but

is all about you, the dedicated Shriner, and about our benevolent cause – The Shrine Children's Hospital.

With the help and support of each of you, we will have a great year. Lady Mary and

I look very much forward to working with our members to continue the tradition of the greatest Shrine Center in the world.

Yours In The Faith
Todd



THREE GENERATIONS OF HAMS IN MASONRY

120th Installation of 2015 Oasis Officers



You are cordially invited to attend the installation of Oasis Potentate-Elect Todd Ham and Divan Officers.

Saturday, January 10, 2015

Oasis Temple

604 Doug Mayes Place

Charlotte, NC 28262

1:00pm-3:00pm Hospitality at Hilton Hotel

5:00pm Ceremony begins, followed by a Social hour,
Dinner, Dancing & Entertainment

10:00pm-12:00am Hospitality at Hilton Hotel

Dress: Snappy Casual Attire

Shuttle service available to/from Oasis to Hilton and Marriott Hotels



Entertainment: The Extraordinaires

Formed in the spring of 2003 from a group of guys who love The Classics/Rhythm & Blues, The Extraordinaires have put together a unique blend of music that is sure to get people out of their seats and on the dance floor. From the powerful kickin' horns to the the smooth lead vocals, The Extraordinaires have a sound like no other that will keep you coming back.

Oasis Shriners

Club & Unit Appreciation Night Friday, January 9, 2015

"Put a Shrine Child in Your Heart"

Please join us in recognizing the 80+ hardworking Clubs and Units who have made tremendous strides in their ongoing fundraising efforts for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

1:00pm-3:00pm Hospitality at Hilton Hotel

4:30pm Memorial Service

5:30pm Social

6:30pm Dinner

7:15pm Awards Presentation

8:15pm-12:00am Social, Dancing & Entertainment

10:00pm-12:00am Hospitality at Hilton Hotel

Dress code: Casual

Shuttle service available to/from Oasis to Hilton and Marriott Hotels

Entertainment: Atlantic Groove

Based out of Salisbury, North Carolina is comprised of musicians with a combined average of 27 years professional experience. The Band features 5 vocalists from the six members on stage to also include a 2 piece horn section. Atlantic Groove is fortunate to have a wide variety of music in the most popular genres including Carolina Beach, R&B, Rock, Funk, Disco and Country. The band and each member professionally adapts to any venue whether it be a formal "black tie" event, business casual event, festival, clubs, or just a party. Atlantic Groove continually is passionate to meet all the needs and special requests from their clients and to make each and every guest felt, as if they were a part of the Atlantic Groove show.



www.atlanticgrooveband.com

2015-2016 OASIS POTENTATES SCHEDULE

2015

January 9	Club/Unit Appreciation/Awards
January 9	ROJ Annual meeting
January 10	2015 Officer Installation
January 16-18	Shrine East-West All-Stars, St. Petersburg, FL
January 22	Stated Divan meeting 4:00pm. Oasis
January 24	2015 Unit/Club Officer Orientation / Membership seminar
February 14	Valentine's Day
February 19	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
February 20-21	Greensboro Car Show
February 28	Winston Salem Oyster Roast
March 4-8	Oriental Guide School (Kenny Jarrett)
March 8	Day Light Savings Time Starts
March 8-12	Asst. Rabban School (Mike Neaves)
March 12	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm. Oasis
March 13	Patrol Past Captains
March 13, 14	Greenville Shriners Hospital Open House
March 13-15	ROJ Spring Outing
March 27, 28	Spring SASA Pigeon Forge, Tn.
April 5	Easter Sunday
April 9	Stated Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
April 15-18	Shrine Director's Savannah, Ga. Alee Shriners
April 24-25	Scottish Rite Spring Reunion
April 25	Rowan County Fish Fry
April 30 - May 1	Public Relations Conference
May 1, 2	Paper Sale
May 10	Mother's Day
May 14	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
May 15	White Plains Golf Tournament
May 25	Memorial Day
June 5-7	Spring Ceremonial (Maggie Valley)
June 11	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
June 12-13	NFL Alumni Golf Tournament
June 19-21	Family Fun Day
June 21	Father's Day
July 4	Independence Day
July 5-9	Imperial Session Houston, Tx.
July 16	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis

July 18	Shrine's Awareness & Auction Day (Oasis)
July 25-26	Piedmont Shrine Club Golf Tournament
August 11	Shrine 100 Race, Gastonia
August 13	Stated Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
August 15	Conceal Carry Class
August 16	Genealogy Class (Oasis)
August 28-30	ROJ Fall outing
September 7	Labor Day
September 10	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
September 12	ROJ Book of Play
September 16	Shooting For Cain (Golf Tournament)
September 17-20	SASA Fall Meeting, Myrtle Beach
September 25-27	Grand Lodge NC
September 26	Rowan County Fish Fry
October 1-3	Membership Seminar (Johnny Burgess)
October 7	Drum and Bugle Golf Tournament
October 8	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
October 9, 10	Oxford Homecoming
October 15-20	Potentate Trip (ARUBA)
October 23-24	Scottish Rite Fall Reunion
October 24	Patrol Covered Dish (Sand's Restaurant)
October 30-31	Fall Ceremonial (Charlotte)
November 6	Rowan County Oyster Roast
November 7	ROJ Ladies night
November 12	Proposed Divan meeting 4:00pm Oasis
November 18	Oasis Circus Fletcher
November 20	Oasis Circus Cabarrus
November 21	Oasis Circus Cabarrus
November 26	Thanksgiving
December 4	Patrol Covered Dish
December 5	Stated Divan meeting 11:00am
December 5	Oasis 2016 Elections
December 12	Gator Breakfast/Cat Square
December 19	Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas
December 25	Christmas
January 1	New Year's Day
January 8	Proposed last Divan meeting for 2015 Pote
January 8	Club/Unit Appreciation/Awards
January 8	ROJ annual meeting
January 9	2016 Officer Installation

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2014

THE YEAR In Review

2014 has been a historical year for our Shrine Center, and for the members of Oasis Shrine. Here is a brief review of our very productive year.

JANUARY: As our new year started, we enjoyed the Installation of Illustrious Sir David Sumpter, who, along with his Lady, Sandy, introduced his vision of success for Oasis Temple and our membership.

Everyone will remember Holland Laxton's challenge to raise \$10,000.00; to be donated to our Greenville Hospital for items needed there that were outside their regular budget. Illustrious Sir Fred was elated to announce that the final tally of contributions exceeded \$134,000.00, and enabled Hollands Hope to purchase much needed equipment that would otherwise not be available to our children.

FEBRUARY: February is generally a month for our Clubs and Units to revamp, and begin making plans for their year. But many Clubs have recurring events, which are always fun and profitable, such as the Winston-Salem Shrine Club Shrimp and Oyster feast. 2014 saw an abundance of the Forsyth County community, and the Oasis Shrine members come out and support this huge effort.

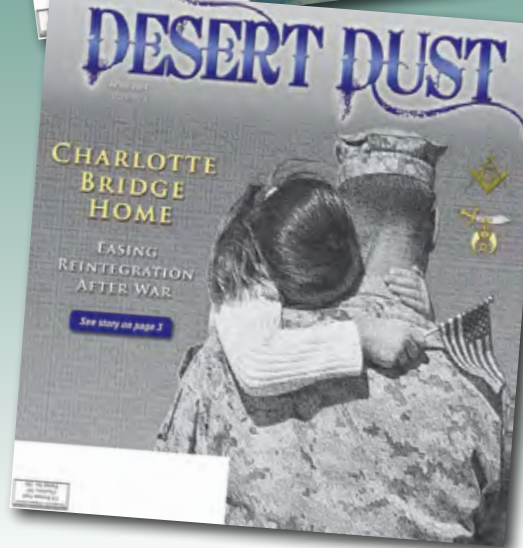
MARCH: March saw a large number of our membership travel to Greenville Shrine Hospital for Shrine Day, where they participated in a private tour of the Hospital, and got a sneak peek of the Imaging Machine provided by funds collected through Holland's Hope. A large contingent of Divan members and SASA representatives traveled to Roanoke, VA for the Spring SASA gathering, in preparation of our Fall Meeting at Myrtle Beach.

APRIL: April started our giant leap forward to bring new members into Oasis with our first Ceremonial of 2014 in Hamlet, NC. Hamlet Lodge hosted a great new experience for our new members, and our membership was increased due to their efforts, and the efforts of our Oasis members.

MAY: May saw a wonderful effort to raise funds for our Hospitals through the Imperial Shrine yearly Paper Crusade. Clubs and Units alike turned out in force with aprons and buckets to collect thousands of dollars to help our burned and crippled children.

JUNE: June began with another of our grand Ceremonials in Blowing Rock, NC. The weather was great, and the crowd was tremendous. The festivities actually began on May 30th, and the Saturday Ceremonial at Blowing Rock High School capped a great weekend of fellowship and fun, in addition to increasing our membership. Members and golfers turned out in force to the Oasis Celebrity Golf Classic at Lake Norman, once again raising funds to help with our important cause. Mid-month saw Shriners, Ladies and members of the community gather at Red Fez Shrine Club for the yearly Family Fun Day, full of fun, fellowship and food. This yearly event proves that Oasis Shrine has the best barbecue chefs in the world.

JULY: July carried our Divan and members to Minneapolis, MN for the annual Imperial Session. Each came back with great information that always evolves from these meetings, including the highlight of the session with Oasis Shrine being presented the coveted Shriners International Community Awareness Award for Outstanding Community Outreach.



AUGUST: August found Oasis Shrine members in possum country, Murphy, NC, the hometown of Illustrious Sir David, for another of our splendid Ceremonials. What a treat it was to travel to the outlying areas of our beautiful North Carolina mountains to the site of the New Year's Eve Possum Drop. Oasis enjoyed a boost in membership, and a very educational and eventful weekend. The Shrine 100 Race in Gastonia, another Shrine yearly event, saw a near record crowd, and an opportunity to continue to raise community awareness and funds for our Hospitals.

SEPTEMBER: Have I ever mentioned that "I Love Beach Music"! September brought to Oasis the weekend trip that we all look forward to, with the South Atlantic Shrine Association gathering in Myrtle Beach. Festivities galore marked the weekend at Spring Maid Resort, with banquets, hula dancers, and sand in our shoes. In addition to enjoying this watery paradise, a large number of our members joined Illustrious Sir David and Lady Sandy for their 7 Day Cruise to Canada and New England. To say that everyone had a grand time is an understatement.

OCTOBER: October brought all three North Carolina Shrine Temples, along with Masons from throughout the state, to the Annual Oxford Homecoming, with a gigantic parade of Units from all three Temples, and a host of activities, as well as a barbecue cook-off. What a wonderful place to spend a sunny Saturday.

NOVEMBER: November found Oasis members once more in Hickory, NC for our Fall Ceremonial. The Ceremonial team once more outdid themselves with a spectacular Ritual, and the evening's entertainment was unmatched by anyone's standards. Oasis, under the leadership of Illustrious Sir David and a great team of devoted volunteers, introduced the first Veteran's Appreciation Night to honor those of our membership who have served in the Military Service. The Shrine Center was filled, nearly to capacity, with Veterans and wives of those who served in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, and other areas of the Far East. Highlighting the night was event was the presentation of a service dog to a brave Veteran who suffers from PTSD, sponsored by Oasis Shrine. You will hear more about this special project at the Club/Unit Appreciation night in January. November also brought to us our world famous Circus in two locations in North Carolina. It was reputed to be the largest crowds we have seen in years, and the performances by the artists, and especially by our Oasis Clowns, was spectacular.

DECEMBER: December brings us our month to rejoice in the birth of Jesus Christ, and the festivities that are associated with it. In addition, it brings to us Election of Officers to serve on our Board of Directors. Potentate Elect Todd Ham, Chief Rabban Johnny King, Assistant Rabban Mike Neaves, High Priest and Prophet John Burgess, and Oriental Guide Ken Jarrett are to be congratulated for having been elected to the Divan line, along with Treasurer Bill Harward, PP, and Recorder Gary Taylor, PP. We have an outstanding line of officers, who are more than capable of leading the finest Shrine Center in the world.

2015: Final totals for 2014 show we increased our membership by 166 Nobles. With the plan being put forth by our Divan members, our Membership Committee, and you, we can easily double that number, or more. It really is up to you.

Our new year will be full of exciting and meaningful events, as you will see in the calendar published in this issue. We can all look forward to another successful year filled with fun, festivities, work, and inspiration as we continue to fulfill our pledge to support our Shrine Children's Hospitals.



Attention Members

Oasis Shriners Stated Meeting

January 22, 2015
at the Temple
Time: 4:00pm
Boardroom

OASIS PAST MASTERS UNIT

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

For more information:

Noble Terry K. Jones, PP, Captain: (336) 764-5502

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

ATTENTION ALL MECKLENBURG AND GASTON COUNTY SHRINERS

THE DUNE CATS SAY... EAT WINGS FOR THE KIDS AT BUFFALO WILD WINGS

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2015 INSTALLED OFFICERS



LEXINGTON SHRINE CLUB

L to R: Ill. Sir John Elder, PP; Jimmy Barney, President; John McCutcheon; 1st. V.P.; Will Fulbright, Treasurer; Tommy Jolly, Secretary; Johnny King, Asst. Rabban.



RED FEZ SHRINE CLUB

L to R: Daniel Scherr, Cliff Cole, Vernon Knox, Alan Marfin, Tommy Clinard, Butch Braswell, Joey Ham, Clint Myers. **Not shown:** Kevin Johnson and Talion Hendren.

2015 Oasis Club & Unit Officers' Orientation

The Officer's Orientation is scheduled for Saturday, January 24, 2015 at the Shrine Temple, Carolina Practice Room. The Oasis Keystone Kops will be serving coffee, donuts and biscuits at 9:00am. Orientation will start promptly at 10:00am. Lunch will be provided.

Orientation will be broken up in four (4) different groups, in which each group will be approximately 20 minute sessions. We will have various Speakers presenting topics such as:

- Public Relations
- Club & Unit Insurance Coverage
- Membership
- Sunshine Fund/Virtual Mentor Program/Club & Unit Portfolios
- Building Rentals
- Units, Parades & Ceremonials
- Shrine Circus/Mom & Dad Program
- Desert Dust
- Shriners Hospitals for Children
- Paper Crusade/Plaque & Year Bar Sales
- Year End Financial Reports/Project Requests

Everyone will receive a 2015 New Officers Manual which will include the Potentate's General Orders. In addition 2015 Directories and Potentate & Ladies Pins will be distributed to all Club and Unit Officers attending orientation to take back to their members.

Following Orientation is a "2015 Membership Seminar" from 1:00pm-3:00pm. It is open to all Club & Unit Officers, Divan, District Representatives, Blue Lodge Ambassadors, Past Masters Unit, Young Shriners Club, etc.

There will be a meeting for all Hospital Tripsters in the Auditorium at 1:30pm. The following items will be discussed:
Unit Bylaws, Tripster Manuel, Fundraising opportunities and Annual Picnic/Dinner.

All Club & Unit Officers must have their dues paid by December 31, 2014, as **Dues Cards will be Required** to attend this event. Please send your payment in via check or pay with a credit card by going to the Oasis Shriners website, click on Membership and use the PayPal link to pay your dues. Please RSVP for lunch by calling the Temple at 704-549-9600 by Monday, January 19, 2015.

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

It is natural to associate the fez with Shriners Hospitals for Children. Because of this, meticulous attention must be given to all fundraising activities, including circuses, to make certain that such activities comply with the law of the land and that a contributor is not led to believe that his money will be used for the Hospitals when all or a portion thereof will be used otherwise. The integrity of our charity and of our fraternity must remain above reproach.

Your specific attention is called to the following fraternal and charitable bylaws:

§335.3 USE OF NAME "SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN." The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any fundraising activity by a temple or Noble without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate and the chairman of the board of trustees of the Hospitals is prohibited.

§503.11 COMMERCIAL USE OF NAME. The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the hospitals in connection with any commercial product or business enterprise is prohibited unless the written consent of the boards of directors and trustees has been first obtained.

Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Fundraising for Fraternal Purposes:

(a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations, shall engage in any fundraising activity without the express written consent of the potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof.

(b) There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

(c) The temple potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with §335.3 and §503.11 of the fraternal and charitable bylaws and that there is no representation, expressed or implied, that would lead a reasonably prudent person to believe that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children. If the potentate is in doubt, he must receive the opinion of the Imperial Potentate who, after consultation with the Director of Temple Accounting, shall make the final determination.

(d) The temple potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fundraising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and, additionally, as may be required by the temple bylaws.

(e) A copy of the temple potentate's written consent shall be mailed to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International. Further, such written material pertaining to the fundraising activity, as requested by the *Executive Vice President, Shriners International*, shall be promptly mailed to him.

2. Fundraising for Charitable Purposes:

(a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fundraising activity other than for Shriners Hospitals for Children. Permission therefor must be first obtained in writing from the temple potentate. The temple potentate must then obtain written permission from the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the *Executive Vice President, Shriners International, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631-3356. No charitable fundraising activity shall be held in the jurisdiction of another temple without the written permission of the potentate of that temple.*

(1) A joint charitable fundraising activity with another 501(c)(3) charity may be authorized, provided that a minimum of 50% of the net proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.

(2) A charitable fundraising activity conducted by a temple located outside of the U.S.A. may be authorized for other charities, provided that the chairmen of the boards of directors and

trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.

(b) 100% of net proceeds (as defined in the Charitable Fundraising—Approval And Reporting provisions of this General Order) from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children except for such portion thereof as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund, pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of any General Order. Provided, however, if the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine for good cause shown, that the law of the land requires that a portion of the net proceeds must be distributed locally, then they may, if they determine it to be in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children, grant their written permission for such distribution.

(c) The temple shall report the result of each *charitable fundraising activity within sixty days of the activity, pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising - Approval And Reporting* provisions of any General Order.

(d) This section shall not apply to activities exempt under §335.4(b) of the bylaws of Shriners International.

(e) Each independent corporation or entity that receives the permission of the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees to raise moneys for Shriners Hospitals for Children, and which does not have its financial statements reviewed pursuant to §§334.6 & 337.8 of the bylaws of Shriners International, shall have its financial statements audited by a certified, chartered or licensed public accountant and shall submit such audit report to Shriners International within 120 days of the activity.

3. Statement of Purpose and Disclosure:

(a) Every fundraising activity must contain factual information on its solicitation material, tickets, programs and documents, including all electronically transmitted material, regarding the use of the proceeds.

Examples: "Proceeds are for the benefit of (____ Shriner) (____ Shrine club) activities."
"Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children."

(b) Every fundraising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children shall prominently state on all solicitation material, including tickets, programs, documents and electronically transmitted material, that "payments are not deductible as charitable contributions."

(c) There must be compliance with the *Revenue Act of 1987* provision of any general order by U.S. temples.

4. Compliance with Applicable Laws:

It is the responsibility of the temple potentate, after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, to determine that there is compliance with all applicable laws in its jurisdiction for the temple's fundraising activities.

5. Financial Records:

(a) The temple shall maintain detailed financial records pertaining to all fundraising activities involving Nobles, clubs, units, organizations of Nobles and affiliated and appendant corporations. Details of all revenues and expenditures shall be maintained in such financial records.

(b) The temple must retain such detailed financial records for a period of seven (7) years.

(c) There must be compliance with *Financial Reporting on Charitable Funds and Activities* provision of any general order.

6. Notification to Nobility:

A copy of the *Fundraising Activities* provisions of this General Order shall be printed in the temple publication at least once every calendar year. If there is no temple publication, then a copy shall be mailed to each Noble in the temple not later than the last day in March of each calendar year.

7. Discipline:

Any officer, Noble or temple which violates a provision of *Fundraising Activities* is subject to discipline pursuant to the bylaws of Shriners International.



OASIS SHRINE BAND

BY JOHN ELDER, PC PP

Oasis Elections Project Continued Superior Leadership

On **Saturday, December 6th** at the Annual Communication for Oasis Shrine, elections for 2015 were completed, filling our Divan with continued superior leadership, and assurances that, through the direction of these men, Oasis Shrine will continue to remain the best Shrine Center in the world.

Elected to serve were the following officers:

Potentate: Jeffrey T. (Todd) Ham

Chief Rabban: Johnny E. King

Assistant Rabban: Michael L. (Mike) Neaves

High Priest & Prophet: John D. Burgess

Oriental Guide: Kenneth D. (Ken) Jarrett

Treasurer: William M. (Bill) Harward, PP

Recorder: Gary D. Taylor, PP

Announcements of appointed Divan members will be made by Potentate Elect Todd Ham at the Installation ceremony on January 10th.

Join me in congratulating each of these Officers for their continuing efforts to lead and direct our Temple, and our efforts for the Shrine Children's Hospitals.

Another Shrine year is ending and another is cranking up. Happy New Year from us to you. We hope you had a great Christmas Season. 2015 should be an exciting year with our new Potentate III. Sir Todd Ham and First Lady Mary.

As far as the Band is concerned, Noble Tim Daniels chaired an outstanding event this past November 15. The "Oasis Shriners Veteran's Appreciation Night" was one of those special events that you were glad you did not miss. The entire evening was very well done and one we were proud to have been a part of. Our newly created Noble and Director Patrick Watkins did an outstanding job of building us a band. He called on all of his connections and friends to help us out. Our "Ringers" were from: The Sigma Beta Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia from UNC Charlotte, The Rho Tau Chapter of Phi Mu

Alpha Sinfonia from Appalachian State University and various band directors and volunteers from the area. A few were his previous students. They were an amazing group of very talented young people that could not have been nicer. We kept them longer than they had been told. The only comment I heard was "call me any time". When you add to the mix bringing in Past First Lady Beth Downs to sing, we knew we were part of something special. Thank you III. Sir David for this memorable event.

The very next weekend found the Band at its largest fund raiser of the year. Friday through Sunday (11/21 - 23) were the dates for the Charlotte Auto Show at the Convention Center. Our band performs Friday and Saturday. Our sister band, a jazz band (big band style) that two of our members are in, played on Sunday. We have a great time involving the patrons

of the show and keeping the mood up-beat and fun. We need to make a special "plug" for the Band. If you have played an instrument and feel like you'd like to get back to it, NOW IS THE TIME. Our new director is a high school band instructor. You'll never meet a more patient and easy going person. He will work with you and before you know it you'll be enjoying that special feeling that comes from playing an instrument. Check our AD in this newspaper for the nobles and phone numbers to call.

One more thing: {Three simple rules in life} 1. If you do not go after what you want, you'll never have it. 2. If you do not ask, the answer will always be no. 3. If you do not step forward, you'll always be in the same place.

OK - One more: You never appreciate what you have 'til it's gone. Toilet paper is a good example.

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
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We've hidden Illustrious Sir David Sumpter **5 times** throughout this edition of the Desert Dust!

Can you find them all?



Percy is waiting on Lake Rogers to thaw so he can catch some fish!

SHRINE HOSPITAL AMBASSADOR *Megan Johnson*

Our own Shrine Hospital Patient and Shrine Hospital Ambassador Megan Johnson distributing blankets, gloves, socks and sleeping bags to the homeless in Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon. Megan has supplied thousands of these items over the past 14 years. Her cause continues to grow. This is the very reason why she was the National Jefferson Award recipient.

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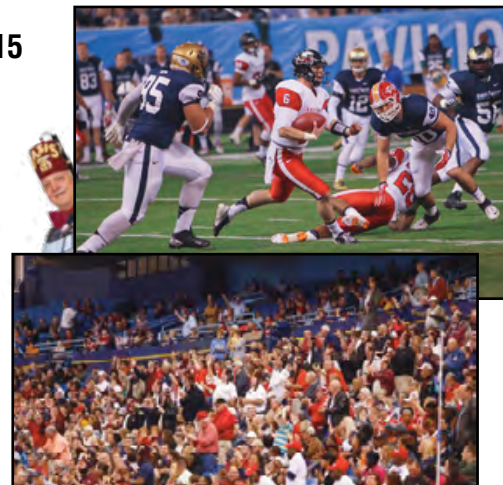
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Gates Open: 2 p.m.

Kickoff: 4 p.m.

**Where: Tropicana Field,
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Oasis Shriners Recognizes



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~ 2014 ~**

17531	Thomas G Austin	17599	James L Huntley
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17706	Reynolds M Biggs	17961	Kenzie J Letchworth
17541	Ralph C Brown	17964	John R Litaker
17889	Carl A Bufflap, Jr	17791	James M Little
17726	Jerry E Cohen	17805	Richard G Moore
33919	Jimmy H Conner	17628	Ted H Mullinix
35713	Myron L Corets	17823	Joseph P Pickler
17742	Nathan A Davis	17989	Ralph P Presley
33500	Edsel H Dodson	17642	Curtis G Ragsdale
38507	William P Donkel	17992	Thomas H Ramsey
27441	William H Durham	22009	Verlin B Shelton
17574	George R Gottschall	36054	Daniel H Simpson
17575	Paul C Gragg	17662	Josie L Smith
17577	Chesley M Greene	18006	Felton B Sudderth
17769	Thomas D Hawkins	27245	Delbert L Walcott
17934	David T Haynes	17862	Seth T White, Jr
19263	Joseph R Hendrick	17868	George T Winecoff

Thank you!





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SHRINE CIRCUS

Oasis Clowns now have their very own Oasis Elephant. They are keeping it in Al Cleggs garage. Feeding it has turned in to quite a chore, but we know they are up to it.

2014 SHRINE CIRCUS MOMS AND DADS PROGRAM

The 2014 Oasis Shrine Circus is behind us now and the temple fundraising program this year would not have been a success without the help of Oasis Shriners who joined the Moms and Dads Program.

"Without the support of our Moms and Dads, Grandmas and Grandpas, and Ringmasters, there would just be something missing from the support of the nobility that we like to give to the circus," said Circus Chairman Rodney Morgan.

Any Noble can participate and receive circus tickets for their contribution or we will donate their tickets to underprivileged or handicapped children who may not have ever attended a circus before. These tickets are also given to church groups, nursing homes, scouts, or people who cannot afford a ticket. Our Shrine Circus mission is to not turn anyone away from seeing the circus because of financial reasons.

Oasis will have this program again next year for the 2015 Circus and we hope that you will consider joining the Oasis Moms and Dads Program. If you have any questions about the program, please don't hesitate to contact the Temple at 704-549-9600.

It is always a tradition to name the Moms and Dads in the Desert Dust and here are this year's participants:

MOMS & DADS **\$20-\$39 Contributions**

Bob Baker
Oren Baucom
David Steve Cummings
James B Graham
Robert Hanks
W Cordell & Shirley Harris
Lewis & Brenda James
Greg & Nancy Key
Wayne & Kay King, PP
Fred & Rhonda Laxton, PP
Wes & Charlotte Lefler
Darrell & Carol Long
Jerry R McCorkle
James & Sherri Osborne
Don & Ann Richardson
Charles M Russell
Lewis E Todd
Charles & Nancie Williams
Ned Yates
William York

GRANDPARENTS **\$40-\$79 Contributions**

Tommy & Catherine Arakas, PP
Jeffrey P Cohen
Clyde & Joyce Cox
Tim & Leigh Daniels
Harold Davis
Charles Doll
John & Jean Elder, PP
Sam & Patsy Eudy
Max Y Garrison
Tom W Gowan, Jr
Andrew & Gina Hartman
Joseph G & Aleene Hicks
William & Sylvia Hooper
Kenneth & Vickie Jarrett
Jesse Joyce
Ken & Glenda Kluttz
Ronald & Marcia Lebold
William D Maness



Doug Mayes, PP
Gary & Cathy McDaniel
Harold Peacock
Charles P Peterson
Tom & Jo Price, PP
Frank & Carolyn Redies
Roger & Linda Rosenberger
Malcolm John Stone
Ray Tilley
Paul & Arlene Webb
William D Whitley
George & Betsy Wilcox
Jack Williams

RINGMASTERS **\$80-\$100 Contributions**

C Lee Abernethy, III
Bill Barnhardt
Harry M Bryant, Sr, PP
Walter A Burch, PP
John & Charlotte Burgess
Jimmy & Debbie Burgess
Don Collins
Tommy & Jeanie Eller
Tim M Farris
Clark & Lorene Goodrum
H Mike Cook, PP
Todd Ham
Bill Harward, PP
Tommy & Kelly Helms
Johnny & Theresa King
Folger & Carol Koontz
Bobby Leatherman
Dr & Mrs J Ralph Linn, Jr
Alan & Jan Madsen, PIP, PP
Jimmy R Mauldin
Sam McCall
James Stimpson McRae
Rodney M Morgan
Gordy & Carolyn Peeler
Rolla Rogers, PP
J Peter Schuetz
Gary D Taylor, PP

2014 Oasis Shrine Circus That's a Wrap!

The 2014 Oasis Shrine Circus had another record breaking year in revenue. The attendance at the four performances totaled over 8,000 adults and children watching the Jody Jordan World Circus.

The circus generated a net income of \$171,000 from donations and ticket sales from sources such as the Oasis Moms and Dads Program, telemarketer, entry gate sales and intermission sales. We had some of Moms and Dads Contributors and businesses who donated their tickets back to us to distribute to adults and children with physical and intellectual disabilities, in addition to church groups, nursing homes and to people who could not afford a ticket. Our Oasis Shrine Circus' mission is to not turn anyone away from seeing the circus because of their financial reason.

Following is a list of the Nobles and Ladies that helped out at the circus this year and quite a few were at all four performances. I apologize if I left anyone out.

Thanks to All!

Potentate David Sumpter

Circus Committee Rodney Morgan, Chairman Lori Prockup Wendy Rosales

Oasis Divan David Sumpter Todd Ham Johnny King Bill Harward, PP Johnny Burgess Ken Jarrett Tommy Helms Tim Daniels Rodney Morgan

Oasis Clowns Wayne Alley (Mr. Dimples) Alex Bass (Sax) Jim Beggs (Sunny) Robert Bickel (BoBo) Al Clegg (Poppi) Grover Eury (Goliath) French Harvey (Cuzin Wilbur) Charlie Johnson (Gummy) Ron Lebold (Jazz) Lynn Murphy Mark Murphy (Shortcake) Joe Neto (Pockets) Joe Neto's pug (Compass) Ted Shiver (Ted-E) Jason Whipple (Hot Wheels) Barry Winecoff (Toyo)

Oasis Dune Cats Brenda Brown Jason Brown Jack Gordon Jack Stallings

Oasis Gators Mark Abernethy Danny Bean David Bumgarner David Crawley Dennis Grigg



Rodney Morgan
Circus Chairman



Larry Hale John Hilton Jerry Johnson Allen Leatherman Bobby Leatherman Rupert Little

Oasis Patrol Color Guard Chris Hall Bob Saye Peter Schuetz Brandon Watson

Oasis Hospitality David & Judy Bowman Joyce Clegg Harold & Susan Davis Howard & Shirley Keyes Rita Morgan Rolla & Mary Rogers, PP Charles & Colene Russell Pat Settle

Coloring Books & Ticket Takers Matt Alexander JW Davis Ron Dellinger John Jackson Lee Moody Tom Price, PP Jim Rorie Sam Settle Dillon Stuart

Fez Head Fred Todd & Tammy Trivette

Pictures C. Lee Abernethy, III Terry Cox John Sullivan, PP

"The Beat on the Street" with your Drum & Bugle Corps

As this issue of the "Dust" arrives, everyone in the Drum & Bugle Corps family share our hope that each of you had a most wonderful Christmas time. We would also like to send out our wish for much success to each of you in this New Year.

Much has happened since our last visit. You may remember reading in the November '14 issue of The Desert Dust that the Corps had been able to present more than 50 Masonic Home for Children at Oxford piggy banks back to the MHCO after the homecoming parade. Well, not long after, the Home sent a letter to the Corps through Noble Brother Scott Edwards that after counting all the coins, more than \$800.00 had been raised. Thank you to everyone that put change in one of those banks. We could have never imagined that so much could be raised just a little at a time.

As the month of December arrived, we knew that there were many functions to prepare for and attend. First was the always popular Christmas Dinner, which this year, also included an installation of officers that would serve the Corps during 2015 and 2016. It was great to see so many of our members and their ladies have a great time sharing stories from the past and present. The social time was followed by a wonderful meal prepared by the restaurant staff and deserts provided by some of the Ladies of the D&B family.

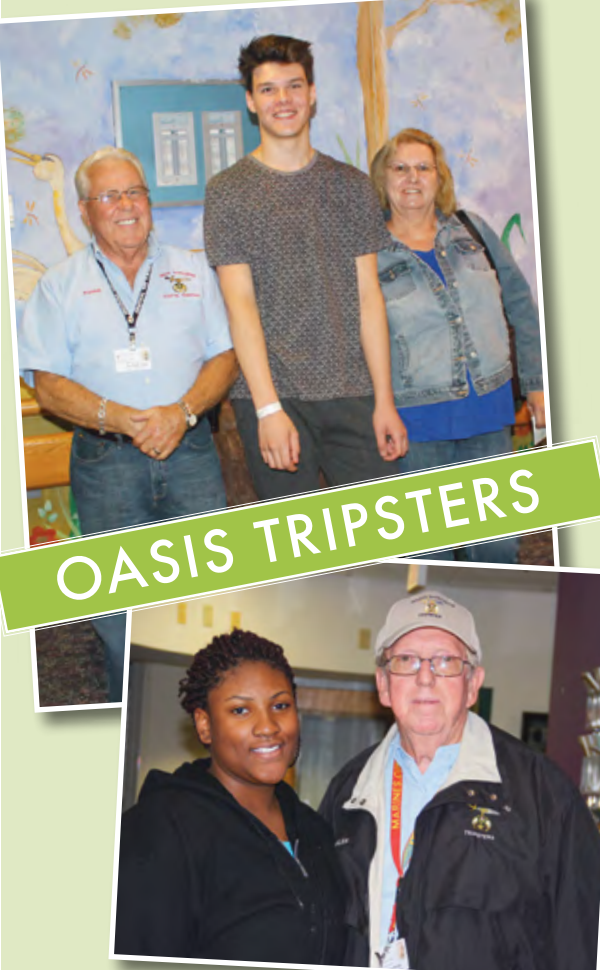
After the meal, outgoing Captain Dale Morton went to the podium and shared some thoughts and thanks about

the previous two years, hospital fundraising, membership, and noted that a donation had been made to the Hospital in honor of our D&B Ladies in lieu of an individual gift. He then presented Graylyn Faulkenberry and Ned Yates with a plaque to recognize their efforts on behalf of the Corps. Next, Past Captain Hood Dulin presented Dale his Past Captain's Fez and Lady Terri a token of appreciation. This was followed by the Installation of Officers. Representing the Divan and conducting the installation was Chief Rabban Todd Ham, also a Past Captain and active member of the D&B. The Nobles installed were Captain Dave Wallace, 1st Lt. Graylyn Faulkenberry, 2nd Lt. Scott Edwards, Treasurer Tommy Helms, and Secretary Ned Yates.

Our new Captain Dave and Lady Betsy, live in Mecklenburg County. He is a member and Past Master of Matthews Lodge #461 AF & AM. We believe that he is the 23rd Noble to serve as "Captain of the Corps" dating back to the 1940's.

Finally, we would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest trainees, John Bunting and Ryan Eaton. Both are members of Mint Hill #742 AF & AM where John will serve as Master this year and Ryan will serve as Senior Warden.

We look forward to seeing you at the Club & Unit Appreciation Night on January 9th and at the Installation of Officers for 2015 on January 10th. Best wishes to all clubs and units in Oasis for a great year of fundraising again this year, because... "when the Hospital wins, we all win!"




OASIS TRIPSTERS

Pictured are Nobles Ronnie (Beetle) Bailey and Charles Billings, members of the Oasis Tripsters, who have both made 50 or more trips to our Shriners Hospitals for Children, transporting patients. We are very fortunate to have dedicated members like these men, who truly take care of our children.

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The DON has the Shriners Hospitals as the only charity we support. Since 1924 we have contributed over \$54 million to the hospitals, and our current support is over \$2 million per year. In addition, we give over 150,000 hours of volunteer time, sew items, and give various articles valued at over \$900,000 each year.

This year our ladies put in over 450 hours by working at the Southern Christmas Show, a project that we have supported for many years. The members- with help from husbands, children, friends and co-workers- ran the package check booth at the Show, where we happily received tips from the tired shoppers. Those tips totaled \$4200, and were matched by a member's employer, Ally Bank, allowing us to give \$8200 to the Shriners Hospital Endowment Fund.

Our ladies have been the bakers providing sweets for several Masonic lodges' bar-b-q's. The sales proceeds were added to other funds and earmarked to help fulfill the Greenville Hospital's wish list. The Hospital has asked us for help in securing pillows, pillow cases, DVD's, Nintendo DS Game systems and kid friendly games, cloth surgical caps in kid prints, and gift cards from K-Mart, Target, and 4 of the fast food restaurants.

AND THE BEST PART...the wonderful members of Metrolina Shrine Club saw a copy of our wish list flyer and donated \$1000 to help us with these items for our Greenville Hospital. The Club members felt that knowing that their gift would be spent locally would help their new members feel the importance of the great work the Shriners Hospitals do. Our Ladies are looking forward to our trip to Greenville to deliver all the wonderful gifts we can now purchase!

Nobles, make sure your Ladies know about us. Ladies, read all about our wonderful organization on our web-site. And feel free to call Betty Parker, membership chair, at 704-541-6247, for any questions you might have.

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PATROL NEWS FOR JANUARY 2015

Ah! The Holidays are winding down and the Oasis Patrol Unit is trying to catch its breath before we are shot out of the proverbial cannon into our 2015 Shrine year.

This time of year often leaves time for reflective pauses. Doing a quick mental rewind it is easy to say that Our Patrol Unit had a great 2014 and should spring-board right into 2015 without missing a beat. Hats off to our core group of Officers, Past Captains, Active and Veteran Members. A testament to the tradition of our longevity as we continue to have many active and participating Veteran Patrolmen, Past Captains, Di-

van Members, Past Potentates and a Past Imperial Potentate of Shriners International. The old adage "it's not what you know, it's who you know" plays well here but you should still know *what?*

So who was that dapper clad P/P in a white coat tending bar at our Patrol Ladies Night? Taylor. Gary Taylor. Our Patrol Ladies were honored in early December with a formal dinner and dance at the Oasis Restaurant. A fine catered meal was served up by the Captain's friend David Andrews, proprietor of The Hill Restaurant and Bar in Mint Hill. Our Patrol DJ Reggie had the tunes rolling, the table centerpieces looked lovely

and there was plenty of Diet Coke for everyone. A weird irony is that this Ladies Night was coordinated and put on by the Captain's Wife Lady Pam and Lady Chris Richardson for the Patrol Ladies. We are lucky and our Patrol Ladies are the Best!

The Oasis Patrol Unit is streaming on Social Media. Hit us up on Facebook at Oasis Shriners Patrol to see current and archived images and status updates for our upcoming and in-progress events. Thank you Noble Lt-1 Chris Hall for ram-rodding that for us.

Speaking of Membership. Make it your New Year's resolution to reel some new mem-

bers into our Shrine folds as Oasis has two Ceremonials scheduled in 2015, one in early June and the other in early November. Our NC Blue Lodges are a great resource for such an endeavor. Attend your Blue Lodge meetings and talk it up. Masonic and Shrine bonds are strong in NC. Let's get all of our non-Shriner Brother's on board with the natural extension Shrinedom creates for Masons. Again, attend your Blue Lodge regularly and promote Shrinedom.

If you want some Masonic or

Shrine jewelry, accessories and ties between our Oasis Ceremonials we will be happy to accommodate your demand with our supply. Our web-site is www.OasisPatrol.com with email contact links. The Oasis Administrative Office has an assortment of offerings for sale as well. Ladies Lori and Wendy are great to help us out with our glass shelf display and selling items directly to the Nobility.

Don't forget to come see us at the WFNZ Sports Radio Dog House before every Carolina

Panthers home game. If you want to come out and assist it is pretty easy. Just back up 2 ½ hours before scheduled game kick-off to meet at the Rite Aid at corner of South Blvd. and West Blvd. and ride with us to collect donations. Or come by Mint St. and Morehead St. and drop some bucks in our buckets to make a difference and help a child.

Until We Meet Again...

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Saye
Patrol Captain

CHERRYVILLE SHRINE CLUB



Cherryville Shrine Club and ST 12 Riders Group present a check for \$7,000.00 to Greenville Hospital.



Noble Bill Moss of Cherryville Shrine Club presents C.J.Sauer of the ST 12 Riders Group a plaque in appreciation for the work his group has done in support of Shriner's Childrens Hospitals.

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THE OASIS SHRINERS PATROL UNIT



JULY 4th 2012 AT THE 138th IMPERIAL SESSION IN CHARLOTTE, NC. THE OASIS SHRINERS PATROL UNIT PERFORMS A SURPRISE "ARCH OF STEEL" FORMATION AS 34 UNIFORMED MEMBERS AWAIT THE COMMAND FOR ADVANCEMENT OF THE INCOMING IMPERIAL POTENTATE FOR SHRINE YEAR 2012-2013, OASIS PATROLMAN ALAN W. MADSEN. HE AND HIS FIRST LADY JAN ARE ESCORTED BY PAST CAPTAIN / DIVAN MARSHALL TIM DANIELS.



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Another possum sitting at the Auto Show in Charlotte!



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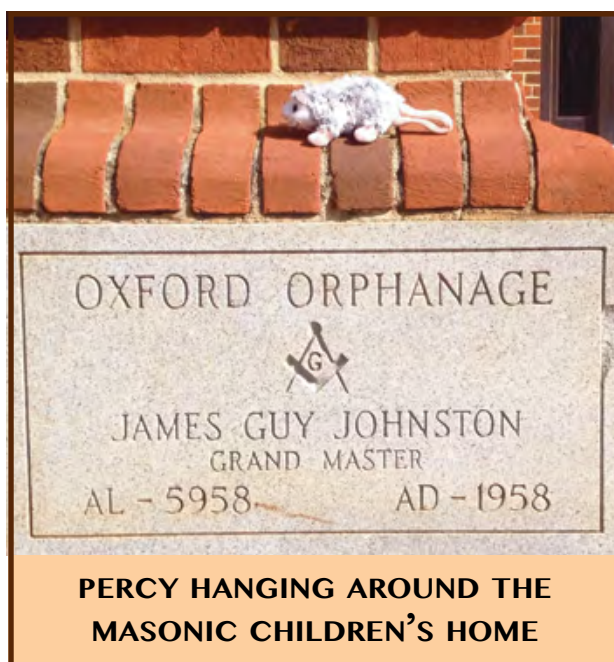
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**All ads & articles for
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*if interested in joining the Oasis Clan #13 parade unit, please
contact jack devine @ 828-464-9886, or gary patterson @
704-938-3930 or lee moody @ 704-451-6151*

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

"THIS TOO SHALL PASS"

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under Heaven - Ecclesiastes

So, here you and I stand on the threshold of a brand new year. A new year filled with bright promises for many, for others a year filled with challenges. A new year filled with dreams to come true for some; a year filled with broken dreams for others.

There is a fable of a powerful king who asked his wise men to create a ring that would make him happy when he was sad. After deliberations the wise men handed him a ring with the words "This too will pass" etched on it. But, the king learned something: When he had plenty of riches, he reminded himself: *This too shall pass*. When he was ill or in distress, he reminded himself:

This too shall pass.

In the same manner, in the Bible in the Book of Ecclesiastes we read: "*There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven*".

Yes, whatever we are going through "shall pass", because there is a time for everything. The Apostle Paul said that he had learned in all situations to be content. We can be content, too, knowing that 'this too shall pass'.

Several years ago, Dr. Robert Schuller compiled some of his private prayers. The following is one of those prayers for us to consider as we seek the Lord's guidance at the beginning of the New Year:



John H. Stanley,
P.P., Chaplain

Thank you, Lord, for the gifts of this New Year, Help me to make the most of these gifts and of this New Year. With you beside me, I know I'm starting off right. I'm committing this year to you. Amen

It is our hope that 2015 is your very best year yet. Happy New Year.

John Stanley, P.M., P.P. ('97). is Chaplain of Oasis Shriners. He is Chaplain, McLean Funeral Directors (Gastonia), 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.

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

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~ NEWS OF THE PAST MASTERS UNIT ~

The Past Masters Unit's Annual Meeting will be held Friday, January 9, 2015, 3:00 p.m. in the Board Room of Oasis. We will discuss plans for 2015 as well as our continuing partnership with the Oasis Membership Team.

We extend congratulations to Two of our more prominent members: Most Worshipful Doug Caudle was installed as Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, and W.B. Todd Ham was elected Potentate of Oasis Shriners in December!

Potentate-Elect Ham will be installed on January 10, 2015. Hopefully, as many of our Past Masters as possible will be on hand to support our new Potentate as Illustrious Sir David Sumpter and Potentate-Elect Ham have planned an outstanding week-end. The Past Masters Unit supports harmony and brother love; therefore we offer our support to M.W. Brother Caudle and "Illustrious-to-be" Todd Ham.

As a reminder, 2015 Unit dues of \$15 are now due. (Thank you for your support!). To make our communications more efficient, and more improved, we are in the process of developing an e-mail data base. The Past Masters Members should have received a request from Secretary Gordy Peeler, asking for your e-mail address. You are asked to return that request to Gordy either by e-mail or regular mail as soon as possible. Please communicate with W.B. Gordy as follows: gordypeeler@msn.com. Of course, if you do not have an e-mail address you will receive mail the 'regular' way.

With 2014 rapidly coming to an end we should be contacting Shrine-Masons who are completing their year as Master of their lodges to join our unit. If you need an application for the unit contact Captain Terry Jones or Secretary Gordy Peeler. Their contact information follows:

If you are interested in being active in the Unit as a Sergeant, as a Blue Lodge Ambassador, or a Corporal, or if you would like to explore becoming a member of the Past Masters Unit, please do not hesitate to contact: Terry Jones, P.M., P.P., Captain, 5002 White Oak Dr., Lexington, N.C. 27295, Phone (336) 764-5502, e-mail: tkjonespp@gmail.com, or Past Masters' Secretary, Noble Gordy Peeler, P.M., 520 Cantiberry Drive, Salisbury, NC 28146, phone (704) 279-5764. He can be reached by e-mail at gordypeeler@msn.com.

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Annual East-West Shrine Game

Dear Nobles,

Football season is in full swing, and fans everywhere are happily cheering on their teams! But no game is more exciting — and more rewarding to be a part of — than the **Annual East-West Shrine Game**.

We recently sent two **FREE TICKET VOUCHERS** — for you and a guest to attend the Annual East-West Shrine Game on January 17, 2015, at the Tropicana Field Stadium in St. Petersburg, Florida. It's our way of showing you how much we appreciate your dedication to these kids.

Bring your ticket vouchers to the "Will-Call" window on Game Day and exchange them for two general admission tickets. It's really that simple! Don't miss this opportunity to show the world you're a proud Shriner! In the spirit of the East-West Shrine Game, I hope you'll also make a donation. **Your gift of \$30, \$50, \$150, or more will bring Love to the rescue®** for children who rely on Shriners Hospitals for Children® for the expert care they can't find anywhere else.

Help us continue that important work by sending a gift today! With the help of Shriners like you, we'll never have to turn away a child in need ... a family desperate for answers.

On behalf of the East-West Shrine Game and Shriners Hospitals for Children, thank you so much for all that you do. Hope to see you on Game Day!

Dale W. Stauss

Dale W. Stauss
Imperial Potentate
Shriners International

P.S. If you can, please send a gift of \$30, \$50, \$150, or more to help change the lives of children who need specialized, family-centered care.

Gator Tales

WINTER 2014



Saturday, November 22nd...nine Gators of the Oasis Gator Patrol participated in the Shrine Circus held at Cabarrus Arena in Concord. Their assigned job was to transport spectators and visitors from their cars/parking lot to the door of the arena that housed the Shrine 3-ring circus. Performances were held at 2 pm and 7 pm.

Tuesday, December 2nd 2014 was a treat for the Oasis Gator Patrol unit as they participated for the first time in the Morganton Christmas night parade. Thanks to Danny Lyle for orchestrating the Eight Gators and Gals who were able to attend and be a part of this extravaganza... A 6:00 pm kick-off night parade that was televised...Did anyone see the Gators on TV?

Three Merry Christmas parades...The day began as a dreary, wet, rainy day on Saturday, December 6th but 8 faithful Gators met at 8:30 to decorate their Gators and paraded in Valdese to a smaller than usual crowd, but nevertheless happy group at 10 am. The group then unloaded at our Captain David Reep's business- National Transmission's parking lot in Hildebran and walked over to enjoy lunch at Kentucky Fried Chicken at Hildebran and paraded in this "wetter" Christmas parade at 1 pm... some folks had to add the rain gear at this point. Six Gators and Gals drove on over to Taylorsville for a clear day with a 3 pm Christmas parade which was a big country type parade with several Shrine units represented and many tractors and at least a dozen firetrucks "whopping" their horns repeatedly. It was an exhausting, enjoyable day of waving and "Merry Christmasing" to the multitudes in attendance!!!

Looking forward to a sunshine day (we hope) next Saturday, December 13th for the annual Cat Square 2:00 pm Christmas parade and our monthly meeting/breakfast beginning at 9:00 am at Allen and Doris Leatherman's farm in Plateau... More about Cat Square and our installation in next month's newsletter.

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

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Gaston County Shrine Club

505 Pinkney Road
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What: Monthly Club Meeting

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month

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Where: 505 Pinkney Road Dallas, NC 28034

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His parents were understandably worried, but the doctors assured them that they'd be chasing him around like every other kid in no time. *And they were right!*

Thanks to the support of generous people like you, our doctors, nurses, and other medical staff deliver life-changing treatment and care to kids like Ezra every day, **regardless of their families' ability to pay.**

When Ezra was just 10 months old, his team at Shriners Hospitals for Children - Los Angeles made him his first prosthetic leg. And the team of world-class prosthetists at Shriners Hospitals for Children continued to provide Ezra with prosthetic legs until he was 4 years old.

Ezra was part of Shriners' Child Amputee Prosthetic Project (CAPP), where he was able to meet other amputee children going through similar struggles. In fact, being at CAPP **helped Ezra realize that, in his words, "Being different is okay."**

Today, at 9, Ezra is the starting quarterback on his flag football team, a blue belt in karate, and a record-holding track and field star! Not only that, he was nominated as a finalist for SportsKid of the Year by Sports Illustrated magazine!

And it's thanks to the support of people like you that Shriners Hospitals for Children was able to get this star up on his feet.

Please, give today. Help other kids like Ezra make wonderful things in their lives "happen" through hope and healing at Shriners Hospitals for Children nationwide.

Sincerely,
Dale Stauss
Chairman of the Board of Directors,
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2:45pm John Deere Gator
2:50pm The Holland Apex Grill
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Registration begins at 11:00

Lunch served at 12:00

Degree begins at 1:00

Contact David Bowman

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\$280.00	Mecklenburg Shrine Club - Donation
\$1,540.00	Metrolina Shrine Club - Donation
\$6,206.68	Moore County Shrine Club - Fish Fry
\$100.00	Moore County Shrine Club - Plaque Sale
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— JANUARY 2015 —

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25794	Lellon R Boykin	Concord, NC	9/13/75	4/5/14
33217	Franklin O Auten	Boone, NC	5/9/87	11/4/14
29319	Ray C Turbyfill	Clemmons, NC	5/31/80	11/13/14
17791	James M Little	Midland, NC	3/19/64	11/14/14
15146	Tommy I Arakas, P.P.	Asheville, NC	10/19/57	11/18/14
35096	Bill B Brooks	Sparta, NC	11/2/91	11/18/14
21112	Robert G Cox	Winston Salem, NC	1/24/70	11/19/14
27049	John P Williams	Greensboro, NC	10/30/76	11/21/14
38966	Richard W Fairbanks, Jr.	Mount Pleasant, NC	6/4/88	11/29/14
21927	Edward J Nolen	Cherryville, NC	10/31/70	11/29/14
34232	Carl M Messick	Salisbury, NC	6/10/89	12/2/14
27371	John C Pegg	Kernersville, NC	5/28/77	12/8/14

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Swing Dance
\$10.00

4th Saturday of the Month

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- Dance from 8-12 pm



Club Dance Night
\$10.00

1st Friday of the Month

Stiletto Band

Doors Open at 6:00 pm

• No Club Dance Friday, July 4th •



Upcoming Events

- Elvis with Stephen Freeman and other musicians coming in October
- Celebrate New Year's Eve

Seating starts at 6:00 pm with buffet dinner at 7:15 pm

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- Reservations end the Wednesday before the 4th Friday of the month

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