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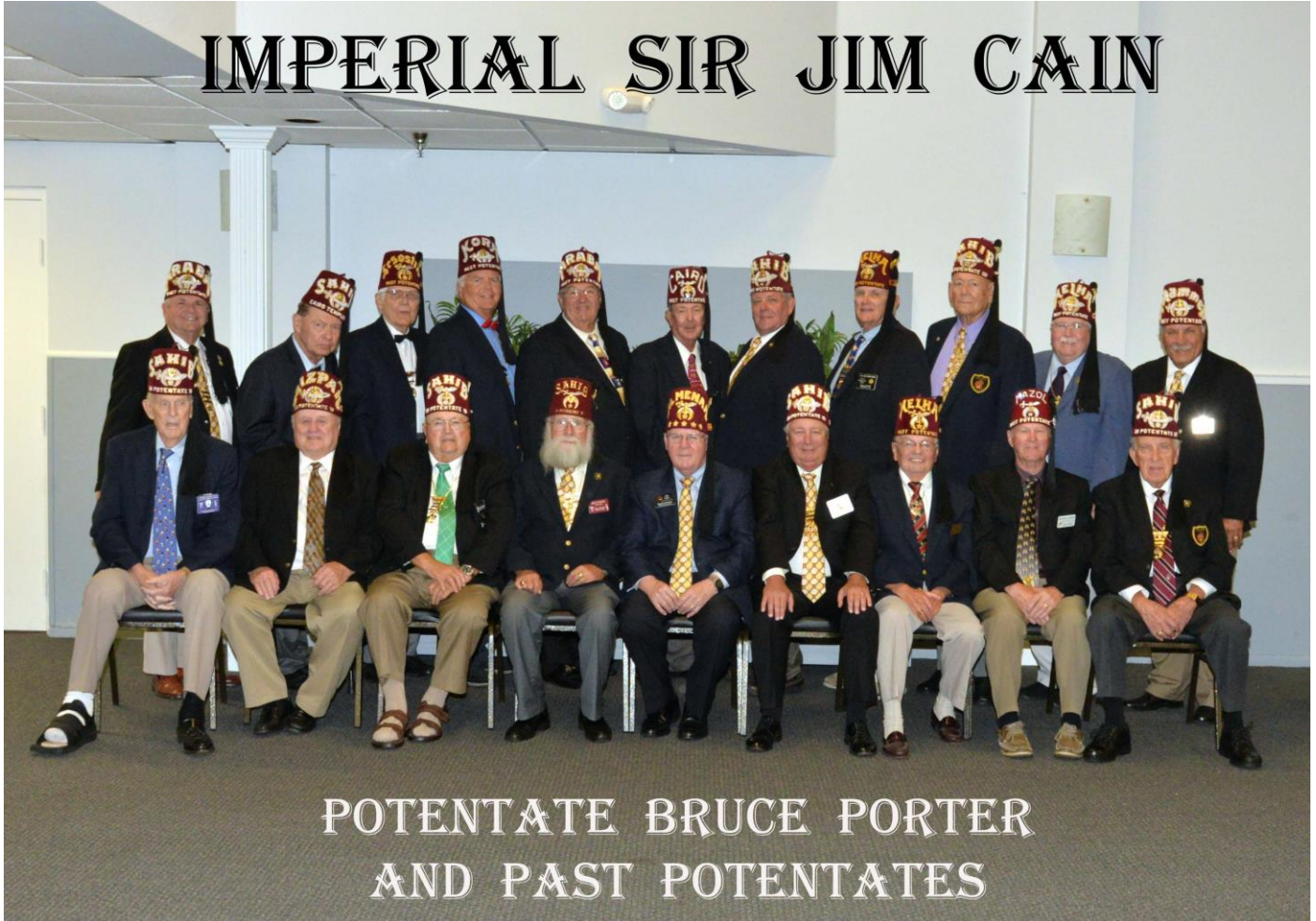
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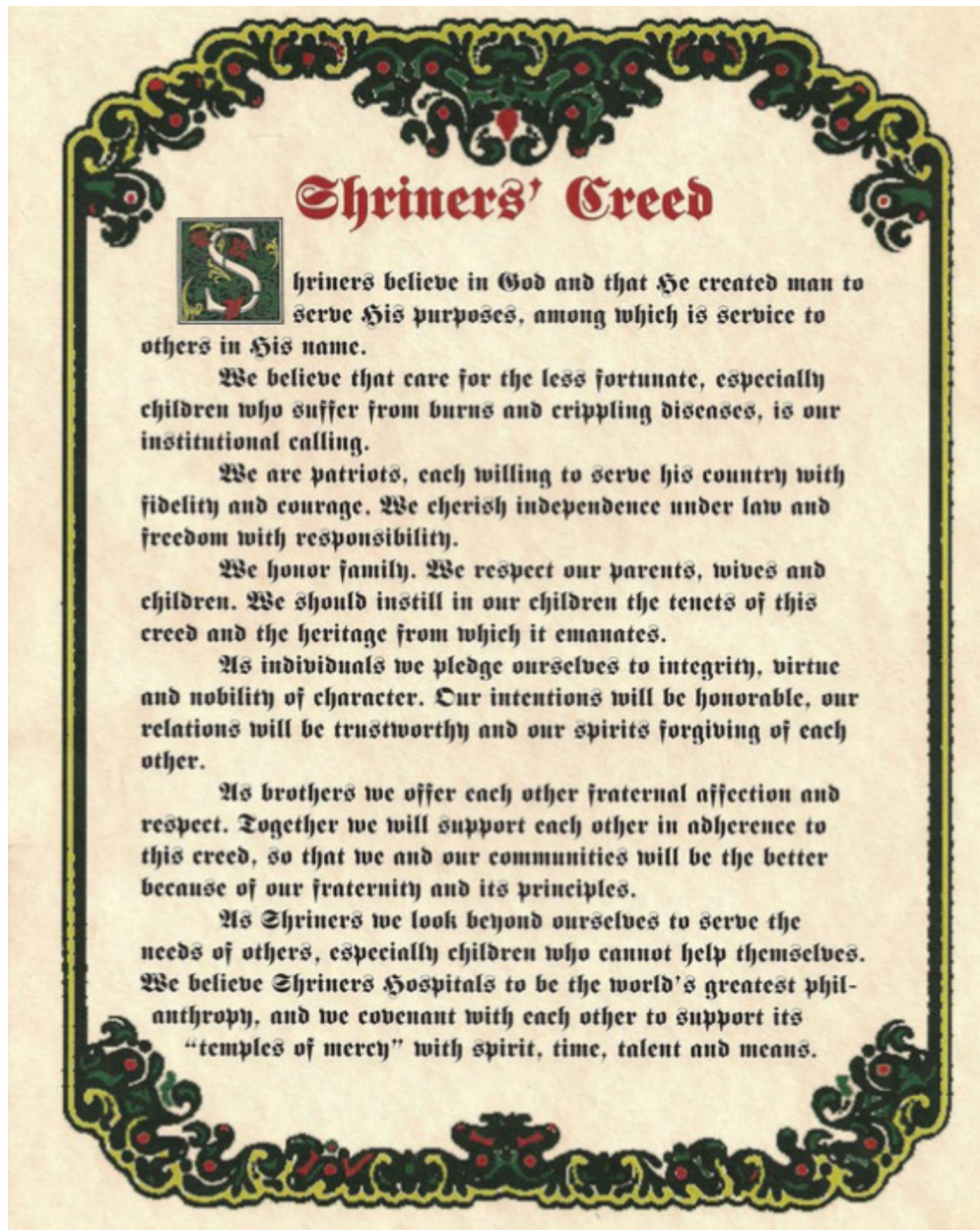
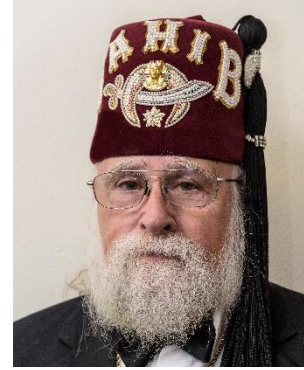
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**ON THE COVER:** Imperial Sir Jim Cain with Illustrious Sir Bruce Porter and several Past Potentates.

*Photo provided by Potentate Bruce Porter*

*Notes from your Divan*

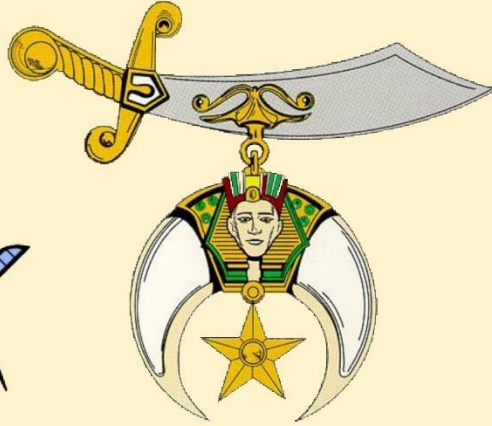
# Potentate's Message



Peace be with you,

*Bruce Porter*

Bruce Porter – Sahib Shriners Potentate 2019



## SAHIB SHRINERS

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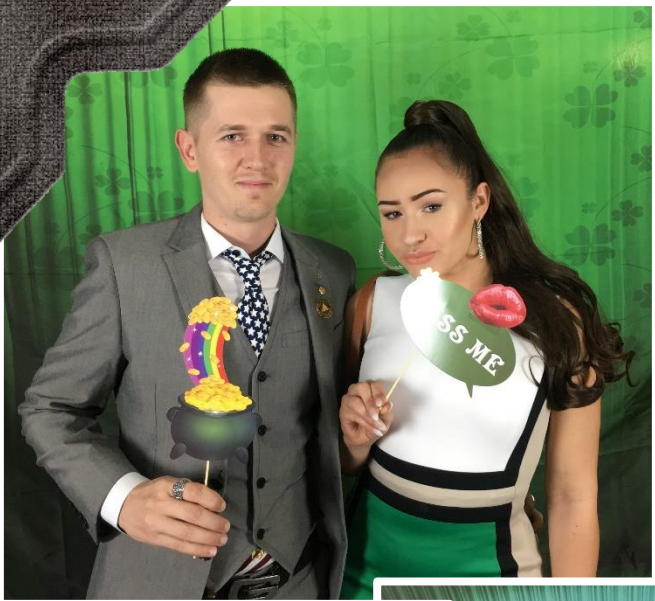
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*In Memory of Ken Clark*



*March  
Birthday & Anniversary  
Dinner Dance*

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**SAHIB SHRINERS**  
*Birthday & Anniversary  
 Dinner Dance*

**“Spring Swing”**

**Tuesday, April 9, 2019**

Sponsor:

**The Oriental Band**

Choice of Entrée:

**Prime Rib or Salmon with salad and sides**

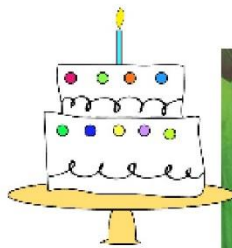
Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Dinner and Dancing: 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25.00 per person, including sales tax and gratuity  
 Ticket reservations must be purchased in advance.  
 No ticket sales will be made after Tuesday, April 2.  
 For reservations, call the **Ticket Box Office at 366-4449 ext. 320**

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

*March Winners*

Photos provided by Lady Mary Jane Hamilton



Noble Jim Fletcher



Noble Herb & Lady Joanne Mueller



Dear Fellow Nobles,

Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children® have a unique and very special relationship. While the two are separate organizations, they are united by a shared mission to improve the lives of children. Every Shriner and every staff member is committed to that effort.

That said, we have been communicating for some time now that, while our mission is sound and will not change, Shriners Hospitals' primary care delivery model must change to meet today's needs and expectations. We have explained that continuing to operate in the same manner, including maintaining all our large inpatient-focused facilities, is extremely and unnecessarily expensive, and takes funds away from our mission of patient care.

Approximately 85 percent of pediatric medical procedures are now performed in an outpatient setting, and this trend is expected to continue. We must adjust our delivery model to reflect this industry change.

We are responding, and in August, our Tampa facility will become the fifth in our health care system to become an outpatient or ambulatory care center. We have also been emphasizing reaching more kids by using today's technology, particularly telehealth, and by increasing community affiliations and access points. We will continue working to determine the best care models to meet both industry trends and our patient families' needs and expectations throughout our system.

At the 2018 Imperial Session, we reiterated the current situation, including that of inpatient numbers, daily censuses and operational costs. At that meeting, the voting representatives supported and approved moving forward with plans to realign and restructure several hospitals, including Cincinnati. These plans had been discussed and shared with the nobility over the previous several months, as well as just prior to Imperial Session. We have worked very hard to provide information to the nobles and staff throughout the process.

Specifically, having our Cincinnati location share space with another hospital was approved, with the provision that approval was also given by the Joint Boards and the Board of Governors of the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital. Both these boards approved the choice of Dayton Children's Hospital.

Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati was established in the mid-1960s in response to a lack of pediatric burn care. Over time, the severity and frequency of pediatric burn injuries has declined in the United States. Many procedures for these injuries, due in part to advances in treating burns pioneered by Shriners Hospitals for Children, have shifted from an inpatient to an outpatient setting.

The Cincinnati hospital has 30 inpatient beds. In 2018, the average daily census was 4.1. Repositioning our Cincinnati hospital with Dayton Children's will allow us to continue to deliver high-quality burn care and other services in a space that meets the needs of our patients today more appropriately, economically and efficiently.

We know that change is hard. Some will see change as a detriment – and some will see it as an opportunity and a challenge. What everyone needs to see is that it is our mission that is important, and that change has always been part of Shriners Hospitals for Children. It is no longer a single hospital created to serve children coping with the aftereffects of the poliovirus. Shriners Hospitals has changed and adapted repeatedly to meet the needs of the children it serves. Today's need for change is another example of being responsive to our patient families, as well as responding to trends and expectations of the health care industry.

Shriners Hospitals' total U.S. inpatient volume has decreased by 31 percent from 2013 to 2017; at the same time, operating expenses for inpatient visits have increased by 60 percent.

Continuing to operate indefinitely as a system designed primarily for inpatient care is just not financially feasible or efficient any longer. It is important to remember that our reputation for excellent, compassionate care has nothing to do with big, beautiful buildings, and that, in fact, the expense of our buildings financially impacts our ability to provide care.

As an organization that relies on the generosity of our donors, we must be good and conscientious stewards of resources, including our facilities' physical size and area.

The move to Dayton Children's makes it possible for Shriners Hospitals for Children to maintain its presence in southwest Ohio and continue to provide its local patients throughout its eight-state catchment area with regional access to burn care and reconstructive surgery services, while also offering care to children wherever they may live.

We are confident that if each of us – every noble and every staff member – focuses on our mission of providing excellent specialty care to children, works together, and trusts and supports the decisions of the voting representatives and board members, we can, and will, successfully transform our amazing, compassionate health care system and position it for a strong, respected second hundred years.



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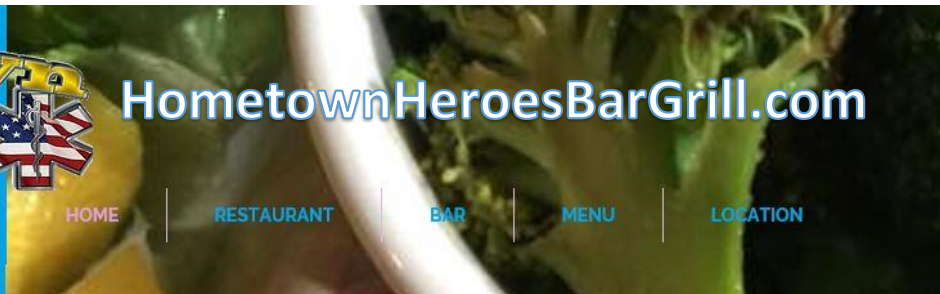
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# Speakers Bureau / Thursday Lunch

Giles Light, Co-Chairman, [glightfl@yahoo.com](mailto:glightfl@yahoo.com)

## Guest Speaker Roster

- Apr 4** Linda DeMello, Cross College Alliance
- Apr 11** Stated Meeting – no speaker
- Apr 18** Hope Family Services
- Apr 25** Donna DeFant, The Players Sarasota



Chief Rabban Gene Marinelli (right) presents Noble Jim Leiner a Certificate of Appreciation for his presentation on "Steamboating on the Hudson River."

Photo provided by Noble Giles Light



At left, Illustrious Sir Bruce Porter and Past Potentate Bill Balkwill at the February 21 luncheon when the Hillbillies donated a check earmarked for a new projector for the main hall.

Photo provided by Noble Bud Glidden



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

1. Schedule your clubs and organizations so we may educate more of the public about the Shriners Hospitals for Children.
2. 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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# *Imperial Visit in March Ladies Luncheon*





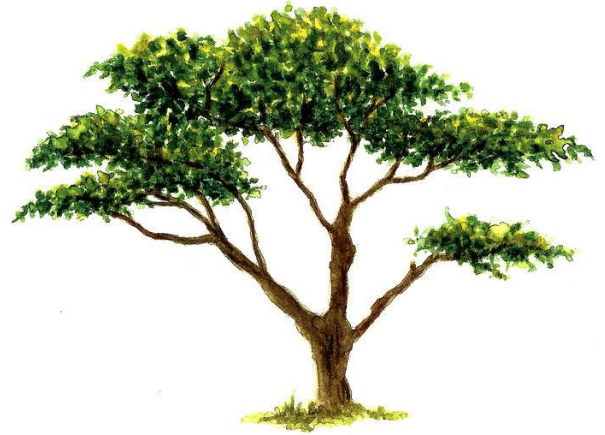
## Chaplain's Notes

Lou Ortt, PM, Chaplain, [lhott@verizon.net](mailto:lhott@verizon.net)

*As we approach Easter and Passover*, it is appropriate that we be reminded of one of the great symbols of Masonry: the sprig of acacia. This symbol of faith calls to memory our trust in the promises of God and the immortality of man. How did this thorny bush achieve such an exalted position?

The acacia tree, of which there are hundreds of species throughout the world, blooms with a small yellow or white flower which has a sweet odor and is frequently used to make perfume. The flowers produce a bean or pod by which the trees are propagated. The wood has a beautiful grain which ranges from blond to dark brown.

In the Old Testament, it was referred to as shittah wood and was used to construct the Tabernacle, the Ark of the Covenant, and the sacred furniture. It has always been consecrated from all other trees because of this use. Because of this sacred purpose, it held a special significance to the Jews who often placed a sprig of acacia at the head of a



grave.

To the Freemason, it has become a symbol of the immortality of the soul. The flowers which come forth and are cut off remind us of the transitory nature of human life, and the perpetual renovation of the evergreen reminds us of our spiritual life.

In our funeral service, we are reminded that we have an immortal part within us that shall survive the grave and never, never die.

May we all have a blessed holiday season.

## Sahib Fundraiser: Marauders on April 20 Just \$10

Saturday, April 20th @ 6:30pm EST

### Sarasota Shrine Club Fundraiser

The Sarasota Shrine Club will be joining the Bradenton Marauders on April 20th at LECOM Park.

The team will be wearing Paw Patrol themed jerseys and will be auctioned off throughout the night, the funds raised from the auction will go back to Shriners. Also, \$2 from every ticket purchased through this link will go back to the Sarasota Shrine Club. We hope to see you there.

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 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*

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## Manatee Shrine Club

Paul Kline, President, [pauliek23@gmail.com](mailto:pauliek23@gmail.com)

*Beginning with the final week* in February and into March, activity among the members of the Manatee Shrine Club has been vigorous. Most of that activity is attributed to our volunteer activity (aka fundraising opportunity) at the LECOM Park where the Pittsburgh Pirates have been playing their annual spring training games. While we don't have any preliminary numbers at this time, we do know that MSC volunteerism (in the form of workers at the concession stands at the ball park) are up over last year and also the year before. We are most grateful to our MSC members for their participation, as well as the participation of the family and friends they have recruited. Accompanying this article are a few photographs picturing some of the MSC workers at LECOM Park this season. Pictures are indeed worth 1,000 words. With four games remaining as of this writing, we are hoping that participation will continue at a high level and that our fundraising efforts will exceed \$20,000.

Our month got off to a tremendous start with another very well-attended luncheon-

meeting and an outstanding program on March 1. Certainly, while all our guests are special, in attendance for this meeting were two Past Grand Masters: Benny Grisham from Illinois and Tom Pulkkinen from Maine. Mr. Grisham is an official snowbird, while Mr. Pulkkinen is working his way towards that status. Another new and welcomed face was Ron Rueckheim, who recently moved to the Sun Coast from Las Vegas. Again, welcome Brothers!

The program that followed our luncheon-meeting was provided by Ms. Donna DeFant, chair of the board of trustees for the Players Centre for the Performing Arts. Ms. DeFant explained that inadequate space resulting from increased interest and participation in live theatre by Sun Coast Floridians has necessitated a relocation of the Centre from Sarasota to its newly planned

**Manatee Shrine Club** continued on page 19



Welcoming a "first time" visitor to the Manatee Shrine Club are (left to right) Paul Kline; Barry Grisham, Past Grand Master of the State of Illinois (the first time visitor); Charlie Titus; and Ernie Ryder.

*Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline*



Two other "welcomings" were in order for two other MSC "first time" visitors. They are (left to right) Ron Rueckheim from Las Vegas, another Past Grand Master of the State of Maine, and Barry Grisham (previously referenced).

*Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline*

**Manatee Shrine Club** continued from page 18

campus in Lakewood Ranch. She explained – and provided examples of – how the Centre will be modern and state-of-the-art in every respect, and how it will be a tremendous asset to our community.

Our MSC secretary, Dr. Russ Sexton, reported that hard copies of our 2019 membership roster will be available to members at the April 4 luncheon-meeting. He also appeals to members to make meal reservations.

Our MSC treasurer, Tommy Money (aka Tom McGill), reminded that “DUES ARE DUE” and that he still has a number of MSC collared tee-shirts of various sizes for sale. The cost of the shirt, including the embroidered logo and purchaser’s name on the shirt, is \$35.00.

On one hand, we were sad, but on the other hand happy in learning that one of our very active members, Jim Gardner, is picking up stakes in Sarasota and relocating them in Mexico where he will continue his retirement. Also, another very active member, Don Cowie, is among the first to be making his annual exodus to Canada. We certainly wish them both the best of health and safety in their travels, and we thank them for the time and energies they have shared with us.

And please don’t forget, we always look forward to seeing our Shriner Brothers. For those who haven’t been around for a while, we hope you will reconnect with us soon. We miss you.



On to LECOM Park and the opening of the Pittsburgh Pirates Spring Training Season. En route to their working assignments are (left to right): Tom and Jane Schultz (friends of the MSC) and MSC members Don Cowie and Dave Hauraney. *Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline*



MSC’s March guest speaker was Ms. Donna DeFant (left), chair for the board of directors for the Players Centre for the Performing Arts, which is presently located in Sarasota but will soon be moved to Lakewood Ranch. Holding a pictorial display of the future Centre are Joanne Ryder (back) and Russ Sexton (right). *Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline*



Gathered in cooking area of the Pirates Cove Concession Stand and prepared to provide the best spring training baseball food in Florida are (left to right): Dana Callanan, Jeanette Hocking, Larry Strouse, “Just Plain” Jane Strouse, Leroy Hocking, and “What’s Happening?” Jim Smith. *Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline*



Explaining the “lay of the land” to new workers (three gentlemen who are friends of the MSC) is our Pirate City Connection, Chuck Knapp (middle). Pictured left to right are: Tom Fentner, Rich Fiorella, Mr. Knapp, Paul Kline, and J. J. Jarvie. *Photo provided by Noble Paul Kline*



## Motor Corps Shrine Club

Giles Light (G-man), Secretary, [gileslight@aol.com](mailto:gileslight@aol.com)

*A few years ago* we tried to pull an April Fool's joke on our readers by saying the Potentate had bought a Harley and was going to ride at the front of the Motor Corps in all the parades. Well, we don't have to try that joke anymore as the Potentate and the Oriental Guide are both members of the Motor Corps. Glad to have both of them as members.

We hope many of our readers attended the Shrine luncheon on Thursday, March 14. A number of our members escorted Imperial Sir Jim Cain and his wife, Imperial First Lady Patsy, to Sahib Shrine for the Thursday men's and ladies' luncheons. A special thanks to our six Motor Corps members who provided the escort: Darren Bracken (Schmoozer), Barry Hart (Policyman), Bryan Pullman (Shortcut), Les Ruggiero (Curli), Steve Helin (Varmint), and Dave Mashia (Hollywood). Several of our members had to break away from their work responsibilities for this escort duty. Well done.

The Motor Corps had a great turnout for the Arcadia Rodeo Parade on March 10. Kudos to all those who participated: Mark deStefano (Dancing Bear), Barry Hart (Policyman), Donnie Kidwell (Chubby), Jim McKinney (Slim Jim), and Scott Steelman

(Gray Fox). Also attending the parade was our Potentate Bruce Porter (Wizard).

The 11th Annual Bahia Shrine Charity Ride (formerly the Sam Swope Memorial Charity Ride) was held on Saturday, March 9. This year's ride was from Bahia Shriners in Apopka to Seminole Harley-Davidson in Sanford. Net proceeds from the run benefit the Tampa Shriners Hospital.

Several of our members, along with members of the Widows Sons Masonic Riders Association, made the Annual Pilgrimage Day to the Masonic Home in Saint Petersburg on Saturday, March 16. Unfortunately, there were a number of conflicts that same weekend, so Motor Corps participation was limited. The residents of the Masonic Home sure do enjoy seeing all the motorcycles.

On Monday, March 18, several of our members, who are also members of the Widows Sons Masonic Riders Association, attended a dinner and meeting of Venice Lodge No. 301. The lodge held an appreciation night for Widows Sons members.

With Spring now officially here, the Motor Corps is looking to its annual trip to Murphy, North Carolina. At this time, we are looking at late May or early June. Stay tuned for more details next month.

We have eleven Motor Corps members and their ladies with birthdays in April. Birthdays include: John Machanska (Dozer) on the 2nd; Lady Barbara Hart on the 6th; Lady Cathy Cason, Lady Paula Basham, and Lady Jennifer Vorbeck on the 8th; Lady Joni Steelman on the 16th; Lady Carol Hubbard on the 21st; Dave Mashia (Hollywood) on the 22nd; Bryan Pullman (Shortcut) and Roger King (007) on the 25th; and Joe Stella (Stroker Joe) on the 27th. We have three anniversaries in April: Les and Carol Ruggiero on the 2nd, Roger and Susan King on the 25th, and Don and Paula Basham on the 26th.



Motor Corps members Mark deStefano (Dancing Bear), Bryan Pullman (Shortcut), Scott Steelman (Gray Fox), Barry Hart (Policyman), and Jim McKinney (Slim Jim) rode in the Arcadia Rodeo Parade.

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# Hospital Transportation

Dick Schmidt, Chairman, [hospital@sahibshrine.org](mailto:hospital@sahibshrine.org)

**More hospital news** – The March 13 issue of the Cincinnati Enquirer reported that the Shriners Burns Hospital – Cincinnati is being shut down. The article did not give a specific date. It was stated that there is an arrangement with Dayton Children’s Hospital to treat burns patients. No mention was made of the burns treatment research as to its relocation. The Cincinnati Burns hospital has 30 beds for overnight patients, and this year is its 50th anniversary. This same article described Shriners as “a 146-year-old national men’s fellowship organization,” and noted that the hospitals are our philanthropy branch.

The Dayton relocation seems a bit unusual in that the Cincinnati Burns Hospital is located in the middle of what is known locally as “Pill Hill.” There are five high-quality hospitals within a three-mile radius,

one of which is Cincinnati Children’s Hospital, and that is not much more than 200 yards to the northwest.

The Dayton, Ohio location could be a transportation issue because one of our primary donators is Southwest Airlines, and Dayton (Vandalia Airport) is not one of their business locations. Southwest donates about 1,500 one-way domestic flights each year to the Shriners for the transportation of our patients, which is 375 round trips for patients and escorts. The Sahib Hospital Transportation unit has nominally six to eight patients a year who need to go to Cincinnati Burns for ongoing treatments, follow-ups, and initial treatments. The flight costs to us would be in the range of \$3,200-\$3,500 from the Transportation Fund. Historically, we were able to use the Southwest e-passes for about half of the trips, so the savings for us is worthwhile. The e-passes are used nationally where ever Southwest, a Shrine Center, and a Shriners Hospital are connected and will be used up in about six months.

The 375 round-trip Southwest e-passes average in the range of \$400 each, totaling \$130,000. They not only donate the seats, but they accommodate us by allowing last minute reservations, seating the patient and escort together, handling any special arrangements the patient needs, and allowing the hospital to make any return date and time changes. Southwest flies Sahib patients to St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Boston, and Galveston (via Houston Hobby). Southwest Airlines is a Shriners Partner. They make a big difference in our patient’s lives, and they are a company that we, as Nobles, need to support.

Sahib Hospital Transportation recently lost one of its past Chairmen. Ken Clark, 79 years old, passed away having contracted ALS. Ken stepped down as Chairman in August of 2017, as he felt he could no longer

## SAHIB HOSPITAL TRANSPORTATION REPORT

FEBRUARY 2019

### The Hardest Working Shrine Unit

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communicate as need be. He was a transplant from Baltimore, Maryland, where he received his Master Mason degree and obtained the 32nd degree. He was active as a DeMolay advisor, where he had the opportunity to be at a national convention in Kansas City, Missouri, and meet President Harry S. Truman – a proud moment for Ken. He was a graduate of Towson State University, retired from NSA, and earlier had been a math teacher.

Ken was the fifth Chairman since the mid-1980s when Sahib began transporting patients. He was the prime mover in the streamlining transition of all paperwork to computer and some paperwork. Ken developed the forms for the patient database, process record keeping, re-occurring contact data, and driver trip information. That transition was not an easy project. He had to battle the old timers' attitude of "it was good enough then, and it's good enough now."

Ken brought Hospital Transportation into the computer age. His computer contributions will be used for as long as Sahib transports patients.



# PARADE SCHEDULE

**Watch this space!**

Meanwhile, photos from the Arcadia parade are scattered throughout this issue.

At the Arcadia Parade.  
Photo provided by Russ Mattson.



**TEMPLE REPORT**  
Shriners Hospitals for Children Tampa  
Hospital Report reflecting February 2019 Indicators

Strategic Indicators	Month	YTD
Outpatient Clinic Visits	908	1899
Outpatients Surgeries	46	91
Inpatient Surgeries	16	38
Spine Surgeries	3	8
Inpatient Satisfaction	scores now being reported quarterly	
Outpatient Satisfaction	scores now being reported quarterly	
New Orthosis delivered	405	803
New Prosthesis delivered	14	21
Seating Systems delivered	30	66
<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>1366 hours</b>	<b>2,927 hours</b>
	149 volunteers	149 total active
<b>Tours month of February</b>	25	286 visitors
<b>Year to date</b>	54	590 visitors
<b>Donations and Grants</b>	<b>\$305,760.</b>	<b>\$555,332</b>





## Past Masters

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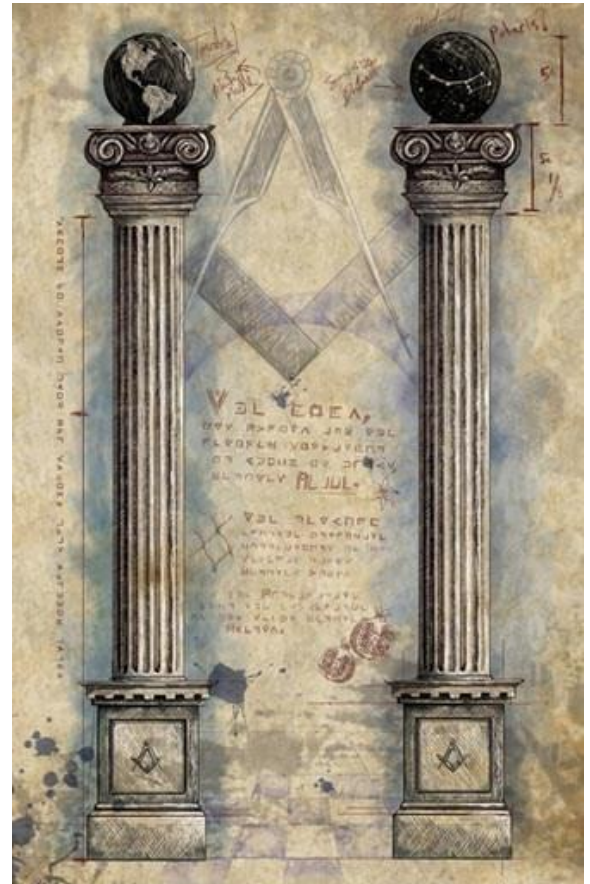
*Just as the two pillars* at the entrance to King Solomon's temple illustrated unity and strength, so does the Masonic Lodge and its appendant bodies illustrate unity and strength in today's world.

The Shriners are the more visible of the two because of their hospitals and participation in many parades. This provides much needed publicity to the fraternity. The Masonic Lodge provides the very important spiritual base needed to carry on their work. Together, we can accomplish much.

Several of the Past Masters attended Sarasota Lodge #147 at their March 26 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 Shrine Center. All are welcome!

The Past Masters meet every fourth Monday, except June and December, at the Sahib Shrine at 7:00 p.m. If you are a Past



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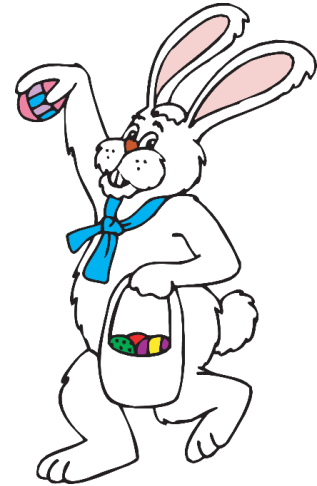
## Oriental Band Notes

Noble Robert E. Stihler, [resnwk@aol.com](mailto:resnwk@aol.com)

*Unfortunately, Yours Truly* was unable to participate in the Arcadia Parade in March, but I understand the Band float was full of bandmen who, along with the parade bystanders, enjoyed the festivities.

On April 9, the Band will be hosting the April Birthday & Anniversary Dinner/Dance with entrée choices of Prime Rib or Salmon. I don't know if the Easter Bunny will be there, but I've heard that a bunch of his helpers will be on hand to welcome the diners.

The Band plans to attend the SESOBA Hoedown in Lexington, Kentucky from April 25 to April 27. The Hoedown is a relaxing time as, unlike an Imperial Session, there is no mandatory competition number, so the bands can play their favorite tunes, enjoy the camaraderie, hospitality, have free time to visit local points of interest, hospitality, Nobles and Ladies luncheons, hospitality,



awards banquets, greeting old and new friends, and hospitality.

Remember the kids in the hospitals.

God bless you. God bless our troops.  
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Yours in the faith,

*Robert E. Stihler*


1st VP / Secretary



At the Arcadia Parade.  
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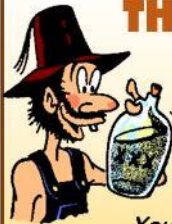



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# Mariners

Gary Wunning, [cmdr07@gmail.com](mailto:cmdr07@gmail.com)

*The Mariners are planning* a spring picnic on April 13 in Lakewood Ranch at the park at 6402 Lakewood Ranch Road. More details to follow.

Make this date on your calendar: November 2, 2019, the Commodore’s Ball honoring Commodore Don Vos, will be held at Sahib Shrine and is a black-tie event.

Our meetings are the third Thursday of the month. We meet on the odd months at Sahib Shrine 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 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!

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## Parade Marshal's Notes

Carroll "Scrib" Scribner, PP, [sahibscrib@icloud.com](mailto:sahibscrib@icloud.com)

*Hooray for the Sahib parade* units and clubs! They represented you in an outstanding manner. I think the pictures speak for themselves. They were great!

The church breakfast reminded us of the old days at Sahib when we had 300 or more every month for our breakfast. Ours was better though.

Back to the parade...we had great support from our usuals: Greeters, Oriental Band, Motor Corps, Venice Shrine Club, North Port Shrine Club, Arcadia Shriners, and our hospital group. Venice Shrine Club surprised us all by having a couple of beautiful sports cars and "Shady Ladies" in the paddy wagon.

We were honored on all floats by the number of Shrine ladies who joined us to show our colors. Many thanks and a tip of the fez to them.

Our Potentate rode in style in an antique '34 Ford Coupe driven by a new member of Sahib whom I know as Sam. Wouldn't it be great if some of our many other classic cars and sports cars could come together and reform a once proud unit? Think about it. Call me at 941-488-4363.

We were led in the parade by Arcadia Shriners carrying our Sahib banner which the DeSoto Shrine Club gave to the temple many years ago. I got it out of storage and we will use it at all parades.

As usual, our good friend Noble Joe



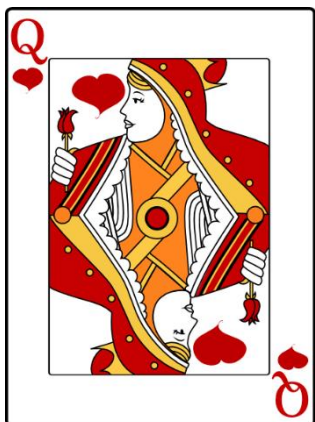
Smedley and his lodge brothers and ladies, along with a couple of cute kids, provided the afterglow get-together. And, as usual, we had a great time. Many thanks and a tip of the fez to all! P.S., Joe says he'll be there next year.

We missed several of our regular units due to equipment problems. The Mariners, Model Ts, and Hillbillies weren't with us. We all hope that they will be ready for the Fall parades.

We are always looking for members for our groups or new groups forming. Call the unit involved or, if you have a new unit in mind, call the Potentate.

Enough for now. As I get more info on parades, I'll get it out to all.

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## April

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Gabriel, Richard  
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### APRIL 2

Kinzley, Richard

### APRIL 3

Hankinson, John  
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Schroeder, Gary  
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### APRIL 4

Chandler, Burton  
Godshall, James

### APRIL 5

Carter, Samuel  
Lebson, Evan  
Potocki, Don  
Pulford, Dorwin

### APRIL 7

Bond, William  
Goodman, Donald

### APRIL 8

Holland, Daniel  
Meschelle, Todd  
Wolfe, Edward

### APRIL 9

Campbell, Gerald  
Machanska, John  
Pedigo, Donald  
Toney, William

### APRIL 10

Katterheinrich, Ned  
Moyer, Richard H.

### APRIL 11

Pante, Paul  
Sapio, Kevin

### APRIL 13

Campbell, William  
Knop, Thomas  
Williamson, Warren

### APRIL 14

Castle, Frank  
Dewey, David

### APRIL 15

Lane, James  
Livani, Asdollah  
Ramieh, Robert  
Swiney, Tommy

### APRIL 17

McCaw, Douglas

### APRIL 18

Hobaugh, Ronald  
Snyder, Jack W.  
Squier, Guy  
Stetson, Kenneth

### APRIL 19

Allen, Robert  
Libby, Willard  
Pinson, James

### APRIL 20

Herpel, Douglas  
Ivins, John  
McDonald, James

### APRIL 21

Furman, Joel

### APRIL 22

Grempe, Edward  
Mashia, David  
Yahraus, Roy

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Blakely, Robert

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### APRIL 25

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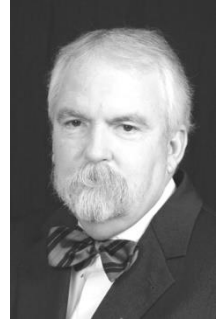
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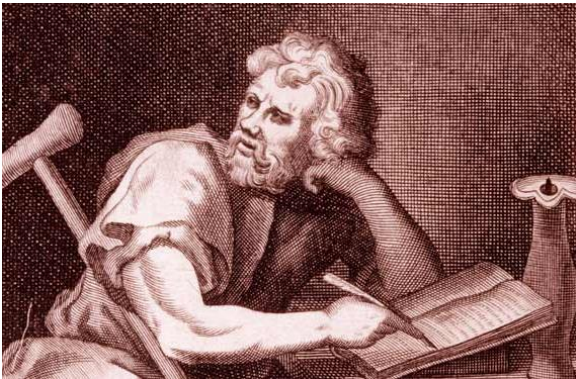
Casey A. Fletcher, 32° KCCH, [cfletcher@palletone.com](mailto:cfletcher@palletone.com)



*The Fellow Craft degree* highlights the five human senses before proceeding to a discussion of the seven liberal arts and sciences. The first three of each of these lists appear to be related and might be paired.

The first three—arts and sciences, grammar, rhetoric and logic—address how we communicate with others and express ourselves. The importance of each is well described in the Lecture. Hearing, seeing, and feeling are the natural senses by which we effectuate our expressions.

We hear arguments and can understand them if they are grammatically sufficient. Seeing allows us to judge the sincerity of the speaker's rhetoric. Feeling (as in perceiving) allows us to judge whether the argument is sound, logical, and reasonable. Freemasonry highlights these tools and pairs them for our use, but they are just tools.



Epictetus

The Greek stoic, Epictetus (55-135), provides context for the proper and effective use of these tools, and he reminds us that they are but tools. Sight and hearing, he submits, "Have been appointed to be slaves and subordinate" to another human faculty. They are but tools for the wise and virtuous man. "An eye," he says, "when open, has no option but to see." The decision of what to look at or to observe rests with the wisdom and virtue of the beholder.

The "faculty of expression and arranging words [grammar and rhetoric] ... does

nothing more than dress up and organize ... a given topic, the way a hairdresser arranges hair. But whether to speak at all or remain silent" is the province of good judgement and of the will.

Epictetus asserted the great human sense, or element, was that of the *will*. The *will* to pursue truth, wisdom, and knowledge, the *will* to employ good judgement and act virtuously.

The will controls "speech, as well as every other faculty, great and small." Is there any faculty stronger, he asks? "What can obstruct the will? Nothing external ... which is why virtue applies to it alone."

Perhaps there is an intersection with Freemasonry and our life journey. While learning to well employ our senses and develop communication skills, we must frame our lives to put them to good use. That requires knowledge and virtue. It requires willpower.

It was our "will" as Entered Apprentices to search for knowledge and truth; to learn virtuous habits and right conduct. Our search and journey continues through the Symbolic Lodge and the Scottish Rite.

The human senses and arts and sciences are but our tools to assist us in our travels. We must have the will to use them wisely. Epictetus encourages us.

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 April 8 meeting, we will honor Brethren who passed to the Celestial Lodge during the past year in a Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal.

*The writer is the Worshipful Master of Tuscan Lodge No. 6 in Bartow, Florida. He believes diplomacy is the will to think twice before remaining silent.*





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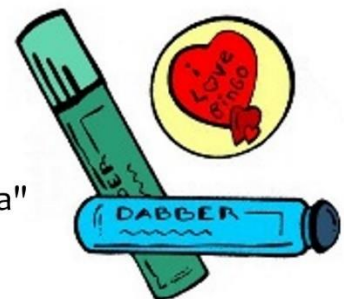
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Sahib Golf Association  
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(In memory of John Lewellen)  
(In memory of Bill Simon)

Manatee Shrine Club  
(In memory of Austin Pickering)  
(In memory of Philip Staples)  
(In memory of Arthur Monson)  
(In memory of Oscar Cloutier, PP)

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**MAY 2029**  
Desert Patrol

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Fred & Marylou Ellis

**APRIL 2026**  
Don & Elayne Sims

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John R. Holland (In memory of Carl E. Hohlt)  
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(In memory of Dottie LaGreco)

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**DECEMBER 2019**  
Jim Dunlap

**NOVEMBER 2019**  
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## Sar-I Court No. 79 - LOSNA

Kay Neary, High Priestess, [kayneary@hotmail.com](mailto:kayneary@hotmail.com)

*This is a busy and exciting time* for the LOS as we have end-of-the-year things to take care of and plan for the installation of officers. The installation will be Saturday, August 23, at the Scottish Rite building at 240 S. Tuttle.

The Angels at the Mardi Gras Fashion Show was a great success. The fashions from PJ's on Main Street were beautiful. The decorations were outstanding and really made it seem like a Mardi Gras party. There was great music that got people up on their feet dancing. Heritage Oaks gave us great service, food, and support. There were opportunities to win gifts and prizes. Many thanks to Lady Wilma Thornton, Second Ceremonial Lady, for putting on a fantastic fashion show!

Many of the LOS ladies are volunteering at the Pittsburgh Pirates spring training games. It is a great time for us to work at the concession stands and be part of the excitement at the ball games.

We had a special luncheon when the Imperial Lady came to visit. It is always

inspiring to hear about her special project. First Lady Patsy Cain's project is POPS (Pediatric Orthotics and Prosthetics Services), which raises funds for orthopedic procedures for our Shriners children.

This is my last article for the Reporter. I want to say thank you to Becky Zeissler. She has done a wonderful job of putting our news out. This year has been a wonderful experience that has given me a lifetime of memories. I wish Lady Ginny Hochroth best wishes for her upcoming year.

*Lady Kay Neary, High Priestess*



From left to right: Jo-Anne Hedley-Plante, Carol Hart, Quacky Duck, Sherry Delgado, Kay Neary, and Muriel Young.

*Photos provided by Lady Carol Hart*

# LOSNA'S MARDI GRAS FASHION SHOW





## Sar-I Court No. 79 – LOSNA

Ginny Hochroth, High Priestess-Elect, [kginny@aol.com](mailto:kginny@aol.com)

*Our installation was a* memorable day for each of us. A big thank you to our teams of officers who did a fabulous installation. Lady Kay Neary, I want to thank you for an inspirational year. We all had fun with our fundraising activities as we supported our Shriners children.

Our new Line Officers:

Lady Ginny Hochroth, High Priestess

Lady Barbarann Cordova, Princess

Lady Linda Gesko, Associate Princess

Lady Wilma Thornton, 1st Ceremonial Lady

Lady Annie Begley, 2nd Ceremonial Lady

We are all excited about our new year. In May, we go to Grand Council in Richmond, Virginia. It will be fun to renew old friendships and create new ones. We will also learn how other courts raise funds to support Shriners Hospitals for Children. We are dark in June through August and start again in September. In October we have a ceremonial. In November is our Grand High Priestess visit. I'm looking forward to you all meeting Lady Lynda Stone, GHP, and hearing about her Grand Project for our Shriners Children.

This year we will be helping in the box



office, sewing for our children, participating in parades, and having our annual Christmas in July followed by a trip to the hospital to deliver all the toys.

Ladies, we would love to have you join us. Just contact me or any member of Sar-I Court #79. Call me at 727-510-6323.

Angel hugs and kisses.

*Lady Ginny Hochroth*





*Sar-I*  
*Court #79*  
*Installation*





# Nyla Temple

Donna Kay Duffy, Queen, [cdd84@aol.com](mailto:cdd84@aol.com)

*Our meeting last month* was very special. We honored our Charter Members. 35 years ago, over 100 women were initiated or affiliated with Nyla Temple. There are five that remain. They are Past Queen Marilyn Carlsen, Past Queen Marion Goldenberg, Linda Glendinning, Anne Kenner, and Bobbie Lander. None of them were able to attend, and will be receiving their pin by mail.

At the luncheon following the meeting, everyone enjoyed a special birthday cake. Other members honored with pins were: 25 years, Norma Brown, Past Queen Elaine Ortt, and Millicent Riley. 5-year pins were

presented to Carol Voss, Clara Rojas, and Darlene Beal-Bloom. Past Supreme Queen Laura Richardson pinned each of the Princesses.

Since our year is drawing to a close, we are planning an end of the year party. We will all meet on March 28 at Applebee's at 5550 Fruitville Road at 11:00 a.m. for some fun and friendship. We will order from the menu. This is open to anyone interested in attending.

We wish everyone a Happy Easter and Happy Spring.

*Lady Donna Kay Duffy, Queen*



Celebrating 35 years! From left to right are Lady Darlene Beal-Bloom, Lady Carol Voss, Lady Millicent Riley, Queen Donna Kay Duffy, and Lady Clara Rojas.

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# Arcadia Parade



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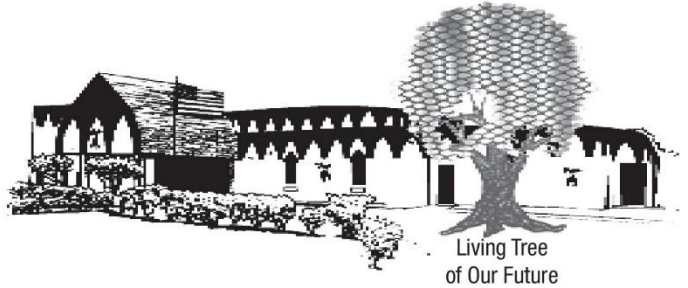
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# Pull Tabs for Shriners Hospitals

The Ladies of Sar-I Court started in 1992 collecting and donating aluminum pull-tabs to the "Wheel Chair Repair Fund." As of March 31, 2018, they have collected 124,441 lbs., for a total of \$66,809.37 for the Shriners Hospital for Children in Tampa.



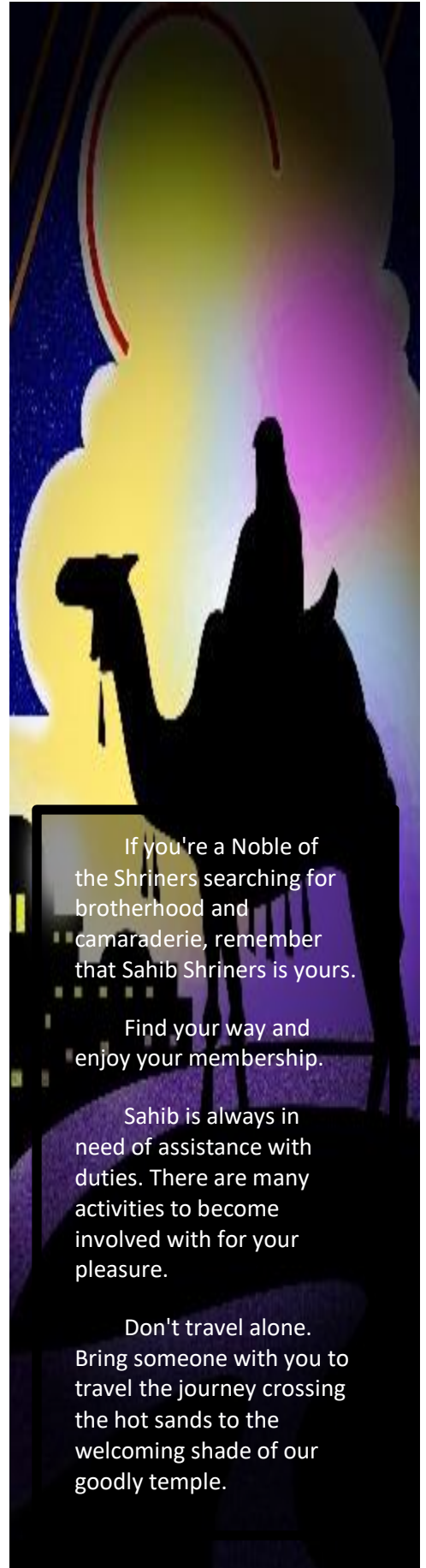
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2. How many tabs in a pound? 1,267.
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4. How does it work and where does the money go? The tabs are delivered to the Sahib office (or almost any Sahib club/unit location) and then taken to the recycling center. The money netted from recycling goes directly into the "Wheel Chair Repair Fund" at the Tampa Shriners Hospital for Children.



Call: Marylou Ellis (941) 468-5327 or  
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Help us collect TABS! It's easy and it's fun!  
Put out a milk jug at every picnic or party!



If you're a Noble of the Shriners searching for brotherhood and camaraderie, remember that Sahib Shriners is yours.

Find your way and enjoy your membership.

Sahib is always in need of assistance with duties. There are many activities to become involved with for your pleasure.

Don't travel alone. Bring someone with you to travel the journey crossing the hot sands to the welcoming shade of our goodly temple.

# Shriners Hospitals for Children Collection Boxes



**What are they?**  
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

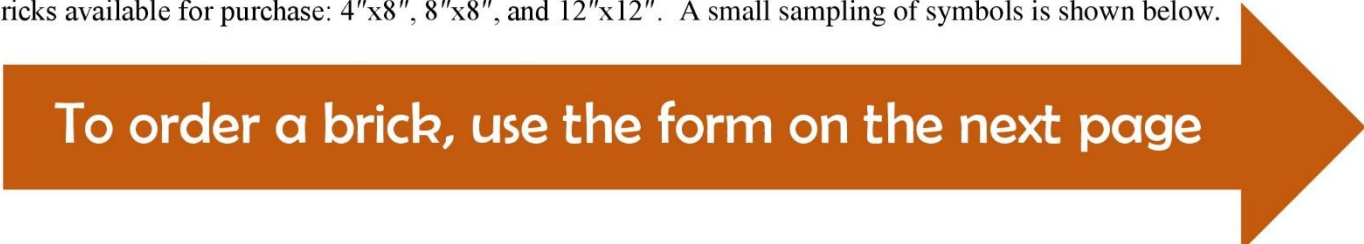
Nobles and Friends of Sahib,

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.



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 Building Maintenance  
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# CALENDAR: April

**APRIL**

Monday, Apr 1	April Fools' Day Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Apr 2	Bingo – Main Hall 9 a.m. Englewood Shrine Club 11:30 a.m.
Thursday, Apr 4	Men's Luncheon 11 a.m. Queen of Hearts 7 p.m.
Friday, Apr 5	Manatee Shrine Club 11 a.m.
Saturday, Apr 6	Club/Unit Head Meeting 10 a.m.
Sunday, Apr 7	Venice Shrine Club BBQ 3-5 p.m.
Monday, Apr 8	Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m. North Port Shrine Club 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Apr 9	Bingo – Main Hall 9 a.m. Birthday & Anniversary Dinner/Dance 6 p.m.
Thursday, Apr 11	Men's Luncheon 11 a.m. Stated Meeting 12:45 p.m. Queen of Hearts 7 p.m. Hillbilly Days in Pikeville, KY (11-13)
Monday, Apr 15	<i>The Reporter</i> deadline / May issue Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Apr 16	Bingo – Main Hall 8 a.m. Venice Shrine Club 11 a.m.
Wednesday, Apr 17	Motor Corps Shrine Club 7 p.m.
Thursday, Apr 18	Men's Luncheon 11 a.m. Queen of Hearts 7 p.m.
Friday, Apr 19	Passover
Sunday, Apr 21	Easter
Monday, Apr 22	Earth Day Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Apr 23	Bingo – Main Hall 8 a.m.
Friday, Apr 26	Arbor Day
Monday, Apr 29	Monday Night Bingo 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Apr 30	Bingo – Main Hall 8 a.m.

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- 1ST: MAY DAY
- 4TH: DERBY DAY
- 5TH: FASMC ANNUAL MEETING/COMPETITION
- 12TH: MOTHER'S DAY
- 18TH: ARMED FORCES DAY



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