The Desert Dust

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Oasis Shriners Head for the Hills for Spring Ceremonial

BLOWING ROCK - "We're counting down the days until our Spring Ceremonial in beautiful Blowing Rock," according to Chief Aide Jack Wallace. "They are so anxious to welcome us and have made every effort to see that we have comfortable accommodations and access every amenity."

The schedule is packed (see page 12) but there's always time for adventure. "Friday night is open," explained Ill. Sir Johnny King. "Our hospitality suite at Chetola will be open from 8 to 11, but we encourage you to spend time downtown with the local businesses for fantastic shopping, dining, and fun. After dinner you can choose from one of Blowing Rock's great live music venues."

Of course we travel to Blowing Rock to enjoy a weekend away, but let's not forget the real purpose of the weekend—creating new Shriners! Membership Chair Chris Hall offers some insight on this subject elsewhere in this issue. When you read his message think about the ways you can take action in order to bring your fair share of candidates to this Ceremonial.

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Saturday morning allows time for the ladies to join Lady Theresa for tea on the spectacular grounds of Chetola Resort. Wear your hat and sundress if you like—or come more casual—just don't miss this unique opportunity. Call the Oasis Headquarters office to make your reservation.

Every Shriner will want to attend the Saturday afternoon parade. Some will march, some will ride in Ragtops. Some will play music, others will scoot around in mini-trucks or motorbikes. There is no better way to show our new Shriners how we do it! And to show them how to join YOUR unit.

Ill. Sir Johnny King surrounded by the Nobles of the Moore County Shrine Club.

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The Potentate's Message

Hello Ladies and Nobles!

What? It's MAY already? This year has been exciting and fast thus far. Hold on, here we go!

April 14-16 marked the South Atlantic Shrine Provost Guard Association's convention in Charlotte. Oasis Noble Dan Swanson (and Lady Nancy) presides as president over the 17-temple organization. You'll remember Dan as past president of the Greensboro Shrine Club. The Oasis Provost Guard, Lady Theresa and I were honored to be there in support.

And there's Shrine Bowl News: Oasis Clubs and units sold more than half the 500 tickets for a gun draw… so who won? Look here next month and see!

Oasis Plaque/Paper Crusade Chairman Noble Don Lyerly has been laboring for months in the 'salt mines' planning this spring's event. He and I are excited to see the results of this year's planning and the work from all the units involved. I spent some time as well getting Earl (my pickup) ready for the trip to visit as many of you as possible during the two-day sale.

I hope you are all ready for our Oasis Shrine Summer Ceremonial June 3-5 in Blowing Rock. We'll be all over the place beginning Friday morning with golf at Mountain Glen Golf Club in Newland. Nine tee times beginning at 9am … get your sticks and call Sam Moody at 980-722-7951 to reserve your time. It's $56 to play 18 holes. Meantime, e-mail the address of your club or unit hospitality room or suite so we can bring our new candidates by for a visit with your unit or club family.

Saturday, yawn, stretch and be at Blowing Rock School (home of THE ROCKETS) for registration at 7am. There's the Ceremonial followed by lunch. And parade lineup is at 2. Expect a powerful salute to our veterans…with plenty of surprises for all.

Saturday morning for our Ladies will be a bit more civilized. Lady Theresa has an elegant tea party planned from half-past 10 until 12:30pm under the tent at Chetola. The cost is just $20 per person including surprises for everyone. Later in the evening, we will all return to the tent for our summer ball. The event gets underway at 8 with music from DJ Darin Henley. We expect to have the Nobility – especially our newest Nobles and their Ladies to come enjoy the night. During the first intermission it will be 'Bling-time" as we draw for a $20-thousand dollar ring! The money raised through ticket sales is for my Sunshine Fund, an account to help cover dues for Nobles in need. There is much more to know about the Summer Ceremonial, and you will find it all in this issue.

Following our Summer Ceremonial we switch gears to FAMILY FUN DAY. Noble Clay McLean is crafting some new 'stuff' for the event June 17 and 18. (Check out the back cover for a full schedule.) Friday will be a busy day with as many Oasis club and unit members as possible joining us in a massive free camporee at Red Fez! Yep, a huge camp out. (BUT, you need to call really, really, early to reserve your spot). Also, let us know if your 'camp' will be serving up delicious food to visitors, so we can add you to the Red Fez 'roadmap.'

While Saturday is the big day for families including children, neighbors and friends, Friday evening at Red Fez is for the Oasis nobility including our newest Nobles and Ladies who are invited to enjoy a night of food, music and fellowship catered by our clubs and units. This is an opportunity to show how large our Oasis family really is! Saturday, June 18 the gates swing wide – bring yo' kids, bring yo' neighbors, bring yo' friends. Family Fun Day with fishing tournaments and other fun things for the kids, food, refreshments, and a swimming pool for everyone!

Oh, by the way, there is also a barbecue cook-off. Think you got the stuff to take on past champions? Here's how to get your butts in the game: Ill. Sir Todd Ham at 704-363-9257 or e-mail todd@hambrothers.com because what they cook everybody will eat. In this competition we'll award first, second and third place for each category so come on out!

Been to our Temple lately? Your vintage, well used carpet has been relegated to the historical record. Several weeks ago your Divan voted to replace our 30-year old carpet. The phone system has suffered the same fate because, well, they don't make repair and replacement parts for it anymore.

Calling all Oasis clubs and units! Let me know what you are doing! I want photos and information on your efforts working for The Kids, so we can let everyone else know. Please email or send your pictures along with a short article about your parties or other fundraisers. You really don't have to be a writer to send in the facts just be sure to include the appropriate captions with photos and send them to Editor Edie Wilson. ediewilson7@gmail.com or call 704-221-0333 and she will be happy to help you.

Remember we are family working for the kids!

Yours in the Faith!
Johnny King
Potentate

2016 Oasis Schedule

May 18	Divan Meeting
June 3-5	Spring Ceremonial (Blowing Rock)
June 16	Divan Meeting
June 10-11	NFL Alumni Golf Tournament
June 17-18	Family Fun Day
July 3-7	142 Imperial Session Tampa Florida
July 21	Divan Meeting
August 9	Shrine 100 Race Gastonia
August 18	Divan Meeting
September 8	Divan Meeting
September 15-17	SASA Fall Meeting, Myrtle Beach
Sept. 24-Oct. 4	Johnny and Theresa Trip
September 24-25	Grand Lodge NC
October 7-8	Oxford Homecoming
October 12	Oasis Circus Fletcher
October 13-15	Membership Seminar
October 14-15	Oasis Circus Cabarrus
October 20	Divan Meeting
November 4-5	Fall Ceremonial (Charlotte)
November 17	Divan Meeting
December 3	Annual Election & Stated Meeting
December 15	Divan Meeting
December 16	Game Week Shrine Bowl Meeting BOG
December 17	Game Day Shrine Bowl

The Recorder's Message

Spring is in the air. It is my favorite season, like it might be most of yours. The best thing about spring is our upcoming Oasis Ceremonial. Back to Blowing Rock this year. Though we've only been going to Blowing Rock for about ten years off and on, we have conjured some good memories, brought in some great new Nobles and look forward to more Fez-tastic Ceremonials. Nobles, please be sure to book your rooms and visit your Masonic Blue Lodge in May to spread the Shrine word – Join! It is not difficult to promote something you believe in when you are dedicated, even easier when you are Committed. Our Petitions for Membership are available on our Oasis web-site. The fee to join is $250 which includes the badge of a Shriner--a Fez. And don't forget about the Restoration Initiative which allows former Nobles in good standing in their Blue Lodge to return to membership in Oasis by paying this year's dues ($82) AND joining a club, unit or committee. If you need any assistance I encourage you to reach out to our very highly acclaimed and talented Oasis Membership Team for a Blue Lodge Ambassador's (BLA) assistance.

I am remiss for last month's Recorder's Message not welcoming aboard Lady Edie Wilson as our new Desert Dust editor. I have known Noble Marty and Lady Edie for many years, though not well or personally. That has already changed during a couple of our Oasis road-trips in March. Whenever I find myself doing something remotely inappropriate I like to declare "Off the Record!" whenever Lady Edie is near. Thank goodness it does not happen often.

As stated in the January Recorder's Message, when there is news of Oasis or Shrine importance to communicate it will come from me. In every life a little seriousness must exist and we as Oasis Shriners are no different. In fact, as almost all Shriners are aware, Shrinedom was created after the American Civil War as an outlet for Freemasons to express their frivolity for fun and fellowship with an Arabian Knights type flair for pageantry. This past month some of our Oasis leadership was called to attention by our Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, Bryant D. Webster, concerning some issues at Masonic funerals within our Oasis jurisdiction. The takeaway is that a Shriner in good standing is a Mason in good standing and when a burial service with Masonic Rites is requested by the family or pre-requested by the Brother, we as fellow Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons are to honor the bedrock foundation and integrity of Freemasonry. According to Masonic 'Code', Regulation 82.5 "the only Masonic clothing permitted at a Masonic burial shall be white gloves, white aprons and the officers' jewel." Nobles, as a courtesy to our fallen Brethren, their grieving families, and our deep Masonic heritage, please refrain from wearing or using our Shrine Fez and regalia during a Masonic funeral service. Think about this as well--not all Masons are Shriners (currently 29% in NC) and an outward light-hearted Shrine presence may be offensive to some. It matters not that some of our Oasis members do not like the answer as given from our North Carolina Grand Lodge. We must all abide. Let's just say that a Masonic Burial Service is not the time or place to be boastful and have our light-hearted Shrine heritage overshadow the seriousness and importance of a resting Brother's Masonic Burial Rites. Moving forward, let's let our departed Brother's family know that his Masonic Burial Service will be performed with the utmost of somber seriousness, courtesy and dignity while we also conform to our prevailing Masonic 'Code' as regulated and interpreted by our North Carolina Grand Lodge.

The annual Paper Crusade is upon us on April 29 and 30. Oasis promotes the Paper Sale heavily one designated

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If you have not signed up for Shriners Village, do so today.

Shriners Village is a website designed to keep members of Shrine International up to date on all aspects of Shrinedom.

Simply google Shriners Village and follow the instructions.

So easy, even a Shriner can do it.

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Membership Update

Greetings, Brethren and Nobles All:

I hope this May edition of the Desert Dust finds you and your families excited about traveling to Blowing Rock June 3-5 for our 2016 Spring Ceremonial. As you are aware, Oasis will host only two Ceremonials throughout the year. Please make it your personal goal to locate and secure at least one Master Mason who you know would enjoy our fraternity and help support our efforts with Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Brethren, these men are in our Masonic lodges. Please visit your lodge regularly as we are all obligated to do and support our lodges' endeavors first. If we are not setting the proper example as Shriners by maintaining a strong presence in our Masonic lodges, then we risk the loss of Worthy and Well Qualified Master Masons who may have an interest in becoming a Shriner. Let us support our lodges first with our time, energy, and devotion so that our brethren will know that we sincerely desire their interest, time, energy, and devotion in the Shrine as well. We must set the example. We *are* the example.

People are attracted to congregate to organizations for various reasons. In 2016, members are mindful that organizations must offer their families several exciting opportunities for involvement. I am not referring to a meeting, a reading of the minutes, a few announcements, and an adjournment. We already have enough of that to last several lifetimes. No, brethren, I am referring to an organization - YOUR club or YOUR unit - that will offer fresh, innovative, and appealing opportunities to new members.

When was the last time you planned an outing to a theme park? Hosted a movie night for children, provided popcorn, and watched a movie on a projector screen? Partnered with a non-profit in your local community and provided sweat equity toward a worthy project? Hosted a technology event in which the children taught the adults the latest and greatest tips and tricks with technology? Reserved a few lanes at the bowling alley and brought the children or arranged for some rounds at a miniature golf course? Created a tournament for children to compete for awards and trophies in both athletic competitions such as basketball or tennis as well as academic competitions such as quiz bowls, spelling bees, or craft/robotics demonstrations. The list is endless. It is up to each of us to put forth the energy to think creatively, spearhead, plan, organize, and implement these types of events while maintaining a focus toward Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Don't be afraid to freshen it up. Survey your actual membership and ask what they would like to try differently to attract new members. New club and unit members come from Ceremonials. New Shriners at Ceremonials come from our Masonic lodges. Good men who become Master Masons live and work in our communities. We know where the source resides but we have to be willing to devote the time and energy to tap the source - quality men who are willing to learn to improve themselves and their communities. Let's go find them and bring them to Blowing Rock. See you there.

YITF,
Chris Hall
Membership Chairman and Divan Marshal, Oasis Shriners

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 Mike Avery (704) 279-8076

Shriners on Bikes

PRESIDENT - Trent Oates 704-412-0120
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SERGEANT AT ARMS - Kenneth Abernathy
ROAD CAPTAIN - Joey Ham

Shriners on Bikes met in early November 2014. The SOB's were recharter as a riding club vs a motorcycle club. Our purpose is for Shriners with motorcycles to come together ride and have fun while supporting other clubs in units when possible. We will meet quarterly and weather permitting ride. There will be other rides scheduled based on the interests of the Riding Club. ***If you own a motorcycle and want to ride and have fun with other Shriners contact one of our Officers.***

On average, let's assume that 200 members of Oasis will attend the 2016 Spring Ceremonial in Blowing Rock as represented below:

Just think: If each of these 200 Nobles in attendance was willing to be personally responsible for bringing JUST ONE worthy and well qualified Master Mason to join our beloved fraternity and help support "The World's Greatest Philanthropy: Shriners Hospitals for Children" - we would have a Class Ceremonial 200 strong.

Behind the Scenes Bio

Put your Hands together for Harvey Burgess

In order to showcase some of the hard-working Nobles of Oasis, we will include a short feature story on one of our committee chairs every issue. These will appear in no particular order and occasionally we might include more than one. This month's feature is our Master of Ceremonies, Harvey Burgess.

You've heard his voice, you've seen his face but did you know Harvey is a published novelist! Here are a few more facts:

Q When and why did you become a Mason/Shriner?

A More than 20 years ago I was raised in Saint Andrew Lodge No. 702 in Charlotte, becoming the 4th of my generation to join our father's lodge. My father, F.R. Burgess, was a Mason, Shriner, and a member of the Oasis Band. Three of my brothers were members when I joined, then our fifth brother joined after me. All five brothers are Past Masters of Saint Andrew Lodge, something that had never occurred in the Grand Lodge of AF & AM of North Carolina. I also served as District Deputy Grand Master of the 31st Masonic District from 2010 to 2013.

Q What activities do you enjoy in your spare time?

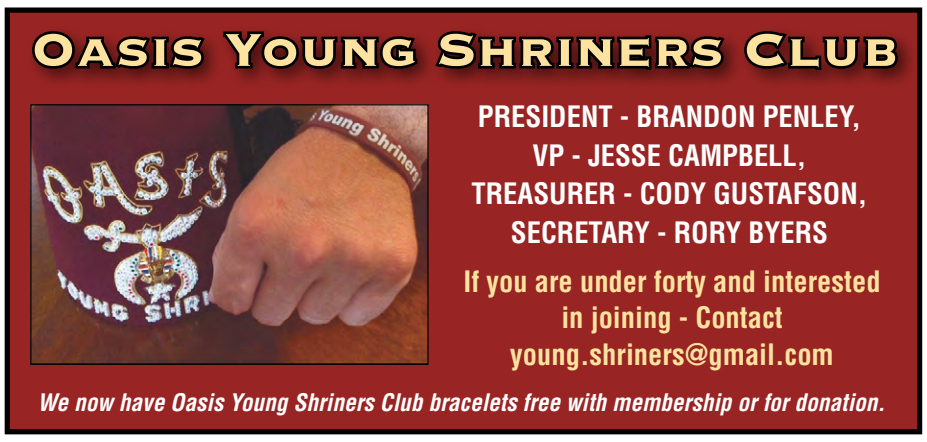
A I have no spare time. I've been secretary of my lodge for more than 12 years and am Chairman of the Board of the Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center's Advisory Council, a member of the Salvation Army Area Command board of directors and a member of the Salvation Army Executive Committee in Charlotte.

Q What else can we say about Harvey?

A *Quite a bit, actually:* I won the new member recruitment award at Oasis for several years as the top-line signer of more than 60 petitions for new Shriners, and personally helped raise more than $21 million for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. I'm a recipient of several Potentate's Appreciation awards, the Walt Disney Award and am a Life Member of Oasis as well as being a Life Member and Master Craftsman of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Charlotte, and the Charlotte York Rite bodies. I'm also a court officer of the Royal Order of Jesters, Court 109, in Charlotte. I've served as Captain of the Past Masters Unit at Oasis and have been a member or honorary member of several Oasis clubs. My other civic involvements have included being a past Jaycee president, past Lt. Governor for Civitan International, past chairmanship of Special Olympics in N.C. and service on the boards of the Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council, N.C. chapter of the American Cancer Society and Heart Association along with being past chairman of Charlotte Crime Stoppers and a member of the Charlotte Mayor's Committee of 100 planning organization. I was also a member of the Fraternal Order of Police and the N.C. Sheriff's Association.

Harvey is former Executive Director of Oasis Shriners, but has now returned to writing as a profession. He has published a novel and is working on several other books.

"Those who know me as a Mason and Shriner, know that I've never been one to do anything halfway. I consider the service we do for children and the less fortunate to be a commitment in life. We're charged with helping people overcome obstacles, and we should never take that obligation lightly."



Oasis Clubs and Units Give to Others in Many Ways

The Gators—naturally green for St. Patrick's Day

Coming and going, The Gator Patrol, led by Cpt. Larry Hale, keeps crowds smiling.

Cabarrus Shrine Club says, "Eat More Chicken!"

Submitted by Noble Steve Jordan

April 8 and 9 found Cabarrus County nobles and ladies hard at work preparing 645 BBQ chicken halves for their semi-annual club fund raiser. Along with great BBQ chicken, $8 got you pinto beans, potato salad and a roll with choices of dine in, delivery or carry out.

They sold out and raised over $5600. Compare this to the 575 chicken halves sold last year and over $3800 raised. It's easy to see why this is a popular event in Cabarrus County and a great fundraiser for Cabarrus Shrine Club.

Brian Heintz, club president, would like to thank all those who made this event a great success.

Keystone Kops raised funds with East Coast Cruisers during Auto Fair April 9 and 10.

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weekend a year, but any Oasis club or unit may perform their Paper Sale anytime and many times. Just advise the Oasis administrative office with a charitable fundraising form prior to doing so according to Shrine law.

On another note, if you are an Oasis Shriner--Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and you are not an active member of a club or unit, I highly encourage you to become involved. The adage "you get back what you put into it" could not be truer than in Shrinedom. Coming back to an Oasis Ceremonial is a terrific place to continue your Shrine journey. Clubs and units will be in full force and set-up to talk to prospective members. So plan to come see us in Blowing Rock next month or at Oasis in Charlotte in the fall. You may always call or email me directly. We are here to help every Noble that needs our assistance. Remember, being an involved Shrine-Mason is belonging to a fraternity for life.

I promised myself and Lady Edie that I would keep this article brief compared to my ramblings of last month. So in abbreviated, streamlined form, please remember the following as we move into late spring / early summer: Bring a candidate or ten to Blowing Rock the first weekend of June. Bring your friends and whole fam-damily out to Red Fez Family Fun Day in mid-June. Be supportive of fundraisers for our clubs and units: drawings, fish-fries, barbeques, golf tournaments, car shows and other social events.

Please send me a secure email to recorder@oasisshriners.org or ring the Oasis office at 704-549-9600 if you prefer or require further assistance from our excellent Oasis Staff.

Until we meet again, next month…

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Saye
Recorder, Oasis Shriners

OASIS SHRINE WAGONEERS

Oasis Shrine Wagoneers are currently seeking new members.

We have 3 very cool antique firetrucks and parade annually at the Oasis ceremonials, Welcome Easter Parade, SASA fall convention in Myrtle Beach and several Christmas parades. Very inexpensive to join, no vehicles to buy, uniform and brass is the only thing needed. $15 annual dues.

Please contact Benjie Creasman at 704-860-4976 or ddgl36districtnc@gmail.com

Meetings usually in the Gaston/ Mecklenburg area. Family is always welcome and encouraged to attend meetings.

REMINDER: *All ads and articles for the June edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted no later than* ***May 15***

OASIS Shriners Keystone Kops 2016

Join Us Every Wednesday from April thru September in Historic Downtown Belmont, NC on Glenway St.

(behind Friends Restaurant & next to Glenway Pub) for

The OASIS Shriners Keystone Kops 2016 CLASSIC CAR CRUISE-IN

*No Entry Fee *Door Prizes Every Night & Car Owner Prizes Awarded

50/50 Tickets for $1 each raise money for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

HELP CRIPPLED AND BURNED CHILDREN

The 50/50 Drawing is held around 8:20 pm

Friends Restaurant and Glenway Premium Pub will have food and beverages for sale on site.

The OASIS SHRINERS

Johnny B's BEACH & BOOGIE

Shriners Hospitals for Children

Music Solutions

All smiles on these familiar faces as Recorder Bob Saye's son Robby was raised to the Sublime Degree at Phalanx Lodge #31 in Charlotte. (L-R) David Johnson, Johnny Burgess, Robby Saye, John Harder WM, Matt Richter, Bob Saye, Potentate Johnny King, Chris Hall

Oasis Keystone Kops

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

Other Events Include:

- Meetings the 2nd Thurs. of the month
- Annual Keystone Kop Golf Tournament
- SASA and Oasis Installation Trips
- Antique Car Show Appearances
- **Bring Your Wife & Kids!**

Contact Captain Don Deese for Information:
704-578-8991 • ddeese48@yahoo.com

Come check out the

Cabarrus Shrine Club

Membership meeting is the last Friday of every month

Social at 6:30pm – Dinner at 7:00pm – Meeting at 7:30pm

Address: 1460 Oakwood Ave, Kannapolis NC

Nobles, Ladies and Guests Welcome!

Phone: 704-933-2797

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We also rent out our building for your special events

2016 Installed Officers

Piedmont Shrine Club

Illustrious Sir Todd Ham installs
Noble Chris Gantt at Piedmont Shrine Club.
Congratulations to all of the officers of Piedmont.

Nascarts

Congratulations to the Oasis Nascart officers for 2016.

Oriental Band

Congratulations to the Oasis Oriental Band officers for 2016.

Provost Guard

Oasis Provost Guard
Officers Installation.

Cabarrus Shrine Club

Congratulations to the Cabarrus County Shrine Club officers for 2016.

Editor's Note; This re-print is due to errors in the March issue.

Shriners Hospitals for Children aren't the only ones who will benefit from this drawing! **One lucky person will go home with this gorgeous handmade quilt on October 1.** The Thirtieth Annual Shriners Benefit is sponsored by Oasis Mountain Buggies, WNC Coonhunter Clubs, and Longnecks Restaurant in Marshall, NC. Mars Hill Recreation Park is where supporters will gather for the drawing and auction.

For ticket information contact Tommy Wilson, Captain Oasis Mountain Buggies, wils9833@yahoo.com.

Tickets are $1 each, six for $5, or twenty-five for $20.

Don't miss out on this rare opportunity.

LEGACY NIGHT

SATURDAY, JUNE 25 at OASIS SHRINERS

WHEN: Saturday, June 25, 2016 at 5:00 pm

WHO IS INVITED: ANY Shriner who has a male relative, including through marriage, who is or was a Shriner (living or deceased).
All Ladies and family members are encouraged and invited to attend.

PURPOSE OF EVENT: To recognize the importance and legacy of Shriners in our families. Each Shriner present will receive a Shriners Legacy certificate from Shriners International as well as a keepsake lapel pin (shown below). Light refreshments will be served at no cost.

DRESS CODE:
Casual/your choice. A professional photographer will take your family/legacy photo as a keepsake, so please dress accordingly as you wish.

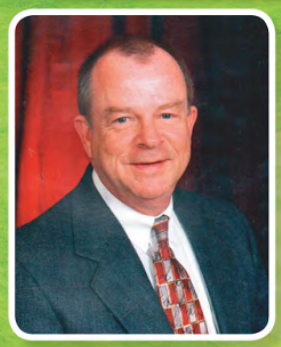
***RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**: Contact Noble Joe Burris, Committee Chairman, at (704) 322-8941 or email jburris2647@yahoo.com no later than June 11*

Great Turnout for Patrol Picnic

CHARLOTTE - April 16 was a beautiful day for a picnic and the Oasis Patrol family knows how to do it right. Grilled hotdogs accompanied the huge spread of homemade sides and sweets as young and old joined in the fun.

Patrol Chaplain Michael "Elvis" Clark officially unveils the Patrol's latest hospital fundraising project, the "Alan W. Madsen Standing Tall Award of Excellence" named in honor of Oasis Patrolman and Imperial Past Potentate Al Madsen.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016



6TH ANNUAL

Tommy Elledge MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

- Hole In One Contest: Hyundai Sonata valued at $26,000!
- Trophies and Prizes will be awarded (closest to the pin on all Par 3's)

What: Golf tournament with all the proceeds going to Shriners Hospitals for Children™ and Samaritan's Kitchen of Wilkes (Back Pack Program)

When: Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Where: Cedarbrook Country Club, Elkin, NC

Just$ave — it makes perfect cents

DETAILS: 4-man Captain's Choice Format. Price is $60.00 per player. Mulligans available for $5.00 (limit 2). Lunch will be at 11:30 am. Shotgun start at 1 pm. Trophies will be awarded. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Team names must be submitted no later than April 30, 2016 to: Keith Huffman at (336) 667-7388, or email to lfs137sm@lowesfoods.com or Steve Mahaffey (336) 984-0417.

Mail to: JustSave 137, 101 NW Marketplace, North Wilkesboro, NC 28659

RANDOLPH SHRINE CLUB GUN DRAW 2016

DRAWING JUNE 4th - 2:00pm

at PCC GUNS & AMMO - 127 Depot St., Randleman, NC 27317 - 336-495-8379

EARLY BIRD APRIL 1st - BUSHMASTER AR 5.56

EARLY BIRD MAY 1st - SIG SAUER M400 AR 5.56

$100.00 donation per ticket · Proceeds go to RANDOLPH SHRINE CLUB

1. SCCY CPX
2. BROWNING BL 22
3. GLOCK 43
4. WINCHESTER SUPER X 12
5. RUGER M77
6. BUSHMASTER
7. KELTEC PMR 30
8. SAVAGE 12 GAUGE
9. BROWNING A BOLT
10. SCCY CPX
11. RUGER SP101
12. GLOCK 42
13. REMINGTON 597 22 MAG
14. MARLIN XT 17 HB
15. BROWNING BUCKMARK
16. S&W 38
17. $500.00 PCC GIFT CARD
18. MARLIN XT 17
19. TAURUS 38
20. HENRY GOLDEN BOY 22
21. MARLIN XT 22 MAGNUM
22. REMINGTON 870
23. MOSSBERG PATRIOT 270
24. GLOCK 19
25. SIG 938
26. 1000 ROUNDS 22
27. HENRY 22
28. GLOCK 23
29. SIG 238
30. KELTEC PMR 30

1. AN EARLY BIRD BONUS GUN DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 1st and MAY 1st FROM ALL TICKETS PURCHASED UP TO THE DRAWING THAT NIGHT. IF THE GUN LISTED CANNOT BE OBTAINED A SUBSTITUTE CAN BE SUBMITED OF EQUAL VALUE* (AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF PCC GUNS & AMMO)
2. ALL WINNERS WILL BE CONTACTED BY PHONE & POSTED AT PCC GUNS & AMMO 127 Depot Street, Randleman, NC 27317
3. IT IS THE WINNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO: AQUIRE ANY PERMITS REQUIRED AND PASS A BACKGROUND CHECK TO RECEIVE A FIREARM. IF THE BACKGROUND CHECK IS DENIED, THE WINNER MAY FORFEIT HIS/HER RIGHT TO CLAIM THE PRIZE, WITH NO ALTERNATE PRIZE BEING OFFERED. (SUBJECT TO REGULATIONS OF FFL DEALER WHERE GUN IS PICKED UP.)
4. ALL GUNS CAN BE PICKED UP AT PCC GUNS & AMMO 127 Depot Street, Randleman, NC 27317 336-495-8379
5. EACH WINNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TRANSFER FEE TO ANOTHER DEALER IF DESIRED AND ANY SHIPPING/HANDLING COSTS. (GENERALLY, TRANSFER FEE'S ARE $20.00 - $25.00)
6. IF AT LEAST 200 TICKETS ARE NOT SOLD BY MAY 1ST , GUN DRAWING MAY BE CANCELED AND WE WILL DRAW FROM TICKETS SOLD FOR GUN STORE CREDIT USING THE FOLLOWING FORMULA (NUMBER OF TICKETS * $75)/30 = CREDIT TO BE GIVEN AWAY PER DAY. ALL NET PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE RANDOLPH SHRINE CLUB.

ALL GUNS ARE AS DESCRIBED AND DO NOT INCLUDE ANY ACCESSORIES OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFICALLY CALLED FOR IN THE DECRIPTION OF THE WEAPON. MUST BE 18 YEARS OLD. ALL GUN PRIZES SUBJECT TO STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.

Mark Your Calendars for June 6: Shriners International Awareness Day

On June 6, 1876, the Imperial Council, the original governing body of the Shriners fraternity, was founded. To celebrate and recognize this important milestone in our history, Shriners International has declared June 6th Shriners International Awareness Day. On this day, nobles everywhere are encouraged to celebrate their great fraternity and raise awareness of the importance of our organization in their communities.

The leadership of Shriners International is mindful that June 6 is also honored as D-Day, the day in 1944 when Allied forces landed on the beach in Normandy to begin the invasion of northern France. This event is considered to be a turning point in World War II, as it forced the German Army to fight on two fronts simultaneously. While Shriners International certainly honors the valor and courage of everyone who served on D-Day, many historic events happen on a single day. And June 6 also holds a separate special meaning for our fraternity, as the day we first had a governing body.

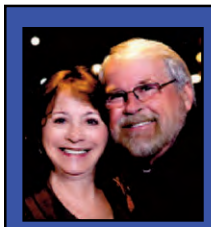
On June 6, Shriners International urges all nobles to display their pride in their fraternity by wearing a fez (when appropriate), hat, shirt, lapel pin, or other item with the fraternity's logo. In addition to wearing Shriner apparel, Shriners International also encourages all temples and Shrine clubs to organize special events at their temples and in their communities to honor the achievements of the organization. These events will also support membership efforts, because the more information we share about our fraternity, the more we build potential for membership growth.

Share Your Pride and Celebrate Our Fraternal Heritage

"Shriners International Awareness Day is the perfect opportunity to showcase our great fraternity. Please honor our history by sharing both our heritage and your own story of being a Shriner, as well as our mission to improve the lives of children and make the world a better place," said Jerry G. Gantt, Imperial Potentate. "Highlighting the different ways our fraternity impacts the world around us will also inspire our nobles and motivate potential members to learn more about us."

This international day of recognition is an annual opportunity for Shriners to share information about the fraternity, its history and the benefits of becoming part of an organization dedicated to fun, fellowship and philanthropy.

We hope that every Shriner and every temple will participate in this important opportunity to honor our fraternity. We look forward to news of your successful Shriners International Awareness Day activities.



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The group booking code is: B001916

OASIS SHRINE CLOWNS

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Activities Include:

Stars Of The Oasis Shrine Circus
Shrine & Community Parades
Social Gatherings that Include Your Wife
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Contact Captain John "Farris Wheel" Farris at 704-604-5024

Oasis Shrine Summer Ceremonial

Friday, June 3 - Sunday, June 5, 2016 *Blowing Rock, North Carolina*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, JUNE 3RD

7:30-10am	**Breakfast available – Special Shriners Price - $10 per person** Timberlake's Restaurant
8:00am	**Golf Outing**
2:00-5:00pm	**Oasis Hospitality @ Chetola Resort**
3:30-5:00pm	Early Candidate Registration @ Chetola Resort by Hospitality room
8-11pm	**Oasis Hospitality @ Chetola Resort**

SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH

7:30-10am	**Breakfast available – Special Shriners Price - $10 per person** Timberlake's Restaurant
7:00-8:30am	**New Candidate Registration** - Blowing Rock School – Classroom #'s 213 & 209 on 2nd Level Near Cafeteria
7:30am-1pm	**Shrine Mart** - Blowing Rock School – Cafeteria
8:30am	**Membership Meeting (to vote on petitions)** Blowing Rock School - Auditorium
9:00am	**Welcome by Potentate** - Blowing Rock School - Auditorium *"Creating a Shriner" Ladies and non-Shriners excused*
9:45-10:45am	**First Section of Ceremonial** - Blowing Rock School – Auditorium
11:15am-Noon	**Second Section and Conclusion of Ceremonial** Blowing Rock School – Gym
10:30am-12:30pm	**Ladies' Tea (Cost $20, Ticket Required)** Chetola Courtyard Tent
Noon-12:45pm	**Box Lunches (Ticket Required)** Blowing Rock School - Cafeteria
12:45-1:30pm	Fez Presentation & Memberhip Presentation Blowing Rock School - Auditorium
2:00pm	**Parade Line-up**
3:00-4:00pm	**Oasis Shriners Parade** - Downtown Blowing Rock
3:00-5:00pm	**Oasis Hospitality @ Chetola Resort**
4:00-5:00pm	**"Oasis in the Park" Post Parade Activities** Memorial Park – Downtown Blowing Rock
8:00-11:00pm	**Summer Ball** - Chetola Courtyard Tent

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

7:30-10am	**Breakfast available – Special Shriners Price - $10 per person** Timberlake's Restaurant
9:30-10:30am	**Worship Service @ Chetola Resort** Appalachian/Blue Ridge Room, Chetola Main Level

***** Dues Card Required *****

***** Dress Code: Casual Attire *****

Ladies' Tea Ticket: $20.00
Purchase your ticket
by May 20, 2016
Call 704-549-9600 or mail payment to the Temple

Participating Parade Units to call the Temple at 704-549-9600 to RSVP for a Boxed Lunch by May 20, 2016

CHETOLA RESORT ROOM RATES

For reservations call 800-243-8652

www.chetola.com

Ceremonial Weekend: June 3-June 4, 2016
Special Group Rates available June 1-June 4, 2016
Rates are per room, per night

CHETOLA LODGE Room Type	Wednesday Thursday	Friday Saturday
Hillside Guest Rooms, 2 Queens	$142	$155
Lakeview Guest Rooms, 2 Queens or 1 King	$157	$175
Hillside Suite, 2 Queens, Sleeper Sofa & 2 Bathrooms	$167	$189
Lakeview Crown Suite, 1 King, Sleeper Sofa, Balcony	$178	$200

BOB TIMBERLAKE INN Room Type	Wednesday Thursday	Friday Saturday
Lakeview, 1 Queen, Fireplace, Jacuzzi Tub	$212	$234
Property View, 1 King, Fireplace, Jacuzzi Tub	$212	$234
Lakeview w/1 King, Fireplace, Jacuzzi Tub and Balcony	$225	$248

CONDOMINIUMS Room Type	Wednesday Thursday	Friday Saturday
1 Bedroom, King or Queen, Sleeper Sofa	$155	$155
2 Bedroom, King or Queen, 2 Twins or Queen, Sleeper Sofa	$224	$236
2 Bedroom, 2 Kings or Queens, Sleeper Sofa	$224	$236
3 Bedroom, 2 Kings or Queens, 2 Twins, Sleeper Sofa	$301	$351
4 Bedroom, 3 Kings,2 Twins, Sleeper Sofa	$401	$466

Above rates do not include tax. Reservations can be made for 2 nights or more from June 1-June 4, 2016.

$=under $10 per person
$$=$10-20 $$$=over $20
=outdoor seating
B=breakfast L=lunch D=dinner
SB=Sunday brunch

Restaurants

	price range	outdoor seating	meals served	type of cuisine
Best Cellar Sunset Dr | 295.3466	$$$		D	Fine Dining
Bistro Roca Wonderland Tr | 295.4008	$$		L, D SB	American Bistro
Blowing Rock Ale House Sunset Dr | 414.9254	$$		L, D	Brewery Restaurant
Blowing Rock Market Main St | 414-9322	$		L, D	Deli
Canyons Valley Blvd | 295.7661	$		L, D, SB	Southwest
Cheeseburgers Grille Tanger Outlet | 295.0211	$		L, D	Burgers & Salads
Chestnut Grill at Green Park Valley Blvd | 414.9230	$$		B, D	Contemporary American
Foggy Rock Eatery & Pub Valley Blvd | 295.7262	$		L, D, SB	Cross-Country
Kojay's Cafe Main St | 295.0015	$		B, L	Sandwiches
Mellow Mushroom Main St | 295.3399	$$		L, D	Pizza & Subs
Outback Steakhouse Valley Blvd| 295.6283	$$		D	Steak
New Public House Sunset Dr | 295.3487	$$		D	Southern Small Plates
Papa Joe's Valley Blvd | 295.3239	$		B,L, D, SB	Italian American
Restaurant at Gideon Ridge Rock Rd | 295.3644	$$$		D	Fine Dining
Roots Valley Blvd | 414.9508	$$		D	Southern
Rustique Sunset Dr | 295-9474	$$$		L, D, SB	French & Southern
Six Pence Pub Main St | 295.3155	$$		L,D	English Pub
Southern Comforts Main St | 295.7114	$		B, L, D	Southern/ Breakfast
Speckled Trout Main St | 295.9819	$$		D	Seafood
Storie Street Grille Main St | 295.7075	$$		L,D	New American
Subway - Valley Blvd & Tanger Outlet | 295.7827	$		B, L, D	Subs
Sunny Rock Valley Blvd | 414-9636	$		B, L	Brunch Diner
Timberlake's at Chetola Main St | 295.5505	$$$		B, D	Fine Dining
Town Tavern Main St | 295.7500	$		L, D	Sports Bar
Twigs Valley Blvd | 295.5050	$$		D	Casual Fine Dining
Village Cafe Main St | 295.3769	$$		B, L, SB	Brunch Cafe
Woodlands BBQ Valley Blvd | 295-3651	$		L, D	BBQ
Bald Guy Brew Main St | 406.1153	$			Locally roasted organic coffee
Indulge Bakery Valley Blvd | 295.3239	$			Breakfast pastries and desserts
Kilwin's - Main St & Tanger Outlet | 295.3088	$			Handmade fudge, gourmet ice cream
Sugar Shack Main St | 221.6098	$			Frozen drinks, coffee, snacks
Sunset Sweets & Treats Main St | 295.9326	$			Nostalgic candy, ice cream sundaes
Ugga Mugga Bakery Main St | 724.799.1334	$			Fresh baked desserts

Local Activities in Blowing Rock

Live Music:

- Bonfire by Chetola Lake, Friday. 8pm – 11pm, Drinks, Entertainment, S'mores
- Music on the Lawn at the Inn at Ragged Gardens, Sunset Drive. 5:30pm Fridays. Free.
- Jazz Piano at Green Park Inn, Valley Blvd. 5-9pm Fridays and Saturdays. No cover.
- Live music at Twigs Restaurant, Valley Blvd. 9pm Fridays and Saturdays. No cover.
- Maureen Renihan Jazz at Chetola, Main Street. 6-9pm Fridays. No cover.
- Live Music at Town Tavern, Main Street. 9pm Fridays. No cover.
- Jazz Brunch at Canyons, Valley Blvd. 11am-2pm Sundays. No cover.
- Local performers at Woodlands, Valley Blvd. 6pm daily. No cover.

Attractions in town:

- Blowing Rock Art & History Museum, open Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Thursdays 10am-7pm.
- The Blowing Rock, open 8:30am-7pm daily in June. Expansive views, walking trails.
- Parkway Craft Center, open 9am-5pm daily. Works by Southern Highland Craft Guild.

Plus beautiful town parks and the Blue Ridge Parkway open any time! Visit www.blowingrock.com for more information about these and more activities.

Saturday Night at the Dance

The Chetola courtyard is one of the most beautiful spots on the resort. Saturday night it will come alive with the sound of music as Nobles and Ladies gather under the tent for a Summer Ball.

Darin Henley is one the most unique DJ's in the business. He spins the tunes from a self-contained library of music. His style is to be part of his audience and his audience will become part of his show. He has been in the business of entertaining groups for over 20 years covering the Southeastern United States, playing all genres of music.

With over 20 years in the broadcasting/entertainment industry, Darin is not a part timer. He has worked for Thorn/EMI Capital records, Surfside Records, and General Johnson & The Chairmen of The Board.

So bring your dancing shoes and join the fun. You're sure to enjoy the music and the fellowship.

Chaplain's Corner

"From Evildoers Come Evil Deeds"

(1 Samuel 24:13)

In his wonderful book, Let's Laugh A Little, Leroy Brownlow recalls the census taker who asked the man who came to the door, *"Are you a Christian?"* The man responded, *"Yes, I have been for five years,* ***but*** *nobody in this community has ever found it out!"*

In the book of Matthew, we read: *"By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles?"*

And, from the Bible from First Samuel we read, *"From Evil-Doers Come Evil Deeds*.

So, by our works, as Shrine-Masons, do those outside our fraternities recognize us in a positive way? And, what "Fruit" do we bear? The results of our activities, charities and related philanthropies are the fruit, the result of our efforts.

Is there a way to live our lives individually and collectively that the Census Taker would NOT be forced to ask IF we were a Shriner? Our actions, our life-styles individually are a reflection upon the Fraternity.

We hope to see you and to visit with you at the Summer Ceremonial in Blowing Rock. Oh, the worship service is scheduled for Sunday, June 5 at 9:30 a.m. at Chetola Resort. All are most welcome!

John H. Stanley, *P.M., P.P., Chaplain*

John Stanley, P.P. ('97) is Chaplain of Oasis Shriners; Minister of Visitation of First Presbyterian, Gastonia; and Chaplain, McLean Funeral Directors (Gastonia). He is a Past Imperial Chaplain, Shriners International. He can be reached at jstanley1@carolina.rr.com.

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Shrine Bowl News

Submitted by French Harvey

Combine - noun kom-bahyn, kuh m-bahyn: ***A combination of persons or groups for the furtherance of their interests, as a syndicate, trust, or football team.***

The 2016 Shrine Bowl begins in earnest with *the combine*: an opportunity for rising twelfth grade football players to demonstrate skills needed for athletic scholarships and possible Shrine Bowl selection.

Shrine Bowl staff attends each combine to collect registration fees and observe the process. On April 9 Oasis Dune Cats and family members were on hand to help with registration at the first Shrine Bowl combine at Rocky River High School in Mint Hill.

What goes on at one of these events? Each player is first weighed and measured for height and weight requirements. Then they're tested in four areas:

- Broad Jump
- 40 Yard Dash
- Pro Agility Shuttle
- Bench Press (All position players will rep 185 pounds as many times as they can.)

Evaluation begins as each position player works with Shrine Bowl coaches at his position to go through a series of football related drills.

Each player will receives a T-shirt. But it's the unmatched exposure that really sets these guys in motion.

Future Combine Dates:

North Carolina
April 28 -AC Reynolds, Asheville, NC
June 4- Kinston HS, Kinston, NC

South Carolina
May 21- Wando HS, Mt Pleasant, SC
June 11 – Lexington HS, Lexington, SC

Shrine Bowl Combine Coordinator: Jimmy Owen, 919-730-3076, jim.owen@chandlerconcrete.com.

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

Gaston County Shrine Club
505 Pinkney Road
Dallas, NC 28034

JOIN US!

What: Monthly Club Meeting
When: 2nd Wednesday of each month
Social - 6:30 PM
Meal - 7:00 PM
Meeting - 7:30 PM
Where: 505 Pinkney Road
Dallas, NC 28034

www.gastoncountyshrineclub.com

"No man ever stood so tall as when he stooped to help a burned or crippled child."

Union County Shrine Club

305 E Phifer St, Monroe, NC

SHRINE DANCE - 2nd & 4th Friday of every month
Starting @ 7pm. $10 admission.
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC • Full service bar • Live music by The Rock Bottom Band
Playing all of your favorite country & southern rock tunes

ANNUAL SHRINERS BENEFIT HORSE SHOW
MACON COUNTY FAIRGROUND
FRANKLIN, NC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016
Rain Date August 28, 2016
Starting time: 10am
Registration time: 9am
Wayne Profitt Agricultural Center
Macon County Fairgrounds
Franklin, North Carolina

MOORE COUNTY SHRINE CLUB
& The Sand "T" Parade Unit

Please Join Us!

What: Monthly Shrine Club Meetings
When: 3rd Tuesday of each month. Social-6:30pm, Meal-7:00pm, meeting following.
Where: "Table on the Green Restaurant" Pinehurst NC
Contact: President Bill Loeser 321-604-5050

Mission: "It is all about the children in need!"

Spring Gator Tales

The Oasis Gator Patrol is gearing up for more Gator adventures for 2016 ... Captain Larry Hale is on-the-ball with many opportunities for Gator Patrol participation this spring!!! A new event for us was the Charlotte St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 19. Five Gators, Gals and our Al E. Gator participated in this street lined parade with lots of green participants enjoying our "green Gators" show...lots of fun!

Upcoming events: May 21 - Bakersville parade and car show; June 3-5 - Blowing Rock Spring Ceremonial and Parade on Saturday; June 17-18 - Red Fez Family Fun Day (Friday fish fry planned, BBQ cooking team was organized and six campers made reservations.) Our next monthly meeting will be held May 4 at 7 pm. Gator Hole opens at 6 pm at Catawba County Shrine Club.

It is with great sadness for our Patrol that we have lost a precious Gator Guy - our own Rupert H. Little passed away on Friday, April 8. Rupert was one of the original Gators when it was organized in 2005 and has been an active participant for each and every event. Rupert and Ann loved to join in when we camped together (he was the personal monitor of our campfires), cooked out together, worked the paper crusade for the Shrine club. He helped us when we catered events, enjoyed trips with the group to the New River, traveled to the SASA events from Virginia to South Carolina, from Oxford to Maggie Valley to Blowing Rock, participated in almost all of our parade events, enjoyed his Gator, came to every meeting, worked as our Secretary, was involved as a "tripster" transporting children to the Shriners Hospitals for Children...loved life! Rupert worked for the Catawba County Fire Marshal's office for 30 years filling the position as Fire Marshal for the last ten years before retirement. He was a member of the Claremont Fire Department for 50 years, serving as Fire Chief. The list goes on. He left us with wonderful memories of his gentle spirit, his sly smile, and his loving heart and he will be missed so very much. Our friendship and love will continue with Ann Little and her family.

"And that's the way it was...See ya' later, Gator!"

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

Mark Jordan
828-231-3880 • mark5.jpg@gmail.com
PO Box 632 Weaverville, NC 28787-0632

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The Greenville Shriners Hospital has once again been chosen as one of the charities for the 2016 BMW Pro-Am Golf Tournament, held Monday, May 16th through Sunday, May 22nd at Thornblade Country Club, The Reserve at Lake Keowee, and Preserve at Verdae in Greenville, SC. This is a tremendous opportunity to help raise awareness and funds for the hospital.

Here's how: For every person who volunteers on the behalf of the Greenville Shriners Hospital, the hospital will receive $20 per day worked – so if you volunteer for 2 days, your volunteer fee essentially becomes a donation to the hospital! For every 50 workdays, we will receive an additional $2,000!

Registration is $40 which includes a volunteer polo shirt, hat/visor, a Volunteer Credential, Patron Credential, 2016 volunteer pin, meals during your workdays and a volunteer appreciation party at the end of each workday (over $100 value)!

Visit **www.bmwusfactory.com** to register online or call Kea Wade in the Development Office at (864) 255- 8765 for a paper application. During the registration process, be sure to select **Shriners Hospitals for Children - Greenville** as your charity.

Last year, because of our dedicated volunteers like you, we received over $15,000 proceeds generated through volunteer participation. THANK YOU!!! Volunteers are KEY to our success at the event and we hope you plan on joining us this year!

For additional information or to receive a paper application, contact Kea Wade at (864) 255-8765.

The Red Fez Shrine Club
on beautiful Lake Wylie

Celebrating over 100 years!
30/30 Gun Drawing

Tickets are $30.00 each. Each ticket gives you 30 chances to win.
The drawing will be held once all tickets are sold.
Payments are not deductible as charitable donations.
Other Rules and Regulations apply, see ticket for details.

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How do I get tickets?
Contact Denise Pelow @ (704) 588-0574 • E-mail president@redfezshrineclub.com

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please make sure your contact information is in receipt

Nobles are financially responsible for any tickets they take to sell and do not return.

The Oasis Clowns' Ladies Auxiliary presented nylon backpacks filled with toiletries to residents of Peak Resources, a nursing and rehabilitation care center in Charlotte. Receiving the gifts were Drew Richard, Administrator, and Denise Watson, Activity Director. Presenting the gift backpacks were Polly Farris, Ladies Auxiliary President and Clown Unit Captain John "Farris Wheel" Farris and Noble Past Captain French "Patches" Harvey and Lady Julie.

The Ladies Auxiliary has also donated backpacks to patients at the Shriners Hospital for Children—Greenville.

Oasis Oldies

We meet the 2nd Sunday of each quarter
3 pm - Lone Star Restaurant
700 Sullivan Rd. Statesville, NC

If you have a classic car or are interested in the old classics come join us for some fun and fellowship

Captain: Charles Hale
Home: (336) 696-2652
Cell: (336) 902-9090
Lieutenant: Thomas Sumpter
Cell: (828) 361-8532
Secretary-Treasurer: Pat Stanly
(336) 775-0620

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE THUNDERING SCOOTER PATROL:

CAPTAIN BILL PHILLIPS 336-202-3052

P.C. TERRY COX 336-509-6545

Fourth Tuesday of the Month
- Monthly Meeting (Families & Guests Welcome)
- Program with meal & fellowship
- Doors open at 6pm with social time
- Dinner with program/entertainment at 7pm

Second Friday of the Month - Grill Night
Members & Guests
Grill opens at 5:30pm to 8pm

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THE OASIS KEYSTONE KOPS
Jack Parrott Memorial Golf Tournament
Westport Golf Club
7494 Golf Course Road South Denver, NC 28037
May 25, 2016

Check-in - 11:00 A.M. Shotgun Start - 12:00 P.M.
Beer & Soft drinks - Complimentary Lunch prior to start
2-man Captain's Choice Format

Sponsorships: (circle one)

$1,000	8 Players, 8 Tee-ads	**$250**	2 Players, 1 Tee-ad
$750	6 Players, 6 Tee-ads	**$150**	1 Player, 1 Tee-ad
$500	4 Players, 2 Tee-ads	*(Additional Players...$60.00 each)*	

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Players Name: _____

Players Name: _____

Mail Entry To: make check payable to: Oasis Keystone Kops
C/O Don Deese P.O. Box 1619 Cornelius, NC 28031

For information contact: Don Deese 704-578-8991 (Cell)
Jerry Williams 704-597-0032

Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place, Longest Drive, Closest to Pin and plenty of Door Prizes.

****Golf Attire Required/No Denim*** ddeese48@yahoo.com*

TELEMARKETING FOR OASIS CIRCUS

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

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

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

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Dear Nobles,
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Congratulations once again to
Shriners Hospitals for Children – Philadelphia!

This hospital raised the most funds throughout the challenge for the third year in a row. Thank you to everyone who supported us in this effort.

We would also like to recognize Shriners Hospitals for Children – Tampa who will receive a certificate for earning the highest number of donations during this year's tournament!

You helped to the raise critical funds needed to continue to provide expert pediatric care to children with orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate, regardless of their families' ability to pay. We couldn't have done it without you!

Yours in the faith,
Jerry G. Gantt
Imperial Potentate

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or Noble Don Greene at
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A Message from Your President and Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Continued from the April issue

As we work toward increased awareness, we need to do more to promote the expertise and knowledge available at Shriners Hospitals. We need to do all we can to ensure that potential referring physicians, families, and even donors, know we offer the latest treatments, and that children who come to us will benefit from innovative and complete approaches to care. We need to be promoting the fact that we have expert physicians, clinicians and therapists who will do all they can to help a child. You can assist in this effort by distributing the available materials, including the copies of *Leaders in Care* (our corporate health care magazine) that your temple receives every quarter.

That commitment to excellence and to using the best, cutting-edge technology is why we are installing EOS imaging systems in many of our locations. The EOS system uses up to 89 percent less radiation than traditional X-rays, while generating high quality three-dimensional views of patients' bone structures. The ability to obtain the images needed while reducing radiation exposure is especially important, as many of our patients will require many X-rays over the course of their care. The EOS Imaging System is the only 3-D system capable of scanning patients in a weight-bearing standing or sitting position, which enhances the ability to determine the best course of treatment.

Fifteen of our locations have been approved for EOS capabilities; our Canada, Greenville, Philadelphia, Portland and Salt Lake City locations have systems in place, and systems are in the process of installation at our Boston, Spokane and Twin Cities locations.

We are also committed to operating our health care system efficiently. That is why we are rebuilding both the Lexington and Los Angeles structures as medical centers focused primarily on outpatient services, while working with community partners for needed inpatient care and other items.

On Dec. 1, 2015, the final steel beam was placed on the new Shriners Hospitals for Children Medical Center — Lexington. The new $48 million building will be a state-of-the-art ambulatory care center located on the University of Kentucky's HealthCare campus. The new medical center will better meet the needs of our patients receiving orthopaedic care on an outpatient basis. Construction is expected to be completed in the spring of 2017. Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder is overseeing this project.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the new Los Angeles Medical Center was held on May 27, 2015, and the topping out ceremony took place in late January. The new $77 million, 75,000-square-foot, three-story, state-of-the-art medical center, scheduled to open in the summer of 2017, will be located in Pasadena and will replace our aging Los Angeles Shriners Hospital. The new medical center will offer treatment for a full range of pediatric orthopaedic conditions, cleft lip and palate, reconstructive and plastic surgeries, and other services, with inpatient care provided at Huntington Memorial Hospital. The two hospitals will work together in a shared services partnership, which will greatly benefit the children in this region. Deputy Imperial Potentate Chris Smith is overseeing this project.

We are implementing a new telehealth effort. This program will reduce transportation costs for the temples and time away from home for patients and families, while increasing our ability to care for patients who live significant distances from our 22 locations. Our Salt Lake City and Philadelphia locations were selected as our tele-orthopaedic pilots, while Galveston was selected to pilot this program for our burn hospitals. Ultimately, this program also has the potential to increase our patient numbers, as we will be able to connect with more patients outside the reach of our hospitals. Many other programs and initiatives are underway, including new technologies for orthotics and prosthetics and strengthening our ability to track and analyze outcomes. We are also working to fill vacant positions at the hospitals, and have recently filled three chief of staff and several staff physician positions.

While all of these efforts are important, what is most important is that everyone connected to Shriners Hospitals – every staff member, volunteer and noble – know they are valued and needed in order to fulfill the mission and vision of our philanthropy.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International.

Yours in the faith,
Dale W. Stauss
President and Chairman of the
Board of Trustees

Latona Temple # 154 Daughters of the Nile

Working together to benefit the children of Shriners Hospitals

If you are a lady related by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason or Daughter of the Nile, you are eligible to become a member of this growing organization committed to supporting the important work of Shriners Hospitals for Children. For more information on this dedicated fraternal order for women, contact **Sally Saulsbery at (704) 996-5064** or **Kathy Southworth, PQ at (704) 262-7739** or e-mail her at **kfsouth@yahoo.com**.

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- MAY 2016 -

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34423	Eugene C Moore	Mooresville, NC	4/20/90	11/4/14
22368	Thomas L Pearce	Wilmington, NC	5/15/71	12/8/14
22335	Cecil W Mashburn	Andrews, NC	5/15/71	6/15/15
38548	Gary M Todt	Perrysburg, OH	5/15/04	6/21/15
35325	Thomas B Hamilton	Winston Salem, NC	1/25/92	1/20/16
31653	Coy D Barbee	Carolina Beach, NC	6/9/84	1/26/16
15067	Horace P Miller	New London, NC	5/25/57	2/14/16
39337	Ronald "Jazz" Lebold	Charlotte, NC	8/12/89	3/2/16
36071	Billy A Barnhardt	Kannapolis, NC	4/15/94	3/8/16
34618	William V McKinney, Sr.	Salisbury, NC	10/30/89	3/16/16
39123	Richard C Lawrence	Scaly Mtn, NC	6/3/06	3/21/16
25833	Harry L Klabbatz	Aberdeen, NC	9/13/75	3/26/16
28537	Col. Charlie T McGugan	Aberdeen, NC	4/28/51	3/26/16
31822	Curtis L Williams	Mt. Airy, NC	6/9/84	3/26/16
29929	Harold E Peacock	Kannapolis, NC	5/30/81	3/27/16
31519	Bennie A Thacker	Greensboro, NC	11/5/83	3/27/16
36138	David W Johnson	Pinehurst, NC	6/4/94	4/7/16
39482	Lewis P Hoopaugh	Gastonia, NC	3/15/08	4/8/16
34024	Charles C Johnson	Ocen Isle Beach, NC	11/5/88	4/8/16
35992	Rupert H Little	Claremont, NC	11/6/93	4/8/16

Supreme Assembly 2024

The Grand Assembly of NC is raising funds and taking donations in order to host the biennial international convention of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls (IORG). Donations may be tax deductible as the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls is designated by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. If you are interested in donating or in helping us raise the needed capital to host this convention, please contact the Committee Chair at NorthCarolinaIORG@gmail.com.

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Friday Night is Adult night. "Food Crawl" maps will be handed out at the gate showing where clubs units/cook teams will be cooking up their specialties. Donations Appreciated! Learn about their unit or club and get your map signed. At the end of the night turn in your card and our Illustrious Potentate Johnny King will have a drawing for door prizes! The band Cadence begins at 8. Meanwhile our BBQ competition teams will begin their cooking!

All Nobles are welcome to enter the BBQ competition consisting of one chief and three helpers. Number of teams is limited so RSVP to Todd Ham. All meats will be proved for the competition and handed out at 6 pm at the BBQ team meeting.

Anyone wanting to camp is also welcome bring your camper, RV or tent but, again, space is limited so RSVP to Johnny Burgess.

Saturday begins our Family Fun Day festivities!

RED FEZ SHRINE CLUB
16600 Red Fez Club Rd,
Charlotte, NC 28278

- SCHEDULE OF EVENTS -

FRIDAY:

6:00 - Clubhouse	Cook Team Meeting
7:00 - Club grounds	Food Crawl
8:00 - Picnic shelter	Music by Cadence

SATURDAY:

7:00 - 9:00am	Pancake breakfast at Clubhouse by Billy Joe Estes and his team - $7		
8:00	Youth Fishing Tournament By Michael Toulas		
	Registration by age groups this year:		
	0 to 3 years	8:00 register	dropping hooks at 8:30 till 9:00
	4-7 years	8:30 register	dropping hooks at 9:00 till 9:30
	7-14 years	9:00 register	dropping hooks at 9:30 till 10:00
11 - 4	Children's Slip and Slide		
12:00	Hotdog lunch provided by Oasis		
4:00	BBQ cook off awards ceremony with categories as follows: SAUCE, SURPRISE CATEGORY, CHICKEN, RIBS, PULLED PORK and ANYTHING BUT!		

Additional awards as follows: Fishing Awards by age group, Best Cook Team Site, Best Camp Site, Best Friday Food.

Then we eat the BBQ our teams have cooked, served by our Oasis Hospitality Team.

Once it's dark there will be a family movie. Club member Tigger Poulas sets up a screen in the shelter and we have movie night!

Remember, the Red Fez pool is open daylight to dark and there are showers in pool bathhouses.

Questions:

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