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# Your Potentate

**We Are All One in 2021 and Our Shrine Kids are number One!**

Wow, it is hard to believe it has been since November 2nd, 2019, that

Oasis had a full ceremonial! In Maggie Valley the good Lord above gave us an awesome weather weekend and the Nobility and Ladies were ready to get out and fellowship. We had a great time, and the parade in downtown Waynesville was a hit with the locals.

We came back home with 38 new Nobles and look forward to their becoming active within our Fraternity. I had the privilege on naming our Maggie Valley Ceremony Class Honoree- Noble Brian C Huffman, who is the current President of the Winston Salem Shrine Club and Desert Rangers member.

I would like to thank our Divan for making Maggie a ceremony to remember for Lady Kelly and me. Our 1st and 2nd Ceremonial Masters, Master of Ceremonies, Oasis Chaplin, Chief Aide, Potentate Aides, Ceremonial Aides, Director and Director Assistant, Directors Staff, Ritualistic Staff, and the Oasis Band for a great Ceremony performance. I cannot thank the Clubs and Units enough that pulled together, hosted a Hospitality Crawl on Friday night, and what a job by Oasis Hospitality Team lead by Chairman Noble Dennis Grigg and Lady Terri. I could not be prouder of all for adapting and helping when asked with no hesitation.

The Oasis Drum & Bugle Corp. figured out how to motivate everyone on raising money for the Ladies project of sending approved Shrine patients to Victory Junction Camp for a weekend. They raised \$2045 by selling rubber duckies, and had the Divan get into Jacob Creek to catch the winners. Yes, it was cold! Congratulations went to Noble Fred Medlin of Catawba County Shrine Club who won a special basket of goodies. The Oasis Hospitality Team not only provided refreshments all weekend, they raised \$1255 for the Ladies Project in a drawing for beautiful handmade gavels.

Okay, now to look forward. We have our “Putting on the Ritz Black Tie Ceremony” recognizing our current and 2020 Grand Masters of NC in Greensboro on July 31st, and the Potentate Scoot weekend August 19th thru 22nd. Then we move on to SASA at Myrtle Beach September 17th thru 19th. PLEASE read the ad inside this edition. I encourage you to visit the SASA website for detailed instructions pertaining to individual registration options. Oasis does not register on your behalf.

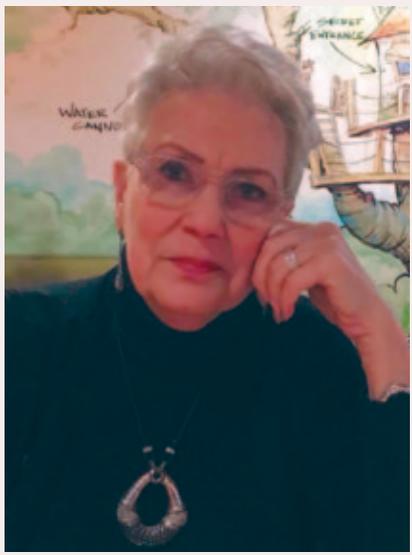
I would like to remind and share important Oasis Shriners fraternal fundraisers that are the responsibility of the Nobility to support our income. We have our annual Circuses, golf tournament, and we are excited to announce our first Rodeo! Please see ads and articles inside to learn more.

Your Divan, Lady Kelly and I look forward to seeing you and your family at our next events.

In closing, remember that “Life is a Journey... enjoy the Ride” in 2021!

**Illustrious Sir Tommy Helms and Lady Kelly**

## Kelly's Corner



Happy July to Everyone!

Kelly's Corner is designed to spotlight women in our Shrine Family who help make a difference in our organization—not only with their time, but also through the hard work that happens behind the scenes.

One of the Ladies I would like to spotlight this month is Edie Wilson, editor of the Desert Dust.

One of the things that a Shrine chapter must do, particularly when it comes to being able to recruit membership or get involved in its community, is put its best foot forward, so to speak.

Most will agree that Oasis Shriners have been doing that in style, thanks in great part to our incredible Desert Dust newspaper.

And for the last several years, we have one person to thank for doing such an amazing job putting all the news, views and accomplishments of our great organization in a way that shines our light while keeping the Nobility informed.

*This bio was penned by Noble Harvey Burgess*

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# Your Recorder

## Greetings Nobles, Ladies and Friends of Oasis.

What a great month since our last award-winning Desert Dust came out and spoke of the

openings we've been looking forward to. Well, we are here now and moving forward.

First, let talk about Oasis's first open ceremonial since the pandemic hit us in March of last year. WOW Maggie Valley was a blast. Nobles and their ladies started to roll in on Friday (after getting past the roadwork on I-40) and it looked like days of old.

Once there, attendees were greeted at the Smokey Falls Lodge by the best in the business, Oasis Hospitality lead by Noble Dennis Grigg, Lady Terri, and the rest of the team, for a social to end all. Then it was on to the clubs and units, who had put out some of the largest spreads of food and drinks that I have ever seen. The chartered bus was moving from stop to stop so all could visit, taste, toast and enjoy each location safely. All our new Nobles and Ladies were able to see why Oasis is the number one Temple in giving and comradery in all of Shrine. Great Job!

Saturday had us welcome 38 new Nobles into Oasis. It was great seeing our very own cast of characters back in action, the Oasis Ritualistic Cast doing what they do best. The Oasis Band and Directors Staff were all in full force, making this re-opening memorable. I saw some of our new Nobles from Land of the Sky there to walk the hot sands. After the installation, the town of Waynesville welcomed us by packing the streets for a downtown civic parade in Oasis style, of course. Wonderful job all.

Saturday night brought us back into Maggie Valley for the Potentate's Reception at the Elevated Mtn Distillery for food, drinks, live music and even a little singing tribute by the Divan to Illustrious Sir Tommy and First Lady Kelly. I will not go any farther on that issue, so if you want to

know more you will have to ask someone who was there. Thanks to Noble Donnie, Ladies Kim and Carol for the concept. FUN, FUN, FUN!

Next up was Family Fun Day at the Red Fez Shrine Club. If anyone has not had the opportunity to visit this one-of-a-kind facility, you are missing out and need to get there. We were greeted by this year's President Noble Donnie Wrenn and his Lady Kim along with members of the Board and those helping to put on a great event. Friday night was the legendary cook team food crawl. This was some of the very best appetizers I have seen. Each year these teams raise the bar that much more.

Saturday June 19th brought the BBQ cook off and judging. This contest had a couple of new cook teams enter this year and again, these teams did some of the most over the top cooking that I have ever seen. If you were unable to attend this year's outing, please make your calendar for next year's event. Trust me it will be worth it. Look for complete coverage of this event in the August Dust.

Please make sure to visit our newly improved Oasis website and take a minute or two to review it. Visit us at [www.oasisshriners.org](http://www.oasisshriners.org) and let us know what you think. This is your website for your Oasis Shrine Center.

Please make sure that if you know of anyone who would like to join Oasis, the next opportunity will be at the Greensboro Shrine Club located at 5010 High Point Road on Saturday July 31st. This is a formal black-tie event. Remember you MUST RSVP to Oasis HQ by calling 704-549-9600 by July 16th.

## On the Cover

Noble Jim Beaty rides in style with PP Johnny King

## Reminder

All ads & articles for the August edition of the Desert Dust must be submitted to **Edie Wilson** at [Ediewilson7@gmail.com](mailto:Ediewilson7@gmail.com) by August 10.

## Saturday, July 31st, 2021

Prime Rib Dinner - \$25.00 per person - Includes two drink tickets-Cash Bar

5:00 - 6:00 pm: Social Hour

6:00 - 7:00 pm: Dinner

7:00 - 7:30 pm: Introductions

7:30 pm: Non-Shriners excused – Hospitality Room

7:45 – 8:30 pm: Ceremony

8:30 - 10:00 pm: Social with Music & Dancing

After the Black-Tie event the next opportunity to join Oasis will not be until November 6th & 7th at your Oasis Center and Belmont. Let's work to get our membership number back up so we can regain our number one status.

I always like to close by remembering to thank GOD for all His glory, enjoy your family, stay safe, and be thankful every day for what you have and where you are. Hope to see you at Oasis soon. Until next month.

YITF

**John G. Cable**



## The Desert Dust

### Illustrious Sir Tommy Helms, Potentate

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### 2021 DIVAN

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**Assistant Rabban** - Doug Garland

**High Priest and Prophet** - Shea Fadel

**Oriental Guide** - Chris Hall

**Treasurer** - Bill Harward (PP-1998)

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**2nd Ceremonial Master** - Donnie Wrenn

**Director** - Jimmy Burgess

**Marshal** - Jimmy Owen

**Captain of the Guard** - Jack Wallace

**Outer Guard** - Tom Bridges

John Stanley (PP-1997) - Chaplain

### EDITOR

**Edie Wilson** - [Ediewilson7@gmail.com](mailto:Ediewilson7@gmail.com)

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That person is none other than Edie Wilson, who has worked hard to put our Nobles in the spotlight in such a way that has earned numerous accolades, including two Dromedary Awards, the highest prize awarded to the many newspapers and newsletters produced each year by Shrine centers around the world.

Edie and her husband, Noble Marty Wilson, have been fixtures in and around Oasis for some 30 years, not just for their participation in scores of Shrine events and activities, but as enthusiastic supporters of the Shriners Hospitals and all that makes our fraternity “the world’s greatest philanthropy.”

Edie began her association with the Desert Dust in 2001, when Illustrious Sir Bob Burroughs asked her to edit the publication for his year.

Since that time, she’s been DD editor for eight potentates and produced issues that won Oasis those Dromedary trophies in 2007 and 2020.

For Edie, the paper was a natural progression in a career that involved publishing, public relations and journalism skills in a variety of industries, including at one time, operating her own publishing company that provided writing and design services to a broad spectrum of businesses.

“It has been one of the major joys of my life to be involved with the Shrine and be able to use what I know to help Oasis and our Hospitals through our newspaper,” she said. “One of the proudest moments of my life was when Illustrious Sir Bill Carter presented me the Potentate’s Award of Excellence for what I considered just doing my job.”

And hers has been a life of many achievements, not the least of which was appearing on stage with Oprah Winfrey during her 2020 ‘Vision Tour’ after Edie had lost more than 40 pounds through Oprah’s Weight Watchers program.

Marty and Edie, who tied the knot at the Sands Restaurant in Oasis Temple, can still be seen frequently at Oasis events – and it’s pretty easy to spot her. You’ll learn real quick why she has a license plate that reads “SHES 5-11”.

When she’s able, Edie visits her son Jake and her two grandchildren in San Diego, Ca.

Potentate Tommy and Lady Kelly consider Edie one of Oasis’s treasures.

All you have to do is pick up a copy of ‘The Dust’ and you’ll see why.



# Oasis Shriners Schedule

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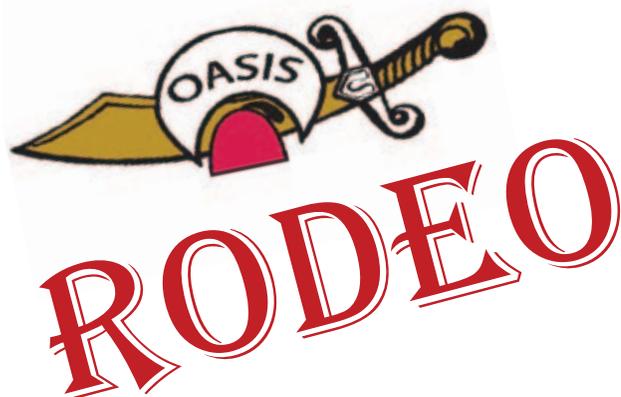
- JULY**
- 4th-8th Imperial Session Houston, TX
- 31st Divan Meeting in Greensboro
- 31st Black Tie Ceremonial Greensboro Shrine Club to Honor the Most Worshipful Grand Master of North Carolina Masons
- AUGUST**
- 6th & 7th Paper Crusade
- 13th Shrine 100 49th Race
- Gastonia Speedway **TBD**
- 19th-23rd Potentate Fall Trip Copperhead Lodge Blairsville, GA
- 26th Divan Meeting Oasis “Stated”
- SEPTEMBER**
- 16th-19th SASA Myrtle Beach, SC
- 19th Divan Meeting Myrtle Beach, SC
- 24 & 25th Grand Lodge of NC Annual Meeting Winston Salem, NC

- OCTOBER**
- 1st Oasis 2nd Annual Golf Tournament **TBD**
- 6th Hickory Circus at Hickory NC Ball Field
- 8th & 9th Concord Circus Concord, NC
- 8th & 9th Oxford Homecoming Oxford, NC
- 21st Divan Meeting Oasis
- 22nd & 23rd Rodeo - Smoky Mountain Event Center, Waynesville NC
- NOVEMBER**
- 5th & 7th Fall Ceremonial Oasis Shrine Center & Belmont NC
- 18th Divan Meeting Oasis
- DECEMBER**
- 4th Grand Master’s Installation
- 4th Oasis Shriners Annual Meeting & Officer’s Election Oasis Shrine Center
- 16th Divan Meeting “Stated”
- 2022 Divan Sworn in **TBD**
- JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2022**
- TBD** Club & Units Appreciation Night - Oasis Shrine Center
- TBD** Installation 2022 Potentate Oasis Shrine Center
- TBD** Club & Unit Orientation Oasis Shrine Center



## Don’t Miss These Upcoming Events

- July 10th  
**Gaston CSC Dice Run**  
**SEE PAGE 13**
- August 23rd  
**Red Fez Shrine Club Golf Outing**  
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- August 28th  
**Red Fez Shrine Club Casino Night**  
**SEE PAGE 15**
- September 4th  
**Winston-Salem Shrine Club Family Movie Night**  
**SEE PAGE 11**
- October 1st  
**2nd Annual Oasis Golf Tournament**  
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- November 20th  
**Winston-Salem Shrine Club 75th Anniversary**  
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THE OASIS SHRINERS CENTER AND  
NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL RODEO  
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## 1ST ANNUAL OASIS SHRINERS RODEO

### 2021 Advertising and Sponsorship Agreement

The Oasis Shriners Center will hold its first annual Rodeo on October 22nd & 23, 2021 at the Smoky Mountain Event Center located at 758 Crabtree Road - Waynesville NC! This will be the first NC Oasis Shriner Center Rodeo event in North Carolina and first rodeo event in Waynesville in many years. Clown acts and other family entertainment will be featured with...

- Bull Riding and Steer Wrestling
- Break-away and Tie Down Roping
- Calf and Candy Scramble for children
- Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riding
- Pole Bending and Team Roping
- Cowgirl Barrel Racing & Goat Tying

Your business has an opportunity to advertise at this first time event through sponsorship and/or program ad. Advertisement is Non-Tax Deductible and proceeds will benefit programs and growth at the Oasis Shriners Center.

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Logo Attached: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PROGRAM AD SPACE

- Full page (7 1/2" x 10") - \$200
- 1/2 page (7 1/2" x 5") - \$150
- 1/4 page (3 3/4" x 5") - \$100
- 1/8 page (3 3/4" x 2 1/2") - \$50

#### VENDOR BOOTH SPACE

- 10" x 10" space - \$150
- 20" x 20" space - \$225

Water & Electrical - \$75/night

#### EVENT SPONSORSHIP

**Center Chute Sponsor - \$2000** (1 available)

- Full page ad in program
- Center Chute gate banner
- Announcements during Rodeo
- Complimentary Rodeo tickets

**Chute Sponsor - \$1000** (4 available)

- 1/2 page ad in program
- Left or Right Chute gate banner
- Announcements during Rodeo
- Complimentary Rodeo tickets

**Event Sponsor - \$500** (10 available)

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- Arena banner
- Announcements during Rodeo

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# Maggie Valley welcomes Oasis



**AND WE WELCOME OUR NEW NOBLES!**



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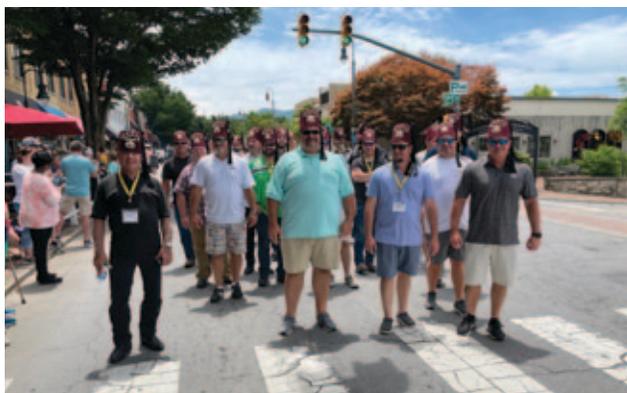



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# Oasis takes to the streets of Waynesville





Our web photo link:

<https://www.shrinephotos.com>

Click on the Oasis folder and you'll find Maggie Valley pics at the end.

# Noble Brian Huffman named Class Honoree

*Editor's note: This introduction of the 2021 Maggie Valley Summer Ceremonial Class Honoree was delivered by Ill. Sir Tommy Helms*

The Collins Dictionary uses the following words to describe the word "Noble."

- *having or showing high moral qualities or ideals, or greatness of character; lofty*
- *Having excellent qualities; superior.*

If you say that someone is a **noble** person, you admire and respect them because they are unselfish and morally good. These qualities can be used to describe the 2021 Maggie Valley Summer Ceremonial Class Honoree.

This Honoree is someone who has worked hard to overcome adversity throughout his life. At the age of 13, he was diagnosed with childhood leukemia. He has fought cancer and has been in remission on three separate occasions. During these battles, he has endured bone marrow treatments at Duke Medical Center and numerous radiation and chemo treatments at Wake Forest Baptist Hospital. He has battled and beaten this disease without complaining. He has accepted whatever obstacle life presented him and always found the positives. While most kids his age were playing sports and enjoying normal teenage activities, this individual was working hard to keep his grades up and graduate high school while battling Leukemia. This battle for his life caused him to want to be the difference in the lives of others. He continued his education and became a first responder. He worked with the Griffith Fire Department and became an emergency medical technician (EMT). He worked with Lifestar Emergency Services in Winston Salem as he attempted to give back to his community.

This honoree petitioned the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 2013. He became a Master Mason in 2014 at West Bend #434 Masonic Lodge. Noble Ronnie "Beatle" Bailey and Noble George Powers had previously known this young man and recognized the "noble" characteristics of this young Master Mason when they signed his petition to become an Oasis Shriner in November 2014.

After becoming a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, this honoree joined the Winston Salem Shrine Club and the Desert Rangers parade unit. He has served the Winston Salem Shrine Club as secretary and is currently serving his second year as president. He has worked hard to follow in the footsteps of his



grandfather, Noble Paul Barber who was a past president of the Winston Salem Shrine Club and a member of the Oasis Desert Rangers.

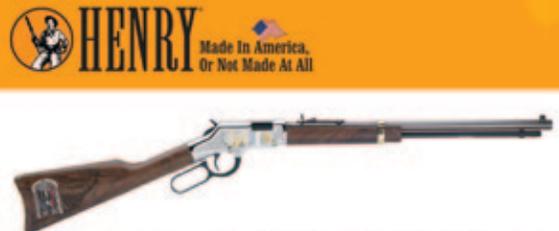
After being installed as the president of the Winston Salem Shrine Club, this honoree was diagnosed with cancer for the fourth time and the COVID19 pandemic forced Shrine clubs to change their normal routines. This honoree never backed down from these challenges and found new ways to lead. He established virtual meetings and called members of his club to ensure communication among members continued. Due to his leadership, the Winston Salem Shrine Club raised \$20,000 for Shriners Hospitals for Children during the Covid pandemic year of 2020.

He quietly continues his cancer battle but remains focused and positive--placing his grandmother, Lady Virginia Barber; the Winston Salem Shrine Club; Oasis Desert Rangers; and the Oasis Shriners at the forefront of his life. He refuses to complain and negativity is not in his vocabulary. He attempts to find ways to increase interest and membership levels for his Shrine Club and continues to lead virtual and in-person meetings at his club to keep the members safe.

He communicates regularly with Oasis Divan members and surrounding Shrine Club presidents to improve relationships and increase awareness of our hospitals.

This individual has completed several weeks of radiation and will begin chemo treatments starting June 7th. He chose to spend this weekend in Maggie Valley parading with the Oasis Desert Rangers instead of resting at home. He is passionate about celebrating the creation of new Nobles and welcoming their Ladies as they become members of the Oasis Shrine family!

His display of high moral qualities, character and community leadership as a Mason, Shriner and member of the Winston-Salem Shrine Club and the Desert Rangers - all while battling cancer - are among the reasons Noble Brian C. Huffman was named Class Honoree of the 2021 Maggie Valley Spring Ceremonial.



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# Divan maneuvers Jacob Creek to capture ducks



Congratulations went to Noble Fred Medlin of Catawba County Shrine Club who won a special basket of goodies.

**Photo credits:** C. Lee Abernathy, Carolyn Crawley, Les Dix, Edie Wilson

BRING OUT THE POPCORN!

## FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

SEPT. 4TH, 2021 - 7:45 PM TO 11 PM  
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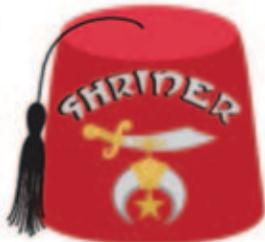
Oasis Chaplain PP John Stanley Shares God's word.



As this wonderful weekend comes to a close with Sunday morning worship, the Oasis family says farewell with hugs and handshakes. And, thankfully, there's not a mask in sight.

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## Hemmed In? *“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”* Jeremiah 29:11

Are some of us living in a Box?

As incredible as it may sound a Royal Navy Veteran, Alexander Whortley, lived at least

25 years in a green painted box in a garden in London. It measured 5 feet high, 4 long, and 3 feet wide--with an extension for his feet

He was quoted as saying, *“to keep women out.”* He paid no rent, or taxes and did not believe in insurance, pensions or governments. Whortley’s ‘home’ was listed in the *Guinness Book of World Records* as the smallest residence of the world.

Hopefully, none of us have chosen to live in a small box; however, some people we know are allowing themselves to be squeezed into narrow boxes of a different sort! They are hemmed in by an unforgiving spirit, bitterness, resentment, anger and/or sinful habits. They have a narrow vision, not seeing life as the prophet Jeremiah tells us that God has: *“plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”*

It is apparent that God wants us to live a most abundant and full life in the good news of the gospel of faith and freedom in Jesus Christ. To live the abundant life, we must move out of our spiritual boxes and abandon the doubt, the guilt and the fear that holds us in a small spiritual box.

We are grateful to God for blessings deeper than the sea, wider than the ocean. Every day is a day of Thanksgiving if we just keep our Gratitude Journal, writing down two things at the end of each day for which we are thankful. By the way, what TWO things are you thankful for today? Okay, now would you write those down? Yes, right now while we are thinking of them. Would you write two others tomorrow?

We hope you are well, and we wish you blessings and peace.

*John Stanley, P.M., P.P. is Chaplain of Oasis Shriners, Past Chaplain of SASA, and a Past Imperial Chaplain of Shriners International (appointed by Imperial Sir Al Madsen in 2012-13). Currently, he is Minister of Visitation of First Presbyterian-Gastonia. He can be reached at [jstanley1@carolina.rr.com](mailto:jstanley1@carolina.rr.com)*

## John Stanley announces retirement, remains an active Shriner



Recently, Oasis Chaplain and Past Imperial Chaplain John Stanley, P.P., in a letter to the Congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia, announced his retirement as Minister of Visitation, effective in the Fall of 2021. John said that he made the announcement several months in advance as First Presbyterian Church will be welcoming a new Senior Pastor in July, and John wanted to assure the new Pastor that he would be available for the transition.

In the letter John and Rose expressed their affection for FPC and their plans to retire to Scotia Village, a Presbyterian Retirement Community in Laurinburg, NC.

In a memo to the editor of the Desert Dust John said that he has assured Potentate Helms that his relocation from Gastonia to Laurinburg would not affect his duties as Oasis Chaplain, including the writing of the monthly Desert Dust Article. Further he said, “Oasis Shriners continues to be a significant part of our lives, and Rose and I would like to remain active in the fraternity and its philanthropy for as long as we are needed, regardless of where we live.”

We are certain that the Nobility wishes John and Rose all of God’s blessings in this new chapter of their lives.

## GASTON COUNTY SHRINE CLUB ANNUAL DICE RUN | JULY 10<sup>TH</sup>

**Start: 505 Pinkney Rd. Dallas, NC**

**Sign in: 10am - first bike out / last bike out 11am / Last bike in at last stop: 4:30pm**

**\$25 single bike  
\$5 passenger**

**Lunch will be served at end of run  
All non-rider - \$10 for meal**

**Best roll and worst roll  
for prizes, Door Prizes**



**Support the Gaston County Shrine Club  
and the Shriners Hospital for Children**



# “The Nobles have acted handsomely by us..”

## Remarks at the dedication of the new MHCO swimming pool by Speed Hallman

*Editor's note: PGM and Oasis Shriner Speed Hallman, vice-chairman of the board of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, delivered these remarks at the dedication of the Home's new swimming pool on May 22. The dedication was held to honor donors to the pool project. North Carolina's three Shrine temples, their members, clubs and units, were singled out for their generous support at a critical time in the development of the new pool.*

It's good to be with you at poolside on this beautiful spring day. I've been thinking about our experiences over the last year, and the parallels with the experiences of our brethren a hundred years ago. In 1921 the world was emerging from the dark shadows of a global pandemic and people were beginning to see the sun again. In America, we enjoyed that sunshine and renewed freedom so much, we busted loose. It was such a happy time that the ensuing decade came to be known as the roaring twenties. The year 1921, also marked a time of busting loose here in Oxford, when a sunny, splashy and life-affirming facility opened on the campus: The Shrine Swimming Pool.

In 1920, the same year the Shrine established its magnificent hospitals for children, our Oasis and Sudan Shrine temples voted unanimously to give a dollar per member to build a pool at Oxford. In

today's dollars that would be \$12 per member.

Shrine support for the pool made sense – a swimming pool for kids exemplifies the Shriners' passions for having fun and helping youngsters enjoy good health. And the pool was a hit. In 1922 *The Orphan's Friend and Masonic Journal*, predecessor to our *North Carolina Mason* newsletter, observed that the pool was “a thing of beauty and a joy during hot weather,” and that “in the very first weeks of use, a remarkable improvement in the general health of our children was discernable.”

In her book *Life at Oxford*, Nettie Bemis said the pool was the best thing the Home's children ever had. Miss Bemis wrote, “What a joyful sight that pool was, a thing of beauty. For true genuine enjoyment, nothing ever seemed to equal the sports at that pool.”

She added that the children had wanted a place to swim for years before the pool was built. The older boys, she said, liked to dam up the Thousand Dollar Spring at the back of the farm to create their own makeshift and muddy swimming hole.

A.B. Andrews, a past grand master and the first potentate of Sudan Shrine, observed in 1921 that “one who has sweltered in the heat of the past summer can well appreciate the joy, the happiness and the pleasure that this donation has meant to these orphan children.”

More recently – in 2021 – Kevin Otis, administrator of the Home, said the new pool was a Godsend while the world was locked down last summer. It gave our children opportunities for play that no other children in the area had.

*The Orphan's Friend*, in describing the Shrine gift, declared that “The Nobles have acted handsomely by us – as they always do.” The newsletter remarked that pools were once deemed luxuries, but now were considered necessary for the education and healthy growth of children.

What was true then is true now. There is nothing new under the sun, and for a child under that hot summer sun, nothing beats the relief of a swimming pool. The Home's old pool just wouldn't hold water anymore, and once again our generation was called on to make life better for the children in our care. I'm proud of our response.

Water is miraculous – a gift from God – and it's the most abundant substance on the planet. Together with sunshine, it gives us blue skies, rainbows – and life. “If there is magic on this planet,” the philosopher Loren Eiseley said, “it is contained in water.” Friends, there is a boatload of magic in this swimming pool. It cools, refreshes and transforms its users in the most pleasant manner on a blazing summer day.

There is magic in giving, too. The act of giving transforms and uplifts the giver – it's a fact that people who give are healthier and happier – so every contributor to this pool is blessed by this bond with children at play.

We thank North Carolina's three potentates and all Shriners for their past, present and future support of our Home, and we hasten to add our thanks to the many others – individual donors, lodges, chapters, alumni, staff, businesses, foundations, a scout troop, an Optimist Club, and more – the hundreds of people whose generosity added this sparkling and joyous place to the campus. The names of donors will be displayed here, but I must single out one individual: Chairman of the board, Past Grand Master and Noble Dewey Preslar. He knew the children needed a new pool, and he insisted that we quit talking about it, and build it. He acted on faith to meet this need and he led us to this glorious day. He owns and delivers his Masonry, and we are grateful.



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# An update from your Oasis Watchmen..

Greeting Nobles and Ladies,

This month your Oasis Watchmen will introduce you to our Oasis Event/Property Manager Team.

As many of you know, Claudie Strickland had worked for Oasis for 25 plus years as our Event Manager/Coordinator. In 2020 Claudie made the decision he would retire so he could spend more time with his family. In previous Watchmen articles it has been mentioned, Illustrious Sir Tommy Helms had asked me, Tim Farris, to oversee the rentals at Oasis. With the retirement of Claudie and the shutting down of the country due to the COVID pandemic, we went to work attempting to find the right person or company for Oasis to take on the Event/Property Manager position.

After meeting with numerous folks and having many discussions, Oasis contracted with LJC Courier, LLC. to become our Event/Property Manager. LJC Courier, LLC is owned and operated by Shelton Creamer. Shelton was already contracting with Oasis setting up and tearing down events that Claudie had booked.

Shelton is an entrepreneur having several companies and partnerships. Shelton, knowing Claudie was retiring and knowing we were looking for someone to fill his role, approached us to let us know he was interested in pursuing the position. Shelton did have experience in property management but had never done the event management side. After Illustrious Sir Tommy and I interviewed Shelton and got his ideas on how he would promote the Oasis facility for rentals, Oasis entered into a contract with LJC Courier, LLC. Unlike Claudie who was an employee of Oasis, Shelton is entirely contracted. Due to the Covid pandemic rentals

at Oasis have been for the most part non- existence, but we are proud to report rentals have now ramped up to nearly pre COVID status. Shelton has hired Breanna (Bree) Richardson on a now part-time basis to work at the Oasis Office to help with the day-to-day task of promoting, showing, and overseeing the rental agreements for Oasis, and keeping the Oasis rental calendar up to date. Bree has a background in graphic design and copy editing.

Oasis also has a contract with Nikao Church, this contract was made in 2020 just at the beginning of the shutdown caused by the COVID pandemic. Illustrious Sir Bill Carter was instrumental in bringing Nikao Church to Oasis. We have renewed the contract with Nikao through 2021 with the hope the partnership will continue into the future.

Nobles, these rentals are very important to Oasis and YOU, for if it were not for the revenue these rentals provide our Shrine dues would have to increase exponentially. If you know of an individual or a corporation looking for a place to hold an event, please have them to reach out to the Oasis rental office - 704-549-9690 or email events@oasisshriners.org .

We your, Oasis Watchmen wish you and yours a safe, fun, and exciting summer.

Your Oasis Watchmen,

High Priest and Prophet Shea Fadel  
First Ceremonial Master Tim Farris  
Second Ceremonial Master Donnie Wrenn



THE OASIS SHRINERS CENTER AND  
NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL  
RODEO ASSOCIATION

PRESENT THE  
1ST ANNUAL OASIS  
SHRINERS RODEO

The Oasis Shiners Center will hold its first annual Rodeo on October 22nd & 23, 2021 at the Smoky Mountain Event Center located at 758 Crabtree Road - Waynesville NC! This will be the first NC Oasis Shriner Center Rodeo event in North Carolina and first rodeo event in Waynesville in many years. Clown acts and other family entertainment will be featured with...

- Bull Riding and Steer Wrestling
- Break-away and Tie Down Roping
- Calf and Candy Scramble for children
- Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riding
- Pole Bending and Team Roping
- Cowgirl Barrel Racing & Goat Tying

Advertise at this first time event through sponsorship and/or program ad.



August 28 – doors open @ 6:30pm  
Gaming starts at 7:00pm  
Roulette, Poker, Silent Auction,  
and More!!!



Ticket price: \$50 / includes:  
• \$5,000 Chips  
• Snack box  
• 1 'Fez Fizz' drink ticket

\*\*\* Limited Tickets Available \*\*\*

To purchase tickets:  
Paypal users: Scan the Paypal Code -> -> ->

All others: Email rflaevents@gmail.com  
for payment instructions



Scan. Pay. Go.

Red Fez Shrine Club  
16600 Red Fez Club Rd  
Charlotte, NC

# The original MASH unit *The Story of an unsung hero*

by Paul Whitfield, PP

The most massive invasion in human history. One hundred seventy six thousand troops, mostly American and British, stormed the beaches of Normandy on D-Day, the 6th of June 1944. Dr. Charles Van Gorder, potentate in 1979, was one of ten surgeons sent with the troops. Actually Dr. Van and his surgeons were aboard a glider that crash-landed in a field just beyond the beach.

They were immediately surrounded by death and serious injury. They set up the first field hospital which was later memorialized by the 70s TV show "MASH." They worked round the clock 24/7 insofar as possible. They worked until they fell exhausted. Story is that Dr. Van once fell onto the body of his surgical patient out of absolute exhaustion. Ten surgeons with 176,000 troops—and their job was to somehow do it all.

They followed the troops as they slowly worked their way westward toward Berlin—their ultimate destination. At some point near the German border the doctors were captured and carried by rail car to the Russian front. The car was so crowded that they took turns sleeping on the floor and standing while others slept. The Germans for some reason kept them locked in the car for

three days before releasing them. No one said why except that Hitler had massive casualties on the Russian front and probably needed the medical help. Hitler had made the mistake of attacking Russia in the winter of 1944. Napoleon had made the same mistake more than 100 years before. In the confusion at the front, Dr. Van and his friends managed to escape. They worked their way back to the west across Poland. As they went they stopped at each Polish town or village and helped local doctors minister to the wounded. Hitler had tried his best to kill the entire Polish military and most Polish males, even as he dealt similarly with the Jews, gypsies, Masons and homosexuals.

At war's end, Dr. Van returned to Andrews where his parents had chosen to retire. The town had no doctor and no hospital. He decided to set up practice and built a small medical clinic with a partner. The clinic slowly fashioned itself under Dr. Vans leadership into a 23 bed hospital. Everyone in Andrews called him Dr. Van, and later so did everyone in the Shrine. He was greatly beloved in Andrews and throughout western North Carolina. The Temple honored him ten years later by dedicating a weekend ceremonial in Andrews to him. Truly an unsung hero that no one knew as such.

## Putting on the Ritz **BLACK TIE CEREMONY**

Oasis Shrine Summer Ceremony to honor our Grandmaster of Masons in North Carolina



**GREENSBORO SHRINE CLUB**

5010 HIGH POINT DR.,  
GREENSBORO, NC 27407

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Saturday, July 31st 2021

Prime Rib Dinner - \$25 per person (includes two drinks) | Cash Bar

\*\*\*Must RSVP by July 16th, 2021 | Oasis HQ 704-549-9600\*\*\*

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| 5:00 - 6:00 pm  | Social Hour                             |
| 6:00 - 7:00 pm  | Dinner                                  |
| 7:00 - 7:30 pm  | Introductions                           |
| 7:30 pm         | Non-Shriners excused - Hospitality Room |
| 7:45 - 8:30 pm  | Ceremony                                |
| 8:30 - 10:00 pm | Social with Music & Dancing             |

**\*\*Current Dues Card is Required at Ceremony\*\***

**\*\*\* Dress Code: Formal \*\*\***

Hotels- Grandover Resort & Spa 336-294-1800 or Comfort Inn Wendover 336-297-1055  
Use Oasis as code at either

# Gator Tales

Submitted by Lady Carolyn Crawley

June 2021 - It was so good to be back on the road to a Shriner "anything" over the weekend of June 4th – 6th, 2021. It has been a long-awaited dream during this confinement of COVID in 2020. Maggie Valley was just the right medicine to loosen us up, get us back in gear again for the Oasis Gator Patrol Guys and Gals from the Hickory-Newton area! We had a good number of our group staying at the Tanglewood motel: Doris and Allen Leatherman, Captain; Vickie and Kenny Jarrett, Past Potentate 2019; Laurin and Bill Carter, Past Potentate 2020; Larry Hale; Carolyn and David Crawley; Jamie Medlin and Monty Dobbins; Judy and Fred Medlin; Brenda and Larry Huffman; Brenda Horne and Wayne Yoder; Tracey and Jimmy Cline ... others of our unit: Terri and Dennis Grigg; Judy and David Bowman were staying up the road to work the Oasis Hospitality Tent. Our Catawba County Shriner buddies, Darlene and Zane Hudson, were the charter bus driver and "tour guide" for the club crawl on Friday and the candidate transport on Saturday. Catawba County Shrine Club was well represented!

Beautiful weather brought a great deal of outdoor fellowship wherever you went on Friday or Saturday, but especially for the parade on Saturday in nearby Waynesville. Line up time was 1 pm which gave us ample time for greetings, hugs and catching up with the other parade units as we waited for the 2 pm kick-off! The eight Gators and AL E. Gator made a nice representation moving down the main street. Kids loved our AL E. Gator (aka our own Danny Lyles, who drove up just for the Saturday parade) and who did a great job in the Gator costume!! We certainly appreciate the Shriners and Shriners' ladies and families who cheered us on during the parade on Saturday. We shared lots of Gator waves!

Gators enjoyed the weekend of fellowship, foods, hospitality, club crawls, Shriner parade, eating together, card playing, business meeting, duck race, dance, meeting the new candidates (now Shriners), the beautiful mountain weather and just being together again. Looking ahead to more Gator gatherings in 2021!

See ya' later, Gators!



TEE AD - \$100 • GOLD SPONSOR - \$250 • PLATINUM SPONSOR - \$600

**GOLFER - \$100 (\$400/team)**

*Includes Greens Fees, Lunch, Beverages and Prizes*

**8:00am REGISTRATION**

**9:30am SHOTGUN START**

**Captain's Choice Format**

***Raffle & Awards Following Tournament***

**Prizes for:**

- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place
- Closest to the Pin on all Par 3s

***For more information, call Clint Myers - 704.860.7436***



Al E. Gator shares a photo op with Sherrie Vandergriff, Oasis HQ Support/Membership

# News from the Red Fez Shrine Club

Nobles and Ladies:

A lot of improvements have been happening at the Red Fez Shrine Club – last month we focused on the clean-up around the club and this month I wanted to focus on the Pool! I asked Brother Matt Cullen to prepare a synopsis for us. But first, I want to shout out to Matt and Sabrina and to Sabrina’s family. They all pitched in together and painted the pool house! It looks amazing and we cannot thank them enough! It’s going to be a great summer thanks to hardworking members like Matt and Sabrina!

Noble Donnie Wrenn  
President RFSC



Hello Nobles & Ladies!

The Red Fez pool opened on Memorial Day weekend, and we welcomed the 2021 season without the onerous restrictions of 2020.

We have been hard at work cleaning up and making repairs to pass key inspection criteria. We have also had multiple workdays for some overdue repairs of the pool deck. On that note, I cannot express how grateful we are to those who showed up and donated their time and backs to make it possible. A special thanks to Noble Tim Morgan who led us on the new drain grate install that was quite an ordeal. His skills and equipment were beyond normal projects. Bravo.

More improvements are to come as the season progresses, and at least as of now, Noble David Wooten and I have planned a party for the 4th of July with food by the Saucy Bottom Boys. So stay tuned!

Looking forward to seeing all our members and your families this summer. God Bless the Shrine and these United States.

Be well,

Noble Matt Cullen  
Director of the Pool

# The Beat on the Street

*Marching & playing again*

Happy Independence Day to you and yours from the Drum & Bugle Corps Family. We hope that this month of July will provide all of us with plenty of opportunities to enjoy some of the many freedoms that we have.



We would like to send out congratulations and a big welcome to the newest of the Noble Brothers and their families who have recently joined our ranks in Maggie Valley. If you have not already, we would encourage you to begin looking into and visiting the many clubs and parade units within Oasis Shriners. We continue to believe that the more active you are, the better your personal experience as an Oasis Shriner will be. Naturally, if you even think you can play or learn to play a bugle or drum, our Drum & Bugle Corps Family would love to have you visit us.

Speaking of playing a bugle or a drum, our Corps was so happy to be back on the street in Waynesville on Saturday afternoon following the Spring Ceremonial. With wonderful weather and so many people along the parade route, the atmosphere was great for a parade! This parade and maybe for the first time ever we had an additional marcher with us. Filling the newly created, unofficial position of “Past Potentate Guard” was Finley Ham, the granddaughter of PP Todd Ham and daughter of our Captain Joey Ham. Miss Finley marched the entire parade along side of I.S. Todd. The Oasis Drum & Bugle Corps, .... “It’s a Family Thing” .... We invite you to talk to us and learn more!

A couple of other firsts happened for Corps Family Members during the parade in Waynesville. First, congratulations to Past Captain and 2021 Potentate, I.S. Tommy Helms

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**2ND ANNUAL OASIS GOLF TOURNAMENT**

*Oct. 1st 2021 | Woodbridge Golf Club*

Golfers, Hackers, Dew Sweepers, the 2nd annual Oasis Golf tournament will be held Oct 1st, 2021 at Woodbridge Golf Club. Located in Augusta like Kings Mountain, NC. This year we are excited to announce we will be having 2 start times that day (morning and afternoon). Lunch will be served in between rounds. The course is in great shape.

The only questions you need to ask is how much, where do I sign up to be a sponsor and “WHERE’S THE FIRST TEE AND THE COURSE RECORD”!! A flyer will follow.

# Club and Unit Bulletin Board

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

For more information:  
Noble Donnie Wallace, Captain  
Noble Gordy Peeler, Secretary (704) 223-1531



## OASIS YOUNG SHRINERS CLUB

BRANDON PENLEY - PRESIDENT  
THOMAS SUMPTER - VICE PRESIDENT  
ROBBY SAYE - SECRETARY/TREASURER  
If you are under forty and interested in joining -  
Contact [oasisyoungshriners@gmail.com](mailto:oasisyoungshriners@gmail.com)

## PAST CAPTAINS CLUB

Meeting 3rd Monday at 6pm  
Big Daddy's in Mooresville



Noble Peter Schuetz  
PC, President - 704-543-0695

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## Cabarrus Shrine Club

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Nobles, Ladies and Guests Welcome!  
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Contact Rich Hartman  
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[rohartman48@gmail.com](mailto:rohartman48@gmail.com)



## LEGION OF HONOR CLUB

Meetings: 3rd Thursday of the Month at the Golden Corral  
1053 Lenoir Rhyne Blvd SE Hickory, NC 28602



Don Greene • 828.226.6069  
[dongreene84@gmail.com](mailto:dongreene84@gmail.com)

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## The Greensboro Shrine Club

510 Gate City Boulevard (Formerly High Point Rd.)  
Greensboro, NC 27407

Check us out at [www.greensboroshrineclub.org](http://www.greensboroshrineclub.org)  
or call 336-707-6588 for information.

Gaston County Shrine Club  
505 Pinkney Road  
Dallas, NC 28034



JOIN US!



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

## Carolina Drifters

Captain  
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704-412-0120



## MT. MITCHELL SHRINE CLUB

Centrally located in  
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Join us and have a fun time while raising  
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FOR INFORMATION

704 221 9751  
[musicsolutions21@yahoo.com](mailto:musicsolutions21@yahoo.com)



# Club and Unit Bulletin Board

## Union County Shrine Club

305 E Phifer St, Monroe, NC

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



Contact President  
Bill Loeser  
910-759-0571

Be sure to "LIKE" our Moore County Facebook page  
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16600 Red Fez Club Road, Charlotte NC 28278  
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fezonlake@bellsouth.net



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CONTACT  
CHIP BURCH  
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INFORMATION

## OASIS SHRINE WAGONEERS



For info, contact: Freddie Dellinger, Captain  
980-522-6226

## OASIS SHRINERS CAMPING CLUB FUN - FOOD - FELLOWSHIP COME JOIN US!



Dan McCurry 704-813-8177 mcurrydc@gmail.com

The Hillbillies are lookin' fer ya!



If interested in joining, please contact Jack Devine  
@ 828-464-9886, or Gary Patterson @ 704-938-3930  
or Lee Moody @ 704-451-6151

## Winston-Salem Shrine Club

Meeting 1st Thursday of every month.  
Meal at 7pm followed by meeting.  
4909 Hampton Rd Clemmons, NC 27012  
Contact: Noble Benton Williams 336.392.2449  
Or Noble Brian Huffman 336.408.9718  
Wsshrineclub@outlook.com  
We'd Love to have you!

## Scouter Patrol



CAPTAIN GREG KEY 336-468-7358  
P.C. TERRY COX 336-509-6545

## SCOTTISH RITE MASONS

You are invited to attend our  
monthly meetings of the Scottish Rite

Where: Junaluskee Lodge,  
50 Church Street, Franklin, NC  
When: 2nd Monday of each Month  
Time: 6:00 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM Lodge  
Current Dues Card required for admission

## Latona Temple # 154 Daughters of the Nile

Working together to benefit the children  
of Shriners Hospitals

Contact Betty Parker, PQ at  
(704) 654-7108 or betty0340@bellsouth.net  
[www.daughtersofthenile.com](http://www.daughtersofthenile.com)

## DID YOU PLAY IN A HIGH SCHOOL BAND OR COLLEGE BAND?

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CAPTAIN - NOBLE  
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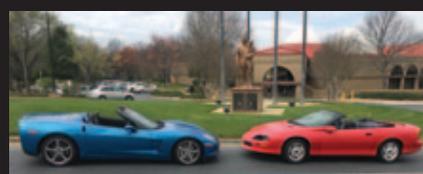
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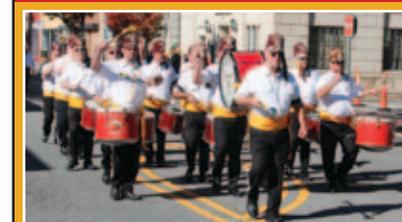
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Captain  
Scott  
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# Club and Unit Bulletin Board

## Oasis Oldies



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

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Bcimagedr@gmail.com**

## ASHE SHRINE CLUB

Meeting the 3rd Monday of every month

Contact Noble John Brown

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or Noble Alex Edmisten

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## HENDERSONVILLE SHRINE CLUB



Monthly meetings,  
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Dinner 6:30,  
programs,  
entertainment  
and fellowship

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We meet on the 3rd Thursday of every month at the Fairview Masonic Lodge #339 in Kings Mountain. The meal is at 6:30 and the meeting is at 7:00.

**President - Rusty Carringer / VP - Joel Summitt  
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### Beat on the Street continued...

on the occasion of being able to ride in one of those wonderful Oasis Ragtops for the first time! I.S. Tommy had a big smile as he was riding in a pretty white Mustang driven by Ragtops Captain Ken Kluttz. And yes, the Illustrious Sir did have a Potentate Guard marching along on each side. Another first was for our newest family member, Noble David Wheeler, as he marched and played a drum for the first time since joining our Corps.

The weekend was fun filled and successful for sure. The Drum & Bugle Corps had a lively hospitality room as a part of the crawl and Oasis Shriners has added 38 new Nobles to our ranks. Again, we welcome each Noble and their family. Hope to see you at many events and ceremonies in the coming years as an active Noble. We also send congrats to Lady Kelly and a thank you to everyone that participated in the "duck races". If you did not know, the race raised \$2,400.00 and Oasis Hospitality room raised \$1,300.00 for a total of \$3,700.00! This benefits Lady Kelly's fundraiser that sends Shriners Hospital patients to the Victory Junction Camp.

On Sunday, July 4th, we ask you to take a moment to remember the importance of Independence Day 2021. Our great Republic will be celebrating its 245th birthday. We are thankful for the many freedoms we have and are grateful to those that have taken a stand for liberty.

As each of our units and clubs gets back into doing whatever we do to raise monies for and awareness of our Shriners Hospitals, we send you our best wishes for success because, "When the Hospitals Win, We All Win!"

## Gentleman, start your engines

Members of the Moore County Shrine Club recently had the opportunity to participate in the Legacy Lake Shrine Parade.



The names of the drivers from left to right are: Bill Loeser, Mark Galyean, Rudy Spurlin, George Kress, Dean Carras, George Jepson, Tim Blackwell, Johnny Viet



# Honors

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**ATTENTION ALL NOBLES**  
**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**  
**ABOUT SASA REGISTRATION**



The 48th Annual Meeting of the South Atlantic Shrine Association will be held on September 15th - 18th, 2021 in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

As in past years, 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!!***

**Everyone must complete their own SASA registration per these instructions**

Register online or print registration form and mail with payment to: SASA Registration, 1643B Savannah Hwy #250, Charleston, South Carolina 29407 or email with credit card information to: [registerforsasa@gmail.com](mailto:registerforsasa@gmail.com).

Registration badges provided for noble and lady only. Widowed ladies may register at no charge. Nobles and ladies must present badge to attend ticketed events. All nobles who wish to parade must have a badge in their name at the parade line-up. If you do not have a badge in your name, you will not be allowed to participate in the parade.

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November 18th, 1946 *75th Anniversary* November 18th, 2021

November 20, 2021  
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Social  
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