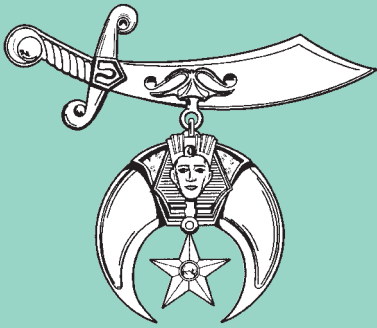


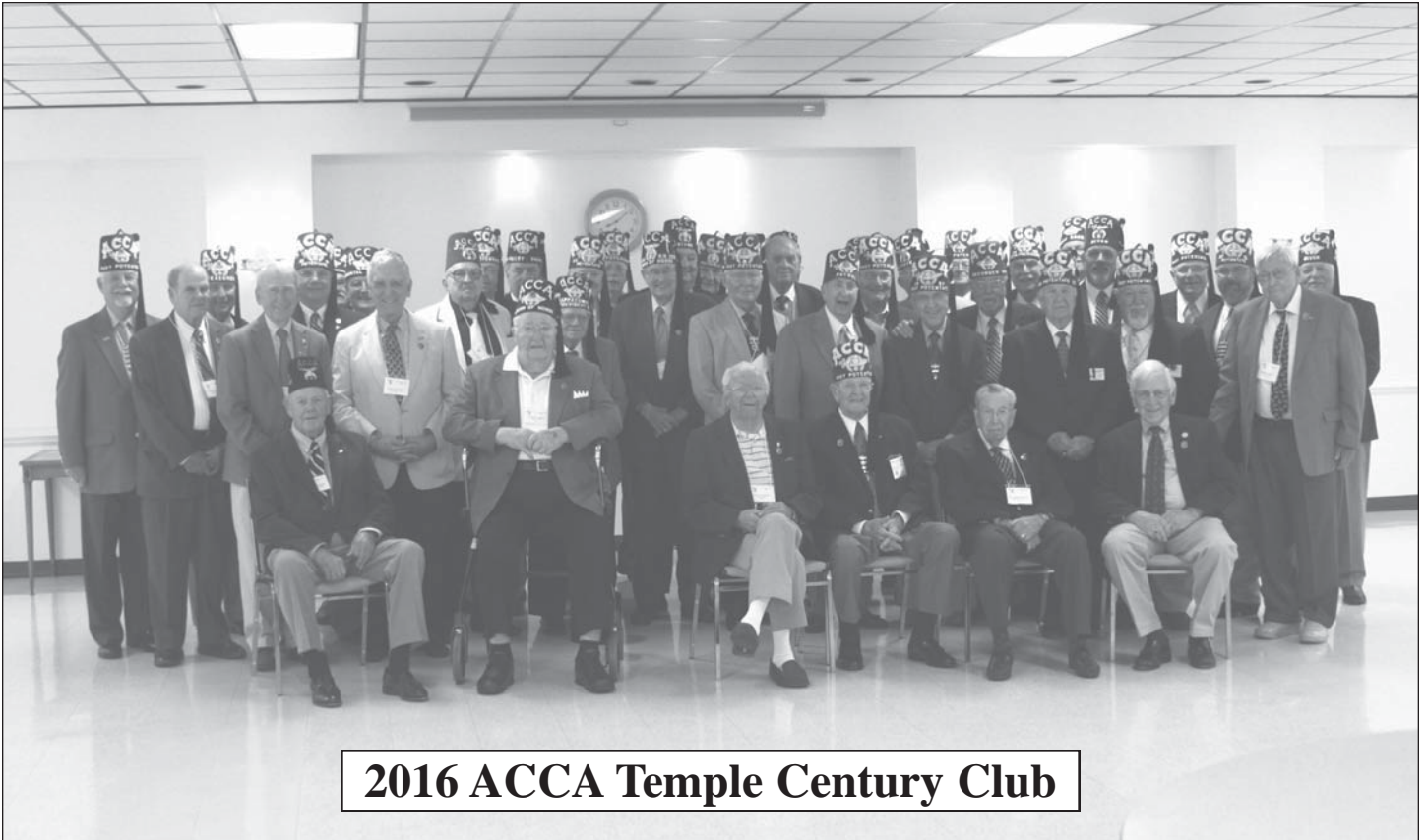
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POTE'S NOTES



I am so proud to have the honor as representing ACCA Shrine and spreading the good news about our hospitals and the wonderful care offered by the doctors and nurses. Since the last Accalette was published we have been very busy. The Divan and I have attended your events and regional meetings and have had wonderful fellowship. I have often heard about the Shrine Family and we are certainly feeling the love expressed whenever we are with you.

The May business meeting was well attended. After the meeting we had a time for the nobility to socialize refresh themselves. This was well received and we are planning to continue this after future business meetings. I plan to send email notices reminding everyone of the meeting. If you did not receive or are not receiving email communications, and want them, please contact the ACCA business office to be added to the list. Your information will be only for the use of ACCA and will NOT be given to outside entities.

We will soon be traveling to Tampa for the annual Imperial Session. I have been to Tampa for Oriental Guide school and also Assistant Rabban School. The Imperial Session will be much larger with many of the same representatives we have met throughout our journey.

Your First Lady is holding the Red, White, and Brew on September 10th on the beautiful grounds of ACCA. There will be many vendors and samples to tantalize the pallet. A live band will be playing to entertain those in attendance. The event will be rain or shine, so plan to come meet new friends and renew acquaintances.

It's not too early to think about fall SASA! Our annual pilgrimage to Myrtle Beach will be upon us soon. This year we again are staying at the Coral Beach Hotel. It is on the beach and offers many amenities for the young and young at heart. Time is running out to make your reservation, please consider coming and enjoying the festivities. The parade will be on Saturday afternoon this year, and thanks to your Potentate, we are very near the end of the parade.

Keep searching for new candidates, I hope to see each of you soon at ACCA!

Yours in the Faith,
Jimi Duke, Potentate

From The RECORDER'S PEN



Nobles, Ladies, and Friends,

We are now into the summer and have had several events that have taken place here at Acca. One I am so proud to report to you is the "Pork and Music Festival" that was held on May 7th. It appears that we will do better than we did last year thanks to the hard work of the committee and the temple members. Thanks to all the volunteers that made the day a very successful one. We have had numerous positive comments on the event and some suggestions for improvement.

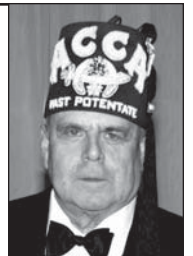
The Auction Driving fund raiser is still in full swing. We really need more drivers to participate. We can have as many as 30 drivers per week and are only getting about 20. That equates to \$360.00 per week we are losing. If this continues we will lose about \$12,000.00 this year due to non participation. That is almost as much as the Pork Festival revenues. Unit and Club leaders, please encourage your members to help with this very easy fund raiser for our Temple.

The May 17th Business Meeting produced 5 new novices for our Temple, 1 associate member, 6 demits, 1 suspension, 20 deaths, for a net loss of 23 for the first 4 months of 2016. If this trend continues through the year and with the year end non payment of dues suspensions our numbers will drop below 1300 members. We really need to work on the membership program and take the matter seriously. We had the PACE Program here on June 20th of last year to help us with our efforts to start growing the numbers. This is a two year program and the membership committee is working hard to make it a success. We need your help and I know that we can do better if we work at it.

We need to thank all of the unsung heroes we have here at Acca. Nobles Karl Hawks, David Eells, and James Sadler are among those that do so much to keep our facility in good repair and appearance. You don't see them when they are taking care of little problems or cleaning up messy areas, but they are there. When you see these Nobles give them a pat on the back and let them know that they are appreciated. Also thanks to the Legion of Honor for planting the beautiful mums in our memorial garden. Well done! Some Shriners make things happen, other watch things happen, and others wonder what happened.

With Fraternal Regards,
Ben D. "Pete" Holder, PP, Recorder

From The EDITOR'S DESK



Nobles, Ladies and Friends of Acca Shrine... Greetings:

I wish to thank all nobles and ladies for their ongoing support for the Accalette during the first half of program year 2016. We trust the Nobility, their families and friends will find this issue of the Accalette informative and interesting. We ask all nobles to patronize our advertisers.

We are reminded there are still many things to accomplish if we are to make the success we all desire in Shrinedom and more particularly, Acca Temple. Nobles, with your help and the help of our nobles within the units and clubs, there is no reason why the remainder of the year should not be full of shrine activities of the kind that will make every meeting better than the preceding one. Nobles, it's up to all of us to support, help, promote and to participate with Acca on the events taking place within our temple.

In July your temple and hospital representatives will be traveling to Tampa, FL. to represent you at the 142nd Imperial Session of Shriners International. One of the topics your representatives will be voting on is the resolution relating to the elimination of the position of Deputy Imperial Potentate.

Over the next few months we all need to be working on our Sportsman's Raffle, the 2016 SASA Convention and making Acca Shrine #1 and yes membership, membership is an ongoing topic for all nobles! We must give others the opportunity to participate in this great organization, the "World's Greatest Philanthropy". Remember it all starts in your Blue Lodge. Ask a brother.

Congratulations go out to our new nobles and ladies and for each we give a special welcome into the family of ACCA Shrine and the "World's Greatest Philanthropy Shrine Hospitals for children". Nobles we encourage you to support and participate with ACCA. We also encourage you to join a shrine unit or club. Remember, it's your Temple.

Nobles, now is the time to start looking for a candidate for the November Fall Ceremonial.

Fraternally and Sincerely,

Paul W. Lanier
Paul W. Lanier, Managing Editor

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From the Chaplain

Brethren, I have written to you about things Masonic and everyday life. This time I would like to speak to your hearts. I want to give you food for thought.



God, Country, Family, Masonry; those are the priorities we are all given. God should be in the forefront of our minds in everything we do and say. We should make time daily for devotions of his Holy word and Thanksgiving, silent meditation with our Creator. I struggle with this sometimes in a busy, multi-tasked office environment, striving to remedy the dilemma by one deep breath before I answer a question. Our love for our Country is unmistakable, some have served on the front lines of battles to bring an end to tyranny, others, in uniform waiting for the chance to show our conscience. We belong to a Fraternity that is the backbone of Patriotism. Then comes family.

Our Wives and families should be the center of who we are; as sons, husbands, fathers... MEN. Our families allow us to be together as Brothers sometimes 5 nights a week. The Bible shows us many examples of our roles in our family. But, I ask you, does your family know how Masonry improves that position? Have we sat down to discuss the role Masonry plays in making us better men, closer to the true example of a Godly man? Seeing the example set by older, wiser, Godly men. Being the example of a Godly man, loving husband, excellent father.

We should strive, at every opportunity, to be the very best edition of ourselves. Be the good example of the best we can be. The best friend, Son, Brother, Husband, Father, neighbor, employee, customer, patron, example. We are Masons. We should live up to the principles laid down by the Supreme Architect and to the teachings of our institution.

Jonathan Turner

Past Masters Club

I hope everyone has shaken the winter and rainy spell blues off and look forward to a fun summer. I want to cordially invite all the Past Masters to join us at our next Past Masters meeting on August 17th.

Social hour starts at 6:30 P.M. and dinner is served at 7:00 P.M. We welcome you and your lady to join us for this social event.

I look forward to seeing as many as possible on this date. Please make your reservations by email to: butler-resr@yahoo.com or by phone at 804-690-0999 by August 12th at noon.

Fraternally,
Ronnie Butler, *President*



First Lady's Thoughts _____

There are times when we all need to slow down and smell the roses. By doing so, you become more aware of your surroundings and all that is taking place around you becomes clearer. There are so many at ACCA who work hard to help the children that so need the services that Shriner's provide. There are many that work to ensure that our Shrine Center runs smoothly and those who work to beautified the center and extend their hospitality to all that enter the Shrine Center. I want to thank you all! It is a wonderful organization that I am privileged and proud to be a part of, that works tirelessly to help care for those children and their families who need the services that the Shriner's provide.

Okay, I am now on my 2nd pair of PF Flyers! Your Potentate and Divan have been on the run. Many have attended the Northern Neck Shrine Club Oyster Roast, Accaba Installation of Officers, Directors Staff Picnic, Legion of Honor BBQ Dinner, ACCA Shrine Million Dollar Band Concert, LOS Silent Auction, Kena's Potentate Ball, Southside Catfish Festival, Dogwood Parade, Kazim's Potentate Ball, SASA LOH Annual Spring Meeting, ACCA Pork Festival, Southside Regional Meeting, LOH's Ladies Night, ACCA Business Meeting, and Kena's Patriot Shrine Club Meeting. Oh my goodness, I hope I did not leave any group out! We are having so much fun and we are so humble by the effort that so many put forth in assuring that their event is a success.

Once again, I would like to remind you of the Divan Ladies 4th Annual Red White and Brew to be held Sept. 10th right on the beautiful grounds of ACCA Shrine Center. I hope that you have inked in that date on your calendar! It is right before we take off to Myrtle Beach for Fall SASA. A great way to start off your beach vacation!

Thank you for your overwhelming support that you are affording Jimi and me! There are so many that work tirelessly and behind the scenes and do not get or want recognition but, know we appreciate all that you do for us and for your Shrine Center, the Hospitals and mostly for the Shrine Children! Love you all and look forward to seeing you soon at your ACCA Shrine Center.

Lady Donna

Membership Committee



Greetings Nobles! The Membership Committee is continuing to work hard to assist the Units and Clubs with their membership goals and to restore those in arrears to active membership. We appreciate everyone's input, feedback and encouragement and know that by working together, we will make a positive change in Acca's membership!

Acca ended the month of May with 5 Gains and 29 Losses for a current total of 1,362 members. This is a net loss of 24 members (or 1.7%) for the year. Following Imperial's recommendations, the Committee has set membership goals for each of the Unit and Clubs of 5% new creations. For many, this equates to only 1, 2 or 3 new members for the entire year! Let us make a serious effort to discuss membership with our Brethren in Blue Lodge and to encourage them to attend one of our Shrine meetings, fundraisers, events or parades. It is understood that recruiting new members can be difficult, but we must continue to reach out, step outside of our comfort zone and give a Brother a petition. We know you can do it, so get out there, talk about Shrinedom and help our Temple grow!

Writing this article before the Spring Ceremonial, we are confident the Temple had a great showing of support from the Nobility and increased our membership numbers. Welcome new Nobles to the Acca Shrine family! We strongly encourage you to join a Unit or Club and challenge you to stay active. There is so much to do not only in our Temple, but for the thousands of children in our 22 Hospitals as well. Just as in Freemasonry, you will get out of the Shrine what you put into it!

Nobles, if you were the signer of a petition for one of our new Shriners, the Temple needs you as mentors to communicate, work with and guide the new Noble. Doing so will cultivate a relationship and a member that will last a lifetime. By keeping them informed and participating, they will remain active and willing to be a part of Acca Shrine!

As always Nobles, if you have any questions or would like the Membership Committee to help your Unit or Club in any way, please take the time to contact us. We are here as a resource for you! Have a great summer and God Bless!

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Ross C. Morland, *Membership Chairman*



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4th Annual Red, White and Brew Festival
Saturday, September 10, 2016



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Today, Shriners are renowned for their participation in parades, conventions and circuses – and are recognized by their distinctive fezzes. Shriners host events in a spirit of fun, fellowship and philanthropy, often through their local clubs and units under the jurisdiction of the 196 temples (chapters) throughout the world.

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Jerry G. Gantt
Imperial Potentate

Jack H. Jones
Imperial Recorder

Petersburg Shrine Club

The Petersburg Shrine Club held its April meeting at the Colonial Heights Moose Lodge, where we were served a delicious dinner of Pork roast with Masonic beans. Our speaker was Brother Bill Bowman, a member of Blandford Lodge #3, Petersburg, Virginia. He shared many comical stories of his long career in TV. He spoke of his Ukulele and the unique carrying case shaped like a coffin. His show ran from 1970 through 1976, then in re-runs until 1984 in various areas. You may remember him as the "Bowman Body".



The Bowman Body

On May 25th, we were at the Moose Lodge again. We enjoyed another good meal by the Moose members. We had Bar-B-Q, French fries, Cold slaw and Strawberry Short Cake. The Moose Lodge is a "smoke-free" building which makes the meals even better.

Our speaker was Thomas Peters, Jr., General Manager of J. T. Morriss & Son Funeral Home, Petersburg, VA. Tommy is the son of Thomas Peters, Sr., President of our Club. Tommy, Sr. and Tommy, Jr. are both Past Masters of the Dinwiddie Lodge. He talked about making pre-burial arrangements and suggested you should prepare a list of what you want in the newspaper, such as Masonic Services, pallbearers, military service, etc. Tommy stated that making these arrangements makes it a lot easier on your family.

The Petersburg Shrine Club is sponsoring a patient to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Her first visit to Greenville was at 8 weeks old. She was born with a part of the left arm and hand missing. Dr. Richard Redman, a member of the Petersburg Shrine

Club and a member of the Greenville Hospital Board of Directors was of great help. The baby's mother is a Tupperware representative and her District Coordinator put on a Tupperware Bingo Fundraiser and all proceeds from Bingo and selling Pizza and drinks are going to Shriners Hospitals for Children in honor of this little girl. The Tupperware group and the family are so appreciative that this little girl will be getting the help that she needs from Shriners Hospitals. "Yours truly" made a speech telling the Bingo players about our hospitals



Bill Brockwell

We meet the 4th Wednesday each month except July and August. We would like to have you visit our Club and join us if you live in the Tri-City area. Call any member for information.

Bill Brockwell, *Club Reporter*




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Legion of Honor



The long awaited fun part of this year's Commander's Ball which was rescheduled due to snow occurred on Saturday, May 14 at the Meadowbridge Country Club. It was held in conjunction with the Legion of Honor Lady's Night. A grand time was had by all! The mood was set by piano playing in the background, great fellowship in the foreground, and an excellent food buffet. A contingent of Legionnaires from Khedive Shrine Center joined us along with the entire elected ACCA divan. As part of the "men's" portion of the meeting, Commander Ed Ernouf presented Past Commander Al Rock with the Past Commander's Certificate and congratulated Al and his Lady Bette for a job well done. During the "lady's" portion of the meeting, Ladies Rebecca Ernouf and Bette Rock were presented with flowers in recognition of all hard work they, along with all the Ladies of the Legion, have done on behalf of the Legion. Lady Rebecca presented all the Ladies and Sweethearts with a patriotic pin.

The Legion's Annual Onion sale occurred on May 10... received and gone in one day! Due to traffic issues, the truck did not arrive until about 7:30 am. The "Sales Team" was going home by 2:30 which I understand is a first. We had great help from the Legionnaires and our Sweethearts in selling the onions, we also had help from the grower... due to an error at the loading dock in Georgia, we were only shipped 500 bags of onions instead of the 600 we ordered. It was great to be done in a day, but it was also hard to have to tell folks we had sold out. Thanks go out to Legionnaires Bill Brockwell, Jack Williams, Cliff Grotz & the Northern Neck LOH, T.C. Lawson, Jim Boyd, Al Rock, Tom Snead, W.E. Childrey, Bill Sears and Sweet Hearts Kip Volkstadt and Kaye Stanley for their help in getting and sell-

ing the onions. Legionnaire Carl Harrell saved our backs by bringing over a pallet jack so the pallets of onions could be transferred from the transport truck to a rental truck provided by Charles Hanbury of the Motor Patrol. A job well done by all!

As you read this, the Legion will already have had this year's Ole Timers Night and Ladies Night Out highlights of which will be in the next Accalette. Mark your calendar now for the Legion Of Honor picnic scheduled for July 23. Hopefully, you have made your plans and reservations for SASA at Myrtle Beach in September.

Remember:

"If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God,
Then we will be a nation gone under."

– Ronald Reagan

Ed Ernouf, *Commander*

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Hospital Committee Report

ACCA Council Meeting 4.26.16

We are sending children currently, to 11 different Hospitals. The full time screening clinic being held at Dr. Richard Redman's office is producing screenings with applications forwarded to the appropriate Shrine Hospitals. The Richmond Follow-up Clinic seems to be progressing slowly.

Transportation Fund Balance as of 3.31.16 \$64,162.86
 Transportation Fund Expenses YTD as of 3.31.16 . . \$11,750.61
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 Expenses 2008 through 2015:

(Expenses for 2015 \$67,769)
 (Expenses for 2014 \$62,765)
 (Expenses for 2013 \$66,039)
 (Expenses for 2012 \$91,129)
 (Expenses for 2011 \$75,368)
 (Expenses for 2010 \$60,159)
 (Expenses for 2009 \$61,545)
 (Expenses for 2008 \$92,078)

Average cost per month, YTD, is \$ 3,917. We currently have 23 Shrine Drivers and 5 Ladies .We have had 21 trips with 23 patients, through March. March was a slow month but YTD was on par with 2015. Thanks to all of the drivers for allowing us to take care of our shrine kids and stepping up to drive for last minute trips. Most of our air flights are to Boston so far this year, and are Commercial flights. One patient has to go monthly.

The Hospital Policy and associated documents have been revised with the changes approved by the Board of Directors at the end of 2015, as stated previously and remember that we can now have Master Masons as a driver when paired with a shrine driver. Nobles please talk to your Units, Clubs and Blue Lodges about this. It can be a "win-win", whereby we can possible get new shriners from this program....and we certainly need these as well as drivers

The committee of (4) Nobles/drivers, have selected our next van for purchase, and all paperwork has been filed by John Larson and the Recorder, Pete Holder with Tampa. We will have to wait until the Board of Trustees for Shriners Hospitals meets to approve the request. This is normally just a formality.

We still need additional drivers (both Nobles and their Ladies. Please consider driving for the Transportation Team. Ralph Heard would like to have more drivers to choose from. We have lost some of our drivers due to aging out, illness or family illness.... and please take this back to your Unit and Club Membership and mention it. Have them contact Ralph or John Larson if they are interested.

If you would like to help the Hospital Committee, the meetings are held the first Tuesday night of each month at 7:30pm in the Trophy Room and are open to all Nobles and their Ladies. You are welcome and encouraged to participate.

James A. McAllister, PP, *Chairman 2016*
 John O. Larson, *Co-Chairman 2016*



ACCABA COURT NO. 105

Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America (LOS)

Well, our Installation is behind us, the Silent Auction is over, our ladies have returned from Grand Council in California and now we are preparing for the Official Visit from the Grand High Priestess.

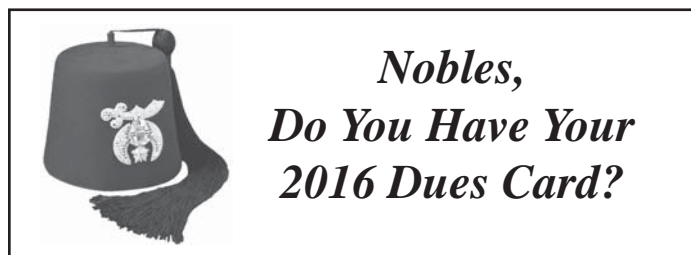
The Ladies of Accaba Court would like to thank those Nobles, and their Ladies, from ACCA Shriners who attended our silent auction. This event was held to raise funds for Grand Council 2019 to be held here in Richmond. A very special "thank you" to Ill. Jimi Duke, Potentate of Acca Shriners for being our auctioneer. We appreciate you taking time from your busy schedule to help us with this event. Thanks to all those who attended, we had a very successful silent auction and we are preparing for another one on April 8, 2017.

Congratulations to Lady Kristine Palmer, newly elected and installed Grand Associate Princess of the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America. Lady Kris was elected and installed in Costa Mesa, California at the 102nd Grand Council held there. Just think Lady Kris, you'll become Grand High Priestess in just two more years.



Now we are preparing for, and looking forward to, the official visit of Lady Diana Schmitz, Grand High Priestess. Lady Diana will visit our Court on July 11th and 12th. We will host a dinner for her the evening of July 11th. A luncheon, in her honor, will be held by the Past High Priestess of Accaba Court at Sedona Taphouse on July 12th with a Sisters' Supper before our special court meeting that evening. Lady Diana, we look forward to your visit to our Court and showing you "Virginia Hospitality" during your stay in Richmond.

Lady Sharon Heard, PHP
Accaba Court No. 105



ACCA Shrine - Shriners International

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Embrace your brace!

That is the message 11 year old Katie is hoping to pass along to other scoliosis patients at #SHCGreenville and anyone else who must wear an orthotic or brace. Katie has learned firsthand the importance of brace compliance. Her once 26 and 20 degree S-shaped spinal curves are now 10 and 6 degrees!

But Katie hasn't been the only one to embrace her brace. She knows that along with support from her family, it is support from her friends that makes a huge impact. "If my friends didn't support me I probably wouldn't wear the brace as much as I am supposed to wear it," Katie says. "I usually wear my brace for 22 hours a day. For two years I've done everything with my brace on. I never take it off unless I'm swimming or showering."

Katie's school has also been instrumental in her brace compliance. When she first returned to school with her brace, they allowed her to pick two "brace buddies" to be trained to help Katie put on and take off her brace if it needed adjusting during the school day. Katie chose friends Camille and Quinlan. "I thought it was going to be a lot bulkier, but you can hardly tell Katie has a brace on," says Camille.

This past year, Katie's brace may have been the best recess prop in fifth grade as classmates tried to see how far footballs and soccer balls would ricochet off of Katie. "There isn't anything Katie can't do with her brace on. Katie runs, plays soccer, football, everything," says Quinlan. "One time, I was playing goalie and the ball hit my brace, bounced off and nailed the person who had just kicked it knocking him down," Katie adds. "It was so funny!"

A few months ago, when it was time for Katie to choose a pattern for her new brace, her teacher showed all the options on the classroom smart board and the whole class got involved in the process and voted on their favorite. "Everyone in my school knows I wear a back brace. It's really no big deal," Katie says, "I just want other patients to know that it's ok to wear your brace. Just rock your brace! Embrace your brace! It could make a difference, like it did for me."

Katie's brace buddies came to her most recent check-up at the Greenville Shriners Hospital. During the visit Quinlan and Camille learned just how much their help and support made a difference in Katie's life. "I had no idea that she could have had to have spine surgery if her brace hadn't helped her. Now I'm really glad we help Katie with her brace!" Camille exclaimed.

Katie is a Shriners Kid



Hillbilly Unit



Howdy thar Cuzzins! Spring dun sprung and it's time fer mow-in', hackin', sneezing and sniffin'. It's also time to sit back on the porch with yer loved ones and favorite critters, while enjoyin' a cool drink and the beauty of God's creation. With all the rain we've had this April and May, many of us Hillbillies have new indoor pools (our basements) and commenced to paddling the kids to school in canoes. Heck, even the old mule is still on top of the tobacco barn, waiting for the waters to subside.

The parade season is here and the Unit had a good turnout at the Charlottesville Dogwood Festival Parade on April 23rd. The ol' Model A was loaded up with Hillbillies, smiling and waving to the hundreds of onlookers as we passed through downtown. Captain Rick Marion and Cuzzin Ray Drumheller were there too, cruising along on their lawnmowers. We even got our picture on the local TV station and newspaper! We're gonna be famous! (Maybe one day)

On April 30th, the Unit parked cars for the Frontier Culture Museum's "Spring Homeschool Day" in Staunton. A big "THANK YOU" to Cuzzins Bill and Lisa Wimer who coordinated and worked the event. We have several other events scheduled at the Museum to park cars and hope to find more fundraising opportunities to support the Temple and transportation fund.

The Unit helped celebrate the May 21st Grand Opening of DoLittle's Diner in Stuarts Draft by greeting people at the door, busing tables and assisting with door prizes. The owners (Tammy and Billy Ray Johnson) were kind enough to let us set up a donation box and Shrine membership table. Cuzzin John Conover did

a great job talking with the radio station that day on Shrinedom and our Hospitals for Children. It is always a pleasure to take part in a community event and to spread the word about Shriners and our philanthropy.

Our monthly Hillbilly meeting is the second Monday of each month at DoLittle's Diner (2421 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft). We would love to have you and your whole family join us! Service is buffet style and the food is finger-licking good! Please arrive at 6:00 PM to partake in the meal; the meeting will start around 7:00 PM. Y'all have a great day and remember to **HONOR THE COB!**

Ross Morland, *Unit Reporter*



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Faces of the Mini Patrol



How many of us can ever forget the faces of the Director's Staff when we were initiated into our beloved ACCA Shrine? Or the faces in the Unit and Club rooms during the Open House the night before? And who can ever forget the face of that very first Shriner child that we saw at a Media Night or at a Shriner Hospital. In the Mini Patrol we remember the faces of the children and the adults along the parade route who cheer, who laugh, and who love to hear and see us coming down the road. Faces make up the fabric of our experience in the Shrine. The collage of faces forms our first impression of the joy of being a Shriner and uphold us as we work to benefit our children and our hospitals.

We in the Mini Patrol are blessed with faithful, formative, and functional faces around us at each and every meeting, at each and every parade, and at each and every fund raiser. The most important faces are the faces of our Ladies. Ladies who stand in the rain to collect donations, ladies who help coordinate, and ladies who allow us to spend our time and our money on our little orange cars. We are thankful for the women and men who have been, who are now in, and who will be in our unit in the future because they were, are, and will be the faces that we admire, respect, and yes even love. Our unit has characters who are involved, not only in supporting the Mini Patrol but who also are serving on the Divan, head other units in ACCA, are supporters of clubs, and are also leaders in their Blue Lodges, the York Rite, and the Scottish Rite. Our people are busy people and that is the kind of people we want around us because they get things done. The downside

of having busy people is that they cannot be in two places at one time. We are forced to make choices about what is most important at the present moment but even when our members are serving as Masonic Home Ambassadors, Worshipful Masters of a Blue Lodge, or even spending time with their families, they are still the faces of the Mini Patrol and we are proud of each and every face.

Look into the face of a fellow Shriner or Lady at the next event you attend and see if you can see the strength, the energy, the enthusiasm, and the joy of a brother and sister who is actively involved and thank them. Thank them for their service and their commitment of time and money to continue to build and support the world's best philanthropy. Remember the reaction of their face when you thank them and when it rains on a fund raiser, when your units participate in a parade is cancelled because of lack of participation, or when we are just too tired to make one more phone call or attend one more meeting, remember that beaming smiling face.

Faces do make up the fabric of our lives and may we be blessed with a fantastic array of faces to know, to remember, and to care about each and every day. We in the Mini Patrol are proud to be Shriners, happy to be of service, and look forward to seeing your face at the next event, the next parade, or the next meeting.

"Mini Cars Run So Little Legs Can Walk"

Commander Kim Webster

Southside Shrine Club

April was a busy month as we finalized our plans and held our 29th Annual Virginia Catfish Festival April 23, 2016 at the spacious STEPS Center in Farmville, Virginia. By all accounts it was a success. Funds are still coming in and bills are being paid so tune into the next Accalette for the final totals.

Thanks to all our sponsors and businesses that donated products and monetary contributions and a host of wonderful people working together to make it an enjoyable event for all who attended. This includes the support we received from the ACCA, Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity of Longwood University, Hampden-Sidney Delta Kappa Epsilon Zeta Gamma Chapter Fraternity, our club members, friends and families who came out to help before, during and after the event with setup, cooking, serving and clean up. All agreed it was a lot of hard work but well worth it; working together with one goal in mind and that is supporting our Shriner kids. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!



Southside Shrine Club members and members of ACCA Divan

Representatives from the ACCA Divan provided updates on membership, building fund and a new web tool to assist clubs with tracking membership and dues, as well as printed reports.



Members of Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity of Longwood University

The Southside Shrine Club attended the Regional Shrine Club meeting at Sheldon's Restaurant in Keysville on May 11th. An enjoyable meal and time was had by all as we met with the ACCA Divan. Southside Shine Club was the only regional club to attend. Vice President, James Casey provided an update on our club's activities.



*ACCA Divan Recorder,
Ben D. "Pete" Holder*



*ACCA Divan Ill. Sir James H.
"Jimi" Duke, Potentate and
Noble Robert Llewellyn*

The Divan and Nobles ending the meeting singing their theme song "I Am Proud To Be A Shriner".



ACCA Divan and Southside Shrine Club Nobles singing

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 8th @ 7p.m., at Amelia Lodge 101, Amelia, Virginia. This will be a cookout where our chefs Lady Nancy and Noble Robert Llewellyn will grill us up some delicious hamburgers and hotdogs. Club members will provide side dishes and dessert. If you don't have a home club, we would love to have you be part of ours.

We continue to keep our club members who are dealing illness in our thoughts and prayers and ask you to do the same.

Noble Sonny Conner, Club Reporter



*VP James Casey Southside Shrine Club and ACCA Assistant
Rabban, Dennis W. Berry*

Million Dollar Band



Early April found the Band getting ready for our annual "Showcase" performance. To augment our (current) meager numbers we invited several of our friends from the Thomas Jefferson and John Marshall Cadet Corps Alumni Bands, including Bill Stratton, Wayland Rennie, Milton Owen, Rick Stitzer, Henri Maizels, Paul Hawthorne, Ray Jenkins, Nick Kalafatis, Lt Colonel Bob Hawthorne and Finnie Theofanos. Also helping were fellow Sauerkraut members, Larry Haake and Roger Comley. It was great to see "The Hudson Boys", Bill and Ashby back in their seats. We've really been missing you.

Thanks to Mr. Randy Abernathy, Director of the Henrico Concert Band and Illustrious Phil Johnson for all the hard work preparing our bands for this great event. It would probably be just a bunch of noise instead of music without you guys.

VP Chris Frohne did yeoman duty in putting the program together this year. Thanks, Chris; we couldn't have made our ad goals without you.

President Steve Beverly's message to the band after Showcase: "I want to thank each and every one of you for the fabulous performance you guys pulled off last night. To me, it just seemed like all the stars lined up and we were in that perfect time and place with all our music friends that we know and we put on a show that ended with a standing ovation. When was the last time we put 80 plus musicians on our stage? So, as Jimmy Buffett would have

said, "You Had To Be There". I love you guys! We have come a long way since our practice in January with 14 people who showed up. I don't know about you but let's do it again... soon! A special thanks to Thomas Jefferson High School Cadet Corp for your support. Thanks also to Larry (Haake), Roger (Comley), and John (Stenstrom) from our Acca Temple Gospel group who have been working hard for our children. Thanks to Ray Jenkins from John Marshall, and thank you George Jacob for attending our concert. We appreciate all you have done! Lastly, thanks to our Potentate, Jimi Duke, for your leadership of our great Temple and supporting us!"

Many thanks from the Band to Illustrious Sir David Bishop for his efforts in coordinating the repainting and decorating of our trailer, which is now ready-to-go for upcoming street events. Take a look at it in the parking lot – we think you'll agree it is fabulous!

As is our custom at the Pork and Music Festivals, we manned the Beer Truck again this year. It was a beautiful day, we pulled lots of beer and the crowd seemed to have a good time.

Coming up, we will be having a joint covered dish dinner on June 27th with our T.J. friends who helped us out at Showcase.

President Steve's message to the Band: "Greetings to our dear friend, Bonnie Versoza, who now lives outside of San Antonio, Texas. Their Shrine Band has turned into more of a dance band format because the numbers dwindled so badly so I guess that was their only option. My idea is for all of us to prevent that from happening with our band by ALL the members currently in our band coming to practice AND looking for other musicians in their Lodges or other places to join us. My thinking is, if the Henrico Concert Band can grow to 60 or 70 members that maybe we can do the same if we ALL try to help our cause. Our destiny is in our own hands and we will have no one to blame but ourselves if this happens? I know I love this band as much as you guys so this is why I am telling you what you really already know. So, let's go to work.. start talking to people, keep this on your mind to help this band this year. I know we can do it. You guys that are left are awesome, please help as much as you can. See you all at next practice."

Our freedoms are protected by the members of our Armed Forces, past and present. Do all you can to support them.

John Stenstrom, *Band Secretary*

Motor Patrol



Mac McPhail and Sam Wells--connoisseurs of Grill Cooking



Carl Harrell--Master Chef of the Potato

Will it ever stop raining? It seems to be the subject of most conversations. Between my first and second cup of coffee this morning, the grass grew another inch.

The cooking crew of the Motor Patrol is in demand. We have catered a number of events this past couple of months, both within the Shrine and with outside organizations. You feel confident of success when you are asked to return. We have a lot of engagement scheduled, if you are interested, call Illustrious Sir Bill Painter or Past President Charles Hanbury.

The Pork and Music Festival was done in-house this year. Different units were asked to participate. The Motor Patrol cooked the Barbeque Ribs. We cooked Ribs and we cooked Ribs and



Joy Painter and Jewel Butler--The woman's Touch.

we cooked ----. A lot of work but we accomplished our task, although some members were barely standing at the end.

One event, which will be past history when you receive this publication, is the Spring Ceremonial. Our Potentate, Illustrious Sir Jimi Duke asked the unit to provide the banquet since he was honoring the Aide Staff, which is headed up by noble Steve (Sparky) Fuller. The Motor Patrol will provide the meal and also the appetizers during the cocktail party.

Parades were a main discussion at our last meeting. Colonial Beach, Irvington and Bridgewater are on our schedule. We hope to make all three. There was considerable conversation about getting the go-carts back active.

Some of our members are experiencing health problems. Past President Tom White is combating respiratory problems. This time of year is especially difficult. Noble Mac McPhail is completing treatments for a prostate problem and noble John Wiley is recuperating from a bad fall which fractured a number of ribs. On a positive note, the Motor Patrol is grateful that Illustrious Sir Bill Painter has been able to return to a more active status.

Be nice—keep the sunny-side up.

Larry Koon, Reporter

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Ceremonial Cast

Nobles, Ladies, Friends,

Greetings! Hopefully everyone is enjoying their summer. As with every year, before the end of Spring the Ceremonial Cast did what it does best, perform the Ritual for our incoming Novices. Here is the cast of the 2016 Spring Ceremonial with much appreciation:

Illustrious Potentate	Ed Swansey
Chief Rabban	Bill Biddix
Assistant Rabban	“Sir” Richard Neely
High Priest & Prophet.	Daniel Muldoon
Oriental Guide	Brian Adams
First Ceremonial Master	Donnie Korb
Second Ceremonial Master.	Vernon Korb
Marshal (Oration)	Ill. Sir Sam Dunn
Shriner’s Creed and Orator.	Daniel Muldoon
Father of Seven Sons	Tom Lacy
Alchemist 1	Barnard Woody
Alchemist 2	Ken Whirley
Slave 1	Galen Gallagher
Custodian of Candidates.	Rodney Gallagher & John Campbell

Prompters Ill. Sir Sam Dunn & Frosty Bruce
 Lights Robert Sine
 Sound Floyd Maxey
 Make up Daniel, Galen, and Rodney

Thank you to all of the Cast Member's for their great performances! I hope everyone is having a great summer.

Take care, treat each other with love, and always be grateful.

Sincerely, Danny Muldoon

ACCA Golf Club



I must say that our golf club continues to gain class and respectability. At the last outing on May 26th, one of our members wore a golf shirt that came from the top shelf at Goodwill. It was a beautiful garment for only two dollars. It was also a brand name: Sherman Clothing Co. This un-named member also spotted a set of golf clubs that he is pondering for purchase.

Another instance happened when the back cover of a truck would not open and the two golfers had to rent clubs, buy balls and tee's and even borrow golf gloves. It was a maroon truck, I think it belonged to the President of the club. Here is where re-

spectability came in to play; no one was laughing, at least not in front of the afflicted.

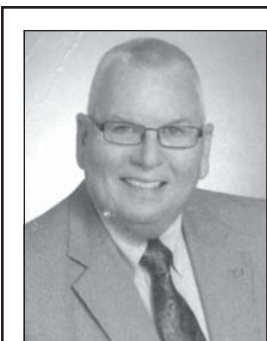
All of this activity was transpiring while playing at our last outing at the Queenfield Golf Course in Manquin, Va. The course was in good shape considering all the previous rain. We had a very good turn out and everyone enjoyed the day. I won a small wager in a putting contest with a member of my foursome. I won't reveal his name, but he knows. Afterwards, some of the group met at a local Sub Shop for lunch. Many exaggerated untruths were told that were not readily believed.

Next up on the schedule is Sycamore Creek Golf Course in Manakin-Sabot, Va. It will be on June 23rd and tee time is 9am. Call our Treasurer, noble Jack Cooke (804-752-2117) if you would like to participate. The remaining schedule for the year: July-28th-Mill Quarter; August 25th-Brandermill; September 29th-Pendelton; October 27th-Brickshire and we end the season on November 17th at Meadowbrook.

Again, I will express that you do not have to be a Shriner to play with the Group. It is open to everyone. Its core focus is fun and fellowship while playing some of the best courses in the Richmond and out-lining areas. Best of all, at the end of the year, all funds except what is necessary for the next year's start up, will go to either the Shriners Hospital for Children, Acca Shrine Center or the Shriners Transportation Fund.

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Larry Koon, *President*



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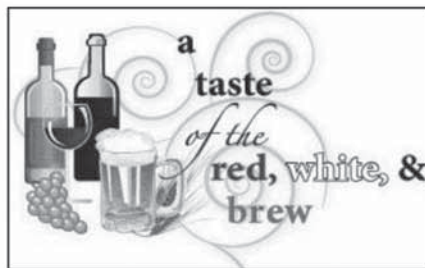
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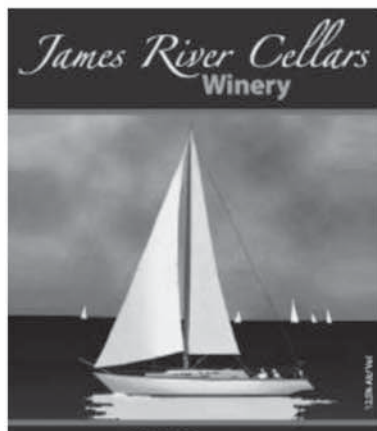
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Valley Shrine Club



On May 25, President Peyton Yancey opened the meeting of the Valley Shrine Club at Pano's Restaurant in Harrisonburg with the invocation and pledge of allegiance given.

Noble Peyton Yancey welcomed the Sweethearts (Widows of Nobles). Noble Robert Puffenbarger did the introductions of Sweethearts Betty Hedrick, Dolly Huffman, Anna Lee Fega, Betty Hedrick, Delores Hoak, Paige Leary, Jane Lough, Celia Mitchell, and Betty Newman. The Club offered a warm welcome to all these lovely Ladies. Noble Puffenbarger thanked them for all the service they and their husbands rendered to the Valley Shrine Club.

Noble Don Bosley thanked all who assisted with the Rocking R Food Booth. The club gave Noble Don a round of applause for the great effort he put forth organizing and directing the event which raised over \$600 for the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Noble Bosley stated that Noble Rodney Eagle, at a location yet to be determined, would host the meeting for July.

Noble Ken Hoes stated that the June meeting cannot be held at Willard's cabin as it usually is. Nobles Irving Byrd and Danny Neese will host the stag meeting. Directions to the Mount Crawford location will be forthcoming and all attending are urged to bring a chair.

Noble Peyton Yancey announced that the club would participate in the Harrisonburg Fourth of July parade and the Veterans Day Parade. The club will also enter the Bridgewater Fireman's Parade.

Noble David Silcox gave a treasurer's report revealing that a check for \$9,730 is being sent to ACCA Temple for use by the Shriners Hospitals for Children. The Valley Shrine Club intends to continue its tradition of being of being at the top of the Vir-

ginia Shrine Clubs contributing to the children. Many fund raising events remain that will secure this goal.

Noble Peyton Yancey gave a most informative presentation on the formation of the Valley Shrine Club in 1954. He stated that the First Charter Night was held in Elkton but that Hurricane Hazel interfered with attendance and the October event was reduced in number to one half of the anticipated crowd. The attendees from as far away as ACCA Temple in Richmond were most enthusiastic over the forming of the third club in the Valley. The first club fundraiser was a well-attended football game between Harrisonburg High and Handley High.

Before closing the meeting, Noble Peyton Yancey invited all Nobles to attend the next board meeting to be held at the Rockingham Union Lodge on Wednesday, June 1 at 7 pm.

Noble Don Bosley gave the dates for the Rocking R Food Booth fundraisers, May 13 and 14, and September 23 and 24. The Bob Evans Fund Raiser is September 30, and October 1 and 2. September 8, 9, and 10 are the dates for the Bluegrass Festival at Grand Caverns in Grottoes.

Noble Bob Puffenbarger
Noble Peyton Yancey
He also gave a brief history

Bill Crouse, *Secretary*



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The Director's Staff



The Director's Staff had its annual Spring Fling on April 9, 2016 at the Activity Center of ACCA Shrine Center. It was a cold day with an occasional threat of snow but that did not dampen the enthusiasm of the folks attending the event. Everyone was in good spirits and by the time it was over enjoyment prevailed. The food and refreshments were bountiful as only the staff and their ladies can do and thanks to the Nobles who did the cooking especially Nobles Gary Westerhouse and Rocky Robison. Also recognition to Noble W. T. Parrish and his crew for the set up and refreshments. The event was well attended and the ACCA Divan and their Ladies were guests for the event. Thanks to Noble Director Tom Williams and Lady Patti for coordinating all the activities.

The April meeting of the Staff was somewhat limited in attendance however it made up for the lack of numbers by having some of the regulars on the floor. As usual the roll call was the high light of the evening which was supported by Noble Doug Williams of Mathew's fame. The Director dispatched the business in short order which included the upcoming race and ceremonial in June. The Assistant Director delivered an impassioned

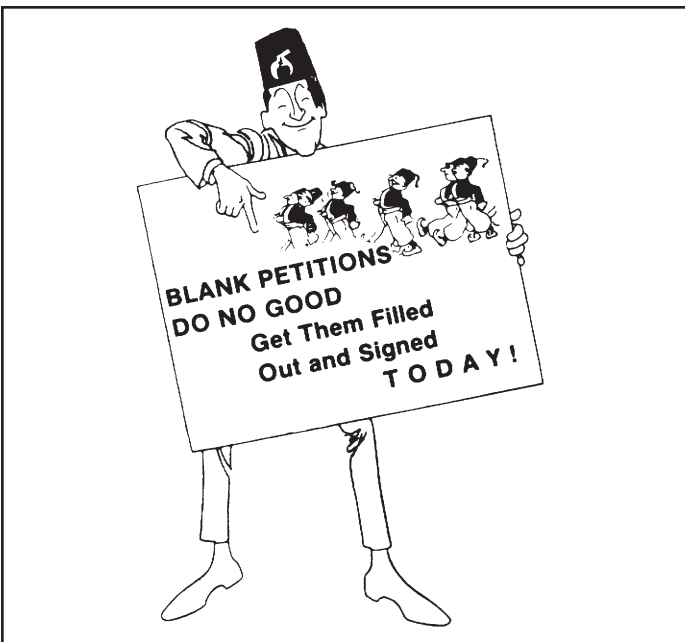
plea to the members regarding support of Staff and Temple activities. It was well received and we hope it works. At the close of the meeting Noble Rocky Robison asked for the floor during which he launched into a defense of his cooking of the chicken at the picnic. It would appear after some conversation that Noble Rocky laid the blame for the chicken problem at the feet of those involved in the preparation, not the cooking. He related that if anyone had a problem with that he would be glad to meet with them. Since it was hard to top that the meeting was adjourned on a motion.

NASCAR came to Richmond for a Saturday afternoon race and the Director's Staff was out in full force to provide the ushering duties. In their neon yellow shirts they were a handsome bunch including the ladies and volunteers. They were provided with breakfast sandwiches and a wonderful lunch compliments of Director Tom Williams and Lady Patti and others. We had beautiful weather and a fun crowd to watch the race. None other than Past Ill. Sir Paul Lanier, PP, PD, provided the leadership on the golf cart. Even though there was some controversy over how to process tickets everything went very well. Another big fund raiser for the Staff and thanks to all who helped in so many different ways.

The May Staff meeting was a lively affair with considerable comments and advice from the brethren in the audience. Noble Director Tom Williams conducted the business in a very professional manner in spite of the commotion. Plans were made for the June ceremonial and everyone was encouraged to attend and participate. Noble James Boles who had demitted several years ago due to his move to Florida was in attendance and petitioned the staff to be readmitted to membership. The vote was unanimous in favor of the petition and welcome back Noble James. Being no further business the meeting was adjourned on motion.

The sunshine report show Nobles Ill. Sir John Hanna, PD, PP, Doug Jones, Ernest Lee McGregor, and Dennis Berry, Assistant Rabban. Also, Ladies Pat Ferguson, Dewana Beamguard, Ruta Goodwin, warrant our thoughts and prayers. On a sad note Lady Louise Thomas widow of Noble Bill Thomas formerly of the staff passed away on May 11, 2016. Also, to Noble Sgt. Lucas Parrish be safe during your tour of duty.

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The Director's Staff *Continued*



Director's Staff Whispers: Who was that masked man on the chicken cooker at the picnic? It appeared he was everywhere at once. He did make good on his promise to cook. Who was that Past Director seen drinking wine? Why such a frown. Several other Past Directors were suspicious by their absence. Who took the Godfather's chair at the April meeting? R.G. was the man of the hour. Good thing Moody wasn't there. The April meeting was four minutes shy of the all time record for short meetings held by our Director. The Temple could take some lessons from the Noble Director. Who is going to "KFC" or "Popeye's" for the barbeque sauce for the next picnic? Good to see CD at the race with his clan. Great help. Noticed several Ladies at the race performing usher duties. They take directions better than the Nobles plus they don't offer back talk to the supervisors. Thank goodness for the morale officer at the race, none other than "T.W."

"Es Salamu Akleikim"

Frank Bishop, *Staff Columnist*



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Acca Shrine Drivers Distribution

May 2016

	5/6	5/13	5/20	5/27	May Total	May Total	YTD Total
Oriental Band	5	3	6	4	18	\$648.00	\$3348.00
Directors Staff	3	2	1	3	9	324.00	2664.00
Klownz	1	3	3	1	8	288.00	2592.00
Provost Guard	3	3	1	3	10	360.00	2304.00
Glen Allen SC	2	2	2	2	8	288.00	2124.00
Legion of Honor	1	1	1	2	5	180.00	1946.00
Chester SC	2	3	3	4	12	432.00	1908.00
Hopewell SC		2	1		3	108.00	1152.00
Greeters		1	1	1	3	108.00	828.00
ACCABA Court				1	1	36.00	540.00
Manchester SC							360.00
Million Dollar Band							360.00
Mini Patrol				1		36.00	288.00
Petersburg SC							252.00
Motor Patrol							
Arab Patrol							
Ceremonial Cast							
Chanters							
Hillbillies							
Country West Band							
James River SC							
Steel Drum Band							
Outhouse No. 1							
Totals	17	20	19	22	78	\$2,808.00	\$20,664.00

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Driver Year loss to date shortfall -187 - \$6,732.00

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After having 18 surgeries at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Greenville, Hunter Jarman has the routine down pat. His favorite part is when the nurses in the pre-op holding area roll out a big red wagon full of toys for patients to pick from before they go into the operating room. The toy will be waiting for them when they wake up.

Hunter has been a patient at the Greenville Shriners Hospital for twelve years where he receives expert pediatric orthopaedic care for infantile idiopathic scoliosis, a curvature of the spine. As a very young child with a severe curvature, Hunter was placed in Mehta casts to help manage his curve while he continued to grow. When the cast is applied, pressure is placed on the cast causing the spine to straighten. When the cast hardens, it holds the spine in this position. Each cast progressively straightens the patient's spine. In all, Hunter wore 15 Mehta casts.

With the curvature beginning to penetrate the area of the chest where his lungs would be, in November 2013, Hunter had growing rods implanted into his spine. Growing rods are recommended for pre-teen and teenage patients who have a high degree curvature and who have a significant amount of growing still left. Hunter's mom, Pam, says, "With only one lengthening so far, Hunter has grown seven inches and the rods have taken his 143 degree curve down to about 60 degrees. He is able to breathe better with the pressure off the lungs. It is such a good thing that these surgeries can help him feel better each day." Hunter will continue to have surgery every four to six months until he is finished growing. At that time, his spine will be fused with permanent rods, hooks, and screws.

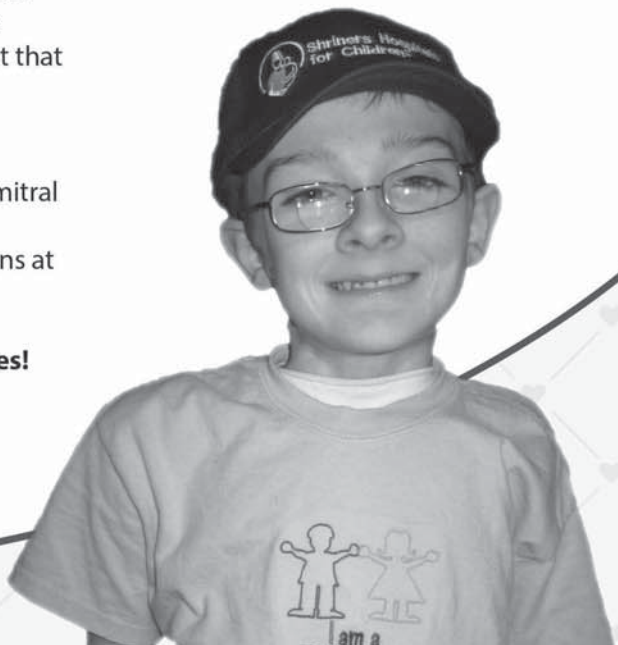
Along with scoliosis, Hunter also has ocular albinism, asthma, mitral valve insufficiency, and Ehlers Danlos Syndrome, a congenital connective tissue disorder. Hunter is treated for these conditions at Children's Miracle Network hospitals.

Your gifts help kids, like Hunter, live their best possible lives!

Hunter

is a

Shriners Kid



Manchester Shrine Club



You should have your SASA reservations by now. If not, do it now. The next time you are in the Activity Center, check out the new bar stools. They were donated by Noble Shannon Hartman and Lady Linda "Buckshot" Ford. Tim Ford installed them securely.

The meal for our April meeting was prepared and served by Johnathon Hughes of Virginia Bar-Be-Que of Ashland, Va. Everyone enjoyed it. We had a lively meeting with about 39 nobles, ladies, and friends in attendance. We voted to take out a full page ad in the Ladies Wine Festival program. We were reminded that we will need a lot of help for the League Championship Corn Hole Tournament on July 8th and 9th. We will just sell food and beverages. Deryl "Jeep" White won the drawing for the 100 million dollar certificate.

The Pork and Music Festival was a fine event. There was plenty of good food, good music, and good beverages. It was a great way to support our Temple and have a good time. Hope to see you there next year.

In mid-May, Jean and I went to Costco to pick up a few things. I wore a shrine shirt. A lady stopped us in the aisle. She said the Shrine helped her granddaughter obtain a pair of glasses she needed. Her parents couldn't afford them. She said, "Thank you Shriners". That brightened my day and made me feel "Proud to Be a Shriner".

Our May meeting was well attended. Johnny and Cindy Carr aided by Terry and Mona Nall served up a tasty salad and delicious Italian dinner. It being "Ladies Night", each lady was presented a long stemmed red rose. Only ladies were eligible for

the 100 Million Dollar Certificate. One of our Sweethearts, Mary Candler, won. The good help we get from our ladies, helps this club succeed. We voted in a new member, Michael B. "Mike" Lott and his lady Nancy. Welcome to Manchester.

Sedona Taphouse recently raised \$1,500 for the hospital through Manchester. In June, they will offer the same Monday special on steaks for the LOS. Sedona has raised a large amount of money for the shrine hospitals. Please give them your support. They are doing a good job of supporting our hospitals.

Coming attractions are: Cornhole Tournament July 8th and 9th. Come out and give as much time as you can. This is a good fund raiser. The proceeds will go to the temple. We are doing our part for the cause. July is also our picnic meeting. It will be held at Past Potentates Billy Jelly's river place. Details and directions later. Cary Street is August 8th. We will again need two shifts to cover the event. SASA is coming. Don't forget it. A good time will be had by all.

I am sad to report the passing of Lady Pauline McAllister. She was the wife of Past Potentate Frank McAllister and the mother of Past Potentate Jim McAllister. Even with all of her recent health problems, she and Frank attended almost all of Manchesters activities. What dedication. We should all be as dedicated as she was. She will be missed. At the May meeting Past Potentate Frank McAllister was escorted to the front by Past Potentate Jim McAllister. Frank was presented a 100 Million Dollar Certificate in memory of Lady Pauline. Frank was very appreciative of the clubs gesture.

Maurice "Moe" Duling, Reporter



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Shriners Hospitals for Children – Philadelphia

Our number one priority continues to be finding and caring for new patients. The Spring Clinic in Puerto Rico was a real boost with 58 new patients identified. Through April admissions have increased 111 over the same period last year. A real tribute to Board Members, staff and all Shriners who work hard to help children in need of the care we provide.

Tele-Health is a real growing opportunity for Shrine Hospitals. SHC-P is one of the pilot hospitals engaged in this effort and we're working hard to make it a success. With the technology available today it's possible for physicians at SHC-P to evaluate and provide services to patients in collaboration with medical professionals at a remote site. One pilot site is in Danville, VA. More about this in future issues.

Last year, the physicians at SHC-P completed 400 spine surgeries for children from across the US and many other countries. 3000 Pedicle screws were used in these surgeries to attach tethers or rods to children's spines for treatment of Scoliosis. Great care must be taken to assure the screws are properly placed and do not affect the spinal cord or other nerves. When screws are not properly placed Additional surgery is required at a cost of \$22,000 and additional pain and discomfort for a child when a screw is improperly placed in the initial surgery. There is an available op-

tion available to avoid errors and make the surgery safer for the patient and reducing the amount of radiation to which the patient and medical team are both exposed. The option is a "Computer Assisted Navigation System" The Board of Trustees has approved a \$1,000,000 fund raising initiative in order to provide this very valuable aid to our physicians and reduce risk for our patients.

The opportunity that Ill Jimi Duke provided for me to speak about SHC-P at the Spring Ceremonial Open House was most appreciated. It allowed an opportunity to show a video and introduce our Hospital to those present. The is the 90th anniversary year of SHC-P. The video is available to show at Unit, Club or Lodge meetings. All you have to do is call, text or e-mail me (804.397.9272; ray@rrgood.com).

Nobles, Ladies and friends thank you for your interest and support of our Hospitals and the children they serve. We look forward to our Anniversary Party on June 25th. A number of Acca members are planning to attend and their support is most appreciated.

Ray Goodwin, PP
Board of Governors, SHC-P

Shriners Hospitals for Children Has **BIG NEWS**

WHAT NEWS?

On May 26, 2015, officials of Shriners Hospitals for Children proudly announced that our health care system is now a member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. Our collaboration with Mayo Clinic will allow the dedicated medical staff of both organizations to share knowledge and expertise to further ensure that our patients receive the best care possible. The Mayo Clinic Care Network is made up of more than 30 health care locations intent on working together to improve the delivery of care. Shriners Hospitals for Children is the first pediatric and specialty health care system to join.

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

Now the high-quality care Shriners Hospitals for Children is known for will be even better! We can offer our patients additional expertise, giving them even more peace of mind regarding their care and treatment.

HOW?

As a member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network, our physicians can now connect with the specialists of Mayo Clinic at any time to collaborate and consult on care when they believe it will help.

WHY?

Because we know that when physicians can work together, patients benefit. And because we are committed to providing the best care for children regardless of a family's ability to pay.

To learn more about why Shriners Hospitals for Children became a member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network, please visit shrinershospitalsforchildren.org.



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Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Philadelphia is fundraising to obtain a
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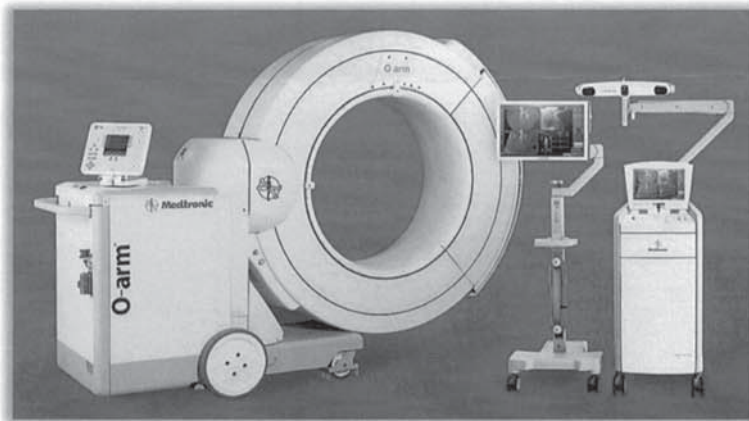
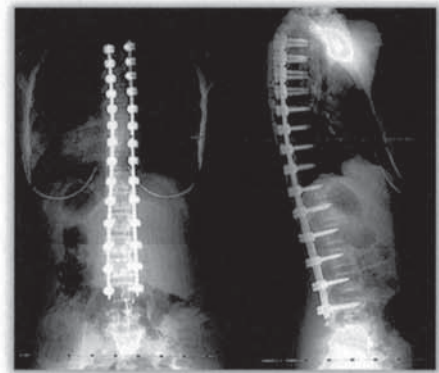
We perform over 400 pediatric spine procedures per year

- Improved visualization for the surgeon is critical during these complex and minimally invasive procedures
- The system aids the surgeon in surgical planning, decision-making and accurate orthopaedic hardware placement
- It increases surgical accuracy, reduces the likelihood of revisions and complications
- *This surgical navigation system is the standard of care for complex pediatric spine surgeries*



Doctors can check to make sure surgical goals are being met while surgery is still in progress

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Sometimes distance just doesn't matter. Ten-year-old Tatum and her family are happy to make the three-hour trip from their home in Deer Park, N.Y., to Shriners Hospitals for Children —

Philadelphia to see Harold van Bosse, M.D., a pediatric orthopaedic surgeon who is recognized worldwide for his expertise in treating children who have arthrogryposis.

Dr. van Bosse is an excellent surgeon. But his patients say they seek him, and stay with him, as much for his attitude as his surgical skills and medical knowledge.

"Dr. van Bosse sees my daughter as a person, not a



Harold van Bosse, M.D.

statistic or just another patient," said Eileen, Tatum's mom. "He always gives us as much time and attention as we need. He answers every question (even when we repeat them over and over)."

WHAT IS ARTHROGRYPOSIS?

Arthrogryposis is a congenital condition characterized by multiple joint contractures and muscle weakness. In Tatum's case, the condition affects her lower extremities; in addition to the arthrogryposis, she also has club feet and hip dysplasia. Her initial orthopaedic surgeon realized Tatum needed more specialized care and suggested she be seen by Dr. van Bosse for a more definitive diagnosis and treatment plan.

A PHYSICIAN DETERMINED TO MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE

Dr. van Bosse first saw Tatum when she was about 18 months old. Since then, Tatum has undergone multiple castings to correct her club feet, multiple surgeries on her hips and knees and had her Achilles tendon lengthened. She is scheduled for still another surgery in a few months. Today, Tatum is able to walk without assistive devices, but she does so at her own pace and can't always keep up with the other children.

Tatum is a very active, happy and friendly child. She loves to sing, dance, play the flute, spend time with her sister, Leila, and bake. She is also a Girl Scout and has gone to hippotherapy (therapeutic horseback riding), which she loves, and is involved in school clubs and activities. Tatum has already realized that



Tatum is able to walk without assistive devices.

others face more severe difficulties and challenges. "She is very empathetic and sympathetic," said Eileen. "She is always thinking of others and how she can help them."

Still, like any child coping with a complex medical condition, she occasionally questions her situation. When she does, and asks Dr. van Bosse if she is going to get better, he always

encourages her, and tells her there is nothing 'wrong' with her — she is fine, and will be fine. His innate understanding of the emotional encouragement needed by kids with disabilities is deeply appreciated by his patients' parents.

"His compassionate, respectful and comforting demeanor is priceless," said Eileen. "We would travel the world to continue to have Dr. van Bosse in our lives."

This commitment to ensuring that our patients recover to the fullest extent possible, able to pursue their goals and dreams as much as possible, regardless of physical difficulties is a hallmark of the Shriners Hospitals for Children health care system's approach to care.



ACCA SHRINE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Imperial Session Tampa
3	4 Acca Closed	5 LOS Hospital Comm. T/R Acca Closed	6 Cast # 1 M/R Acca Closed	7 Acca Roadrunners Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R	8 Provost Guard Manchester State Cornhole Tour B/R, Kit.	9 Manchester State Cornhole Tour B/R, Kit..
Imperial Session	Imperial Session	Imperial Session	Imperial Session	Imperial Session		
10	11 Band B/R Chester Shrine Club LOS Grand High Priestess B/R, A/R, Kit	12 LOS Grand High Priestess A/R, Kit	13 Mini Patrol Director's Staff James River	14 Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R	15	16 Decorating Commit- tee Yard Sale A/C
17	18 Band B/R	19	20 Hopewell Shrine Shooters Club #1 Past Masters A/R, Kit	21 Hillbillies Clan 17 Outhouse # 1 C/W Band Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R	22	23 Legion of Honor Picnic A/R, Kit Manchester Picnic & Meeting @ River
24	25 Band B/R Accalette Deadline	26 Board Mtg. 4:00 pm. Divan Mtg. 5:30 pm. Council Mtg. 7:30 pm	27 C/W Band	28 Motor Patrol Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R Golf Club	29	30
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ACCA SHRINE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Band B/R Greeters #1 MR Car Club	2 LOS A/R Hospital Comm. T/R	3 Cast # 1 M/R	4 Arab Patrol Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R	5	6 Acca Family Picnic A/C
7	8 Band B/R Chester Shrine Club	9	10 Mini Patrol Glen Allen A/R Director's Staff James River	11 Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R	12	13 Provost Guard Picnic A/C Rental B/R, Kit
14 Carytown Watermelon Festival	15 Band B/R Klownz	16 Acca Business Meeting	17 Hopewell Shrine Shooters Club #1	18 Hillbillies Clan 17 Outhouse # 1 C/W Band Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R	19 Legion of Honor A/C	20
21	22 Band B/R	23	24 Manchester A/R, Kit.	25 Motor Patrol Oriental Band Steel Drum Band A/C Saurkrauts B/R Golf Club	26	27 Rental A/R
28	29 Band B/R	30	31 C/W Band			

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