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The Potentate's Message

Greetings Nobles and Ladies:

Mother Nature has not been kind to our friends in Texas and the Southeastern states. I am saddened at the death and destruction caused by these two hurricanes. Our hospitals in Houston and Tampa were well prepared and saw very little damage. They were there to assist with medical needs throughout the storms. Across the Nation, Masons and Shriners are volunteering in the clean-up effort, and collecting and forwarding much needed supplies to the affected areas. The members of our Fraternity are always ready to step up to the plate. I applaud those loyal Shriners. Please keep them in your prayers, as well as the victims of the storms.

August was a busy month for Lady Bobbie and

me. But it was also a very productive month. On August 23rd, we traveled to Randolph Shrine Club for the presentation of a check in the amount of \$25,000.00 for our Shrine Hospitals for Children from Clark Power Services of Ohio. August 26th found us at the Cabarrus County Car and Truck show, an annual event for the Cabarrus County Shrine Club, which raises thousands of dollars for our Hospitals. Then on to Murphy for Masonic Unity Program, which was well attended. It was great seeing so many Shriners from the Western part of the state, including Past Potentate David Sumpter and Lady Sandy.

On August 30th, I Lady Bobbie and I had the pleasure of traveling to the Greenville Shrine Hospital with Past Potentate John Sullivan and Lady Judy and her niece. We had a great tour of the Hospital meeting lots of special kids whose lives will be changed for the better by our wonderful Hospital.

On September 2nd, Lady Bobbie and I traveled to Colfax, North Carolina to attend the Motorcycle Ride-In for the Oasis Scooter Patrol. The weather put a damper on the event, but it was still well attended and a success for the Patrol.

Lady Bobbie and I were sad to attend the funeral of Lady Mary Richardson, the wife of Past Potentate III. Sir James Richardson of Wilkesboro. Later in the day, we were honored to attend the 100th birthday celebration of Hazel Bare, the mother of Lady Kay Perkins, the wife of the late

Noble Johnny Perkins. What a special occasion.

We were all prepared to attend SASA when the announcement was made that Hurricane Irma was likely to pass close to Myrtle Beach in the middle of our celebration. Out of an abundance of caution, the officials at SASA cancelled our yearly migration, which is always very special to Lady Bobbie and me since it comes at the time of our wedding anniversary, so here is a special shout out to the love of my life, Lady Bobbie. Happy Anniversary.

The next few months will be especially busy. The Potentates trip to Las Vegas coming up on October 1st will be a great time for all of you who plan to attend. We will come back in time for the Shrine Circuses in Fletcher and Concord, and will be at the Masonic Home for Children for their annual Homecoming. October 27 and 28 will find us at Oasis Headquarters for another Ceremonial. I hope you have lots of new members for our Fraternity. Get those petitions in early.

We look forward to our several events that will occur before years end. Seems like the time has flown past. But we have had fun and met lots of new friends, and seen many old friends. It has been a blast and will be one of our most favorite memories for the rest of my life. Thank each of you for allowing me this special time with all the hard-working Nobles and Ladies of Oasis.

Please continue to pray for our Nobles and Ladies in the affected areas of Florida, Texas, and many other locations that experienced the wrath of the Hurricanes. And for all your efforts to help and to send supplies to them, I thank you on behalf of Oasis Shrine and Shrine International. It is so special to me to serve as your Potentate in the largest, most generous, and best Shrine Center in the world and know you live the philosophy that We All Love Kids. We love you all and hope to see you soon.

Yours in the faith
Mike



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ATTENTION NOBLES:

Please forward all money and any unsold tickets for the Motorcycle Drawing, to be held on October 28th, to Oasis Headquarters. We need the money and tickets no later than October 20th.

The Recorder's Message

Greetings Nobles, Ladies and Friends of Oasis Shriners,

SASA-2017 Cancelled. Alright, the September "catapult" to Oasis greatness fizzled out on us due to expected severe weather. I hope everyone stayed safe and had no dire issues with relatives and friends in the direct path of the hurricane(s). SASA-2017 being cancelled was a bit of a let-down for me as I truly enjoy the comradery we are able to share with each other as members of Oasis Shriners and all the Nobles and Ladies from our Association's 19 other Shrine Centers. Just wait 'til next year!

Oasis Shrine Circus. Contribute and attend. Bring your kids, grand-kids, neighbors and friends. Wear your Fez. Fletcher, October 11th. Concord, October 13th and 14th.

Oasis Fall Ceremonial. Nobles, get your 'Petition for Initiation', download from our Oasis Shriners web-site, in your candidate's hands early and submit to Oasis as soon as you can for the October 27th and 28th Fall Ceremonial weekend at Oasis Headquarters. Every Oasis Noble and Lady should plan to attend.

Club and Units. Leaders, submit 2018 officer rosters. We want to finalize and print the Oasis 2018 Officer's Directory before Christmas. You don't belong to an Oasis Club or Unit? You, my Noble friend, are missing out. Joining is easy, just let me know directly if you need any help with that.

Membership and Dues. Nobles, in mid-September I received a fourteen page 'in the rears' report from our Membership Chairman and Outer Guard, Noble Joe Burris. These Oasis Shriners, who are not current with their 2017 dues, will be suspended for non-payment of dues (NPD) on December 31, 2017. The recent Dues Notice for 2018 Shrine year was mailed out from Tampa, FL in August, not September as I had previously expected. If your dues notice is for two years then that includes 2017 and 2018. Remember, Shrine dues are payable in advance

of the year they are for. Please don't run the risk of being suspended. If there is any doubt that you may or may not be current with your dues, please call or email the Oasis Shriners administrative office for clarification.

Oasis Shriner Administrative Office. Near the end of August, Lady Brittany Wright, our Oasis office manager and accounting guru presented me her notice to leave Oasis Shriners' employ. I hate to see her go as the Oasis office was humming along pretty, pretty good. She won't be going too far away from Oasis though, as her Father and boyfriend are each Oasis Nobles. She will be missed in the office none-the-less. Have no fear, Debbie is here! In early September, The Oasis Board of Directors was agreeable to hire Ms. Deborah Hammond as Lady Brittany's replacement. Ms. Hammond is very capable of Oasis' day-to-day administrative operations and book-keeping chores. She has a good heart for our Fraternal and Charitable interests. Ms. Hammond will take over Lady Brittany's Oasis phone extension and email accounts. So, give her a call, send an email or come by your Shrine Headquarters personally to welcome Ms. Hammond aboard. Cheers to Lady Linda, who is staying on as our Hospital / Patient coordinator and membership administrative liaison, and

new Debbie. They will be the recurring one-two administrative knock-out punch from your Oasis Shriners' office.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Saye
Oasis Shriners Recorder



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Illustrious Sir Mike Neaves Potentate

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2017 DIVAN

Chief Rabban - Johnny Burgess
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Your Desert Dust
**WINNER OF THE 2017
DROMEDARY AWARD!**



Per Article 2, Section 5 of the current Bylaws of



and by Order of the Illustrious Potentate

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Is hereby given to the Membership of Oasis Shriners to
Advise of the **Oasis Annual Business Meeting** to be held:
Saturday, December 2nd, 2017 at 3:30 P.M.
On the agenda will be the Election of Oasis Potentate,
Board of Directors, Imperial and SASA Representatives
and Ammended Bylaws for the Governance of Oasis
Shriners (copy within this Desert Dust issue), as well
Discuss and Approve Oasis' 2018 Operating Budget(s).

Carolina / Units Room at Oasis Shriners Headquarters

604 Doug Mayes Pl., Charlotte, NC 28262

Current Shriners Dues Card is Required for Entry

Linden Lodge Makes Donation

To all my friends at the newspapers,

On 6 September, the employees at the supervised living facility, Linden Lodge in Aberdeen, donated over three hundred new stuffed animals to the Shrine Children's Hospital. Emily Lowe (L) Ms. Christina Maness-Pederson, Supervisor, (C) helped Bill Loeser, President of Moore County Shrine Club, package the stuffed animals for delivery to the hospital. The stuffed animals are sure to bring smiles to the children receiving no cost care at the Shrine Hospital. Thank you Linden Lodge for your generous contribution to sick children.



NIGHT OUT FOR THE CHILDREN



STEAK DINNER FUNDRAISER FOR SHRINERS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

WHERE : LEXINGTON MEMORIAL 473 LODGE CENTRAL
AVE. LEXINGTON NC.

WHEN : OCTOBER 7th, 2017 4 - 6 PM

WHAT : LEXINGTON SHRINE CLUB STEAK DINNER
\$20.00 per person

INCLUDES : 10oz. Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Roll,
Dessert, with Coffee or Tea

FOR TICKETS SEE A MEMBER OF THE LEXINGTON SHRINE CLUB
OR CALL 336-240-7796, 336-250-8930, OR 336-309-1327 leave message.

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



SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL: Hurricane Harvey Update

Dear Fellow Nobles,

Our thoughts and prayers remain with our Nobles and Masonic family impacted by Hurricane Harvey. It has been widely reported that the storm has affected 50 counties and almost 46% of the population of Texas. While we do not have much information regarding the storm's impact in Louisiana, we can anticipate that some of our Nobles may need assistance there as well. Forecast models predict that Mississippi, Tennessee and Kentucky may experience significant rainfall and potential for flooding over the course of the next few days as the storm continues to move inland.

Shriners International stands ready to assist our Nobility in the aftermath of this tragedy. The Imperial Divan and Shriners International Headquarters staff continue to receive updates from the local Potentates and Divan Officers in the affected areas, who are in the best position to determine how and when we can best help. Some of our Texas and Louisiana Temples have already filled tractor trailers with water and other essential items to assist as necessary.

Essentially, it could be some time before we are able to get a full assessment of the damage and true scope of the impact. More Temples are reaching out every day offering to start drives for the collection of non-perishable items if needed. For any Temple (or Noble) who wishes to contribute to the relief effort, please be advised that we will continue to be in contact with the local leaders in these areas and advise of what items will cause the most relief in the days and weeks ahead.

As the core Masonic tenets of Truth, Relief and Brotherly Love remain in our sights, and on behalf of our Nobility and their families who have been affected by this storm, we thank you for your continued generosity and concern.

Yours in the faith,
Gary J Bergenske
Imperial Potentate



OASIS SHRINE CLOWNS

Accepting New Members No Experience Necessary
Come and join us and put a smile on the face of a child!

Activities Include:

Stars Of The Oasis Shrine Circus
Shrine & Community Parades
Social Gatherings that include Your Wife
Individualized Instructions on Makeup & Costumes

Contact Captain John "Farris Wheel" Farris at 704-604-5024

2017 FALL CEREMONIAL

Charlotte, North Carolina Shrine Center • October 27 & 28

If you have never been to the temple or if it has been a while since your last visit, here is an opportunity to do so. We have brand-new carpet in our building. The fall ceremonial plans to be a full weekend of events that you will not want to miss.

We would like all the new candidates and their wives to come and party with us on Friday night prior to our ceremonial. We also would like all the units and clubs to send your new candidates names in as early as possible so we can contact them and provide them with the weekend schedule.

Saturday morning will start off with the Oasis Keystone Kops serving fresh hot coffee, donuts and biscuits. All new candidates will check in at the Temple with Linda Wallace, our hospital coordinator. The Provost guard unit will be on hand to escort the candidates throughout the entire Ceremonial process. Lady Bobbie will host a Ladies Brunch in the Sands Restaurant, and we recommend that you bring all the new candidates ladies, girlfriends and current Shriners ladies to attend. Shrine Mart will be open for those of you that need to purchase Shrine merchandise. Club and unit awareness day is similar to what schools call open house. You will have opportunities to learn a little bit about Oasis clubs and units. At this time you can visit with and urge all new candidates to join a club or unit or even a committee and be active as Shriners.

Saturday evening come prepared to dance the night away. Musical entertainment will be provided, and as usual, the Oasis Hospitality Committee will be there to fill your every need.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

2 PM to 5 PM	Candidates early registration at the Shrine office
2 PM to 5 PM	Oasis hospitality at Courtyard Marriott
8 PM to midnight	Entertainment and dancing

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

7:30 AM to 8:30 AM	Candidates registration and check in at Shrine office
7:30 AM to 9 AM	Coffee served by the Oasis Keystone Kops
7:30 AM to 1 PM	Shrine Mart in the Carolina room
8:35 AM	Divan meeting in the boardroom
8:15 AM to 8:45 AM	Oasis band will be playing
8:45 AM	The candidates will assemble in the auditorium
9:45 AM	Welcome by Potentate Mike Neaves, Prayer by Past Potentate John Stanley Introduction of Oasis Divan Presentation of Class Honoree by Potentate Mike Neaves Creating a Shriner. Directors Staff Ladies and Non-Shriners excused
10 AM	Ladies Brunch – Sands Restaurant – Ticket required
10:15 AM to 11:30 AM	First Section conducted by Oasis Ritualistic Cast
10:15 AM to 11 AM	Second Section conducted by Oasis Directors Staff
11:15 to 12:15 PM	Membership Committee Presentation
12:15 to 1 PM	Catered Lunch – Clubs and Units must RSVP
1 PM	Club and Unit awareness for those clubs and units that may want the opportunity to solicit new members after the ceremonial
1 PM to 2 PM	Oasis hospitality at courtyard Marriott
3 PM to 5 PM	Musical entertainment in the Oasis Shrine Headquarters auditorium
8 PM to midnight	

ATTENTION ALL SHRINE LADIES

Get ready for the Oasis Shrine Fall Ceremonial Ladies Brunch, **Saturday, October 28th** in the Shrine Center Sands Restaurant.

Tickets are \$20.00 each. All Candidates Ladies are admitted free of charge. This is a casual affair, and each person attending will receive a special gift from Lady Bobbie Neaves. There will be a special speaker, which I am sure you will thoroughly enjoy. A catered meal will be served, and as usual, will be delightful.

Contact Oasis Headquarters – **704-549-9052** to make your reservations. **The cut off date for reservations is Friday, October 20th.** To insure you do not miss this special event, get your reservations now.

Happy Anniversary to Illustrious Sir Mike and Lady Bobbie Neaves
May you have many more glorious years together

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.



Dear Nobles and Friends of Oasis Shriners:

It is circus time again and we have planned another great Oasis Shrine Circus with Jordan World Circus.

As in past years we are again asking you to be a:
Circus Mom & Dad: For a \$20 contribution, this entitles you to 2 free adult tickets.
Circus Grandparents: For a \$40 contribution, this entitles you to 4 free adult tickets.
Circus Ringmaster: For a \$80 contribution, this entitles you to 8 free adult tickets.

Each \$20 contribution gets you two adult tickets to any circus performance and as many kid's tickets as you want. If you can't use your tickets, we will distribute them to children and adults in other non-profit organizations who cannot afford to attend the circus. Tickets at the door are \$12 for 13 years old & over, 12 years old & under are free.

Again, this year we will be represented by a telemarketing company, Shrine Services. Please understand they are to omit all Oasis Shriners from their calling list. If they call you, **tell them you are an Oasis Shrine member and have them remove your name from their list**. Explain that you will contribute directly to your temple through the Mom & Dad Program.

No tickets will be mailed after October 1st, 2017. Additional tickets are available at Oasis Temple. All contributions will be recognized in the Desert Dust. Thanks for your continuing support of the Oasis Shrine Circus!

NC Agricultural Center, Fletcher, NC - Wednesday, October 11th at 4:30pm & 7:30pm
Cabarrus Arena, Concord, NC - Friday, October 13th at 7:30pm
Saturday, October 14th at 2:00pm & 7:30pm

Fraternally yours,
Rodney Morgan
Circus Chairman
704-985-5253

Oasis Shriners
Circus 2017

Oasis Shrine Circus Mom & Dad Program

Name as shown in the Desert Dust: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Choose One: _____ # of Tickets needed: _____

- ☐ \$20-\$30 Mom & Dad
☐ \$40-\$70 Grandparents
☐ \$80 or more Ringmaster
- _____ General Admission equivalent to my contribution.
_____ Children Admission
☐ Decline Tickets & give to family/group in need.

Make your checks payable to:
Oasis Shriners

604 Doug Mayes Place
Charlotte, NC 28262

or Credit Card Payment:

Name on card:	
Card #	
Expiration Date:	3-digit code on back of card:

PROCEEDS FROM THIS CIRCUS BENEFIT THE OASIS SHRINE CENTER.
*** PAYMENTS ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE AS CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.***

Shriners Helping Masons

Dear Nobles,

I and other Shrine leaders have received inquiries from around the world as to how Shriners can help provide relief to Masons and Shriners who have been impacted by the incredible flooding damage caused by Hurricane Harvey. The floodwaters are receding, but water still covers many roads in the Houston and Beaumont areas as of the end of the Labor Day weekend. Therefore, the opportunity to assess the damage and provide assistance for established need may still be days away. We do know that there are many within our Masonic family, who have suffered severe losses.

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN GIVE:

Make checks payable to "MSA Disaster Relief Fund" and send them to:

**Masonic Service Association
3905 National Drive, Suite 280
Burtonsville, MD 20866.**

Please write on the memo portion of the check, "Texas Disaster Appeal" to be sure that the money is specifically designated for the relief of Texas Masons.

In determining how to provide effective and meaningful help to Shriners and Masons in the areas of Texas that suffered damage, Shriners International, Shrine leaders in Texas and the Grand Lodge of Texas have determined that the best and most effective way to provide financial assistance to Texas Masons and Shriners is to use the charitable arm of the Masonic Services Association of North America ("MSA") which has been specifically established for the purpose of obtaining tax deductible donations and to effectively distribute and account for the funds provided to Masons and Shriners who receive assistance. You should know that the entire gross donation will be sent to the affected jurisdiction. MSA deducts nothing for administrative expenses or expenses of any kind. Therefore, when you give \$100.00, \$100.00 gets to Texas Masons!

Shriners International is working closely with the Grand Lodge of Texas in using its communications capabilities to encourage Shriners who wish to assist Masons who have suffered Hurricane related and flooding damage to contribute using the website established by the Grand Lodge specifically for Hurricane Harvey relief. The link to that site can be found on the Shriners

International website, Shriners Village and WebFez.

I am proud to report to you that Shriners are also providing important assistance to area residents. For example, Al Amin Shriners, Corpus Christi, Texas, currently serves as a center for Federal, State and Local relief efforts. A number of agencies have set up temporary headquarters on the grounds of Al Amin Temple. Arabia and El Mina Shrine Temples are working closely together in the distribution of cleaning supplies and other essentials. Other Shrine Temples and individual Shriners have made numerous contributions of various materials to assist in the general relief effort.

Shriners and Texas Masons are using the trowel to spread the brotherly love and affection that is an indispensable part of our masonic family. We are taught that dependence upon one another for protection and security permits members of our fraternity to fulfil our duties of reciprocal love and friendship. Therefore, Shriners and Masons joyfully and immediately respond when they can provide relief to a brother in distress. As a proud Shriner, we hope you will join us in providing what you can to assist these brothers in need.

Yours in the faith, Gary J. Bergenske, Imperial Potentate




Clemmons Masonic

Lodge #755

Clemmons, N.C.



Charity Golf Tournament

Salem Glenn Country Club

1000 Salem Glenn Drive, Clemmons, NC 27012

All Proceeds to:
The Masonic and Eastern Star Home
The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

October 18, 2017

Registration & Lunch 11:00 am Shotgun start at 1:00 pm

ENTRY FEE: \$300.00 per team. Drinks and snacks on the course. Awards ceremony immediately following play.

Please return form ASAP as we are limited to 120 golfers.
Deadline Wednesday, October 11. Singles and Non-Masons Welcome.

Please make checks payable to Clemmons Masonic Lodge #755 and mail to:

☐ Payment Enclosed

web Site: www.clemmonsmasoniclodge.com

Richard Brewer
5600 Lauren Acres Court
Winston Salem, NC 27103

Fun



Team Captain: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Player #2: _____

Player #3: _____

Player #4: _____

- 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!**



OASIS PAST MASTERS UNIT

Are you a Past Master?
We are your unit. Join Us.
For more information:
Noble Gary D. Handy, Captain: (336) 416-1323
Noble Gordy Peeler, Secretary: (704) 223-1531



LEXINGTON SHRINE CLUB ANNUAL SMOKED TURKEY BREAST FUNDRAISER

WHERE : LEXINGTON MEMORIAL LODGE 473
468 CENTRAL AVE. LEXINGTON, NC
WHEN : NOV. 23, 2017, THANKSGIVING MORNING
WHAT : 8-10 LB. SMOKED TURKEY BREAST
TICKETS \$45.00 PRE-ORDER
PICK-UP : BEFORE 9AM THANKSGIVING MORNING
For info. call 336-240-7796, 336-250-8930, 336-309-1327
PLEASE leave message and number if no answer.
TO BENEFIT SHRINERS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

DID YOU PLAY IN A HIGH SCHOOL BAND OR COLLEGE BAND? IF SO WE NEED YOU!



CAPT. NOBLE SHEA FADEL, PC
CHARLOTTE – 704/309-5396
LT. NOBLE DOUG TEAGUE, PC
TAYLORSVILLE – 828/381-8415
SEC. NOBLE JOHN ELDER, PC PP
HIGH POINT – 336/687-8139
NOBLE ALLEN JONES, PC
THOMASVILLE – 336/313-0346

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

Birdies for Charity



Dear Nobles,

Our Birdies for Charity competition is underway! Wondering how your favorite hospital scores among the rest? Here are the top five hospitals that have received the most donations so far in the challenge:

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. Tampa | 4. Galveston |
| 2. Philadelphia | 5. Greenville |
| 3. Houston | |

Don't see your favorite hospital listed? Ramp up your donations! Now through November 1, 2017, golf fans nationwide can guess the number of birdies that will be recorded during the 2017 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open while supporting life-changing care for kids.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Spread the word.

Tell your friends, family and anyone else who is interested in helping Shriners Hospitals for Children that Birdies for Charity is underway!

Raise funds.

Encourage friends and colleagues to join you and give to your hospital at lovetotherescue.org/birdies-for-charity or print and distribute the offline donation form for mail-in donations.

Supporters who guess the correct, or closest, number of birdies will automatically be entered to win an ultimate Las Vegas getaway, which includes: round trip airfare for two (2) to Las Vegas, Nevada for the 2018 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, three (3) nights hotel accommodations, VIP experience at the tournament during the 3rd and 4th rounds, two (2) tickets to a Las Vegas show, and a meet-and-greet opportunity with the 2018 tournament champion.

Other great prizes include autographed tournament pin flags and tournament apparel packages that will be given at random to the next closest guesses.

Nobles like you make it possible for us to provide advanced medical care to our patients regardless of the families' ability to pay. I challenge each of you to find a way to help raise funds for Birdies for Charity.

Good luck!

Yours in the faith, Gary J. Bergenske, Imperial Potentate

OASIS DUNE CATS



JUMPING HURDLES FOR CHILDREN

Captain "Jack" Stallings 704-609-0535

I AM R U Recognition Program

A series of rewards and recognition has been developed to generate excitement and exposure for the I AM R U new noble referral program. During Imperial Session, Noble Lloyd Wells referred 71 individuals, each of whom has now received several communications from our office of membership development outlining the membership path and providing information on the Shriners fraternity and Freemasonry. As a reward for referring the highest number of individuals to the program during Imperial Session, Noble Wells received a check for \$100.

Additionally, because Noble Wells' referrals gave Kazim Shriners the highest number of referrals at Session, their temple received a check for \$250 and a Rush Night Survival Kit – which included several membership resources, including posters, brochures and other materials to assist with a future Rush Night at the temple.

Now that the referral program is in full swing, the remainder of the rewards to be distributed this year will be based on new member CREATIONS, rather than referrals. There are some pretty exciting things planned:

- Each month, until Imperial Session 2018, the noble who top-lines the most petitions for new Shriners created will receive \$100, and recognition in *Shriner Magazine: Pride and Tradition*. His temple will also receive one of the aforementioned Rush Night Survival Kits.

- Additionally, the same magazine recognition with a \$500 reward will go to the noble with the most top-lined new creations each quarter. This will also be accompanied by a ticket package for Shrine-sponsored events such as the East-West Shrine Game®, a special tassel holder, an Imperial Potentate's Medallion and a Silent Messenger statue with a custom-engraved plate.



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



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

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

Oasis Shrine Wagoneers are currently seeking new members.

- And, at the end of the Imperial Year (July 2018), the noble top-lining the most new creations will receive \$1,000, accompanied by magazine recognition, a Shriners International/Masonic apron, a ticket package and an Imperial Potentate's Medallion – all of which will be presented at Imperial Session 2018.

- Also to be presented at Imperial Session, the temple showing the highest membership gain (by percentage) will receive \$1,000 and special recognition in the magazine.

To promote this program, every temple (in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico) will receive a limited edition vinyl banner for display, 25 I AM R U lapel pins and 100 prospect referral cards, to help them be successful.

As you can see, Shriners International is committed to investing in membership development. It's up to each individual temple to support the program, encourage their nobility to refer their friends and follow-up accordingly.

Always remember that it is our job as Shriners to recruit more Shriners, make more Masons and refer more patients to our hospitals.

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Shriners Hospital Helps Young Patients Celebrate Solar Eclipse

Greenville Shriners Hospital patient Lylan and her family travel from Florida regularly to receive care from Dr. Pete – so when she was due for an appointment in August, Lylan’s mom decided to make the most of it by scheduling her visit for August 21 so that they would be in the South Carolina for the eclipse. The family joined other Shriners patients in observing the historic event during a celebration here at the hospital.



Update - Shriners Hospitals for Children – Mexico

Dear Nobles,

On Thursday, September, 7 a magnitude 8.1 earthquake occurred approximately 500 miles outside of Mexico City, Mexico. It was followed by another smaller earthquake and several aftershocks. Shriners Hospitals for Children – Mexico, except for a few minor cracks in the walls, was spared any significant damage. All staff and patients are safe and the hospital remains operational. We will continue to update you with information as it becomes available.

Yours in the faith, **Gary J. Bergenske**, Imperial Potentate



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Chaplain's Corner



"...and the Runner Died on Third."

Maxie Dunnam, an author and former editor of the Devotion Book, Daily Word, reminds us that in baseball there is a bit of jargon that is a challenging image: *"The batter died on third"*. And, Rev. Dunnam asks, *"Wouldn't a stranger to baseball have problems with that?"*

Imagine what some person who knew absolutely nothing about baseball would think if they were listening to someone calling the game, and the announcer said, *"And the batter struck out, and Jones died on third."*

It's a challenging image because it's suggestive of what happens in life. Because of a lack of love, many of us "dies" on third. We almost make it to home plate, but – due to circumstances – we do not make the effort. When we "die on third", we think that there is no one to share our hopes, no one to encourage our dreams.

Sometime ago I saw what "we think that there is no one to share hopes and no one to encourage dreams" looks like in real life. A young woman stood beside a casket. She was looking down at her brother who had died after an illness of over twenty years! She wept and wept and wept.

Later I asked her: "After such a long term illness, was there ever a day when you did not think that your brother would awaken?"

She responded: "I do not remember there being a morning when the first thing that I thought of was: *"Is this the day that the Long-Term Care Center calls and says we need you to come immediately because he woke up!!"*

But, now here she was at the funeral home...the HOPE of his healing in

this world gone. Every day for over twenty years, this is young woman hoped for the physical healing of her brother.

Love never regards anyone or anything as hopeless.

The Bible says that love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. (First Corinthians 13).

"Love hopes all things." One author (Barclay) writes: *"Love never regards anyone or anything as hopeless."*

Love endures all things. There are a variety of different translations of this. "There is no limit to love's endurance." "Love endures whatever comes." "Love always perseveres." "Nothing can happen to break love's spirit."

Wow! Listen to that...*nothing can happen to break love's spirit.*

The sister, after spending time at the funeral home with her brother said, "You and I know that this is not the end. We will be back together; we will be re-united just not the way I anticipated. Not on this earth."

WOW! The commentator, Barclay is right on: "Nothing can happen to break love's spirit".

So, we're back to this amazing affirmation: Love endures all things. Nothing can happen to break love's spirit. A love for all seasons hopes all things.

"And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love."

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 has served as Imperial Chaplain. He can be reached at jstanley1@carolina.rr.com.

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Shrine Hospitals For Children’s Forever Footprint Program Receives Donation Through Randolph Shrine Club

On September 23rd, executives from Clarke Power Services, Inc. of Cincinnati, Ohio traveled to Randolph Shrine Club to present a donation to the Shrine Hospitals for Children’s Forever Footprint Program. The \$25,000.00 donation will be a huge boost to the Greenville Hospital program, which addresses limb deficiencies in children, whether it be from a birth defect or from trauma. Through this special program, the Hospital makes a plaster imprint of any limb that is to be amputated, which is presented to the family as a keepsake, assisting in their grieving process and a gradual acceptance of their loss. The program emphasizes, through their counselors and Child Life Specialists, that amputation is not a taboo subject or something to be ashamed of.

Clarke Power Services, Inc. is a company that specializes in fleet maintenance of small, medium and large trucks. They have a presence in seven states with 25 locations, with one location in Greensboro, NC. They have a long history of making donations to charities and non-profit organizations. The major players in the company decided to pick, through an application process, a couple of charities that they felt were in keeping with their philosophy. Their main focus was on children. Shriners Hospi-

tals for Children was an easy pick, fitting all of their criteria for consideration.

Noble Tommy Beeson accepted the donation for Randolph Shrine Club. Noble Bucky Jernigan was very instrumental in obtaining the information and, working through Juris Barzdins at the Greensboro location, assisted with the application process. Randolph Shrine Club has a storied history of hard work to raise money for our hospitals, and this is just another example of the dedication of these Shriners who truly project the attitude that We All Love Kids.

Illustrious Sir Mike Neaves thanked Randolph Shrine Club for their work to secure the donation, and praised Clarke Power Services, Inc. for their generous donation to the Greenville Hospital. Several members of the Oasis Divan were present to participate in the presentation.



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Good News from Shriners Hospitals for Children – St. Louis

Support Madelyn's Trip to the SHC Open in Las Vegas!



Madelyn Hubbs, one of our most incredible patients, has been selected as one of 22 patient ambassadors throughout the Shriners Hospitals for Children system to represent our the St. Louis hospital at the 2017 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Madelyn will serve as a standard bearer throughout the weekend, carrying the scores of professional golfers as they compete in the tournament and making memories that will last a lifetime. This is a rare "inside the ropes" opportunity at a PGA TOUR event to meet and interact with the pros, patients from across the country, Shriners, and the entire Shriners Hospitals community.

As part of her participation in the tournament, Madelyn's story and photo will appear in the tournament program, and her information will be shared with the Golf Channel, which will televise the tournament nationally, reaching over 700 million homes across 240 countries worldwide!

About Madelyn

Madelyn Hubbs was born unique. Her distinctive red hair and beautiful smile can light up any room. She goes horseback riding, enjoys reading and riding her bike, and competes on her high school swim team and co-ed water polo team: and she does it all one-handed. Born missing her entire left arm, Madelyn doesn't let her physical difference hold her back. Displaying a confidence that most adults don't have, she is unafraid to attempt any activity, challenge, or obstacle - proving to others that anything is possible.

Friendly, caring, helpful, and always cheerful, Madelyn captures the hearts of everyone she encounters.



Madelyn is primarily supported through the Occupational Therapy Department at Shriners Hospitals for Children – St. Louis. To thank the hospital for the support and treatment she receives, Madelyn volunteers to speak at disability awareness and anti-bullying programs, helps out during hospital events and activities, and even hosts her own fundraisers and toy drives to benefit the hospital.

Madelyn's family, mom Melissa, dad Jeff, and brother Kyle, are also dedicated members of the Patient Ambassador Program with Madelyn. A few years ago, Jeff showed his commitment by becoming a Shriner.

Please visit <https://donate.lovetotherescue.org/fundraiser/1052521> to donate TODAY to help us send her to the 2017 Open so she can show the world how Shriners Hospitals have helped transform her life.

NASCAR Legends Visit Patients

NASCAR legends Kenny Wallace and Ken Schrader stopped by the hospital on Tuesday, August 22 to greet patients. They brought up-and-coming driver Gordy Gundaker and his dirt track car with them. Some patients even had the opportunity to climb in the race car!



The kids received checkered flags and signed photos of the drivers. KMOV Channel 4 (St. Louis' CBS affiliate) reported on the event. All of the drivers are from the St. Louis area and they continue to drive in the dirt track circuit.

A special thank you to the Decatur Shrine Club of the Ansar Shriners for helping bring the drivers to our hospital!



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October 5-7	Imperial Membership Conference
October 11	Shrine Circus Fletcher
October 13	Shrine Circus Concord
October 14	Shrine Circus Concord
October 13-15	Oxford Homecoming
October 27	Divan Meeting
October 27 & 28	Oasis Ceremonial
November 18	Veterans Appreciation Night
December 1	Oasis Patrol
December 2	Oasis Elections
December 16	Shrine Bowl

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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.

Shriners on Bikes

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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.*



A RESOURCE FOR SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE PR CHAIRMEN

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I've been told we can no longer use the word "free" in describing Shriners Hospitals for Children's care. Why is that?

The words we choose make a difference! One of the keys to successfully raising awareness and increasing understanding of both Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children is consistency and clarity in our messages.

Accordingly, we stress the importance of having "one look, one voice" and of using approved phrases, definitions and descriptions. This is not done to limit anyone's creativity or to enforce some sort of rigid format. Consistency is an important element in successful marketing and branding, and can make a substantial difference in the effectiveness of campaigns.

An Important Distinction

One of the phrases we continue to try to eliminate is "free care" – and here is why: While, because of the generosity of Shriners, corporations and the general public, Shriners Hospitals for Children is able to provide expert, quality care to our patients, regardless of their ability to pay, this care is not free – it has a huge cost. Providing free care is not our mission. Our official mission is to provide the highest quality care to children. Approximately 85 percent of the organization's multi-million dollar operating budget is spent in direct support of the organization's three-part mission of patient care, research and education.

For many people, the phrase "free care" means charity care, which may be considered sub-standard. This is not a concept we want to be associated with; we want our patients to choose our hospitals because they believe they will receive the best care possible.

It is critically important that everyone use our official messages and phrasing, especially as we are accepting third party pay for our care. We must be able to communicate that while the way we conduct business has changed, our mission has not. It is imperative that we stress the expert, quality care provided at Shriners Hospitals for Children, **rather than the cost**. The consistent, continuous references to free care can lessen the value of our services in the minds of referring physicians and potential patients, and be detrimental to the clarity of our mission of improving the lives of children.

Using the correct words and phrases will help you to be an effective participant in an exceptional mission and give you the ability to directly contribute to changing the lives of children around the world. Each and every one of our small actions becomes amplified when joined with thousands of others who are communicating with One Look, One Voice. And in that way, our mission – and your role in it – becomes much bigger than a brand.



WATCH PARTY

A Touchdown For Member Recruitment

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Pick a location, a temple or recreation center, where you can all watch on Jan. 20 the live game television broadcast on NFL Network at 3 p.m. EST (check local listings for channels). Create a pot-luck list of your favorite tailgate snacks and meals, or organize a cook-off.

Call your local sports restaurant and make a group reservation for Jan. 20 to watch the game live at 3 p.m. EST on NFL Network. The best part? They do all of the cooking! Talk with potential new members over deep-fried goodness and cold drinks. Kick-back, cheer for your favorite college all-stars, debate NFL Draft picks, and enjoy a membership WIN!



We can help: let us know that you are planning a Watch Party on Jan. 20. In return, we will provide a Watch Party package to help you promote your event. Package items include game posters, brochures, trivia questions and fun giveaways. Call us at 813-281-8686, or contact us by email at EastWestShrineGame@shrinenet.org.

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Watch Party Success Stories:

Arab Shriners hosted over 85 members, friends and families at their Watch Party, which featured a chili cook-off competition judged by three local high school coaches who coached in the Kansas Shrine Bowl Game. The event was a win for Arab Shriners, who gained 6 new nobles!

About Ben Adhem Shriners hosted over 600 people, including nobles, ladies and local community members at their Watch Party, which featured a "Shrine Show". At the Watch Party, each unit hosted a booth with unit information and took part in a booth decorating competition, as a fun way to connect with potential new members. It worked. About Ben Adhem gained 35 new members from this event, and anticipates even greater success this January with their 2018 Watch Party.



Mansfield Shrine Club hosted 30 people at their Watch Party, held at a popular sports bar and grill. The Club's Watch Party encouraged membership and served as a fundraiser for the Mansfield Shrine Club's transportation unit. The Watch Party sparked interest with a local news channel, who televised the event as a feature story. In addition to broadcasting Shriners Hospitals for Children's mission and what it means to be a Shriner, Mansfield Shrine Club gained 3 new members!



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

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Former Patient, Kechi, Featured on *America's Got Talent*

Earlier this month, former Galveston Shriners Hospital patient and burn survivor, Kechi Okwuchi, returned to the *America's Got Talent* stage and impressed the judges once again with her incredible vocals, making it to the next round. In case you missed it, you can watch clips from her performances by visiting nbc.com/americas-got-talent/credits/credit/season-12/kechi.

Also, be sure watch Kechi's upcoming performance on *America's Got Talent* today, Tuesday, August 29, at 8 p.m. EDT on NBC.

Kechi says that the music therapy program at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Galveston helped in her healing and recovery from severe burn injuries she sustained in a plane crash in her native country, Nigeria, in 2005. Kechi had third degree burns over 65 percent of her body, and was one of only two survivors of the crash.

Kechi also caught the attention of *TODAY* show's Jenna Bush Hager, who accompanied



her on a tour of the Galveston Shriners Hospital. Kechi talked to Jenna about her earliest days of treatment at the hospital, and how the music therapy program gave her hope. Jenna also had the chance to talk to physicians and patients at the hospital who say Kechi is an inspiration to all burn survivors and children with a dream. To watch the *TODAY* show's story, please visit

today.com/video/kechi-okwuchi-americas-got-talent-contestant-inspires-kids-at-texas-hospital-1020736579849.

We are very proud of Kechi and all she has accomplished, and look forward to following her inspirational journey.

To learn more about Kechi's story, please visit shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/news/Kechi_okwuchi_music_therapy.

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Bylaws of Oasis Shriners

This Shrine Center shall be governed by the articles of incorporation, bylaws and code for the governance of centers, statutes and edicts of the Imperial Council of Shriners International and by the following bylaws:

Article I Name, Seal and Jurisdiction

§1.1 Name - This Shrine Center shall be known as Oasis Shriners. It was granted a charter on September 2, 1895 by the Imperial Council of the Ancient Order of the Mystic Shrine of North America, currently known as Shriners International. As well, an Act of Incorporation of Oasis Temple was enacted on the 20th day of February 1901 by the General Assembly of North Carolina, which said Act is recorded in Chapter 108 at page 299 of the Private Laws of North Carolina of 1901.

§1.2 Location - Oasis Shriners shall be located in the city of Charlotte, county of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina as designated in its charter.

§1.3 Seal - The official seal of Oasis Shriners consists of a Desert Caravan Scene within the circumferences of which are the words OASIS SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL CHARLOTTE NORTH CAROLINA. An impression and facsimile shall be deposited with the Imperial Recorder.

§1.4 Flag - The official flag of Oasis Shriners is approximately 5 ft. 2 in. on the fly, 3 ft. 6 in. on the hoist. The colors are: top, 1/4 hoist red; middle, 1/2 hoist yellow; bottom, 1/4 hoist green; bound with a 2 1/2 in. yellow nylon hand-knotted fringe and a 1/4 in. yellow nylon cord 9 ft. long with tassels. Centered is a large Scimitar Logo and the words OASIS SHRINERS CHARLOTTE NORTH CAROLINA.

§1.5 Jurisdiction - The territorial jurisdiction of Oasis Shriners consists of the fifty (50) counties in Western North Carolina as governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

Article II Sessions and Meetings

§2.1 Stated Sessions

(a) This Center shall hold a Stated Session at least once in each calendar quarter. Stated Sessions can be held within the exclusive jurisdiction of Oasis Shriners, but no more than two Stated Sessions can be held outside the County of Mecklenburg, North Carolina.

(b) The first Stated Session of each calendar year must be held in January in the County of Mecklenburg, North Carolina at which time the Oasis Officers and Imperial Representatives will be installed.

§2.2 Ceremonials - Ceremonial Sessions may be called by the Potentate at any time and place within the jurisdiction of Oasis Shriners. Oasis Shriners may open, elect candidates and initiate candidates, but no other business may be transacted at the Ceremonial Session unless it be held at the Mecklenburg County, North Carolina location of Oasis Shriners.

§2.3 Special Sessions - Special Sessions may be called by the Oasis Potentate at any time or upon a written request signed by no less than fifty (50) members in good standing. Notice must be given to each member stating the business to be considered. No other business than specified in the Notice shall be transacted.

§2.4 Sunday Sessions - Neither Oasis Shriners nor its affiliates shall hold business meetings or installation services of a Ceremonial Session on Sunday

§2.5 Notice – A notice of at least one (1) week must be given of the date, time and place of all meetings and ceremonial sessions. The notice may be given in the Oasis Shriners official publication; The Desert Dust; print or electronic editions, email blaster, phone message blaster or by letter.

§2.6 Quorum - A quorum consists of seven (7) members of Oasis Shriners entitled

to vote, one of whom must be the Potentate, the Chief Rabban or Assistant Rabban or a Past Potentate of Oasis Shriners.

§2.7 Presiding Officers

(a) The Potentate shall open and preside at all meetings and Sessions of Oasis Shriners.

(b) The Chief Rabban shall preside in the absence of the Potentate.

(c) In the absence of both the Potentate and the Chief Rabban, the Assistant Rabban shall preside.

(d) In the absence of all three (3) of these officers, a Past Potentate of Oasis Shriners shall preside.

(e) The presiding officer, at his pleasure, at any meeting or Session of Oasis Shriners, may request any Past Potentate of Oasis Shriners to preside.

§2.8 Meeting Procedures – Robert’s Rules of Order shall be used as a guide to govern procedural matters that may arise during any meetings or Session of Oasis Shriners. The decision of the Chair shall be final as to all procedural matters.

Article III Officers and Elections

§3.1 Officers

(a) The officers of Oasis Shriners are:

1. Potentate (Shayk); 2. Chief Rabban (Emeer); 3. Assistant Rabban (Sahib); 4. High Priest & Prophet (Iman); 5. Oriental Guide (Ayn); 6. Treasurer (Chayzin); 7. Recorder (Katib); 8. First Ceremonial Master (Wakil); 9. Second Ceremonial Master (Alam); 10. Director (Malah); 11. Marshal (Amal); 12. Captain of the Guard (Rays); 13. Outer Guard (Hafiz).

(b) No person may hold more than one of the above offices at the same time.

(c) The Oasis Shriners Board of Directors shall consist of the Elected (1-7) Divan officers.

§3.2 Elections

(a) The first seven (7) officers shall be elected annually, in the order in which they appear in §3.1(a), by majority vote, and constitute the Official Divan of Oasis Shriners. Candidates for elective office must be members in good standing of Oasis Shriners.

(b) A Noble may not succeed himself as Potentate of Oasis Shriners, except when the individual has been elected in accordance with the bylaws of Shriners International, and then only for one additional full term.

(c) A Noble may not serve as Potentate of Oasis Shriners unless he shall first serve at least one term as either Chief Rabban or Assistant Rabban of Oasis Shriners

§3.3 Appointments

(a) The other officers named in §3.1 (a. 8-13) shall be appointed by the Oasis Potentate.

§3.4 When Elected - Oasis Shriners shall elect its officers, Imperial Representatives and other representatives at the December Business Meeting, and they shall be installed at the Annual Meeting in January.

§3.5 Ballot

(a) Election of officers shall be by a majority vote of those present and voting. When there is more than one candidate for election to a particular office, a separate written ballot is required. A blanket ballot is prohibited.

(b) The ballots cast in any contested election for Oasis Shriners office shall be retained in the custody of the Recorder for a period of 90 days following the election, after which they may be destroyed, unless the Imperial Potentate otherwise orders.

§3.6 Time of Election - Nominations must commence no later than 9:00 p.m. and when that hour arrives, all other business must cease and none may be transacted until the election is concluded.

§3.7 Nominations - Candidates for office and representatives must be placed in nomination from the floor. Nominating committees are prohibited.

§3.8 Representatives

- (a) Shriners International Representatives of Oasis Shriners are to be balloted on by a single written ballot.
- (b) A majority of Nobles present and balloting is necessary to elect each of four (4) Representatives.

§3.9 Election Regulations - The printing, publication, circulation of distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, cards or other devices, by a Noble, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in Oasis Shriners are prohibited.

§3.10 Vacancies - An office becomes vacant in the event an officer or Representative dies, resigns, moves and resides permanently outside the jurisdiction of Shriners International, is suspended, expelled or adjudged mentally incompetent, is physically incompetent or enters a plea of guilty to a felony or any criminal offenses involving moral turpitude.

§3.11 Filling Vacancies

- (a) If a vacancy occurs before July 1st, a special election to fill it shall be held within sixty (60) days after it occurs.
- (b) Any vacancy that may occur by the promotion of any officer at any special election may also be filled at that election.
- (c) If a vacancy of an appointive officer occurs, it shall be filled by the Oasis Potentate.
- (d) A Noble cannot be compelled to accept an election or appointment to office.

§3.12 Filling Vacancies of Particular Offices - If the vacancy is in the office of an elected Representative, and time is not sufficient to call a special election, the Oasis Potentate shall appoint a Representative until the end of that term.

§3.13 Obligations for all Officers - The officers of Oasis Shriners must take the obligation as required by Shriners International Bylaws.

§3.14 Installation

- (a) The officers of Oasis Shriners shall be installed at the Annual Meeting in January following their election in December.
- (b) They shall assume the duties of their respective office upon installation.

Article IV Duties of Shrine Officers

§4.1 Potentate - The Potentate will execute those duties and responsibilities set forth in the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation.

§4.2 Chief Rabban - The Chief Rabban will execute those duties and responsibilities set forth in the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation.

§4.3 Assistant Rabban - The Assistant Rabban will execute those duties and responsibilities that may be assigned to him by the Oasis Potentate.

§4.4 Recorder - The Recorder will execute those duties and responsibilities set forth in the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation.

§4.5 Treasurer - The Treasurer will execute those duties and responsibilities set forth in the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation.

§4.6 Director - The Director will execute those duties and responsibilities as set forth in the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation.

§4.7 Board of Directors

- (a) The Board of Directors consists of the Oasis Shriners elected Divan officers and is the governing body of Oasis Shriners.
- (b) The Board of Directors will execute those duties and responsibilities set forth in the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation.

§4.8 Delivery of Oasis Records - Each officer will deliver all books, papers and other property of Oasis Shriners in his hands to his successor in office or to such person and at such time as the Potentate of Oasis may direct.

Article V Property

§5.1 Title of Property - The title to all the real and personal property of Oasis Shriners shall be vested in the corporate name of Oasis Shriners, a corporation which was duly incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly of North Carolina on February 20, 1901.

§5.1 Conveyance of Property

- (a) All deeds, bills of sale, deeds of trust, chattel mortgages and other instruments of conveyance of any of the property owned by Oasis Shriners and executed in the corporate name of Oasis Shriners shall be signed in the name of said corporation by the Potentate and shall be attested by the Recorder, and shall have the corporate seal of Oasis Shriners impressed on such instrument of conveyance.
- (b) No real property of Oasis Shriners may be conveyed and no instruments of conveyance may be executed by Oasis Shriners in its corporate name without first being approved by two-thirds (2/3rds) of the Board of Directors, after which first it shall be presented to the membership at a Stated or Special Meeting of Oasis called by the Potentate for the purpose of considering and passing upon the question as to whether said property may be conveyed by Oasis Shriners. Passage of the question shall require two-thirds (2/3rds) of the members present and voting in the affirmative by written ballot.
- (c) This Article will be governed by the Bylaws of Shriners International.

Article VI Membership

§6.1 Prerequisite for Membership

- (a) A petition may not be accepted from a candidate unless he is in good standing as a Master Mason of a Blue Lodge recognized by and in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America.
- (b) Single Prerequisite: Oasis may not add or take from the qualifications for membership as fixed by Shriners International Bylaws.

§6.2 Petition

- (a) Each Petition for membership shall bear the written recommendation of two members of Oasis Shriners in good standing. By affixing their signatures, they are certifying that the petitioner is of good character to become a member of Oasis Shriners.
- (b) Each petitioner for membership shall present a photo-copy of his current Masonic Blue Lodge membership card showing he is a member in good standing.

§6.3 Residence

- (a) A petitioner must be a resident for at least six (6) months in Oasis Shriners jurisdiction, unless a waiver or special permission is established with the petitioners jurisdictional Shrine Center. (b) Any member of the Armed Forces or Diplomatic Service of a confirmed Shrine ‘State’ Nation may petition Oasis Shriners if he is stationed within the jurisdiction of Oasis Shriners without reference to his actual place of residence, and thereupon, after election as provided in §6.4, may be elected and become a member of Oasis Shriners.

§6.4 Balloting

- (a) Subsequent to a report on a candidate’s petition, the ballot is passed, and if less than three (3) black balls appear, he is elected.
- (b) If the ballot reveals four (4) or more black balls, the candidate is rejected. If the ballot reveals three (3) black balls, another ballot is passed immediately. If three (3) black balls appear a second time, the candidate is rejected.
- (c) A written objection, signed by no less than four (4) members of Oasis Shriners in good standing, presented to the Potentate or Recorder prior to the time of balloting is commenced, has the same effect as an adverse ballot.
- (d) After the balloting is completed and the candidates are declared elected and

notified, no objection made thereafter with respect to the candidates may be considered, unless ordered by vote of Oasis Shriners.

(e) A rejected candidate may not apply again for thirteen (13) weeks.

\$6.5 Retention of Membership

(a) In order to retain membership in Oasis Shriners, a Noble must maintain the prerequisite requirements as set forth in \$6.1.

(b) If a Noble loses his membership in the prerequisite body for any cause, except as provided by Shriners International Bylaws, he loses his membership in Oasis Shriners until restored to good standing by the prerequisite body, whereupon he is restored to good standing without vote of Oasis Shriners. He may not be charged with dues to Oasis while deprived of membership.

(c) Any member that is in arrears with his dues, suspended or expelled from Oasis Shriners is ‘not in good standing’ and without any ‘rights of membership’ and is thereby ineligible to

1. Be elected, appointed or installed as an officer of Oasis Shriners, a Club, a Unit or a Committee, nor remain in that position upon such sentence
2. Participate in a Shrine or Civic Parade as a Unit member upon such sentence
3. Be admitted to any Stated, Special or Ceremonial meeting
4. Vote during any procedural matters before Oasis Shriners

(d) Suspension from Oasis is subject to the provisions of the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation.

\$6.6 Suspension or Termination of Membership

(a) Rights of membership in Oasis Shriners are suspended by:

1. Voluntary demission upon payment of all indebtedness, assessments and voluntary obligations to Oasis Shriners, or
2. Suspension for non-payment of dues, or 3. Suspension for other cause.

(b) Membership is terminated by:

1. Voluntary resignation upon payment of all indebtedness, assessments and voluntary obligations to Oasis Shriners, or
2. Suspension for non-payment of dues, or 3. Suspension for other causes.

(c) Upon request, a demit will be issued to a member of Oasis if:

1. He is in good standing.
2. Free of charges.
3. Free from indebtedness, assessments and voluntary obligations to Oasis Shriners.

\$6.7 Life Membership

(a) A Noble in good standing may be granted Honorary Life Membership, not inclusive of Hospital Levy and Per Capita Fees, for meritorious service to Oasis and to the Shriners Hospitals for Children on recommendation by the Potentate and upon two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of the Nobles at a Stated Meeting.

(b) A Noble in good standing shall become an Oasis Life Member beginning the next year after his years of age plus (+) years of service are equal (=) to one hundred and thirty (130) years.

(c) An Oasis Life Membership may be obtained by purchase or gift for a single payment of twenty (20) times the annual dues amount of Oasis Shriners. All money received from a prepaid Life Membership shall be placed in a trust and only the income from such fund shall be withdrawn; but upon the death of any prepaid Life Member, an account equal to the sum paid by him may be transferred from the trust fund to the General Fund of Oasis Shriners.

(d) Oasis Life Members shall pay the Shriners International Per Capita fee and the Hospital Levy to Oasis Shriners.

(e) A Shriners International Per Capita Life Membership may be obtained by paying 30 times the annual Per Capita amount

(f) A Permanent Contributing Life Membership may be obtained by paying 30 times

the annual Hospital Levy amount

(g) A Total Life Membership may be obtained by the combined purchase of \$6.7 (c, e-g)

\$6.8 Honorary Membership – An Honorary Membership may be conferred by Oasis Shriners upon any member of the Order of Shriners International in good standing as a compliment by a majority vote of those present and voting at a Stated or Special Meeting. This membership confers no rights or privileges. The issuing of yearly membership cards to honorary members is prohibited.

\$6.9 Emeritus Status - Upon recommendation by the Potentate, Emeritus Status may be bestowed upon a member of Oasis by two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of those members present and voting at a Stated or Special Meeting. A member shall have served at least ten (10) years in the office for which he is being considered as an Emeritus member before such status is conferred. Upon adoption, the Emeritus member shall receive all rights and privileges of the officers of Oasis Shriners.

\$6.10 Remit - A member of Oasis Shriners may have his dues remitted if just cause is shown as to why they should be. If a member’s dues are remitted, Oasis shall pay for the member’s Hospital Levy and Per Capita amounts to Shriners International.

Article VII Dues and Fees

\$7.1 Initiation Fee

(a) The initiation fee shall be determined at a Stated or Special meeting of Oasis Shriners after notice has been given to each member stating the proposed amount of the initiation fee and a 2/3rds affirmative vote by the members present. The prevailing cost of a petitioner’s fez, lapel pin, hospital levy and annual per capita amount shall be included in the initiation fee and shall be collected prior to a candidate’s initiation.

(b) There shall be no fee for affiliation with Oasis Shriners.

(c) A member associating with Oasis Shriners shall pay the current year’s dues but shall not pay a Hospital Levy or Per Capita fees.

\$7.2 Dues

(a) The annual dues of Oasis Shriners are determined by a 2/3rds affirmative vote by the members present and are payable in advance, prior to January 1st of the year they are for.

(b) The annual dues of Oasis Shriners may be amended from time to time by following the procedure as set forth in the Bylaws of Shriners International.

(c) In addition to Oasis Shriners annual dues, there will also be Per Capita and Hospital Levy amounts as determined by Shriners International. All such monies are payable in advance before January 1st by all members.

(d) A member shall be suspended for non-payment if his dues have not been paid by December 31st of the current year.

Article VIII Discipline

\$8.1 Jurisdiction - A Noble is subject to discipline by Oasis Shriners, or by a Shrine Center within whose jurisdiction he resides, for conduct unbecoming a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.

\$8.2 Procedure - Any Noble complaining against another Noble of conduct unbecoming a Noble must state the nature and character thereof in writing, sign the complaint and deliver it to the Potentate of Oasis. The Potentate and Oasis Officers, upon receipt, shall adhere to Article 30 of the Bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation, thereafter.

Article IX Miscellaneous

\$9.1 Fiscal Year - The fiscal year of Oasis Shriners shall terminate on the 31st of December each year.

§9.2 Admittance - No officer or member of this or any other Shrine Chapter shall be admitted to any Session or Ceremonial of Oasis Shriners except on presenting a valid Membership Card for the current calendar year, indicating that such Noble is in good standing.

§9.3 Questions - All questions before Oasis Shriners except those as provided for by these Bylaws, General Orders, Shriners International Bylaws and amendments to those Bylaws shall be determined by a majority vote of the members of Oasis Shriners who are present.

§9.4 Employees - The Recorder will hire personnel with the approval of the Board of Directors.

§9.5 These Bylaws Are Governed by the Bylaws of Shriners International. Any wording in the Oasis Shriners Bylaws that refers to content issued by Imperial or Shriners International shall be upheld in accordance with the Bylaws of Shriners International.

§9.6 Severability - The doctrine "severability" will apply to these Bylaws. In the event of an inconsistency between these bylaws and the bylaws of Shriners International, the bylaws of Shriners International shall prevail and supersede these bylaws.

Article X Government of Oasis Shriners

§10.1 These Bylaws, when duly adopted by Oasis Shriners and when duly approved by Shriners International shall, together with the Shriners International Bylaws and General Orders by the Imperial Potentate shall be the only laws and regulations. Recommendations and orders heretofore made by Potentates of Oasis are hereby rescinded and declared to be null and void.

§10.2 No order or Recommendations made by any Potentate of Oasis Shriners shall be binding upon subsequent Potentates of Oasis Shriners.

Article XI Adoption and Amendments

§11.1 Adoption - These Bylaws shall become adopted once approved by a two-thirds (2/3rds) affirmative vote of the members of Oasis Shriners who are present and voting.

§11.2 Amendments - The Bylaws shall not be altered or amended except upon the submittal of such proposed amendments in writing at a regular session of Oasis Shriners. The proposed amendment(s) shall be entered upon the minutes of that Session. At the next Regular Session or a Special Session called for that purpose, the proposed amendments as made available to all members per §2.5 'Notice' shall be taken up for action and shall be adopted only upon two-thirds (2/3rds) affirmative vote of the members of Oasis Shriners who are present and voting.

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Robert Moye	Greensboro, N.C.	5/25/68	6/17/17
Kenneth Barber	Jamestown, N.C.	1/11/75	4/22/17
Gene Saine	Lincolnton, N.C.	11/11/78	6/18/17
Billy Estes, Jr.	Matthews, N.C.	11/2/91	9/17/16
Stephen Smith	Reidsville, N.C.	5/24/75	6/12/17
William Etherton	Hendersonville, N.C.	10/20/50	3/23/16
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Jack Baynes	Reidsville, N.C.	11/8/80	5/24/17
Bill Self	Rutherfordton, N.C.	3/30/17	7/30/17
Harry Sturgis	Gastonia, N.C.	5/15/47	11/8/16
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