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## HICKORY CEREMONIAL CLASS

Illustrious Sir Mike Neaves, Potentate



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# The Potentate's Message

*Greetings Nobles and Ladies:*

June has proven to be a busy and productive month. Lady Bobbie and I have once again hit the road in the name of Oasis Shrine and the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Lady Bobbie and I, along with several Oasis Shriners, had the honor of visiting Harrisburg Elementary School on May 22nd with Noble and Nascar Driver David Ragan for the Superhero Summer Awareness Kickoff. Noble David delighted the kids by playing with them in the school Gym. He got his own Superhero Cape signed by all the kids from the Hospital. He also unveiled the new paint scheme for his racecar that will be displayed at the Michigan, Senoma and Daytona races. Look for it. It is beautiful and projects the logo of Shriners Hospitals for Children for all to see.

Lady Bobbie and I made quite a number of trips from the mountains to Hickory to plan the Summer Ceremonial. Due to the last-minute change of locations, we had to be in high gear to get everything coordinated.

What a delightful surprise was in store for me and the members of Oasis Shrine when, on Saturday morning, June 3rd, we discovered that there were 51 petitioners present to walk the hot sands. The previous day, we were aware of 22 pre-registered Masons. The Clubs, Units and members worked overtime to fill the class with lots of enthusiastic new Shriners. The Ceremonial went off without a hitch, and Friday night and Saturday night Ceremonial parties at

the Convention Center was a hit. Thanks to all who had a part in making this Ceremonial a successful one. And welcome to our 51 new members. I hope you will start immediately to join a Club or Unit and start your journey to support our 22 Hospitals. If you need help locating a Shrine Club or Unit close to you, give our office a call. Our staff will be ready to assist you in any way possible. Or, talk to a Shriner that you know. I am sure they will welcome you with open arms.

To our new Shriners I offer you a challenge. Contact your Brothers in the Lodge and let them know about the great work the Shrine does for the children, and how much fun it is to be a member of the largest and most generous Shrine Center in the world. I challenge you to bring to the next Ceremonial two petitions. One that will replace you when the Black Camel calls, and one to expand our membership. I know of one Shriner who has signed 76 petitions. Others may have signed more. Help us to grow.

June 16th and 17th found us at Red Fez Shrine Club for Family Fun Day. This event is one of the most fun experiences we have each year. The gathering of more than 300 Shriners, Ladies, kids and friends fills the air with excitement and joy. Games galore, and so much food it is sinful.

The air on Friday night was filled with the aroma of all kinds of food. Each of the 18 plus cooking teams cooked and shared their specialties. Made you think you were on the

fairway at the State Fair. Then, after filling our bellies, we danced the night away to the band.

On Saturday, the cooking teams got serious. They were competing for bragging rights for the best Boston Butt, Ribs, Chicken, Sauce, and their secret grilled specialty. Look in this issue for a list of the winning teams. It was tough on the judges to determine which was best. All the teams were winners, and we thank them for taking their time, bringing their cookers, some staying up most of the night, and turning out food for so many people. These are special people.

Looking forward, Lady Bobbie and I, members of the Divan, our Editor, and many other Shriners will be traveling to Daytona Beach, Florida for the 143rd Annual Imperial Shrine Meeting on July 8th through July 13th.

This is always a great experience, seeing friends we have made over the years, watching one of the longest parades in the world, and hearing about what is happening in our 22 Shrine Hospitals. It is also an opportunity to meet new friends and discuss new ideas for fund-raising activities to support our Hospitals. The August Desert Dust will be filled with pictures and information for all.

Lady Bobbie and I want to extend our appreciation to all of you for your support over the first six months of our year. The welcoming attitude has been overwhelming at the Clubs and events we have attended, and the love that has been displayed is truly humbling. On a daily basis, we are grateful to all of you for electing me to this high position in Oasis Shrine. Words alone cannot express our gratitude and love for all of you. We see constantly the members of Oasis Shrine working and displaying my theme, We All Love Kids. For the remainder of our years, we will hold you close to our hearts as friends, and remember our association with Oasis Shrine as the best times of our lives.

Thank you so much.  
**Mike**

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

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# The Recorder's Message

*Howdy Nobles, Ladies and Friends,*

**We did it!!!** Oasis Shriners created 51 New Sons of the Desert at our Spring Ceremonial in Hickory in early June. Here's the kicker, approximately half of those new candidates were walk-ins who submitted their petitions on Friday afternoon and early Saturday morning. Fortunately, the Ladies of our Oasis Administrative Office arrived prepared to accommodate everyone. So, congratulations to the 51 new Nobles of the Noble Howard Keyes Ceremonial Class. Despite a lot of hard work behind the scenes, a little good luck, buckets of sweat during the parade and a couple of adult beverages, it was a great weekend to be an Oasis Shriner. Making new friends and reacquainting with old friends, that is what it's all about on our fraternal side. The only way you didn't get your money's worth in Hickory is if you were not there.

Now let's concentrate our recruitment efforts towards an impromptu One-Day Ceremonial in Southern Pines in the far east-side of our Oasis jurisdiction, in August. Also, our scheduled Big Fall Ceremonial weekend will be at our Oasis facility in late October. It would be great to have an all-out membership assault on all the area Blue Lodges and reel in some of the good brothers that will continue to keep Oasis great. If Oasis membership is a passion for you like it is for me, I encourage you to contact our Oasis Membership Chairman and Outer Guard, Noble Joe Burris for any assistance you may need.

Congratulations are in order for the following new Oasis Clubs and Units as we presented their new framed Charter documents during the Saturday night festivities. Paw Patrol Unit out of Kernersville, Carolina Drifters Unit out of High Point, Pisgah Shrine Club in western North Carolina and the Legion of Honor Shrine Club for ALL Oasis military member veterans. Call our Oasis Office If you're interested in membership within the ranks of these new Clubs and Units

and we'll help get you connected. There are a couple of other Oasis Clubs on the cusp of formation. Look for specific information within this and future Desert Dust issues.

In early-mid July, the Oasis Board of Directors is headin' out to lovely and warm Daytona, F-L-A for Shriners International's Imperial Session. It looks to be a fun work trip as even a bad day Shrining is better than not Shrining... or something like that. I hope to provide a good report on the matters discussed, voted on and approved that affect our Imperial Bylaws and

the related General Orders upon our return. "Friendship isn't about who you've known the longest. It's about who walked into your life and said *"I'm here for you"* and proved it." - *unknown*

*Until next month my friends,*

**Bob Saye**

Oasis Shriners Recorder



**DESERT DUST**

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# THE 44TH ANNUAL SOUTH ATLANTIC SHRINE ASSOCIATION

**FALL FESTIVAL • SEPTEMBER 15TH - 16TH, 2017**

**Myrtle Beach, South Carolina**

*Additional  
Oasis events  
will be printed  
in the August  
Desert Dust*

The 44th Annual Meeting of the South Atlantic Shrine Association will be held on September 15th-16th, 2017 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

In appreciation of Shriners, the City of Myrtle Beach has designated the week a city-wide festival and the entire town is ready to celebrate. You will not want to miss any of the fun.

Our deepest appreciation to the City of Myrtle Beach for their generous support!



*To the Right:*  
**TENTATIVE  
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Please visit [southatlanticsa.org](http://southatlanticsa.org)  
for a complete schedule**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2017**

7:30 am - 9:30 am	Director's Staff	TBA
	Association Breakfast	
8:00 am	SASA Golf Tournament	River Oaks Golf Plantation
8:30 am	Shrine Motor Corps Competition	Tire Town- Parking Lot 3454 Waccamaw Blvd., Myrtle Beach
8:30 am	Band Association Festival	TBA
9:00 am	Clown Association Competition	Sea Mist Convention Center
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration Open	Doubletree Beach Resort Marketplace (1st fl Convention Hall)
9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Market Place Open	Doubletree Beach Resort Convention Hall - 1st Floor
10:00 am – 3:30 pm	Ladies Day Outing	Duplin Winery and Barefoot Landing
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	SASA Hospitality Room	Osprey Room - Live Oaks Building
7:00 pm – until	SASA Hospitality Room	Osprey Room - Live Oaks Building

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2017**

9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Market Place Open	Doubletree Beach Resort Convention Hall - 1st Floor
8:30 am	Parade Line-up	See Website for Temple Assignments
9:00 am	Parade Step-Off	See Website for Route
5:30 pm – until completion	Beach Luau Picnic	Lot adjacent to Doubletree Resort
7:00 pm	Parade Award Presentations	Luau Event location
Following Awards	SASA Officers' Installation	Luau Event location

## 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

## PAST CAPTAINS CLUB



**3RD MONDAY  
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## Chloe Stays Active After Hip Surgery at SHC Greenville

Swimming, tennis, dancing and cartwheels are all part of 8-year-old Chloe's everyday world thanks to the excellent treatment she received at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Greenville.



Chloe was born with bi-lateral hip dysplasia, a misalignment of the hip joints. Her treatment journey began at 3-days-old when she was placed in a Pavlik harness – a brace commonly used for infants – for three months. At age 7, surgical intervention was required and Chloe underwent bi-lateral Dega osteotomy.

"If it wasn't corrected as a child, she faced hip replacements as an adult and more limitations in her mobility," said her mother Melissa. "As a child, my legs were bowed from the knee to the ankle and I was a Shriners Hospitals patient. I knew they had Chloe's best interest in mind and wanted the best outcome for her. Now she can do all the things she loves thanks to Shriners Hospitals for Children."

## OASIS PAPER CRUSADE



**Nobles of the Western North Carolina Shrine Club that participating in the Annual Oasis Paper Crusade on Friday, May 5th and Saturday, May 6th in Andrews, Hayesville and Murphy.**



## 2017 Shrine Circus

**Wednesday, October 11th, 2017**

2 shows: 4:30 pm & 7:30 pm  
NC Agriculture Center, Fletcher, NC

**Friday, October 13th, 2017**

1 show: 7:30 pm  
Cabarrus Arena, Concord, NC

**Saturday, October 14th, 2017**

2 shows: 2:00 pm & 7:30 pm  
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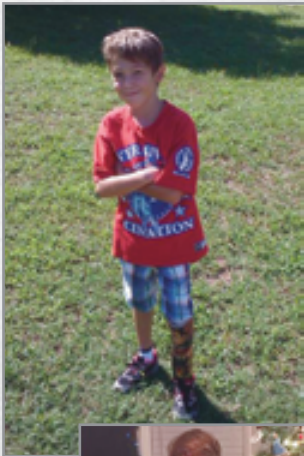
*Tickets can be purchased at the door.*



# Shriners Hospital Shares Warning After Boy Loses Foot in Lawnmower Accident

By Amanda Shaw [www.foxcarolina.com](http://www.foxcarolina.com)

**GREENVILLE, SC (FOX Carolina) -** Nearly a decade after a little boy was seriously injured in a lawnmower accident, the Greenville Shriner's Hospital is hoping to keep other children safe.



In a Facebook post on Monday, the hospital said in June 2007, an afternoon outside turned into a nightmare for one family.

"Dominic loved to do yard work and cut the grass with his grandpa and plant flowers with his grandma," said his mother, Shelley. "On June 8, 2007, our family learned very quickly just how dangerous a lawn mower can be to a small child."



According to the hospital, Dominic's grandfather was preparing to put a lawnmower away after cutting the grass. Dominic, playing, reportedly ran behind the lawnmower and was accidentally run over when the grandfather put the machine in reverse.

Dominic's mother said he suffered a deep cut to his upper right thigh along with multiple other wounds across his body. His left foot was completely severed.

The Greenville Shriners Hospital said Dominic became their patient after undergoing multiple surgeries and eventually received a prosthesis for his left leg. Now, Dominic is a healthy teenager.

"Despite his trauma, he is thriving," an official with the hospital wrote. His mother said Dominic played football this past year and he is soon to be a drummer in the marching band. She said he is "true inspiration to never give up."

*The hospital shared the following tips to prevent accidental injuries involving lawnmowers:*

- Teach children to never play on or around a lawn mower, even when it is not in use.
- Children under 6 years of age should be kept inside the home while mowing.
- Children should be at least 12 years of age before operating a push lawn mower and at least 16 years of age before operating a riding lawn mower.

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**Saturday, July 8, 2017**  
**Pinewild Resort and Golf Holly Course**

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**Masonic Golf Tournament**

**to benefit the Moore County High School Seniors**

**12:00 noon Shotgun start with Lunch, Prizes**  
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## 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:  
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**The Lexington Shrine Club held its Annual Buffet Breakfast, a fundraising effort for Shriners**

**Hospitals for Children, on June 3rd at Hedricks Grove Reformed Church. Great community effort by devoted Shriners to help the community and the hospitals.**



## 6-Year-Old Patient Surprised with Trip to See 'The Lion King'

**A hospital donor made her dream of seeing the show a reality**

by Jenni Knight [www.wyff4.com](http://www.wyff4.com)

**GREENVILLE, S.C.** – A little girl receiving treatment at Greenville Shriners Hospital got to see the show of her dreams, thanks to the generosity of a hospital donor.

Six-year-old Brayden told her grandmother she dreamed of seeing "The Lion King" at the Peace Center, but her grandmother had to tell her it wouldn't be possible.



However, the hospital received a call from a donor at the last minute to find out if a child could use her tickets. Marla Bray said a conflict had come up and she could no longer use her tickets to Wednesday night's show. Knowing about Brayden's love for "The Lion King," the hospital offered the tickets to her and her grandmother.

"It was an awesome night, and we had the best seats in the house. Brayden's eyes stayed glued to the stage all night. I wish I could have taken a picture of her smile while she was watching," Brayden's grandmother, Dawn, said. "We're so grateful to Marla and to Greenville Shriners Hospital for making it possible. It was an evening Brayden will never forget, and neither will I."

Brayden has been a patient at Greenville Shriners Hospital since she was an infant. She was diagnosed with arthrogryposis. It is a non-progressive condition that greatly restricts joint motion and occurs in approximately 1 out of every 3,000 live births. It is one of over 85 orthopaedic conditions treated locally at the hospital.

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# Shriners Hospitals for Children Partners with David Ragan and Front Row Motorsports

By Jayski.com Staff

Warmer weather and time off from school can mean an increase in serious accidents for children, but Shriners Hospitals for Children is trying to change that with the help of Front Row Motorsports (FRM) and David Ragan. A nationwide program encourages kids to be Superheroes of Summer Safety and to #EarnYourCape by following tips to reduce the risk of injuries during the summer months.

FRM and Ragan will do their part to spread the message by entering a Shriners Hospitals for Children Ford Fusion this summer into two Monster Energy NASCAR Cup races. Today, Ragan, Shriners Hospitals for Children and students of the Harrisburg Elementary School in Harrisburg, N.C., unveiled the livery of the No. 38 Ford that Ragan will race at Michigan International Speedway on June 18 and Sonoma Raceway on June 25.

Ragan will also visit various Shriners Hospitals during the summer to speak to children about how to stay safe and avoid swimming-related incidents, playground accidents, campfire and fire pit burns and more common and potentially life-altering childhood injuries that can occur during this time of year.

As a father and Shriner, I know that within seconds a fun-filled day can take a turn when an unexpected accident occurs,” said Ragan. “Shriners Hospitals for Children and I want to provide families with simple



**Shriners Hospital for Children will be on the #38 at Michigan and Sonoma.**

*Image from Front Row Motorsports*

ways to reduce the risk of childhood injuries so that kids can enjoy a safe summer. We’re proud to carry the colors of Shriners Hospitals on our No. 38 Front Row Motorsports Ford Fusion as a reminder for our children to play safe.”

“It is great to see our relationship with David build over the years,” said Chris Smith, chairman of the Board of Directors for Shriners Hospitals for Children. “David has been a loyal friend of the hospitals and we could not be prouder to have him as an ambassador for our hospitals. With David and Front Row Motorpsorts’ support of the Superheroes of Summer Safety campaign we are able to help all children enjoy a safe, injury-free summer. This is just another way we send Love to the rescue.”

As leaders in the treatment of pediatric orthopaedic conditions, spinal cord injuries, burns and cleft lip and palate, Shriners Hospitals for Children provides critical, surgical and rehabilitative care to children, regardless of the families’ ability to pay. Shriners Hospitals for Children urges parents and caregivers to remind kids of these simple precautions to keep them injury-free this summer:

- At the playground, slide feet first and swing sitting down
- Keep children inside when lawn mowers are in use
- Keep several feet away from fire pits, campfires or grills
- Only swim with an adult present and wear a lifejacket on open water
- Protect yourself from the sun with a hat and sunscreen

Become a Superhero of Summer Safety and #EarnYourCape so you can enjoy a safe, injury-free summer. For engaging activity books for children, additional safety tips and flyers, or for information on treatments available at Shriners Hospitals, visit [shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/safesummer](http://shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/safesummer).

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

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*The Lexington Shrine Club held its Annual Picnic and was honored to have special guest Noah Simerson, along with his family. Noah has been a patient at Shriners Hospital for just over four years now. Thanks to the Simersons for letting us spend time with your family.*



## OASIS PAST MASTERS UNIT

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### QUESTIONS?

Contact Clint Myers, Program Chairman,  
at 704-860-7436 or programs@shrine-bowl.com

## - MT. MITCHELL SHRINE CLUB -

Meets First Thursday of every month, centrally located in McDowell County

**Contact: Noble Secretary Jack Wood 828-925-9663**

Our Shrine club is committed to community service and supporting the Shriners Hospitals for Children. We host the famous Fall Pecan Sale, and participate in the annual Paper Crusade, car shows, parades and many other high profile events to benefit our children. Our annual dues are \$20. **Call for more information!**





# Patients Spend Special Evening with SoCon Baseball Players

For the second consecutive year, Greenville Shriners Hospital is partnering with the SoCon Baseball tournament – pairing our patients with teams from each of our six service states. Last night, WYFF 4 and FOX Carolina were there to document and share with viewers the special evening between the players and their respective MVPs (Most Valuable Patients).



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## IN THEIR OWN WORDS: Clinic at Niswonger Children's Hospital Continues Success

By Randy Risser

"If you build it, they will come."

It is a line from the 1989 movie *Field of Dreams* that has been used so often over the years that it now seems cliché – however, it would be hard to argue that the iconic phrase speaks perfectly to the outstanding success of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Orthopaedics Clinic at Niswonger Children's Hospital.

Prior to opening the clinic, Greenville Shriners Hospital averaged 91 outpatient visits per month from Eastern Tennessee and Western Virginia; today in Johnson City, Dr. Brandon Green sees approximately 168 appointments per month – a remarkable 85 percent increase in the number of outpatient clinic visits.

Similarly, before we opened our doors in Johnson City in October 2016, we had 674 active patients identified in 15 nearby counties; now, there are 951 active patients from the same counties in the region. That's a

meaningful 41 percent increase in the number of children we are serving from the area versus prior to the opening of the first remote, daily practice in the Shriners Hospitals for Children system.

To help support Dr. Green and provide the best care to this growing patient base, we recently hired Alison Herrig, CPNP. With years of pediatric primary and specialty care experience, Alison brings a tremendous amount of value to the practice. Under the mentorship of Dr. Green and the medical staff based in Greenville, she will fine-tune her pediatric orthopaedic expertise and will increasingly contribute to the success of the clinic and the positive outcomes of patients.

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3. Tell the travel counselor that you want to reserve Romance of the Rhine and Mosel with the Shriners International group.
4. Deposit \$500 per person.

# PGA's Web.com Visits Greenville Shriners Hospital

Reaching a new audience and bringing familiarity of Greenville Shriners Hospital to its extensive fanbase, the PGA's Web.com offered coverage of a visit to the hospital this week by golfers Tommy Gainey, D.J. Trahan and Chris Naegel across its major social media channels. The BMW Charity Pro-Am competitors spent the morning giving putting lessons to excited patients, with the resulting videos and photos shared with Web.com's 77,000 Twitter, 66,000 Instagram and 41,000 Facebook fans and followers – tagging @shcgreenville.



Putting lesson from D.J.

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# Chaplain's Corner



## PLANTING SPIRITUAL GARDENS

Although it is a bit too late to think of planting our vegetables this year, we may want to "think on" the following poem written by Ally Maddox, Teddi Treybig, and Bill Ennis (January 13, 2002).

The writers suggest the following rules for our garden planting:

### PLANT three rows of squash:

1. Squash gossip
2. Squash criticism
3. Squash indifference

### PLANT three rows of peas:

1. Purity
2. Patience
3. Perseverance

### PLANT six rows of lettuce:

1. Let us be unselfish and loyal
2. Let us be faithful to duty
3. Let us search the scriptures
4. Let us not be weary in well-doing
5. Let us be obedient in all things
6. Let us Love one another

### NO GARDEN is complete without turnips:

1. Turn up for church and Bible study
2. Turn up with a smile, even when things are difficult
3. Turn up with determination to do your best for God's cause.

We hope your summer is enjoyable and safe. May the Lord bless and keep you and your family.

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

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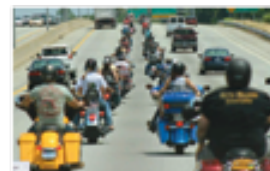


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## TELEMARKETING FOR OASIS CIRCUS

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 will start 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.



# Returning the Favor: Midlands Man Goes on 500-mile Walk for Kids' Hospital

By Samantha Bleiweis [www.wistv.com](http://www.wistv.com)

A Newberry County man is walking to raise funds for the organization that gave him the ability to walk at all.

Ronald Brown will trek 500 miles through South Carolina - eventually completing the Palmetto Trail that spans across the state.



It's all in an effort to raise funds for Shriner's Hospitals for Children, a hospital organization with locations across the country that serves children regardless of their family's ability to pay. Brown is walking specifically for the Shriner's hospital in Greenville, where he received several surgeries years ago.

"When I was growing up, I was a patient there from 1960 to 1968," Brown said. "I had several surgeries there."

Brown sees the 500-mile fundraiser as a way to repay the favor. He walks and plays the ukulele, sporting a song that is dedicated to the surgeon who gave him the capacity to fully use his hands and his legs.

"That song has become sort of my theme song for this walk. It's called, 'Because of You,' and the refrain says, 'Because of you, my hands are strong. Because of you, I walk along.' And that's literally what I'm doing nowadays - walking along for Shriner's Hospital for Children."



**Dedication ceremony of the new Lexington Shriners Medical Center was held on Sunday, May 21st at 1:00pm. More than 1,500 patients, medical center staff, Shriners, civic leaders and donors attended to dedicate the new facility that is home to 13,000 pediatric orthopaedic children and teens.**



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***New location joins pediatric orthopaedic expertise with speciality and subspecialty care for children with complex conditions***

Once she warms up to new faces, Zayleigh will talk the ear off a willing listener. But to the astonishment of her caregivers and doctors, the 10-year-old chatterbox never complains about the pain caused by her complex medical condition.

“She is one of the strongest children I’ve ever met in my life,” Aundria Caldwell, her mother, said. “There’s so much that grown-ups need to learn (from her).”

Zayleigh, a long-time patient of Shriners Hospitals for Children Medical Center – Lexington, was born with hemiplegia cerebral palsy (CP), a brain impairment that impacts a person’s ability to control movement and posture. Traveling from her hometown of Morristown, Tennessee, Zayleigh has received ongoing treatment and numerous surgical interventions at Shriners Medical Center to improve her mobility and quality of life. When her head started slumping to the side earlier this year, Caldwell thought the weakness in her neck was related to muscle spasms caused by CP.

In April, Caldwell took Zayleigh to Kentucky Children’s Hospital (KCH) in Lexington, Kentucky, for a follow-up appointment with ear, nose and throat surgeon Kenneth Iverson, M.D., who removed an abscess in Zayleigh’s throat in January. Concerned about the possibility of an

ongoing infection despite surgical and medical treatment, Iverson conducted an MRI, finding instead overlapping bones in Zayleigh’s neck. He called Zayleigh’s orthopaedic surgeons, Ryan Muchow, M.D., and Scott Riley, M.D., who were located across the street at the new Shriners Medical Center on the University of Kentucky (UK) HealthCare campus.




The surgeons scheduled a surgical procedure to put Zayleigh in halo traction, a long-term therapy to straighten her neck, the following week. Before her surgery, Zayleigh met with Shriners Medical Center nurse Anna Gayle Parke to learn about what to expect during the halo therapy before the surgery. She then transferred to KCH as an inpatient, and after surgery received frequent check-ins from Parke, who was located across the street at Shriners Medical Center.

The proximity of the new Shriners Medical Center, which is adjoined by an overpass to the University of Kentucky Chandler Hospital and accessible to inpatient care at Kentucky Children’s Hospital, enabled seamless inpatient treatment and post-surgical care for Zayleigh. In addition, Zayleigh benefited from continuity of care, seeing familiar pediatric orthopaedic surgeons who have monitored her condition for years, while also having access to advanced pediatric specialists at KCH.

Shriners Medical Center donors, patients, medical center staff and doctors, and UK HealthCare leaders dedicated the new Lexington Shriners Medical Center during a ceremony on May 21. While health care providers at Shriners Medical Center and KCH have collaborated for decades, the opening of the new facility will accommodate follow-up appointments for patients seeing multiple doctors for complex medi-

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## OASIS YOUNG SHRINERS CLUB




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## LEGION OF HONOR CLUB



Nobles, the Legion of Honor Club has been formed! Here is a list of your current officers.

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If you or know of someone who would like to become a member of this new club please contact any of the Nobles above.


The Oasis Legion of Honor now has a Facebook page! Search Oasis Shriners Legion of Honor.

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**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: Thomas M. Sumpter**  
**1st Lieutenant: David Stillman**  
**2nd Lieutenant: Steve Peeler**  
**Treasurer: Pat Stanley**





## Pediatric and Fluid Care

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cal conditions. Ultimately, families and patients like Zayleigh will benefit from having fluid accessibility and proximity to multiple experts and medical resources at both facilities.

"Shriners Medical Center moving to UK HealthCare campus allows for seamless care to occur across institutional boundaries," Muchow said. "The patients benefit tremendously when two excellent institutions combine mission and service to advance the pediatric orthopaedic care."

Shriners Medical Center has operated in Lexington since 1926. Transitioning from the former location on Richmond Road, Shriners Medical Center occupies 60,000 square feet of space on the bottom three floors of the new facility on South Limestone. UK HealthCare leases the top two floors for ophthalmology services. The new Lexington Shriners Medical Center includes a motion analysis center, 20 patient exam rooms, two surgical suites, a rehabilitation gymnasium, prosthetics and orthot-

ics department, therapy rooms and interactive artwork. The energy-efficient building has geothermal heating and cooling, LED lighting and occupancy sensors, and automated equipment and controls.

UK HealthCare and Shriners Medical Center have forged a long-standing collaborative relationship through years of service to Kentucky's children. Pediatric specialists in the fields of orthopaedics, anesthesia and rehabilitation serve on the medical staff of both organizations.

Mark D. Birdwhistell, vice president for administration and external affairs at UK HealthCare, called the new facility a "win" for UK HealthCare, Shriners Medical Center and the Lexington community.

"The building we are dedicating today will allow us to collaborate in a whole new way – bringing together Shriners Medical Center's pediatric orthopaedic expertise and the Kentucky Children's Hospital's specialty and subspecialty care for children with complex conditions," Birdwhistell said.



## 2017 SCHEDULE

<b>July 9-13</b>	Imperial Session Daytona Beach Fla. N.C. Grand Masters Dinner
<b>August 8</b> <b>August 8</b>	Divan Meeting Shrine 100
<b>September 14-17</b>	SASA Fall Meeting, Myrtle Beach
<b>September 22-23</b>	Grand Lodge Annual Communication Winston Salem
<b>October 1-5</b> <b>October 5-7</b>	Potentates Trip to Las Vegas Imperial Membership Conference
<b>October 11</b> <b>October 13</b> <b>October 14</b> <b>October 13-15</b> <b>October 27</b> <b>October 27 &amp; 28</b>	Shrine Circus Fletcher Shrine Circus Concord Shrine Circus Concord Oxford Homecoming Divan Meeting Oasis Ceremonial
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The Hospital Trailer is a wonderful tool to educate the public and those members not familiar with all of the services offered by Shrine Children's Hospitals. It is most likely the best avenue we have to completely display the benefits offered by our Fraternity. And one of the best parts is, it is FREE.





# A Message from Your Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Dear Fellow Nobles,

Sometimes it may seem like Shriners Hospitals for Children is limited by only having a physical presence in 16 states and one hospital each for all of Canada and Mexico. However, while Shriners Hospitals for Children only has locations in North America, the health care system has a global reach and impact.

The majority of our hospitals hold regularly scheduled outreach clinics that extend the mission of Shriners Hospitals far beyond our 22 locations. Our physicians and clinicians routinely travel to provide medical care to both new and current patients and, perhaps even more importantly, to share their expertise with the local medical communities. Our health care system offers approximately 120 outreach clinics annually in a wide range of locations, both local and international. Regularly scheduled outreach clinics are held in approximately 80 locations in 18 countries, including the Dominican Republic, Honduras, Panama, Cyprus and Guam.

Staff from our Springfield hospital has been providing orthopaedic care to the children of Cyprus since 1979. Every October, a team of physicians and clinicians travel to the island to examine prospective patients and provide follow-up care to current patients. This past year, more than 350 patients were seen over a four-day period. Over the years, more than 15,000 Cypriot children have received care at the clinics, and more than 3,000 of those have come to the Springfield hospitals for treatment.

## Expanding Local Efforts

Many of our hospitals are also expanding outreach efforts at the local level. For example, our Canada hospital regularly holds outreach clinics in eight locations throughout the country. And our Portland hospital holds clinics in Anchorage, Alaska.



In addition, some of our hospitals are establishing offsite clinics in conjunction with local health care providers. For example, our Greenville hospital established clinics allied with Park Ridge Health in Hendersonville, North Carolina; Niswonger Children's Hospital in Johnson City, Tennessee; AnMed Health in Anderson, South Carolina and Beaufort Memorial in Bluffton, South Carolina. The Bluffton and Anderson locations are open one day a month, Hendersonville is available two days a month, and the Johnson City clinic is open daily.

The Bluffton, Anderson and Hendersonville locations operate much like outreach clinics, with staff from the Greenville hospital traveling there to see patients in leased space, while the Johnson City clinic is a true offsite extension of the Greenville Shriners Hospital, staffed fulltime and housed in a facility leased by Shriners Hospitals.

Currently, approximately 150 patients are being seen each month at the

Johnson City location; 80 percent of them could not have traveled to the Greenville Shriners Hospital for care. Clearly, we are both reaching more children who need our help, and meeting a real need in local communities. As we become embedded in and part of more communities, we believe our ability to reach more patients will expand considerably. In addition, by working with local health care providers, we also protect our service lines and our patient base.



So far in 2017, the Greenville hospital has had more than 800 patient visits through its various outreach and offsite efforts – with each visit saving patients and families both time and all the logistics involved in traveling.

## Caring for the Children of Northern Mexico

Another full-time outreach clinic is the one we established in Tijuana, Mexico in 2014.

The Shriners Hospitals for Children Ambulatory Clinic – Tijuana, which is under the auspices of our Los Angeles hospital, is a partnership with Hospitals Infantile de las Californias (HIC) that provides orthopaedic and plastic surgery care to children from Northern Mexico. In 2016, programs to specifically treat spina bifida and osteogenesis imperfecta were added. Establishing a presence in Tijuana allows Shriners for Children Medical Center in Pasadena to treat children closer to home, eliminating the need for them to travel back and forth across the border. We are confident that the collaborative effort will lead to greater efficiency and improved care for children in the Tijuana area.

In 2016, the clinic provided more than 450 outpatient surgeries, and accommodated more than 6,000 outpatient visits.

## Using Technology to Reach More Children

Another effort that expands our ability to reach patients is telehealth. With today's communication capabilities, it is much easier to provide follow-up care closer to home. Using the Telehealth Care Network can ease the burden and cost of traveling long distances to see a medical team at Shriners Hospitals. Benefits of telehealth include reduced time away from home and school for patients and their families, while the same level of excellent care and attention is provided.



Telehealth, quite simply, enables Shriners Hospitals for Children to come directly to the patient. We can add strategically located clinics so that we can provide care wherever needed. Telehealth patients receive our state-of-the-art care via video conferencing.

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## Chairman of the Board of Trustees *continued from page 20*

Shriners Hospitals for Children began offering telehealth services in May of 2016. Initially, telehealth services were offered in conjunction with our Salt Lake City, Galveston and Philadelphia hospitals. In 2016, we provided care to 1,447 children through telehealth, reducing the travel miles by approximately 1.2 million for these patients.

The program will continue to be phased in over the next three years, and will ultimately include all 22 Shriners Hospitals. A total of eight is expected to be added in 2017.

All of these efforts have a single goal: to help us reach as many kids who need our help as we possibly can, as efficiently as possible. We are making great progress and using as many innovative models as possible to achieve this goal, and I am very proud of everyone involved in making all these efforts successful.

We will continue to do all we can to extend the reach of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and offer our unique brand of compassionate, excellent care, always offered regardless of the ability to pay, to the children and families who need us – wherever they may be.

Thank you for all your efforts in support of the mission of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

*Yours in the faith, Jerry G. Gantt, Chairman, Board of Trustees*

## OASIS DUNE CATS



## JUMPING HURDLES FOR CHILDREN

**Captain "Jack" Stallings 704-609-0535**

### 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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## Second Annual Tri-County Shrine Club Car Show



Saturday August 5, 2017

Starting 10 A.M. Awards at 2 P.M.

Stomping Grounds Maggie Valley N.C.

BBQ Plate & Drink \$8.00

Trophies for Each Class

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

# Please Join Us!



**What:** Monthly Shrine Club Meetings

**When:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Social-6:30pm, Meal-7:00pm, meeting following.

**Where:** "Table on the Green Restaurant" Pinehurst NC

**Contact:** President Bill Loeser 910-759-0571

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

*Be sure to "LIKE" our Moore County Facebook page to see many photos!*

## OASIS SHRINE WAGONEERS



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.

**For info contact: Captain Darrell "Catfish" Hunt - 704-661-9064 or at [Jdhunt3429@gmail.com](mailto:Jdhunt3429@gmail.com)**

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

*Oasis Shrine Wagoneers are currently seeking new members.*



# Tips For an Injury-Free Summer

Dear Nobles,

Today, Shriners Hospitals for Children® will once again kick-off our annual Summer Safety campaign. Shriners Hospitals is asking everyone – kids, parents, hospital staff and Shriners – to #EarnYourCape and become Superheroes of Summer Safety in their communities by sharing tips to reduce the risk of childhood injuries. This year we've enlisted the National Association of School Nurses (NASN) as well as NASCAR driver and Love to the rescue® ambassador David Ragan to help us spread the word.

With the help of NASN, Shriners Hospitals has already distributed over 175,000 Superheroes of Summer Safety activity books to school nurses, teachers, parents and children across the country. These books provide a fun and informative way for kids to learn about how they can stay injury-free in the summer months.

This morning, David Ragan kicked-off the campaign near his hometown of Charlotte, North Carolina with a media event at a local elementary school playground. He will continue to spread the message about ways to stay safe this summer with events at several Shriners Hospitals and NASCAR races throughout the season.

At Shriners Hospitals, we know playground accidents, swimming-related incidents, as well as campfire and fire pit burns are some of the more common and potentially life-altering childhood injuries that can occur during the summer months.

## Shriners Hospitals for Children wants to remind kids of these simple tips for an injury-free summer:

- At the playground, slide feet first, and swing sitting down.
- Keep children inside when lawn mowers are in use.
- Keep several feet away from fire pits, campfires or grills.
- Swim only with an adult present, and wear lifejackets on open water.
- Protect yourself from the sun with hats and sunscreen.

With your assistance, we can help reduce the risk of injuries. Shriners Hospitals for Children has safety tip cards, flyers and activity booklets in English, and many in French and Spanish as well, that can be given out at community events, in the hospital, conventions, parades and anywhere else the information would be useful.





### Scooter Patrol

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE THUNDERING SCOOTER PATROL:**

**CAPTAIN LYLE SMITH**  
336-209-8617

**P.C. TERRY COX**  
336-509-6545

Share on Social Media! Social networks are some of the best ways to convey your message to your community. Share posts from the Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children social media pages with the hashtag #EarnYourCape.

Thank you for your efforts to help kids become Superheroes of Summer Safety. Your support helps keep kids safe and injury-free.

*Yours in the faith,*  
**Chris L. Smith**, Imperial Potentate

## Shriners on Bikes

**PRESIDENT - Trent Oates 704-412-0120**


**VICE PRESIDENT - Steve Trites 704-517-2876**

**SECRETARY - Gary Taylor 704-507-3693**

**TREASURER - Tim Morgan 704-634-8476**

**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.*

## COME JOIN THE OASIS ORIENTAL BAND



**WE PLAY FOR THE CHILDREN**  
**YOU DO NOT NEED TO KNOW HOW TO PLAY**

**CONTACT CAPTAIN LARRY GREGORY AT 336-272-4011 FOR MORE INFORMATION**



## Memorials

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## Passed Within the Unseen Temple

### July 2017

NAME	CITY, STATE	CREATED	DIED
Billy Rufty	Salisbury, N.C.	6/7/86	5/11/17
Darrell Sain	Vale, N.C.	10/23/71	4/19/17
Billy Hughes	Lexington, N.C.	6/6/92	4/18/17
Bruce Lanier	Salisbury, N.C.	5/15/71	5/19/17
Fred Roberson	Morganton, N.C.	4/2/90	1/27/17
Kurt Van Tine	Greensboro, N.C.	1/13/98	1/31/17
Marvin White, Jr.	Charlotte, N.C.	10/27/73	4/27/17
Earl Willis, Jr.	Mooreville, N.C.	10/30/89	6/2/17

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