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ON THE COVER: Members of the 2019 Sahib Shriners Divan at the Potentate's Ball. *Photo provided by Assistant Rabban David Walters*

Notes from your Divan

Potentate's Message



In 1870, a group of Masons gathered frequently for lunch at the Knickerbocker Cottage on Sixth Avenue in New York City. At a special table on the second floor, a particularly fun-loving group of men met regularly. Among the regulars were Walter M. Fleming, M.D. and William J. "Billy" Florence, an actor. The group frequently talked about starting a new fraternity for Masons – one centered on fun and fellowship more than ritual. Fleming and Florence took this idea seriously enough to do something about it.

Billy Florence had been on tour in France and had been invited to a party given by an Arabian diplomat. The exotic style, flavors, and music of the Arabian-themed party inspired him to suggest this as a theme for the new fraternity. Walter Fleming, a devoted fraternity brother, built on Fleming's ideas and used his knowledge of fraternal ritual to transform the Arabian theme into the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (A.A.O.N.M.S.).

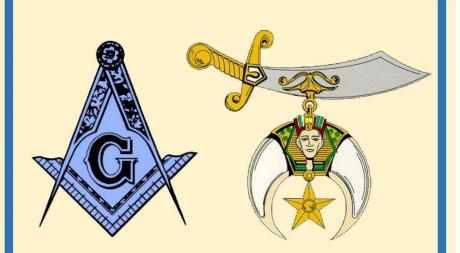
With the help of the Knickerbocker Cottage regulars, Fleming drafted the ritual, designed the emblem and costumes, formulated a salutation, and declared that members would wear the red fez.

The first meeting of Mecca Shriners, the first temple (chapter) established in the United States, was held September 26, 1872. As word got out about the fledgling organization, membership grew rapidly, spreading across the U.S. In the early 1900s, membership spread into Canada, Mexico, and Panama. Today, Shriners International is a fraternity with nearly 200 temples in several countries, thousands of clubs around the world, and hundreds of thousands of members dedicated to the principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth.

Peace be with you,

Bruce Porter

Bruce Porter Sahib Shriners Potentate 2019



SAHIB SHRINERS

Helping Hand

For several years, Sahib Shriners have assisted Nobles who were unable to pay their dues because of health, financial, or age-related issues.

Please stop by the Sahib Shriners office to help a fellow Noble you know needing assistance to remain on the active membership list.



STATED MEETING

THURSDAY MARCH 14, 2019

- 11:00 a.m. Fun & Fellowship
 - 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. Meeting Opens

2019 Dues Card and Fez Required No Short Pants



STATED MEETING

THURSDAY APRIL 11, 2019

- 11:00 a.m. Fun & Fellowship12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. Meeting Opens

2019 Dues Card and Fez Required
No Short Pants

2019 Pirates Baseball Volunteer Concession Program

The Manatee Shrine Club has agreed to again participate in the Pirates 2019 season's volunteer concessions program. There are 15 games in the months of February and March (see schedule below). Those MSC members interested in participating need to contact Leroy Hocking at 941-751-3548.

The training of volunteers is required and will take place a Liberty Lodge #31, located at 402 15th Street East, Bradenton, on Tuesday, February 12th at 6:00 pm. Pizza, supplied by the Pirates organization, will be served. **THIS TRAINING IS MANDATORY**. Food Handlers License, T-shirt and Parking Pass will be distributed on this date.

MSC volunteers will be asked to sign up for as many games as they can for the season. The more games served the more rewards earned for the MSC.

Pirates Spring Training Schedule

Game #	Date	Day	Game Start Time *
1	Feb. 24	SUN	1:05 pm
2	Feb. 25	MON	1:05 pm
3	Feb. 27	WED	1:05 pm
4	March 2	SAT	1:05 pm
5	March 3	SUN	1:05 pm
6	March 7	THU	1:05 pm
7	March 8	FRI	1:05 pm
8	March 9	SAT	1:05 pm
9	March 12	TUE	1:05 pm
10	March 14	THU	1:05 pm
11	March 15	FRI	6:05 pm **
12	March 17	SUN	1:05 pm
13	March 19	TUE	1:05 pm
14	March 21	THU	1:05 pm
15	March 23	SAT	1:05 pm

^{*}Need to be at the park by 10:00 am

^{**}Need to be at the park by 3:00 pm

RECORDER'S REPORT

By Ed Firquin - Recorder

Current February 2019

Total membership reported to Imperial Jan. 2019 ... 836

Gains:

Creations 1
Affiliations 0
Restored 1
Associates 0
Reversals 0

Losses:

Demits 0
Suspended 44
Expulsion 0
Expired 4
Assoc. Drop 1
AMD 0
Resigned 0

49 Net Gain/Loss = -47
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP ... 789

A Fan Letter from the Grand Lodge of Maine

Lady Margie Thomas, Sahib Shriners' Event Contract Specialist, wanted to share this letter of gratitude from a long-time client. For the last 16 years, the Grand Lodge of Maine has held their annual luncheon at our event center. Their last luncheon was February 10, and based on the following letter they sent, all the recent improvements at Sahib are having an impact.

"Hi Margie, want to compliment your total crew. The food was the best we have had since we started there 16 years ago. The help was excellent, and we really enjoyed our time there.

Yes, we would like to book for next year, same time."

■ Pete Forrest, Grand Lodge of Maine









SAHIB SHRINERS

Birthday & Anniversary Dinner Dance

"St. Patrick's Day"

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Music:

The Sensations

Choice of Entrée:

Baked Lasagna or Chicken Alfredo with Noodles

Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Dinner and Dancing: 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25.00 per person, including sales tax and gratuity
Ticket reservations <u>must</u> be purchased in advance.
No ticket sales will be made after <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 5</u>.
For reservations, call the **Ticket Box Office at 366-4449 ext. 320**

Nobles: Suit, Tie, and Fez. Ladies: Commensurate attire.

February Winners

Photos provided by Lady Pam Trudel



Lady Mary Fletcher



Lady Jeanne & Noble Gary Wonning

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PRMC CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO

Saturday March 9, 2019

After the Arcadia Parade

Special lunch from TT's Barbeque included!

Enjoy the rodeo in your special premium seats behind the bucking chutes (with special backs and arm rails)

Cost for the day is only \$50.00

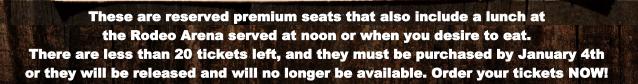
Tickets must be purchased by January 5, 2019
Limited to 28 tickets

Spend the day with your fellow nobles and friends participating in the Arcadia Parade followed by a fun filled afternoon at the All Florida Rodeo. This is special reserved seating in the new enclosed under roof arena. Will have reserved parking and building is handicapped accessible with elevator.

You don't want to miss the fun!

Contact Gary Fields @ 502-639-3911 for tickets or additional information.

Tickets can also be purchased in the office.



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Speakers Bureau / Thursday Lunch

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Mar 7 Lynn Lavigne-Quinn, Executive

Director of Hope Family Services

Mar 14 Stated Meeting – no speaker

Mar 21 Life Styles After 50

Mar 28 TBA





Chief Rabban Gene Marinelli (right) presents a certificate of appreciation to Past Master Chuck Clampitt of Mt. Etna Lodge No. 333 for his presentation on the history of our Masonic fraternity.

Photo provided by Noble Giles Light



SAHIB SHRINERS SPEAKERS BUREAU NEEDS YOU TO HELP US TELL THE STORY

- Schedule your clubs and organizations so we may educate more of the public about the Shriners Hospitals for Children.
- Schedule your Masonic groups so we may speak about the Shrine, its hospitals and the importance of keeping our Masonic families united and growing.

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Committee Member: Harold Eady



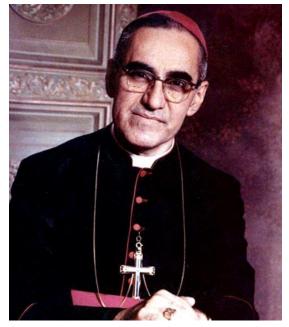
Chaplain's Notes

Lou Ortt, PM, Chaplain, Ihortt@verizon.net

Oscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador during the 1970s, wrote about how little of the Lord's work we actually do when compared to the magnificent enterprise that is the Lord's work. "No matter what we do—sermons, prayer, confession, visits, or church programs—always leaves more to be accomplished."

We do, however, according to the Archbishop, "Plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water the seeds already planted knowing that they hold future promise. We lay the foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that has effects far beyond our capabilities. We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest. We may never see the end results. That is the difference between the Master Builder and the worker. We are workers, not Master Builders. We are prophets of a future that is not our own."

As I read this, I could not but think of our Masonic fraternity and particularly our Shrine. We are planting the seeds of charity, faith, honesty, humility, and toleration as we support and work with and for our hospital system. Some of those seeds are planted and replanted. It is up to each of us to water, feed



Archbishop Oscar Romero

and nourish them so they may grow and flourish. We must continuously work to see our garden grow. The end results of many of our efforts may never be observed by those of us who make them, such as a child who, through the efforts of our system, was helped to stand straight and walk as he goes forth into the world.

Each of us is given the opportunity today to build a foundation for those entrusted to our care. If each of us contributes just a small amount to the seeds planted for us, we will be carrying out the work of the Master Builder. We can all be proud of being part of such a great system.

Thursday is Hot! Queen of Hearts Plus a Great Buffet

From Assistant Rabban David Walters

Queen of Hearts drawing is every Thursday night at 7 p.m. It has been an absolutely packed house for several weeks as the pot continues to grow.

Thursday Buffet. We have a \$13.99 all-you-can-eat buffet featuring smoked ribs, pork, and wings from our new smoker that gets rave reviews.

Play to win. You do have to be present to win the full prize (you get half the money if you win and are not present), but you can buy your tickets anytime. Because it is so busy on Thursday, lots of folks come by for lunch or dinner during the week and buy their tickets then. We offer a special deal: buy ten tickets on any day except Thursday and get a free draft beer or well drink!

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Floyd LaDue

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time: 7:00 p.m.

MANATEE SHRINE CLUB

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e-mail: pauliek23@gmail.com
meets: First Friday of each month
where: Peridia Golf & Country Club

4950 Peridia Blvd. Bradenton, FL 34203

time: 11:00 a.m. Social / 11:45 a.m. Lunch

12:30 p.m. Program

note: Reservation cut-off date is the

Friday prior to the meeting date

MOTOR CORPS SHRINE CLUB

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where: Sahib Shrine

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time: 7:00 p.m.

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where: The Olde World Restaurant

14415 S. Tamiami Trail North Port, FL 34287

time: 11:30 a.m.

note: Every Tuesday, breakfast served at 8:00 a.m.

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Venice, FL 34292

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where: Left Coast Seafood Co.

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Venice, FL 34285

time: 11:00 a.m. every 3rd Tuesday





Manatee Shrine Club

Paul Kline, President, pauliek23@gmail.com

We were pleased with what was our largest luncheon-meeting attendance in a long time as nearly 50 Shriners and Ladies gathered for the January 4 meeting at Peridia Country Club. As always, the food was terrific, the program interesting and informative, but what's always best is the fellowship and camaraderie with fellow Shriners.

For that meeting, there was a two-part program which consisted of a presentation by our Potentate, Illustrious Sir Bruce Porter, along with Brother Chuck Knapp, MSC and Sahib Temple's connection to the third annual fundraising opportunity with the Pittsburgh Pirates spring training program.

Illustrious Sir Porter shared with us some of his thoughts on Sahib's continuing to pick-up steam while moving the organization in a forward direction in 2019. Mr. Knapp provided an overview of our MSC's history in working (as volunteers for MSC) at McKechnie Field (originally), and now at the LECOM Stadium. Following a five-year absence, this is the third year that our Shrine club, as well as other of Sahib's



Welcomed at MSC's January luncheon-meeting were two "long time, no see" members, Nobles Bill Batten (left) and Dana Callanan (right). The "welcomer" in the middle is MSC's Charlie Titus.

Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline



The newly implemented Manatee Shrine Club "calling card." Have Shriners, will travel.

Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline

clubs, units and affiliations, is providing workers at the ballpark. The first year (2017), our work generated just under \$20,000, and last year (2018) we raised almost \$10,000. In 2019, we have a goal of raising \$25,000. As is obvious, to meet that goal we will need to

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"Easy does it, buddy," says Evelyn the baby alligator as "Gator Jim" displays his skills in handling reptiles. He won the heart of the young lady gator and she displayed her love for him by biting off two of his fingers. Overseeing the action is "Bawanna Jane."

Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline

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involve more volunteers, both Shriners and their families, as well as their willing friends and neighbors, and work twice as many hours during the six-week training session.

With one of MSC's primary goals for 2019 being to increase club membership, Ernie Ryder introduced the idea of a "calling card." Ernie's idea, with the design assistance of Russ Sexton, is to use the card to identify "us" when the opportunity arises. For example, if we see an automobile in a parking lot with a Masonic or Shriner designation, a card is placed under the windshield wiper. Also, when we come across a gentleman with a Masonic ring or a Shriner lapel pin, he is handed a card. We look forward to some positive results and we will keep you apprised of our success.

Our social last month was a tour of another one of Manatee County's treasured secrets: Mixon Fruit Farms.

You'll always *be* welcome at a Manatee Shrine Club luncheon-meeting, and you'll always *feel* welcome. We sure look forward to seeing you there!



Formally installing MSC's officers and board of director members is Sahib Potentate, Illustrious Sir Bruce Porter. Installed were (left to right) Dr. Russ Sexton (secretary), Ernie Ryder, Tom McGill (treasurer), Potentate Porter, Paul Kline (president), and Giles Light (1st vice president). Not included in the photograph is Charles Titus (director).

Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline



At Mixon Fruit Farms (back, left to right): Larry Strouse, Paul Kline, Jan Sexton, Janette and Leroy Hocking. Front row, left to right: Jim Gardner, Bawanna Jane, and Russ Sexton.

Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline



Visiting from Canada and attending the January luncheon-meeting is the family of one very proud Dave Hauraney. Pictured (left to right): Neil Hauraney; his wife, Nina; Noble Sheldon Kofsky from Rameses Temple, Toronto, Canada; Noble Dave; Lady Judy Hauraney; and Sheri Hauraney.

Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline



Attending a January, Thursday luncheon-meeting at our Sahib Temple are (left to right) Paul Kline, Giles Light, Dr. Mark Mason (Past Master, Liberty Lodge #412), Bill Gordon (Philae Temple, Halifax, Nova Scotia), Chris Hansen, Ernie Ryder, and Ron Shrum. Dr. Mason's topic was a presentation on the American historic figure Paul Revere.

Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline



Motor Corps Shrine Club

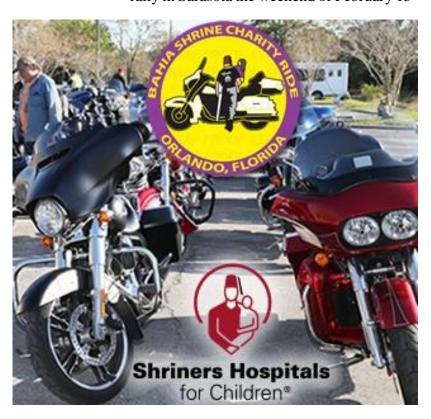
Giles Light (G-man), Secretary, gileslight@aol.com

It is March. We return to Daylight Savings Time on Sunday, March 10. St. Patrick's Day is Sunday, March 17. And spring is only three weeks away—Wednesday, March 20. For Motor Corps members, this means more time to ride in warmer temperatures and more sunlight. Perfect! If you had a motorcycle, you could join us.

Five of our members were in Cocoa Beach the first weekend of February for the Florida Association of Shrine Motor Corps (FASMC) Mid-winter Gathering. Representatives from Shrine Motor Corps units in Florida attended the event. As usual, everyone had a great time.

"Romp in the Swamp" was held in Okeechobee on February 8-9. A lot of activities were packed into the basically one-and-a-half-day event. Everyone who attended reportedly had a good time.

Several of our members participated in this year's "Thunder by the Bay" motorcycle rally in Sarasota the weekend of February 15-





17. This year's rally was the 21st anniversary for the event which was held at the Sarasota County Fairgrounds. Suncoast Charities for Children is the beneficiary of the proceeds.

Finally, several of our members have been practicing on the third Saturday of every month for FASMC competitions. There are two main types of competitions: parade maneuvers and the obstacle course. Everything has to be nearly perfect as our fellow Shriners in Tampa and Ft. Myers have been doing this for years.

A number of upcoming events are on our schedule for March. First is the annual Arcadia Rodeo Parade scheduled for Saturday, March 9. The Motor Corps expects to participate. Kickstands up at Sahib Shriners at 9:00 a.m., and the parade is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. This is a fun parade, even though the ride over and back is longer than the parade itself.

The 11th annual Bahia Shrine Charity Ride (formerly the Sam Swope Charity Ride) is scheduled for Sunday, March 10. This year's ride will begin at Bahia Shriners in

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Apopka and end in Sanford at Seminole Harley-Davidson. It begins with a breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and ends with a lunch shortly after the first bikes arrive. Several of our members will be headed over to Orlando to participate in the event. Sam Swope had been a great supporter of Masonic organizations and charities, including Shriners Hospitals. Last year more than 500 motorcyclists took to the road for a scenic 50-mile route.

The final big event in March is the Annual Pilgrimage Day at the Masonic Home of Florida. That is scheduled for Saturday, March 16 from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Members of the Motor Corps and the Widows Sons will be riding their bikes to St. Pete in

support of the event.

Congratulations to Jim McKiney (Slim Jim) who is the new 1st Vice President of the Sarasota Scottish Rite Club. We know he will do a good job, and maybe next year he can move to the top spot.

We have six Motor Corps members and their ladies with birthdays in March. They are: Bob Hammer (Hammertime) on the 1st, Les Ruggiero (Curli) on the 3rd, Lady Kelly Pace on the 15th, Jim McKiney (Slim Jim) on the 25th, Barry Hart (Policyman) on the 28th, and Lady Jean Ragsdale on the 29th. No anniversaries in March.





Above: Members of the Sahib Motor Corps enjoy participating in Shriners parades.

Right: Masonic Home of Florida.

Photos provided by Noble Giles Light



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TBD

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Odd months men only

meets: 3rd Thursday | Peridia Golf & Country Club | 5 p.m.

Even months men + mates invited

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Hospital Transportation

Dick Schmidt, Chairman, hospital@sahibshrine.org

The restructuring of the Shriners Hospital for Children - Tampa (SHC -Tampa) does not change the patients' treatments and care. What changes are the locations and these, in turn, affect Sahib Hospital Transportation. The identity of Shriners Hospitals for Children will remain foremost in this process. SHC – Tampa does not always meet the criteria set forth to be classified as a hospital. Among other things, a hospital must have so many beds. SHC -Tampa treats 90% of its patients as outpatients and does not require a full, costly, on-site hospital staff/facility. This same situation applies to a number of other Shriners Hospitals. When the smoke all clears, there will probably be four fullyfunctional Shriners Hospitals—total reduced from 22.

If the "Hospital" designation is forcibly

SAHIB HOSPITAL TRANSPORTATION REPORT

JANUARY 2019

The Hardest Working Shriners Unit

Van trips to Shriners Hospital for Children - Tampa (1 out-of-town trip, 2 cancellations, 0 parades, 0 service, 0 off campus, 0 airport)

728 van miles driven—3 vans

Nobles driving vans for patient trips:

Ed Cramer, PM Gary Schweinshaupt, KCCH

Ron Conner, PM Jim Pinson
Fritz Wise Paul Pante
Joel Furman Jim Gates

Jim Macdonald

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removed, there is a loss of payments by Medicare, Medicaid, and a significant number of insurance programs and providers. It makes the most amount of sense to reclassify and reorganize your own operation.

These location changes are based on two entities. They are University of South Florida (USF) and SHC – Tampa. USF wants the property now occupied by SHC – Tampa for an expansion of its athletic facilities; and SHC – Tampa needs to streamline its operations. USF owns the property the hospital is situated on, and Shriners owns the building. There exists a long-term lease agreement on the property. To free up the property, USF is in a position to buy the SHC – Tampa building, thereby voiding the lease.

Additionally, there is a new Motion Analysis Lab (MAL) being assembled adjacent to the Tampa International Airport (TIA). It is an advanced prosthetics facility to service the eastern half of the country with a similar facility being constructed on the west coast to service the remaining portion of the country. Being close to the TIA allows convenient access by international patients and service from all of the major airports in the eastern half of the U.S. and Canada. There has been discussion about extending the prosthetics expertise to include young adults and potentially some military.

On August 1, 2019, SHC – Tampa will provide outpatient services. All surgeries will

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be conducted by Tampa General Hospital (TGH). The process for handling patients will remain as they are. Off-campus services will be addressed as needed. Scheduling and referral of patients will not change. 1-800-237-5055 is still the number to call to get a new patient into the system. As the current SHC – Tampa facility and USF complete their business transaction, the clinical services will have a new base in a facility east of the Tampa area.

The surgical and clinic sections will be identified separately as Shriners Children's Pediatric Care Center. Tampa Hospital/Florida is the model of the changeover process as we are physically the closest to Imperial and easily-accessed for hands-on adjustments.

The Sahib Hospital Transportation unit will be asked to provide our patient service to the TGH for surgeries, MAL for prosthetics, off-campus services

(MRI), TIA for traveling patients, and the area clinic. Patient trip instructions will require closer attention by destination details, and the drivers will have to be aware of driving time allocations and varied procedures at the appointed destinations. The individual Shriners Hospital Transportation unit will have an increased burden of details and multiple locations. We are being advised that the appointment scheduling will remain as it is currently operating. We are not too sure how a combination appointment of clinic and POPS (Pediatric Orthotic and Prosthetic Services) will be handled using multiple locations, but we'll see.

There is the possibility of a medical relationship with University of Florida in Gainesville. Other areas of Florida and South Georgia will have arrangements with local hospitals and be set up with area clinics. A lot is still up in the air and will filter down as it is worked out.



Kechi: This is My Chance to Prove I'm A Champion

Submitted by Noble Harold Bell, transcribed from video

"My name is Kechi. I'm 28 years old. I live in Houston, Texas, and I am a singer. When I was 16 years old, I was in a plane crash that took the lives of 107 of 109 people aboard. I was the only kid who survived out of 60 kids from my school. It was one of the most painful moments of my life knowing that all those kids had lost their lives. I suffered third degree burns over 65% of my body. The doctors gave me a 30% chance of survival. In those moments, all I had was the next day and the next day and the next day. And I remember hearing my mom singing to me while I was recovering, and music became my ultimate distraction from what was going on with me. I had no idea that one day I would be standing on the stage of America's Got Talent and singing."

Simon Cowell: "You deserve your place here tonight not just based on your story but actually on your talent."

"Hearing those words from Simon changed my life. For the longest time, I've been recognized as a survivor. But being on *America's Got Talent* was the first time that I was recognized as a singer. *America's*



Got Talent showed me there is life after burns. I feel like I owe it to the kids that lost their lives in the accident to live in exemplary ways that would make those who we lost proud that we are here. That's why I'm here on America's Got Talent: The Champions. This is my chance to follow my dream, and I know what it means to actually be here right now. I didn't win last time, and I feel like I have found my voice. This is my chance to prove that I am a champion."



TEMPLE REPORT

Shriners Hospitals for Children Tampa Hospital Report reflecting December 2018 Indicators

Strategic Indicators	Month	YTD
Outpatient Clinic Visits	683	12110
Outpatient Surgeries	33	483
Inpatient Surgeries	16	228
Spine Surgeries	5	54
Inpatient Satisfaction	100.00%	
Outpatient Satisfaction	96.1%	
New Orthosis delivered	367	6625
New Prosthesis delivered	6	173
Seating Systems delivered	20	362
Volunteers	1,234 hours	17,233 hours
	148 volunteers	318 total active
Tours month of December	30	191 visitors
Year to date	343	2,397 visitors
Donations and Grants	\$995,406.91	\$3,677,550
Hospital Budget	\$18,708,000.	



Past Masters

Gary Wonning, President, cmdr07@gmail.com

It has been said the purpose of Masonry is to make good men better. In all actuality, Masonry can only provide the working tools to make good men and good women better. It is for the individual to decide how he can best use the tools provided for him.

One should never abandon their Masonic lodge and should attend regularly. However, there are many other avenues to pursue to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection, both in the lodge and the appendant bodies around it.

The DeMolay and Rainbow Girls always need adult guidance in their great and good work. If your spouse wants to get involved, Eastern Star is an excellent avenue. You can go too, and be an officer.

The Shriners have many opportunities to serve and have fun at the same time. If you are a boater, there is a boating unit. Want to be a hillbilly, a clown, or are you from Kentucky (or do you want to be)? There are many options available. Veterans are always welcome in the Legion of Honor and Sojourners. If you would just like to greet people as they enter the building, and you're maybe not as mobile as you were at one time, the Greeters may just be the group for you.

The Shrine also has women's groups, such as Ladies of the Shrine and Daughters of the Nile. The list goes on and on. You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink. You have been to the well. Are you ready to take a drink?

Several of the Past Masters and their ladies attended Phoenix Lodge at their February 19 meeting and enjoyed a delicious dinner, after which the Past Masters emphasized the need for the Masonic Lodge and all appendant bodies to work together to make Masonry all that it can be. We are all in this together and we need to support each other in any way we can.

We have a table at the Thursday luncheon located in the northeast corner of the main hall at the Sahib Shriners Center. All are welcome!

The Past Masters meet every fourth Monday, except June and December, at the Sahib Shriners at 7:00 p.m. If you are a Past Master of any Masonic lodge, from any state or country, come early, enjoy the best food and coldest drinks in all of creation, good camaraderie, and join with us in making this a better world in which to live.



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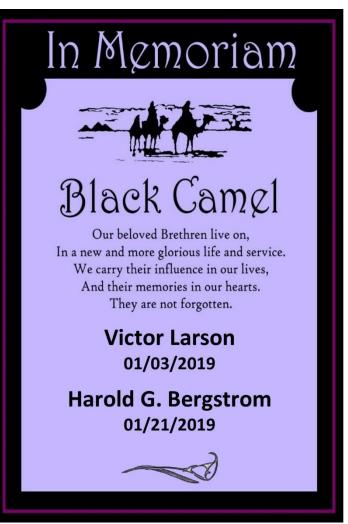




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Oriental Band Notes

Noble Robert E. Stihler, resnwk@aol.com

Thirteen Oriental Bandsmen were honored to have participated at the Potentate's Ball on January 26, 2019. I was unable to remain for the dinner after the Illustrious Sir's entrance aboard Tong #54's rickshaw, so I would like to thank Paul (Greek) Pante for providing his comments:

The Great Sahib Oriental Band had the pleasure of escorting our Illustrious Sir, Bruce Porter, at the Potentate's Ball. It was done in high fashion on a throne, i.e. toilet bowl. Does that mean the Illustrious Sir was "high on pot" that night?

The theme for the Ball was "Mardi Gras, New Orleans style." The food was fantastic, served banquet-style, along with a great band.

It was a top-notch evening and the food was great. A great time was had by all. Now, Illustrious Sir, you have to get off your throne and get to work!

Sahib's Tong #54 continues its rehearsals to refine and improve its Mandarin Degree presentations. The previously announced Degree presentation for February 16 was put on hold.

A big thank you to Noble Angus Reynolds for arranging the Band's "Dinner with the Ladies" at the Outback Steakhouse on January 30. The food and service were great, but the restaurant blundered on its table reservation. Eighteen enjoyed the camaraderie at dinner after having to wait waaay toooo long to be seated.

The Arcadia Parade on March 9 will be the first parade of 2019, and the bandsmen are looking forward to entertaining the parade bystanders with our sweet melodies.

Don't forget the Stated Meeting on March 14. Social at 11:00, lunch at noon, and the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Remember the kids in the hospitals.

God bless you. God bless our troops. God bless America.

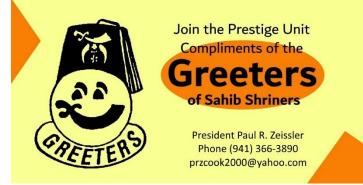
Yours in the faith,

Robert E. Stihler





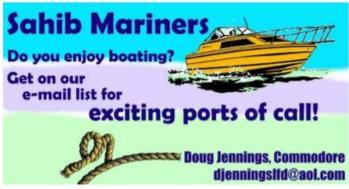


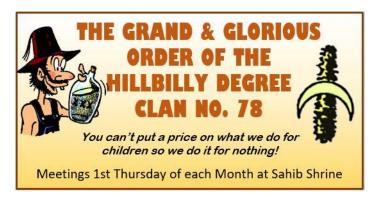












"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart."



Mariners

Gary Wonning, cmdr07@gmail.com

Several Mariners and their Mates participated in the annual Hospital Days and had a very successful fundraiser at the Publix in The Landings in Sarasota on February 8 and 15.

Our March meeting will be at Sahib Shriners on Thursday, March 21, at 10:30 a.m. Our meetings are the third Thursday of the month. We meet on the odd months at Sahib Shriners at 10:30 a.m. (Mariners only), and on the even months we meet at Peridia Golf and Country Club (Mates invited) with social hour beginning at 5:00 p.m. We have decided to meet at these times to accommodate those who work and also those who don't want to drive at night. There will be no meetings in July and August.

There is an excellent opportunity to take an active role in this great organization as we still have a couple vacancies left to fill on the bridge! The Mariners also have state and national organizations.

Come and join us, join in the fun, and help the kids at the same time.

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March

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Hammer, Robert Leclerc, Marcel Nelson, Melvin Van Tassell, Clinton

MARCH 2

Maier, Ed

MARCH 3

Barney, Donald Burghardt, Brian Hall, Gerald Ruggiero, Alessio Wright, James

MARCH 4

Horsely, George Rhodes, Richard

MARCH 5

Campbell, Edmund Raisovich, Daniel

MARCH 6

Costa, Louis

MARCH 7

Cunningham, Tom Holsbeke, Travis McDonough, Ryan

MARCH 8

Tishman, Mark

MARCH 11

Disher, Gary Maierhofer, Louis Mitchell, William Reynolds, Jr., Angus Sorbie, William

MARCH 13

Hamilton, Charles Krout, Robert Riley, Richard

MARCH 14

Bekkenhuis, Paul Bloodsworth, Clifford Smith, Alexander

MARCH 15

Chandler, Robert Cianfaglione, Chester Davidson, Robert Welch, James

MARCH 16

Titus, Oliver

MARCH 17

Russo, Angelo

MARCH 18

Furst, William North, William Rubin, Alan Shoemaker, Francis

MARCH 19

Davis, Jeffrey Griffith, Oscar Long, William

MARCH 21

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MARCH 26

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Masonic Digest / Scottish Rite

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The 15th degree, Knight of the East, of the Sword, or of the Eagle returns to the Scottish Rite Reunion schedule on May 18. This degree directs attention to matters and time periods not considered in the Blue Lodge. Its themes and lessons do appear, however, in York Rite Masonry and Knights Mason.

The degree is a "member" of the Chapter of Rose Croix, comprising the 15th-18th degrees. The Chapter degrees are religious and philosophical. Up to this point in the Blue Lodge and through the 14th degree, attention has focused on perfecting ourselves and becoming better men; examining morality, ethics, virtue, and right conduct. The 1st through 14th degrees follow the biblical narrative, concentrating on the first Temple as an allegory or teaching motif.



Zerubbabel (left) presents a plan of Jerusalem to Cyrus the Great. Painting by Jacob van Loo.

The Chapter degrees move forward to the second Temple period and turn our attention outward, toward our relationships within society and our role in it. We move past the Hiramic Legend, leaving Hiram and Solomon behind and introducing Zerubbabel as our new "example." Zerubbabel appears in the Volume of Sacred Law (VSL) in a minor way. He seems to replace Hiram as our Masonic protagonist or role model.

The degree commences as a Court of the West, styled a Council, led by Hananiah, a character in the book of *Nehemiah* in VSL. He was a chief priest and a governor in Jerusalem.

Zerubbabel is sent (according to our ritual) to entreat King Cyrus to free the Jews from Babylonian captivity. The "story" generally resembles the biblical narrative found in II Chronicles 36:22-23 and Ezra chapter I.

The scene depicting the interaction between Cyrus and Zerubbabel that ensues is styled the Court of the East. The lessons on promise-keeping and fidelity are profound. Ultimately, Cyrus grants liberty to the Jews (as in the VSL).

As with many Scottish Rite degrees, the 15th includes anachronistic scenes. The candidate becomes a Knight (there were no knights in the time of King Cyrus), and language in another scene reminds one of the French Enlightenment beginning in the 18th century.

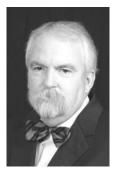
Such scenes remind us that Freemasonry is not teaching history; its ritual challenges us with myths, legends, and stories, seeking to challenge us to find their hidden, concealed meanings. And, of course, the 15th degree offers up challenges.

"You know one symbolical meaning of the Temple. It and its rebuilding have another, which you may perhaps know hereafter" and "You are surrounded by a new symbolism, and you must define its meaning for yourself."

Freemasonry relies heavily on symbolism and ritual to share its messages. The 15th degree will not disappoint.

The Scottish Rite's degrees will next be conferred May 18 and 19, 2019. Petitions are available here: http://tampascottishrite.org. The Rite meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m., preceded by a dinner at 5:45 p.m. At the March 11 meeting, Brother Chas Jordon, 32nd degree, will present a program.

The writer is the Worshipful Master of Tuscan Lodge No. 6 in Bartow, Florida.









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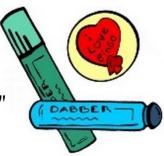
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January was a perfect time to take the new Sar-I ladies to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Tampa. Lady Jane Metheny, Lady Cathy Cason, Lady Linda Dale, Lady Tanya DeWitt, Lady Sherry Delgado, Lady Muriel Young, Lady Wilma Thornton (2nd Ceremonial Lady), Lady Annie Begley, Lady Wanda Day Babbitt, and Lady Kay Neary (High Priestess) had a very memorable visit.

A visit to the hospital gives us inspiration and meaning for what we are about. We all left the hospital with the knowledge that we are part of a wonderful organization making a big difference in the lives of the children who come to Shriners Hospitals for Children.

January 28, the LOS Kickers and Oriental Dancers hosted a game day.

Everyone had so much fun playing left, right, center, poker, Mexican train and mahjong. The food was great and there were lots of nice prizes.

Now we are looking forward to our annual Fashion Show. Lady Wilma Thornton, our 2nd Ceremonial Lady, is in charge. The theme is "Angels at the Mardi Gras." It is at the Heritage Oaks Country Club. The fashions are by PJs on Main Street. The food will be great, and there will be lots of prizes. It is a busy and exciting time for us and then it will be time for the installation of new officers.

Remember, we are in it for the children. Together, we can make it work.

Lady Kay Neary, High Priestess





Ladies outside the front entrance of Shriners Hospital for Children – Tampa

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A plastic cube with a slot in the top.

What are the boxes for?

To help collect donations, money for our Shriners Hospitals for Children to help relieve the pressure from the Hospital Days Fund Drive.

Where are the boxes to be?

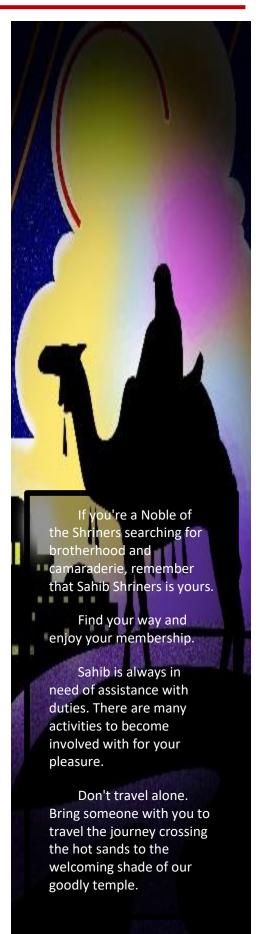
In any store or business, preferably near a cash register. Within eyesight of customers making it easy for them to put their change in the box.

When are the boxes to be used?

All year round, so our friends can donate small amounts of cash at any time.

As most of you know, many businesses have some kind of collection boxes on their counters, so why not one of ours?

Call the Sahib Office at 366-4449 if you can arrange a placement.





SAHIB SHRINERS WALK OF HONOR

BRICK SIDEWALK FUNDRAISER

Nobles and Friends of Sahib,

The **Buy-A-Brick program** (Sahib Walk of Honor) is a program to honor someone who has touched your life, a loved one, or as a dedication to a fellow noble, mason or even yourself.

Clubs and Units are encouraged to buy bricks in recognition of the hard work they have done for—and to support—our Sahib Shriners.

The project was started by a young man named **Ben Burg**, who was looking for an Eagle Scout project with Troop 103 in Sarasota. We had discussed a

brick walkway from the east front door of Sahib Shriners out around the Walking Tall statue. Ben started the program on October 3 and finished by October 31 at no cost to Sahib Shriners. It was a pleasure to work with Ben and Troop 103 to complete this **Sahib Walk of Honor**.

As new bricks are purchased, they will replace the blank bricks that have already been laid. There are three sizes of bricks available for purchase: 4"x8", 8"x8", and 12"x12". A small sampling of symbols is shown below.

To order a brick, use the form on the next page

Bricks are grey, and come in three sizes. Clip art choices are shown below. To order, make check payable to: **Sahib Shriners** and mail to: Attn/Bruce Porter, 600 N Beneva Rd., Sarasota FL 34232.



With rushing winds and gloomy skies,
The dark and stubborn winter dies.
Far off, unseen, Spring faintly cries,
Bidding her earliest child arise: March!
Bayard Taylor

Your Name:

SAHIB SHRINERS WALK OF HONOR

BRICK SIDEWALK FUNDRAISER ORDER FORM

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Sahib Shriners Officers and Appointees

FUNDRAISING APPOINTMENTS

Potentate			H
Chief Rabban			H
Assistant Rabban			H
High Priest & Prophet			1
Oriental Guide			В
Treasurer			F
Recorder		Ed Firquin	
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III. Sir Bruce Porter			J
Gene Marinelli			F
Connie Jacobi, PP			S
Bill Batten			
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1981-82* Howard Noble	2006*	Homer D. Cranmer	
1983* Glenn "Buck" Walters, ITL		Dale LaBell	
1984* Tom Bing	2008*	John N. Mitchell	
1985* Theodore S. "Ted" Barton 1986* Paul N. Jaworowski	2009* 2010	Oscar Cloutier Don Vos	
1987* W. Bruce Steube III, 33°	2010	Tom Millaway	
1988* Wallace "Bubba" Tervin	2012*	Charles Levan, 33°	
1989 Walter Lander, KCCH	2013*	William H. "Bill" Zurlo	
1990 Lee E. Stewart	2014	Gary "Rocky" Kearney	В
1991* William "Bill" Magill 1992* Al "Spuds" McKenzie	2015 2016	Conrad "Connie" Jacobi Carroll G. Scribner	В
1993* Les Taylor	2016	William "Bill" Balkwill	72503
1994* Ralph E. Kaye	2018	Delbert Rawlinson	В
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1996* Philip Mitchell, KCCH		<u></u>	C
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Business Collection Buckets......Dorwin Pulford

2019 DIVAN-ELECT Potentate.....Bruce Porter

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Hospital Board of Governors Gene Marinelli
Hospital Board of GovernorsPaul Zeissler
100 Million Dollar Club Chairman Ed Firquin
Bingo ChairmanJack Ivins
Fez and Clothing SalesTBD
Jewelry Sales ChairmanTBD
Jewelry Sales Assistant Chairman TBD
Picnic Committee (Spring)Units
Spaghetti DinnerMotor Corps,
1st and 2nd Ceremonial Masters

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Director of Security III. Sir Bruce Porter
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Charles Titus, David Walters
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Golf CommitteeJohn Sholtis
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Sahib Shriners Officers and Appointees

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Temple Guard	Herb Mueller
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Tom Cunningham	Golf Committee
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Bill Batten	Recorder
William M. McKown	Treasurer
Cliff Bloodsworth	Hospital Chairman
Ben Blount	Hospital Transportation

TEMPLE EMERITUS NOBLES (continued)

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Art Littman	. Chairman Trust Fund
Herb Mueller	Captain of the Guard
Harold Schatschneider	Outer Guard
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Lee Stewart, PP	Director
Lou Ortt, PP, 33°	Chaplain Corps

COMMITTEE / UNIT / CLUB EMERITUS NOBLES

Band
, Legion of Honor
Legion of Honor
Flying Fezzes
Port Shrine Club
Legion of Honor

COMMITTEE / UNIT / CLUB EMERITUS NOBLES

Del Rawlinson, PP	King Pins
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	.Secretary, Gulf Shrine Club
	Secretary
	Manatee Shrine Club
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	King Pins
	Gulf Shrine Club
Earl Huntzinger	Gulf Shrine Club Treasure
	Director Oriental Band
	North Port Shrine Club
Otis Manchester	North Port Shrine Club
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Jarrett Miller, PP	Band
	Hillbillies
Herbert Mueller	Legion of Honor
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MARCH

Friday, Mar 1 Song Birds 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, Mar 2 Club and Unit Heads Meeting

Monday, Mar 4 Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar 5 Bingo – Main Hall 8 a.m.

Thursday, Mar 7 Men's Luncheon 10 a.m.

Queen of Hearts 7 p.m.

Friday, Mar 8 Scottish Rite 11 a.m.

Saturday, Mar 9 Arcadia Parade

Sunday, Mar 10 Daylight Saving Time (1 hr forward!)

Monday, Mar 11 Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar 12 Bingo – Main Hall 8 a.m.

Birthday & Anniversary

Dinner/Dance 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Mar 13 Past Potentates' Ladies Luncheon

Thursday, Mar 14 Men's Luncheon

Queen of Hearts 7 p.m.

Friday, Mar 15 The Reporter deadline / Apr. issue

Sunday, Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day

Monday, Mar 18 Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar 19 Bingo – Main Hall 8 a.m.

Wednesday, Mar 20 Motor Corps Meeting 7 p.m.

Tampa Bay Downs outing

Thursday, Mar 21 Men's Luncheon 10 a.m.

Queen of Hearts 7 p.m.

Monday, Mar 25 Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar 26 Bingo – Main Hall 8 a.m.

Thursday, Mar 28 Men's Luncheon 10 a.m.

Queen of Hearts 7 p.m.

For a complete calendar online,

visit https://www.brownbearsw.com/cal/sahibshrine



Coming in April...

11TH: STATED MEETING

15TH: TAX DAY

20TH-27TH: PASSOVER

21ST: EASTER 22ND: EARTH DAY



Saturday & Sunday Football
NFL 'Sunday Ticket'
All Games on our 17 TVs
"Tailgate" Menu and Drink Specials!





600 N Beneva Rd Sarasota

If I cannot do
great things.
I can do small things
in a great way.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

AN EXCERPT FROM GENERAL ORDER NO. 1: FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

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

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

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

§503.11 COMMERCIAL USE OF NAME

The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any commercial product or business enterprise is prohibited unless the written consent of the Boards of Directors and Trustees has been first obtained.

Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. Fundraising for Fraternal Purposes:
 - a. No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any fundraising activity without the express written consent of the potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof.
 - There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children.
 - c. The temple potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with §335.3 and §503.11 of the fraternal and charitable bylaws and that there is no representation, expressed or implied, that would lead a reasonably prudent person to believe that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children. If the potentate is in doubt, he must receive the opinion of the Imperial Potentate who, after consultation with the Director of Temple Accounting, shall make the final determination.
 - d. The temple potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fundraising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and additionally, as may be required by the temple bylaws.
 - e. A copy of the temple potentate's written consent shall be mailed to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International. Further, such written material pertaining to the fundraising activity, as requested by the Executive Vice President, Shriners International shall be promptly mailed to him.
- 2. Fundraising for Charitable Purposes:
 - a. No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fundraising activity other than for Shriners Hospitals for Children. Permission therefore must be first obtained in writing from the temple potentate. The temple potentate must then obtain written permission from the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631-3356. No charitable fundraising activity shall be held in the jurisdiction of another temple without the written permission of the potentate of that temple.
 - i. A joint charitable fundraising activity with another 501(c)(3) charity may be authorized provided that a minimum of 50% of the net proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and the Chairmen of the Board of Directors and Trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.
 - ii. A charitable fundraising activity conducted by a temple located outside of the U.S.A. may be authorized for other charities, provided that the chairmen of the Board of Directors and Trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.

- b. 100% of net proceeds (as defined in the Charitable Fundraising—Approval and Reporting provisions of the current General Order) from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children except for such portion thereof as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund, pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of the current General Order. Provided, however, if the chairmen of the Board of Directors and Trustees determine for good cause shown, that the law of the land requires that a portion of the net proceeds must be distributed locally, then they may, if they determine it to be in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children, grant their written permission for such distribution.
- c. The temple shall report the result of each charitable fundraising activity within sixty days of the activity, pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising--Approval and Reporting provision of the current General Order.
- This section shall not apply to activities exempt under §335.4(b) of the bylaws of Shriners International.
- e. Each independent corporation or entity that receives the permission of the chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees to raise moneys for Shriners Hospitals for Children, and which does not have its financial statements reviewed pursuant to §334.6 and §337.8 of the bylaws of Shriners International, shall have its financial statements audited by a certified, chartered or licensed public accountant and shall submit such audit report to Shriners International within 120 days of the activity.
- 3. Statement of Purpose and Disclosure
 - Every fundraising activity must contain factual information on its solicitation material, tickets, programs and documents, including all electronically transmitted materials, regarding the use of the proceeds.

Examples:
"Proceeds are for the benefit of (______ Shriner.
(______ Shrine Club) activities."

- "Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children."

 b. Every fundraising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children shall prominently state on the solicitation material, tickets, programs, documents and electronically transmitted material that "payments are not deductible as charitable contributions."
- There must be compliance with the Revenue Act of 1987 provision of any existing general order by U.S. temples.
- 4. Compliance with Applicable Laws:

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

- 5. Financial Records:
 - The temple shall maintain detailed financial records pertaining to all fundraising activities involving Nobles, clubs, units, organizations of Nobles and affiliated and appendant corporations. Details of all revenues and expenditures shall be maintained in such financial records.
 - The temple must retain such detailed financial records for a period of seven (7) years.
 - There must be compliance with Financial Reporting on Charitable Funds and Activities provision of the current general order.
- 6. Notification to Nobility:

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

Discipline:

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



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beashrinernow.com continues to attract quality candidates. To date, more than 1,200 men have inquired about Freemasonry or becoming a Shriner. While the numbers of those interested are impressive, we really need more mentors to ensure candidates receive the attention they need and deserve. Consider joining the more than 1,150 Shriners who are already virtual mentors.

As a virtual mentor, you will be paired with a candidate in your area who has similar interests. Communicating by phone, email or in person, you will have the opportunity to share your knowledge and enthusiasm about Masonry and about being a Shriner. You will answer questions or concerns, help find the Lodge best suited to the candidate's interests, and help him with his journey to become a Shriner. You will also have the opportunity to make a new friend.

