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Potentate's Message

Dennis Berry



obles and Ladies: It is with mixed emotions that I write my last Accalette article as your Potentate. Sadness that our journey on the Divan, and especially this year as Potentate, will be ending for Lady Toni and me. Gladness that we welcome the new year, and with it new leadership and ideas that will continue to move ACCA forward. I cannot fully express the gratitude and thanks that Toni and I have for all of the hospitality shown to us this year as we have traveled and visited Club and Unit meetings and functions. We have experienced the fun and fellowship that is the hallmark of what being a Shriner is all about.

By the time you read this, renovations at the Temple will hopefully be finished. We had run into a slight hiccup in the ballroom finding some asbestos tiles under carpet we did not know was there. We will be taking care of this and moving forward. I want to thank everyone for

being patient as we did the renovations, but I think you will agree, it makes the building shine. We have already had very positive comments about the work that has been completed.

On September 7-8, we had several Nobles and their Ladies board a bus for Philadelphia. We visited and toured the hospital, visited the Philadelphia Masonic Temple, which houses the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and saw seven different lodge rooms, all with different architecture. It's a beautiful building and was truly impressive. Fun and fellowship was had by all, including a fun time on the bus ride and at the Parx Casino. Please consider going next time a trip is offered to visit a hospital.

At a called business meeting held on September 11, the membership voted unanimously to reject an offer on the Temple property that had been received from a local developer. The offer was a low offer and the Board of Directors presented a complete presentation on what the offer entailed and what it would cost us to relocate to a new location.

For the second year in a row, Mother Nature decided to interfere with SASA by sending Hurricane Florence to the Carolinas. It was a wise call to cancel SASA, but please keep the Nobles and their families that were affected in your prayers.

On September 29, we had beautiful weather for the 2nd Annual Walk for Love, supporting the Greenville and Philadelphia hospitals and our Transportation Fund. We had hundreds of people show up and enjoy the day, and we raised over \$20,000.00. Thank you to the Nobles who planned, setup and executed the Walk this year. I believe it has been scheduled for next September already.

Other events that will have happened in between my writing this article and publication include Oktoberfest, Masonic Home Day, Lots-a-more Italian Dinner and Sounds of Acca. And of course, the annual Sportsman's Raffle.

Please remember the upcoming Fall Ceremonial and Open House on November 16-17. The Ceremonial is in honor of Illustrious Sir Larry Koon and Lady Carol. Please get out to your Blue Lodge and get those petitions so we can have a great class of new Novices and their Ladies.

On December 15th, we will again be having the Breakfast with Santa. Bring the family and little ones out to a great breakfast and visit with the Jolly One.

On December 31, we will be having the annual New Year's Eve Party and Dance. Information is available on the website.

I would like to invite everyone to the Potentate's Appreciation Party on January 5th.

We will have our annual Memorial Service on Sunday, January 13, so please come and honor our departed Nobles from this past year.

On January 15th, we will have our annual business meeting and election of Officers. Please come out for dinner and the meeting. On Saturday, January 19, the 2019 Installation of Officers will be held. Come support your new Officers as they begin the new Shrine year.

Once again, words cannot express Lady Toni's and my thanks for every courtesy extended to us this year, and for everything you have done to make Acca Shrine a success.

My theme for the year, "Together We Can", was to encourage the fact that if we work together we can accomplish anything. I can honestly say, we did work together, and we did accomplish a number of things this year, and it is only the beginning of what we will do together in the future.

May God Bless you all. Fraternally, Dennis W. Berry

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Notice of Annual Business Session and Election of Officers

AT ACCA SHRINE

1712 Bellevue Avenue • Richmond, Virginia Tuesday, January 15, 2019 - 7:30 P.M.

The Annual Business Session will be held at ACCA Shrine, I712 Bellevue Avenue, Richmond, Virginia, at 7:30 P.M., Tuesday, January 15, 2019. The Annual Election of Officers for the year 2019 and Representatives to the Imperial Council Session has to begin not later than 9:00 P.M., according to the Imperial Council By-Laws and Code. During the meeting, the Annual Reports of Trustees, Potentate, Treasurer, and Recorder will be given.

The attention of the Nobility is directed to the following excerpts from the By-Laws and Code of the Imperial Council concerning the procedure of election of officers:

ARTICLE 25 Sec. 325.11 Election Regulations.
OFFICERS: THEIR ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT

Sec. 325.5 Ballot

(a) Separate Ballot. Election of officers shall be by a majority vote of office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational those present and voting. When there is more than one candidate for election to a history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior particular office, a separate written ballot is required. A blanket ballot is prohibited.

Sec. 325.6 Time of Election. Nominations must commence not later than 9:00 p.m. and when that hour arrives all other business must cease and none may be transacted until the election is concluded.

Sec. 325.7 Other Officers. The temple may elect such other officers as its bylaws provide.

Sec. 325.8 Nomination. Candidates for office and Representative must be placed in nomination from the floor.

Sec. 325.IO Representatives.

- (a) Single Ballot. Where a temple elects more than one Representative , all candidates must be balloted for on one written ballot.
- **(b) Compete Ballot.** Each member voting must vote only for the total number of Representatives to be elected, otherwise his ballot cannot be counted as a vote.
- (c) Majority Vote. A majority vote of those present and voting is necessary to elect each Representative.
- **(d) Election.** Only those candidates who receive a majority vote shall be declared elected.
- (c) Successive Ballots. Successive written ballots must then be taken in the same manner on other candidates until all Representative's are elected.
- (f) Highest Vote. If more candidates receive a majority vote than the number of representatives to be elected, then those receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected.
- (g) Void Ballot. Blank ballots or ballots containing any markings other than

Recorder

the name of a candidate nominated from the floor are not votes and are not to be considered for any purpose.

Sec. 325.11 Election Regulations

(a) Electioneering. A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.

(b) Expenditures Prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or

- entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

 (c) Violation. For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.
- (d) Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

Sec. 326.3 Installation.

- (a) Date and Ritual. The officers shall be installed during the month of January at a temple or public ceremony as prescribed by temple resolution. Such installation shall be in accordance with the ceremony of installation prescribed by Shriners International.
- **(b) Duties.** They shall assume the duties of their respective offices upon installation.

ARTICLE 39 VISITORS TO TEMPLES

Sec. 339.1 Admission. A Noble may not be admitted to his own or any other temple, unless he exhibits to the temple to which he desires admittance an official Shrine card for the then current year.

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From the Recorder's Pen

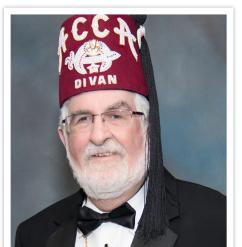
Richard "Doc" Redman

The Holiday Season is upon us and it is time to reflect on the great year we had here at Acca. For the most part, the numerous events and activities were well attended and supported by the Nobility. The main problem is that the same individuals were seen at most of the events. This is only a small portion of the total membership. I know that everyone does not enjoy the same things, but we definitely need a wider representation of our membership at events. Please review our calendar for next year and plan

to support Temple and Unit and Club functions. If nothing else, you will enjoy the fellowship with fellow Shriners you don't see very often, who don't belong to your Unit or Club.

The extensive renovations have been completed and I think you will all agree that the new lighting, carpet, paint and furniture give a whole new perspective to our Temple. The project went fairly well on schedule despite several unforeseen surprises which arose due to the fact we were renovating an old building. We now need to look forward to further renovation of adjacent areas and the basement common areas.

Our rentals are increasing and we constantly hear positive remarks regarding the appearance of our facility. We have raised our rental rates to more reflect the prevailing rates of similar facilities in this area. In some cases that increase was substantial, but the only complaints we have received was from previous clients who were getting the facilities for



ridiculously low rates. All but one have renewed their contracts for next year. Rentals will become the main income stream for the Temple in the future.

We are in dire need of more Building Managers for the rentals. This is an hourly paid position. If you are interested, please contact me or Shannon Dotson at the office.

Speaking of income, I would like to reinforce the request by the Potentate that Units and Clubs consider splitting their donations between the Temple, Transportation Fund and Hospitals.

A third of your donations for the year to each would be optimum. Remember, the hospitals have an almost 9 billion dollar (\$9,000,000,000) Endowment Fund to draw from if needed, and they also receive third party payment of some type for most of the patients. The Temple relies completely on donations, dues, fundraisers, and rental income. The Transportation Fund is from donations only. We have a continual declining membership so the donations become more important. The income to the Temple from driving cars at the auto auction, which was a nice income, was recently taken from us.

If you have any kudos, complaints or suggestions, please let me know.

Happy Holidays! Fraternally, Richard D. (Doc) Redman Recorder



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From the Chaplain

Jonathan Turner

What has this World come to?
What can I do?

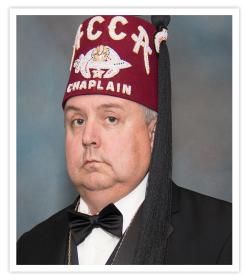
Day after day headlines in the news report a tragedy or wrongdoing. Conversations in small group settings re-tell the story with the raconteur's opinion and commentary, differing from someone else's. This scene plays out throughout the world. Differing viewpoints are seldom exchanged supported by fact or open-mindedness, exercised enough to be a factor. Steadfastness in one's opinion is locked in, intolerance sprouts and grows like a weed on the

side of a highway. "Agree to disagree" is the mantra of the day, while no one has actually heard what the other side is saying, let alone asked why they think that way.

I overhear and listen to many conversations that I am not a part of as I go about my life. The phrase I hear a great deal is "I feel like...". People put their trust in their feelings and are deceived. How many times have your "feelings" been wrong? How many times have you thought "incorrectly," or haven't seen a more practical solution to a problem until it was pointed out. Our good or bad experiences form our opinions. Therapists charge by the hour to listen to your troubles, and ask how you feel about your own troubles, and then suggest you implement whatever solution you come up with.

People relate their life to an episode seen on television. "Leave it to Beaver" was a show where troubles were solved in 30 minutes, the Dad worked at a job (no one knows what he did), the Mom stayed home and cleaned the house in pearls, the boys were into mischief, and their friends were always the problem. It was a television show! Entertainment! Not real life. Neither is any show on TV today, even the reality shows are edited for ratings, not real life.

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding." I submit that you must know what God's Word says and then look at the situation to form an opinion. Not to alienate any



religion, The Holy Bible covers every trouble we have or will ever face in our short time on earth. This Book is the inspired Word of God. It covers the history of the beginning of times, family lineage, hardships of God's own people, sins, sacrifice, forgiveness, salvation, God's fury and mercy, and prophecy of the end days. These are life lessons as true then as today.

We, as Masons, were taught that The Holy Bible is to be our spiritual, moral and Masonic Trestle-board. How can we know what our Master

has for us to do or learn without learning his Trestle-board? Once we know his word, we can then begin to express ourselves as a candle, to light the World. Several candles can become a beacon of light, spreading Hope and bringing more to Faith, and increase in Charity toward all mankind. This way, when anyone re-tells the news of the day, you will be armed with knowing what is written, and be better equipped to listen and share the light of the Word and put things in perspective.

We have a purpose; to love our Creator with all our hearts, minds and soul, AND to love our neighbor as ourselves. Could it be worth missing 30 minutes of a TV show a day to read your Bible and meditate on what God just said to you? And wouldn't it be great if everyone held another in as high regard as they do themselves? Wouldn't it be greater to have a Bible study group in your Lodge? We have groups that get together to learn ritual or catechisms, why not the Bible? Isaiah 6:8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

I offer this article as inspiration, as much to myself as I offer it to you. Our circle of Masons is a pretty extraordinary group of men and their wives. I love being with you and serving as your Chaplain. Thank you for your trust and love. May God bless Acca Temple, our hospitals, and our Country - Shalom!

Managing Editor L.R. "Rusty" Brinkley



Asst. Managing Editor James S. "Jim" Deitrick

From the Editor's Desk

"Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring, happy bells, across the snow: The year is going, let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true." Alfred Tennyson

Well, old Alfred had it right, and what do you know, another year has almost passed, and the holidays are just around the corner. Here at Accalette Central, we have a promise for more fun and fellowship in the coming year.

As usual, we have many fine articles and pictures from the Units and Clubs, and we want to thank those who have contributed. As III. Sir Paul Lanier used to say, "This is your publication," so please keep those cards, letters, articles and most especially, pictures coming. And, don't forget we are here to also promote your events on our Facebook page, and on the Temple website. On a more somber note, we have included a Black Camel listing in this issue. This is a new section that we have been asked to include. Hopefully, this will help us to recall fond memories of those who have moved on.

So, from Anne Harriman, Jim Deitrick and me, we wish you well and look forward to working with you in 2019.

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas

L. R. "Rusty" Brinkley

Managing Editor

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Glen Allen Shrine Club

rethren, Nobles and Ladies,

Greetings from the Glen Allen Shrine Club. I hope you are well and in good health. We would like to invite you to come join us for fellowship. Our Club meets on the second Wednesday evening of the month at 6:00 p.m. and dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. Our hospitality is the program at each function.

We would like your help with a dinner and fundraiser at Sedona Tap House, 5312 Wyndham Forest Drive, Glen Allen, VA 23059. The Sedona Tap House will sell its \$17 steak or salmon for \$6, and will donate \$1 to our Club. This special price is available for lunch or dinner, 11a.m. until midnight. You have to mention that you are there for the Glen Allen Shrine Club for the special price to be effective. More details to come. Please see our flyer, or contact the Temple office at (804) 264-0509.

We look forward to seeing you, and spending time with you.

2018 Walk For Love

What a perfect early fall day for our Second Annual Walk for Love™! Over 270 Nobles, Ladies, and guests walked, rolled, strolled, or rode the one-mile course from Acca Temple around Brookdale Imperial Plaza and back again. While all the numbers have not yet been calculated, it appears that we raised close to \$25,000. We should be able to meet or beat last year's donations to the Greenville and Philadelphia Hospitals and the Acca Transportation Fund!

The morning started off in front of our "Editorial Without Words" statue with welcoming remarks from Walk co-chairs, Nobles Richard "Doc" Redman and Dan Freye. They were joined by guest Master of Ceremony, WTVR Traffic Reporter, Kristen Luehrs. The invocation was given by Oriental Guide, Brian LaFontaine. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by III. Sir Dennis English, Legion of Honor, Executive Officer, as Nobles Al Rock and Walt Trower served as Honor Guard. Presenting Sponsor, Noble Karlis Graubics, co-owner and chief financial officer of Tuckaway Child Development and Early Education Centers, was recognized and thanked, as were the Gold Sponsors. Ill. Sir Dennis was given the last word. Noble Steve Beverly sounded "Call to the races" on his trumpet and the walkers were off!

The hospitals were well represented. All four sitting Board of Governors members were present as were Emeritus Board members, Ill. Sir Ray Goodwin and Ill. Sir Jim McAllister. Mr. Paul Finelli, Director of Donor Development at the Greenville Hospital, helped with registration and walked. The Philadelphia Hospital was represented by Hospital Administrator, Ed Myers and his Lady Sandra, and Ms. Stephanie Bywra, Marketing and Communications Manager. Stephanie was a key player and member of the Walk planning committee.

Upon completion of the Walk, Shrine Kids and their families present were recognized and applauded. Two special young ladies were presented. Miss Cameron Atkins is a Shrine Kid and is the reigning Miss Dominion Outstanding Teen 2018. Cameron chose Shriners Hospitals as

her charity and has spoken to numerous youth groups during her reign. She raised over \$500 for the Walk! The second young lady was no stranger to anyone who has seen this year's posters, Miss Ava Robins. To quote Kristen Luehrs during her coverage the following Monday morning, "Miss Ava stole my heart!"

BBQ and hotdogs were prepared and served by the Motor Patrol under the able guidance of Noble Ronnie Butler. Sounds of the Caribbean floated across the grounds as the Hot Sands Steel Drum Band entertained participants. Childrens' laughter could be heard from the games area where Job's Daughters volunteers helped with plinko, cornhole toss, connect four, and jjenga. And Fezzy was ever present for photos!

Our thanks to all who worked so hard to make this event such a success. A special shout out goes to Renee Lawson, the top individual fundraiser, having raised \$1,106; followed by Lady Teresa Hutchens, who raised \$388. Ally's Team was the top team, whose 10 members raised \$1,381; closely followed by Team LaFontaine, whose 18 members raised \$889. We are deeply grateful for your work and generosity!

The Walk would not have been possible without the tireless work of the Planning Committee members—Ill. Sirs Ray Goodwin and Jim McAllister, and Nobles Dave Eells, Bill Ferguson, Rusty Brinkley, and Tom Williams. Thanks to all units and clubs that participated: Director's Staff, Motor Patrol, Klownz, Mini Patrol, Heritage Shrine Club, Provost Guard, Legion of Honor, Divan Ladies, and LOS Accaba Court.

We are already planning for our Third Annual Walk for Love™ which will be held on September 28, 2019. Please send us any comments or suggestions you may have to improve the event. If you'd like to join the committee or help with sponsorship or fundraising, please contact Doc or Dan. See y'all next year!

Dan Freye, Co-Chairman Richard "Doc" Redman, Co-Chairman Walk for Love™! Committee













2018 Walk For Love







Accaba Court

Lady Sharon Heard, PHP

reetings from Accaba Court. The Ladies of Accaba Court express our deepest sympathy to Lady Martha Jo Lanier for the loss of her Noble, III. Sir Paul Lanier. III. Sir Paul will be deeply missed by eve-ryone at Acca Shrine, especially the Ladies of Accaba Court. He was always there for us, when we needed him, and was a great supporter of the LOS. III. Sir Paul, we're going to miss you!

Have you ever heard of "Paint and Sip"? Well, our Ladies ran a charitable project called "Paint and Sip". We arrived in the Assembly Room and our instructor came with all the supplies (paint, brushes, canvases and aprons) and proceeded to show all 53 of us how to paint a picture. Our picture was a fence in the background with a rope, sand and sand dollars. Well, there were 53 different looking fences and sand dollars. For me, it proved what I already knew, I am a long way from being an artist, but my painting looks great hanging in my garage. The garage needed a little class! There may be some other garages around town that have "original paintings" hanging in them. We enjoyed ourselves, and our "artistic tal-ents" so much, we're having another "Paint and Sip" in December.

Watermelon, watermelon! Oh my, our Ladies had so much fun working at our "first" Carytown Water-melon



Carytown Watermelon Festival

Festival. Even though it was a super hot day, our Ladies were out there cutting and selling as much watermelon as they could until the monsoon came, and made us close down. We are already look-ing forward to next year. I want to take this opportunity to say "thank you" to the Acca Nobles who were there to help us. We couldn't have done it without you! You are the best!

Our Ladies participated in the "Walk of Love" and had a great time. We were glad to be a part of this event, and help raise money for the Shriners Hospitals. We're already looking forward to next year.

October in Vermont! Some of our Ladies, members of the Lady Slippers, went to Vermont to attend the Mid-East Unit Meet. They enjoyed performing



Team at the 2018 "Walk for Love"



"Lady Slipper" at their Mid East
Unit Event in Vermont

and visiting with friends they have made from other Courts, while attending past Mid-East Unit Meets.

November - Wow, 6 new members for Accaba Court! The following Ladies will be initiated into our Court at the November meeting: Ladies Deborah Bartol, Brooke Bobrosky, Jennifer Milliman, Julie Oz-mar, Susan Ream and Dana Roland. We are so happy you will be joining the LOS and we look forward to working with and getting to know you.

December is going to bring an exciting event between two Shrine Clubs. The Manchester Shrine Club is challenging the Glen Allen Shrine Club, to see which Club can raise the most money for Shriners Hospi-tals for Children from the December Sedona "Steakout for Charity". During the five (yes, 5) Mondays in December, these two Clubs will be asking Nobles, their Ladies, friends and family to come enjoy a \$6.00 flatiron steak dinner, and a \$1.00 of each steak will be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Not only will this be a fun challenge between the Clubs, the only winner will be the patients at Shriners Hospitals for Children. If you haven't already seen it, look for the challenge ad in this Accalette.

Our ladies wish each of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Lady Sharon Heard, PHP



Ladies at "Paint and Sip" Event







Cabiri

Illustrious Sir Larry Koon

The Acca Temple Cabiri (Past Potentates) begin each year with a meeting, generally held in March. A slate of Officers is presented and a vote taken for approval. The new President will then present his agenda for the coming year. The most recent Past Potentate will then be voted on to be a member, and if elected, will be allowed to go through an initiation process.

The Officers for 2018 are: President- III. Sir Tim Southern, Vice President- III. Sir Boyd Griggs, Treasurer- III. Sir Ray Ash, Secretary- III. Sir Thornton Holt, and Director of Ceremonies- III. Sir Jim McAllister.

Our first activity was in June. It was a joint luncheon with the Khedive Cabiri in Williamsburg. This has become an annual event and everyone enjoys the fellowship and a time to refresh friendships.

Our first meeting with our Ladies was in July. We shared a meal at the Temple and enjoyed a good time of fellowship.

Next was a Crab Feast in August at III. Sir Dennis English's home on the Rivah. For us crab lovers, it is an event we look forward to each year.

Later in August, we had our second dinner meeting with our Ladies and again enjoyed a pleasant evening sharing memories with each other. There will be another meeting In October. We hope to attend a special show or event during the Christmas holidays. Planning is underway.

We lost a stalwart member of our group in September. Illustrious Paul Lanier passed away after a labored illness. Paul was Potentate in 2009. He was an active member of our fraternity and was involved in many Clubs and Units. He will be missed.

Illustrious Sir Phil Godwin is experiencing serious health issues. Lady Shirley is also having health problems. Keep in touch with them and let it be known that we are available for help or assistance.

Our Temple is only as strong as each individual member. Each of us is needed-stay involved. Be Nice-Keep the Sunny-Side Up. Illustrious Sir Larry Koon

Cabiri Photo Top Center: Joint Meeting with Khedive at Williamsbug Cabiri Photos Top Left and Right: Group pictures of Monthly Meeting in August





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Antique Car Club

Ed Johnston Jr.

he Car Club participated in the August 12, 2018 Carytown Watermelon Festival. We did not have a committed second shift to relieve us, so we stayed on duty until around 3:00 p.m. when we just ran out of gas. We had several members from the Provost Guard, and their Ladies, helping us and they were greatly appreciated. We did take in over \$2,300. After expenses, we were able to contribute about \$2,000.00 to the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Good job Nobles and Ladies!

We scheduled our annual summer picnic for mid-August, but conflicts with Acca Shrine events and weekends caused us to cancel the picnic this year. We are going to plan better for 2019 and try to make sure it takes place. We also hope to do some 2019 planning for other events at our next meeting in October. We lost Noble Russell Graves this summer, and he will be missed. Russell was a longstanding member of the Car Club and worked at the very early Watermelon Festivals. Dewey Draucker is having some trouble getting around, but otherwise doing okay. Matt Williams is steadily regaining his strength and is now able to attend our meetings.

We all were extremely saddened to learn of the passing of Illustrious Paul Lanier, Past Potentate of Acca Shrine, on September 24, 2018. Ill. Paul was a stalwart at Acca and probably the most knowledgeable person about the Shrine and Masonry in general. He will be greatly missed.

By the time you read this, Halloween will have come and gone, but Happy Halloween anyway! We hope you all have a glorious and safe Thanksgiving and Christmas season!

Ed Johnston Jr.

Reporter



Car Club at Watermelon Festival



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Ceremonial Cast

Danny Muldoon

reetings Nobles, Ladies, and Friends. Here's to a great 2018! We had a very successful year, in a great part, thanks to Noble, and incoming 2019 Ceremonial Cast President, Bruce Smith and his fundraiser idea! A big thank you, as well, to Noble President Bill Biddix, and all of the 2018 Officers for their work and diligence this year!

Let's keep it up for 2019! Danny Muldoon





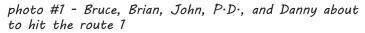


photo #2 - Ceremonial Cast giving a lift to distressed Mini Patrol Driver

photo #3 - Noble John Campbell and young Shriner Child at Spring Ceremonial

photo #4 - Noble John Campbell with custom made cane from Noble Bob Blake

photo #5 - In line up at the 2018 Dog Wood Parade









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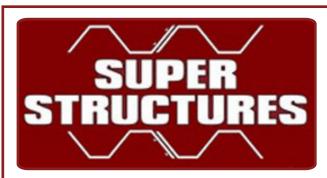
Il. Sir Dennis Berry, Potentate, Ill. Sir Dennis English P.P. and Noble Richard Redman, Member of the Board of Governors, presented a \$10,000.00 check from the Caverns Shrine Club to Shriners Hospitals for Children-Greenville. The money will be applied for their Halo Program for

treatment of severe scoliosis (curvature of the spine). The check was presented to MW Ron Mitchum, Chairman of the Board of Governors, and Paul Finelli, Director of Development. The proceeds were from the Club's second annual "Voice for the Children".



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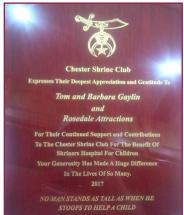
Ambers of Chester Shrine Club showed their appreciation to Tom and Barbara Gaylin, and their sons Joey and Jason Gaylin, of Rosedale Attractions for their continued support of the Shriners Hospitals for Children on Saturday, August 31, 2018, during the Chesterfield County Fair. The Chester Shrine Club has been selling the midway ride tickets for the past five years. From left to right are: Marty Ledbetter, Barbara Gaylin, Ronnie Wray, Chairman of the Fair Committee, Pete Holder, Club President, Tom Gaylin of Rosedale Attractions, Charles Barbour, Club Vice President. Steve Williams, Treasurer, was not present.

Chester Shrine Club's Third Annual Wine Outing was held at the Upper Shirley Vineyard located in Charles City, Virginia, on Saturday, October 6. It turned out to be a great day with good wine, good food and good fellowship. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the music being played on the back patio overlooking the James River.

SAVETHE DATES – Chester Shrine Club's Christmas Party is planned for December 10, 2018. Details will be provided as they become available.

Chester Shrine Club holds its dinner and business meeting at Howlett Restaurant and Tavern in Chester, Virginia, on the second Monday of each month. Social Hour begins at 6:00 p.m. with the business meeting and dinner starting at 7:00.









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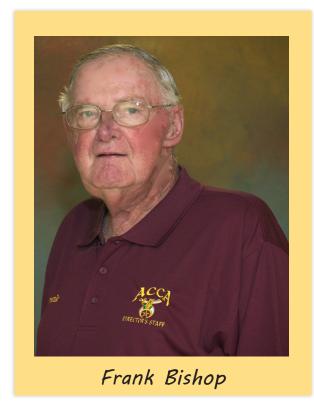
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The Director's Staff Corner

Jim Deitrick

The Third Quarter of this year began as any such calendar period would, with the regular monthly meetings, the occasional fundraiser projects discussed and implemented, and business as normal. However, it ended tragically for the Staff with the loss of two of our Senior Honorary members within three days of each other.

On September 24th, Ill. Sir Paul W. Lanier, Past Potentate, Past Director, and long-time Managing Editor of the Accalette passed away after a brief illness. Ill. Sir Paul was a 50-year Mason and a member of Manchester Lodge No. 14 and Midlothian Lodge No. 211. In 1972 he joined the Scottish Rite and Acca Shrine. He served as a Past Director and Honorary Member of the Director's Staff and played an integral part in strengthening and growing the Unit. Ill. Paul was a member of numerous musically oriented Clubs and other organizational groups within the Shrine, and served as an Officer in many of them. Outside of Acca, he was a member of the American Legion and the Virginia Terrier Club. Needless to say this man contributed a multitude of talents and experiences to the Shrine. We are grateful to have known and worked together with him to support our Shrine Kids. He will be greatly missed.

Noble Frank B. Bishop, III passed away peacefully on September 27th, after a short period of failing health. He was a 55-year Mason and a member of Powhatan Lodge No. 295. He joined Acca Shrine in 1991 and became a member of the Director's Staff Unit. Frank was also affiliated with the Accalette as the reporter who wrote this particular article for ten years! (I am still struggling to come up to his editorial standards.) He served in the capacity as Director of the Director's Staff Unit for two years, and was subsequently appointed an Honorary Member. He was very faithful in his attendance in the Staff and it was expected that he would be opening every meeting with a prayer, and at every dinner meeting he would offer the blessing before we partook of the food. Frank was a past member of the governing body of Acca and served for several years as Chairman of the Finance Committee. This gentleman was not selfish with his time at all. He volunteered to help provide minor maintenance work around the Temple, including the replacement of burned-out light bulbs. Some referred to him as "the light bulb man," who brightened the lives of Acca Shriners. He will be sorely missed.

July and August Staff meetings were rather routine compared to some. SASA attendees were instructed to submit their fees and get room reservations. (The event was subsequently cancelled due to the storm "Florence.")

"The Grand Lodge Annual Communication will be held and our own Noble Bill Hershey will be elected to the position of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia."

Plans and preparation for the 2nd Annual Walk for Love were made, with the Director's Staff playing a pivotal role in set up, clean up, tear down, and food and security arrangements. Our Temple is the first one to initiate a Walk for Love fundraiser.

The Walk for Love was held on September 29th on a beautiful weather day. A large crowd gathered on the grounds of Acca Temple and the symbolic blue shirts worn by most of the participants was a wonderful sight to behold. We were privileged to have several hospital patients join us for the activity. After the "Walk", everyone was treated to a lunch in the activity Building, and subsequently had the privilege of listening to the "Island Music" of the World Famous (infamous?) Acca Hot Sands Steel Drum Band. All attendees seemed to thoroughly enjoy the day.

On October 10th, we had a dinner meeting that we designated as "Old Timers Night." It was a time when we invite some of our Senior members, who don't routinely attend our meetings, to join us for some hospitality and conversation. By the time this issue of the Accalette is published, we will have attended Masonic Home Day, helped sell tickets for the Sportsman's Raffle at Green Top, attended the Acca Business Meeting, and actually attended the Raffle.

The month of November will be an active one for our Unit. The Grand Lodge Annual Communication will be held and our own Noble Bill Hershey will be elected to the position of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. We are very

proud of our Brother Mason and fellow Shriner. We have the honor of serving as bartenders at a reception to be held at Acca Temple for him on November 10th.

The very next weekend we will be fully involved in the Open House and initiation of new candidates during the Fall Ceremonial. We always enjoy these activities because of the opportunities for hospitality and camaraderie. The month of December is normally a reasonably quiet period for us, and we look forward to spending time with our families and friends.

That about does it for this report. No doubt there will be plenty of things to discuss in the next issue. Have a great Turkey Day and a wonderful Christmas season.

Staff Murmurs

Did you hear about the Past Director who drove up to the rear of the Activity Building and asked for "curb service" at the Walk for Love lunch? Even though we had dismal participation at our Fall Stew, the extremely large production of that delicious product was accomplished by half the number of workers! Great job Nobles! Speaking of stew, several comments have floated around that some are going to wait to purchase their stew when the "fire sale" occurs, just prior to the next production date. What past III Sir suggested an "Insurance policy on older folks" as a possible fundraiser? – names omitted to protect the guilty. Only The Shadow Knows. Jim Deitrick – Cub Reporter





III. Sir Phillip Goodwin 50 YEAR PIN

Ill Sir Thornton Holt,
Ill Sir Phillip Goodwin
& Grandmaster
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50 Year Pin Presentation





Piedmont Shrine Club held its September meeting at the Elks Pavilion and enjoyed a delicious meal of BBQ, provided by the Korner Restaurant. President Noble Goldie Tomlin introduced special guests Mr. Paul Faneli, Development Director of Greenville Hospital, Illustrious Sir Dennis Berry, and Divan Members Nobles Ed Ernouf, Al Rock, Rick Marion, Brian LaFontaine and Mike Lott. The Club was honored to send \$4,081 from Sportsman Raffle ticket sales on to Richmond.

Election was held for Officers and Board members for 2019/2020. The installation will take place at the Annual Michie Tavern Dinner Meeting on Sunday, November 11th.



The Club looks forward to working with the Fraternal Order of Police Chapter to present a children's Christmas Party in December, with a club celebration immediately following.

Our large attendance and enthusiastic participation by members confirms that Piedmont Shrine Club is on the road to growth and increased activity. All Nobles of the Club extend thanks and appreciation to Noble Goldie Tomlin for his leadership during the past two years. Without Noble Goldie, Piedmont Shrine Club would not be in the fine shape it is in.

Brian F. LaFontaine

Well, here it is October already and we will be in November when you receive this issue. Time marches on. Since this will be the last issue of the Accalette for the year, I will attempt to recap what has happened in the last couple of months, and then give a planned agenda for the remainder of the year.

We played the Mill Quarter Course in July and it was a very hot day. There was a good turn-out of Club members and we certainly enjoyed the liquid refreshments at the nineteenth hole. Then in August, we played the Brandermill course. This is a private club that we were able to work in our schedule. It is always a favorite and we have a lot of our members participate each year. This past month (September) we played the Pendleton Golf Course, which is near Ladysmith on Route One. We didn't think we would be able to play because of the impending weather forecast, but since Larry Koon, James Sadler, Gary Prock and Pote Dennis Berry are such upstanding gentlemen, the rain held off until we finished the round.

The end of our golf schedule is nearing and we have only two more scheduled events for the year. In October we will play Lake Chesdin. Again, this is a private course that we were able to put on our schedule. It is the first time for our Club and the members are looking forward to playing the course. We will also play the Scottish Rite Golf Tournament at Sycamore Creek

Golf Club

President Larry Koon





on October 5th. The Golf Club always sponsors a hole for this event. Then we will finish the year in November at The Hollows Golf Course. To top off the year, we always have a Ladies Night at the Meadowbrook Country Club. This will be held on January 16, 2019. Everyone is in great anticipation as to whom will

be named the "Player of the Year". Only the "shadow" knows. The officers are tight-lipped about the nominees. Who can predict, it might be you.

I must say that we have had another good year. Each month, at each course, the fellowship has been great. A lot of laughter, joking, and an abundance of harassing and kidding, and that is the fun part of the game.

Of all the good things that have happened this year, I must close with a very sad ending. We lost Paul Lanier. In 2007, the Potentate, Illustrious Sir Bill Painter asked me to take over the Acca Golf Club. I told him I would consider the request if I could get the proper Nobles to fill the other Officers positions. I was most appreciative when they all accepted: Ernie McGregor-VP, Paul Lanier-Secretary, and Jack Cooke-Treasurer. When Ernie passed away, I asked Paul if he would take over the VP duties as well as that of Secretary. He didn't hesitate in accepting the dual role. Paul took care of all the correspondence; the emails and the postal notices that went out each month. He also maintained our Mulligan and Blind Bogey Program and provided all the pictures that showed up in the different publications. Paul will be missed by everyone, especially the members of the Acca "Swingers" Golf Club. The Club is in its eleventh year and you could not have done better than having Ernie, Paul and Jack running the show.

Be Nice-Keep the Sunny-Side up. Larry Koon

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 CW Band Sauerkrauts	2 Provost Guard Kazim Ceremonial	3 Kazim Ceremonial
4	5 Car Club Greeters Million Dollar Band	6 LOS Chanters Hospital Committee	7 Caverns SC Legion of Honor Ceremonial Cast	8 Norther Neck LOH	9	10
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11	12 Veterans Breakfast Hillbilly Unit Chester SC	Board of Directors Chanters	14 James River SC Southside SC Glen Allen SC Directors Staff	Lake Country SC Hillbilly Clan CW Band Sauerkrauts	16	17
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18	19 South Hill SC Klownz Million Dollar Bank	20 Danville SC Chanters	21 Hopewell SC Heritage SC Shooters Club Manchester SC	22 Thanksgiving Office Closed	23 Office Closed	24
25	26 Scottish Rite	27 Northern Neck SC Chanters Divan & UC Meeting	28 Petersburg SC Arab Patrol Band	29	30	

DECEMBER 2018

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JANUARY 2019

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			,			HP Visit
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FEBRUARY 2019

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10	11 Hillbilly Unit Chester SC Million Dollar Band	12 Board of Directors Chanters	13 James River SC Southside SC Glen Allen SC Directors Staff Mini Patrol	14 Northern Neck SC LOH	15	Acca Leadership Conference
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Hillbilly Unit

Secretary Ross Morland



■ owdy y'all! As summer turns into fall, we look back on all the fun and fellowship we had together as a Unit. On August 12th, members of the Unit loaded up and headed to Richmond to help out at the annual Carytown Watermelon Festival. Nobles, Ladies and kids all pitched in to slice and dice watermelons for the masses. Not sure of the total amount raised, but thousands of bowls of the red stuff were sold to raise money and awareness for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Great job everyone!

We continued our fundraising efforts by parking cars for the Virginia Food Truck Battle at Augusta Expoland, followed by the Labor Day Fair, Homeschool Days and Oktoberfest at the Frontier Culture Museum in Staunton. On October 13th the Hillbillies participated in the Annual Masonic Home Family Day parade. It is always a great time seeing our retired Brethren and Ladies and spending the day at the "Crown Jewel" of Virginia Freemasonry.

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Legion of Honor

Billy Jellie, P.P.

The ACCA Legion of Honor has a number of special events on the schedule for this fall. This comes after the unusual weather that we have had in recent weeks, and even the past couple of months.

The rain and bad weather started the day of our annual Legion picnic, which was held in Deltaville at the home of Commander Billy Jellie. Needless to say, the rain started early in the morning and did not end until the last guest had left for home that Saturday night. In spite of the disappointing lack of sunshine, the Legionnaires improvised with tents and a party in the garage and screen house. A fun and good time was had by all, with plenty of food, beverage and laughter.

Then came the sad and dangerous Hurricane Florence, the state. To add to the misery throughout both hurricanes,

with the devastation of both North and South Carolina. This led to the cancellation of this year's SASA scheduled to be held in Myrtle Beach. Our prayers are with all the citizens and communities of those areas so severely hit by the storm and flooding. Most recently, the ugly Hurricane Michael led to even more major destruction in Florida. It also hit our own state of Virginia and local communities in and around





we experienced multiple tornadoes and dangerous winds. Thanks very much to our emergency crews who volunteered at home, as well as in other states, throughout these tragic times.

The Masonic Home Day was a fantastic success. Early morning rain led to brilliant sunshine and an enjoyable day, with a fine parade led by our own Legion Color Guard. There were a number of Units from Acca, Khedive, and Kena in the parade, and many dignitaries from the Grand Lodge.

There are many special events coming up and we are planning for the Legion to be represented at them, so please plan your calendar now for the next couple of months. The most significant event will be the Fall Ceremonial which is scheduled for November 16-17, with the Open House to be held on Friday evening. So, all Shriners plan to participate, and bring your friends so that they can get to know what the Shrine organization is all about.

Thank you all for your continued commitment to our Legion and its mission.

Remember, "It is always great to be a Shriner". Billy Jellie, P.P.







Steve Poegl

Dear Nobles, Ladies, and Sweethearts of Acca, Greetings and "Happy Autumn" to you all from "The Manchester Shrine Club" of South Richmond, Virginia. We hope you're enjoying the cooling weather and spectacular array of colors that fall brings. What a great time of year, baseball playoffs, football season, pumpkins and trick-or-treaters, and warm stew. We've been busy here at MSC and we have a lot going on over the next few months, while having fun and fellowship as we work in support of "Our Kids" through the great works of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Speaking of stew, we're making our famous "MSC Brunswick Stew" on Friday, October 19, 2018, and taking pre-sale orders for only \$7.00 per quart. It's delicious and contains natural mellowing agents so you can chill while it warms you up! Order yours soon by contacting any of our members.

Our 2nd annual T. C. Atkinson \$10,000 50/50 Raffle has been "sold out" thanks to some hard work and great salesmanship among our members and Ladies. It will be pulled at our October monthly meeting on the 24th in the Activity Center. This wildly popular fundraiser has proven to be a huge success for us and Acca. The winner gets \$5,000, while the other \$5,000 goes to the hospitals.

December is going to be an exciting month for two Shrine Clubs. Both Clubs are asking Acca Nobles, their Ladies, families, and friends to come enjoy a \$6.00 flatiron steak at Sedona Tap House any time on Mondays throughout the month. \$1.00 of every dinner sold will be generously donated by Sedona to Shriners Hospitals for Children, and there are five Mondays in December this year. What a great opportunity for enjoying fine food and fellowship during the holidays while supporting our noble cause.

There has been a rumor going around about a challenge between these two Clubs, but it is no longer a rumor. "IT'S ON" between The Manchester Shrine Club - Sedona Tap House, Midlothian location and The Glen Allen Shrine Club - Sedona Tap House, Glen Allen location to see which can raise the most money for Shriners Hospitals for Children. While MSC is looking forward to bragging rights, there are no losers here, when any Club wins, we all win! Look for the challenge ad in this copy of the Accalette (page 14).

Looking ahead, our much anticipated Annual Cornhole Tournament will take



place in the ballroom early next year. This is a huge fundraiser and has been quite successful year after year. There's a lot of prep work involved and our team is working on them, as well as seeking sponsors. If you know of anyone who'd be kind enough to sponsor a board, do let us know. In the past, we've gotten sponsorships from both individuals and companies.

A heartfelt "Thank You" to each and all who work so very hard to make Manchester and Acca a success, and thanks to all who continue to support us year after year!

We cannot begin to express the shock and sadness on the loss of our dear friend and brother, Illustrious Sir Paul Wilcox Lanier, P.P. 2009; our Secretary, past President, charter member, and husband to his beloved bride Lady Martha Jo Lanier. We will miss you sorely Paul.

As the holidays quickly approach, we hope you all have a joyous season among family and friends. Cherish those you love and let them know you love them. Do keep our sick and distressed close in your prayers, and honor those who serve us at home and abroad in the Armed Services.

Please come out and join us some time; we meet on the 4th Wednesday every month, mostly in the Activity Center. We would enjoy having you and know you would have a good time. And, we would love to have you as a member.

Cheers and best wishes and may God be ever present in your hearts.

Steve Poegl



Past Masters Club

Past Masters Club Dinner January 16, 2019

ear Nobles and Ladies, Please plan to attend the ACCA Shrine Past Masters Club Dinner on Wednesday January 16, 2019.

This Club is now open to ALL Past Masters!!

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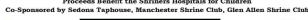
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Jell, the holiday season is upon us, and with that shopping, decorating, parties and, of **V** comes course, parades. The Band will participate in Ashland, Waynesboro, and Colonial Heights.

November is a time to pause and be thankful for the many blessing we have. We sometimes take for granted the blessings we have each day; jobs, homes, health, our faith, and the many material things we all have and cherish. But the things that should matter the most to us are our family and friends. Those are the relationships that are truly the blessing we should cherish everyday. Each of us, at times, are guilty of taking for granted the ones we love the most. So, during this holiday season, as well as each day, show your appreciation for these relationships with a visit, a brief note, or just a simple phone call to tell a family member or friend that you cherish their part in your life. Trust me, it will put a smile on their faces and warmth in your heart.

So, from your friends in the Oriental Band, enjoy this wonderful time of the year, and may the holiday season be a time to reflect and remember those special people in your life every day, past and present. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand, and bless you and your families.

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Million Dollar Band

Secretary Dave Bishop, P.P.

All members of the Million Dollar Band are proud to be a Shriner, and hope all who have listened to our music during the previous nine months of 2018 have enjoyed and been pleased. We have certainly enjoyed bringing the sweet sounds, and hope they helped wash away sorrow and left only good memories in your hearts.

Since the previous edition, the Band has supported the Temple business meeting in August, Watermelon Festival, and had their annual picnic at the Bishop's place on the "Rivah." The weather at the picnic was great, not too hot, good breeze and just enough sunshine. Most importantly, the food was good, the fellowship outstanding, lots of stories, and some even managed to play music; some you recognized, and some not so. All enjoyed themselves.

SASA 2018 was a repeat of SASA 2017, "Washed Out" due to a hurricane. Oh well, there is always next year. Please keep all the folks in the Carolinas in your thoughts and prayers. We were very lucky to avoid the outer bands of the storm in our area. Think positive for 2019.

By the time you receive and explore this edition of the Accalette, we would have performed for the Temple business meeting, Temple Fall Ceremonial (honoring Ill. Sir Larry Koon, P.P. and Lady Carol), played at Imperial Plaza, participated in the Masonic Home Family Day festivities, and led the way in the "renowned" Sounds of Acca with the other musical Units of the Temple. We certainly hoped that our music was soothing and enjoyed by all of those in attendance. Hopefully the Band will be participating in the Ashland "Ole Time Christmas" Parade, and will be invited to the Richmond Christmas Parade, and not have the miscommunication that existed for the past two years. The Band will have its annual Christmas Party/Election of Officers for 2019 dinner, and surely participate in Acca's famous "Breakfast with Santa" event scheduled for December 15th at the Temple. The Band always looks forward to this event, not only to participate and playing holiday music, but to observe the children screaming, singing, dancing and anxiously awaiting the old man himself, "Santa Claus." Come and enjoy the breakfast food, Christmas music, and bring your children and grandchildren for the morning fun and festivities.

As for the "sick" and "wounded": Floyd Puryear is still recovering from back surgery; Buddy Kirby is still fighting eye and blood sugar levels; Lady Martha Jo Lanier is coming along from medication problems; and Lady Vicky Conover has slowly recovered from a broken bone in her foot. We wish

all speedy recovery, and will continue to place them on our prayer list. I am almost certain someone has been missed who has been sick or incapacitated, and I apologize for any oversight. At times the Secretary does not always get the word.

It is with remorse that I sadly report the "Black Camel" has struck the Band once again. Noble Robert J. "B.J." Schmidt was a faithful Band member and could be counted on for what needed to be accomplished. He did not know the word "NO". He and his Lady "Dee Dee" sure knew how to throw a great Christmas Open House, what an evening. In addition, with deep sorrow and grief, Ill. Sir Paul W. Lanier, P.P. has been taken by the "Black Camel" to that "Celestial Palace in the Heavens", not made by hands. Ill. Paul was, and still is, one of the finest Masonic individuals I have ever been associated with. The Band was most fortunate to have such a great Patriot, Citizen, Mason, Shriner and friend among our ranks. He will be greatly missed, but forever in our memories. Ill. Paul was a very private individual, and I was amazed at the many, and I mean many, Masonic Bodies, Lodges, Clubs, and other Military organizations he belonged to, and held leadership positions in. I know for a fact that I could not have been able to accomplish many of my duties as Band Secretary and President without the sincere guidance, help, and counseling of this outstanding gentleman. In addition to having served three tours in Vietnam as a U.S. Marine, he also flew the President of the United States of America in "Marine One" for a most prestigious tour of duty. Please keep "B.J."'s Lady Dee Dee and Ill. Paul's Lady Martha Jo and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

In closing, please pray for our service members, wherever they may be deployed throughout the world, and for a safe and speedy return to their loved ones soon. God bless them, their families, all of you, and the "Good Old US of A."

This is my final writing for the Million Dollar Band, as I am passing the Secretary duties and torch along to someone else for 2019. It is time to step aside, after so many years that I can't remember how many. I say Happy Trails, and See all of you Around. "What a Ride" it has been for this "Old War Horse." Finally, the members and their Ladies of the Million Dollar Band extend, to you and yours, our heartiest wishes for a very "Merry Christmas" and a most rewarding and prosperous "Happy New Year."

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Larry Koon

Well, the heat has subsided a little, so if we get busy, we can aerate the yard, put down lime, fertilizer and grass seed before the leaves start falling. Then the work really begins. In between those duties, it should give us ample time to support the commitments of our Unit. And we do have a full slate of commitments.

To bring you up to speed from the last Accalette, we did very well at the Watermelon Festival. We were the top seller for the Temple. All other tents did well also, and it could have been better if the rain had not interrupted and closed the Festival early. We catered for the Grand Master's official visit to the Glen Allen Lodge and it went well. President Ronnie Butler and Nobles Sam Wells, Charles Hanbury and Ronnie Wray rode the Shrine Bikes in the Valley Parade. Our famed cooking team also did the cooking for the "Walk for Love" event.

We have a full agenda for the remainder of the year. Coming up will be the Masonic Day Festivities and parade. Then we have catering gigs on the schedule. They are CSX Railroad (70), and then our largest job will be the Grand Master's Reception at the Temple in November (300-400). After the first of the year, we will do Dominion (325).

We have a number of parades in which we plan to participate; Glen Allen Parade, Ashland Parade, Chester Parade, Colonial Heights Parade and the McArthur Parade. I'm sure there will be more during the holiday season.

President Ronnie Butler is our ticket chairman for the Sportsman Raffle and sales are going well. The Fall Ceremonial is approaching in November. We will again have an ample feast on Friday evening as our future Shriners come by to check us out. The honoree will be Illustrious Sir Larry Koon, how about that.

We will close out the year with one of our main events - Ladies Night at the Renaissance. It is always a very enjoyable evening with good fellowship, great food and a beautiful setting.

Be Nice-Keep the Sunny-Side Up. Larry Koon

Photo Top Left Beth Hanbury-Our Mainstay
Photo Top Center: Ronnie Wray and Wimpy Isgett Hawking Melons
Photo Top Right: Sam Wells, The Day Will End Eventually



The Valley Shrine Club

Dan Perry

The Valley Shrine Club held its May dinner at Panos Restaurant in Harrisonburg. Following the business meeting and meal, our program was presented by Noble Wes Graves, a wealth management specialist with Wells-Fargo Advisors. Noble Graves spoke about the causes of the 2008 recession, steps taken to limit and correct the damage to our economic system, and where the recovery may ultimately lead with the current bull market.

During the summer months, VSC has 3 "stag" nights. Our June meeting was hosted by Noble Irving Byrd and Lady Pat and Noble Danny Neese and Lady Mary. Several members of the Divan and nearby Clubs also attended. Plans were discussed for selling the Acca Sportsman's Raffle tickets, especially during the Rockingham County Fair to be held in August. Members were encouraged to continue selling tickets for the President's Raffle (drawing is October 24th) and for the P. Buckley Moss print raffle (drawing is December 15th). Preliminary plans were discussed for a Club fundraiser, a miniature golf tournament to be held October 13th at Mulligan's Golf Center in Harrisonburg. A jewelry show, the second of the year for the Ladies, was scheduled for Saturday, September 22nd at McAlister's Restaurant in Harrisonburg.

The July stag night was hosted by Noble Rodney Eagle, who provided another excellent meal, as usual. Ill. Past Potentate Bob Puffenbarger spoke to the group about membership. Several Nobles signed up to participate in the annual Bridgewater Volunteer Firemen's parade on July 21st. Prior to the parade, a picnic, planned by Noble Puffenbarger, was attended by several Nobles and their Ladies.

The August meeting was hosted by several VSC Nobles at the home of Noble Peyton Yancey and Lady Myra in Broadway. It was announced that a total of 162 Sportsman's Raffle tickets were sold at the Rockingham County Fair. Sales of tickets for the two club raffles were encouraged. With the loss of the Blue Grass Festival

this year, the members were encouraged to call on local businesses and individuals who in the past have donated to the VSC, and request their continued support for the Shriners Hospitals for Children in an effort to replace the lost revenues.

On September 24th, VSC returned to our indoor dinner meetings with our Ladies at Panos. Noble Peyton Yancey led the invocation and members recited the Pledge of Allegiance. During the business meeting it was announced that the proceeds from the second jewelry show were \$436, and the total for both shows provided the club with \$857. Sales of raffle tickets for the President's Raffle and the P. Buckley Moss print continue, and the annual Silent Auction will be held at the November 14th meeting. The miniature golf tournament will be held October 13th at Mulligan's Golf Center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and is open to the public, especially children. Food is being provided Members were encouraged to continue by the Club. saving aluminum can tabs as a source of funds for the hospitals. Our program featured 2 guests: Captain John Billings and Nevin Showman. Captain Billings is a 95 vear-old gentleman who piloted a B-24 Liberator during WWII. He flew 14 bomb missions and 39 missions for the OSS. During one of the bombing flights, his squadron was escorted by the Tuskegee Airmen. He returned to the states after the war and worked in general aviation and as a flight instructor, before flying as a captain for TWA and Eastern Airlines for over 35 years. Today, Captain Billings and Nevin Showman have flown over 300 Angel Flights with no sign of slowing down. Some of the flights have involved flying children and parents to some of the Shriners hospitals. Door Prizes were won by Lady Doris Stone and Noble John Jackson. The meeting was closed with a benediction provided by Noble Peyton Yancey. The next VSC meeting will be October 24th at Panos beginning at 6 p.m. The drawing for the prizes of the President's Raffle will be held that evening.

Provost Guard

t was unfortunate that the South Atlantic Shiners Association (SASA) had to cancel it annual gathering at Myrtle Beach this past September due to Hurricane Florence. This storm was a tragedy beyond the imagination for many people in the North and South Carolina regions, as well as those persons residing in the path of the storm, as it made its way inland and up the Shenandoah Valley and out to the Atlantic through Maryland. We wish them a quick and safe recovery regarding their health, homes, and businesses.

The Provost Guard had its Oktoberfest celebration on

Friday, October 12th, where the Provost Guard celebrated a traditional German festival filled with German food and traditional beverages. Specifics of the Provost Guard's celebration will be detailed in the next issue of the Accalette. This celebration was well advertised and marketed by our Unit, as Captain Mike Lott and our Potentate III Sir Dennis Berry were interviewed at CBS Channel 6, talking about the forthcoming event and how our fundraising events help Shriners Childrens Hospitals. Pictures from their visit are illustrated below.







Wow! Where has the year gone? It seems like we just started the year, and now we are finishing up the year.

Thanks to my Mini Patrol Family for making this a great year. With many Parades and special events, and yet, we are just now entering into the busy season with all the Christmas parades throughout the tri-city area. We are looking for all of the drivers to dust off your cars and join our Director for called practices, so we can muster the cars in the parades. Practices are mandated to be able to participate in the various parades. Please come to our meetings and check your emails for our list of Holiday parades to finish out this great year. Thank you for your efforts to make this another Fun and Safe Parade season.

I would like to welcome our Director back after many months of recuperation from his spinal surgery. Ed was able to come out and drive his car again for the first time, in what I am sure seemed liked an eternity to him. Congratulations.

We send out our best wishes and prayers to our Mini Patrol Family who are in need: Nobel Briant Cummens and Nobel David Creasy. God Bless and Strengthen each of you daily.

Thanks to all who came out in support of this year's Walk for Love. It was nice to have our cars on display and provide an opportunity for the little ones to climb in and pretend to be a race driver, even for a little while. Pictures were taken and memories made. Our wrecker drivers showed up with their carts to help in shuttling walkers and provide support as needed.

This year we have a lot to be thankful for, and I pray that each of our respective families can take a moment and reflect giving thanks as we celebrate around our Thanksgiving table this year.

We also want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Fabulous New Year.

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The Sauerkrauts Band

Bill Hudson

Jell, our favorite time of the year kicked into high gear in August, starting with the Richmond Flying Squirrels "Augtoberfest". Playing at the Diamond for the fans is always a great way to kick off our season. We played the Powhatan Labor Day parade, a fairly short parade but one we love to do. As in past years we used this opportunity to announce and promote the Powhatan Oktoberfest that we work every year in conjunction with the Powhatan Moose Family Center. The proceeds of this event are split evenly between The Shrine and various Moose charities. We played for the Richmond Kickers in mid September and The Goochland Oktoberfest, hosted by the Rotary Club of Goochland County. But, for the second year in a row, we missed our favorite event due to a hurricane. Oh, how we so enjoy playing around the pool at SASA. Well, maybe next year, again.

The month of October started out with a bang. On Friday, October 5th, we played two gigs back to back. We began the day playing an Oktoberfest in Gloucester in the early afternoon, and finished the day with a five-hour gig at the Center of the Universe Brewery in Ashland in the evening. The following day we were to perform one of our annual special gigs at Lakeside Village in Cumberland, but

were informed that it had to be postponed. We needed a breather anyway. And this was just the first weekend of October!

Every weekend throughout the month of October, and into November, was booked for both Fridays and Saturdays. We even threw in a few weekday performances to round things out. Our list of weekend gigs included a variety of Oktoberfests, which we look forward to playing each year. This list included: our very own Provost Guard's, the Powhatan Moose, both days for the big Richmond Oktoberfest, "One of the largest on the East coast," and the Whitestone Fire Department's Harvest Festival. Other gigs included a private party at Max's Positive Vibes restaurant, and another restaurant gig down in Petersburg.

As was the case last year we established a fundraising goal of \$10,000. Because a lot of our money is still coming in, we won't know if we achieved our goal until mid-December. I can say this, however, whether we made it or not, we did our best. We enjoyed every moment and ended each performance with that special feeling of satisfaction, knowing that a child of ours is the beneficiary of what we did.

Bill Hudson

Petersburg Shrine Club

Noble Bill Brockwell

The Petersburg Shrine Club held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, with a picnic at White Bank Park in Colonial Heights, Virginia. In the absence of President David Comer, Vice President Larry Hatton called the meeting to order. Lady Heidi Dance was becoming a grandmother at that particular time so she and President Comer could not be there (thus the reason this "old" reporter is writing

the article this month). Treasurer Ralph Bartley gave the prayer, and afterwards approximately 20 members and guests enjoyed a delicious meal of hot dogs and hamburgers, prepared and cooked by Chef Harless Dobbins and Chef Larry Hatton. Everyone brought their favorite dish or dessert. The dinner was very enjoyable and everyone was given an opportunity to relax and socialize prior to the start of the meeting.

Minutes of the meeting of June, 2018 were accepted as read. Under new business, Noble Bill Brockwell talked about the new changes being made within our Shriners hospitals and stated that Dr. Richard Redman, a member of the Board of Directors -

Greenville Hospital, will speak at our next meeting in October on these changes.



Katherine Bartley with Bill & Betty Brockwell



Noble Ed Rivers and his Lady Lena



Lady Edna Howard-Sleeper and her daughter Christa



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Petersburg Shrine Club

Black Camel



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This is Who I Am:

The stories of Riley and Lily

Every year, Shriners Hospitals for Children® selects two National Patient Ambassadors to represent the health care system's patients. The ambassadors spend the year sharing their stories of perseverance in the face of adversity and the ways Shriners Hospitals for Children has made a dramatic, life-changing difference in their lives. Introducing our two new Ambassadors:

Riley

Riley, now age 17, was born with hereditary multiple exostoses (HME), a genetic condition which causes irregular bone growth. Exostoses are more commonly known as "bone spurs," which typically grow on the end of long bones during childhood and adolescence.

In Riley's case, physicians discovered growths from nearly head to toe through a full body X-ray when he was only 15 months old. Shortly thereafter, he became a patient of Shriners Hospitals for Children — Tampa.

Over time, Alfred V. Hess, M.D., the hospital's director of hand surgery, and Shriners Hospitals for Children — Tampa's Chief of Staff Maureen Maciel, M.D., have performed more than a dozen surgeries to remove growths and lengthen bones in Riley's arms and legs.

Riley has been a very active patient ambassador for the Tampa Shriners Hospital for several years. He also mentors Theodore, another child with the same rare condition, which Riley said is "one of the best things that happened to me this year." Theodore's mom said that meeting Riley and his family gave them hope.

Riley's family also supports a golf tournament organized by Riley's dad's former employer. Since 2002, the C&W Charity Golf Classic has raised more than \$500,000 to benefit the Tampa Shriners Hospital.

Riley is looking forward to the opportunity to share his story and help others as a National Patient Ambassador. He intends to remain part of the Shriners family.

"I plan on becoming a Shriner when I grow up," Riley said. I want to be known as someone who gave of his time and his money."

LILY

Lily, age 18, from Paducah, Kentucky, was born with fibular hemimelia, meaning she did not have a fibula, the outer thin bone that runs from the knee to the ankle, in her right leg. She underwent a Syme's amputation, which is an amputation done through the ankle joint that helps to preserve the heel pad, and she received her first prosthesis a few months later.

When Lily was 18 months old, she became a patient of Vishwas Talwalkar, M.D., pediatric orthopaedic surgeon at Shriners Hospitals for Children Medical Center —



Lexington. Over the years, Lily has undergone five surgeries there to straighten her remaining right leg and has received more prosthetic limbs than she can count.

Lily recently completed her freshman year at the University of Kentucky. Because of the care she received at Lexington Shriners Medical Center, she has chosen to study nursing, and minor in music. "I hope to be a nurse at Shriners Hospital after graduating," said Lily. "It is my dream to help provide the same care I received all my life to others as a way to show my gratitude for the Shriners health care system.

"Shriners Hospitals for Children has helped me to not see my leg as a handicap, and instead to look at it as a challenge," she said. "Because of Shriners Medical Center, I wake up every morning thankful for two legs instead of regretting that I only have one."

Lily is looking forward to being a National Patient Ambassador. "I am so glad I get to be a National Patient Ambassador and talk to other patients and families who are going through the same things," said Lily. "Somewhere out there is at least one person who needs to hear what I have to say."

To learn more about Riley and Lily, please visit shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/Media-resources or youtube.com/user/shrinershospitals.



Shriners Hospitals for Children Philadelphia Hospital

Treasurer Dan Freye

On Friday, September 7, Shriners Hospitals for Children Philadelphia, hosted a very special group of visitors; Nobles and Ladies from Acca Shriners! The road trip, sponsored by the Director's Staff and led by Noble Bill Ferguson, was two days of fun, fellowship, and time spent at our awesome hospital.

We departed Acca on Friday morning headed for Philadelphia via Fredricksburg, where we picked up a few stragglers...I mean where we

experienced the first highlight of the day by being joined by our Illustrious Potentate, Dennis, and First Lady Toni! Upon our arrival in Philadelphia, we were treated to an excellent lunch and spent the next 90 minutes touring the hospital. Hospital Administrator, Ed Myers, and Stephanie Bywra, Manager of Marketing and Communications, were our tour guides. During the tour one Noble commented to Ed that he had been a Shriner for several years and thought he understood what Shriners Hospitals was all about. But not until seeing it in person, did he fully appreciate the awesome work being done and the obvious care and concern given to the kids and their families by the Shriners staff. I heard many similar comments over the next day and half

Our group of eighteen spent Friday evening dining at the beautiful Parx Casino. There MAY have been some gambling as well. High rollers we are not! The evening's big winner was Ill. Dennis who came away with winnings of \$15.50. A good time was had by all! Our final stop on Saturday morning was the Philadelphia Masonic Temple, Library and Museum, home of the Grand Lodge of Philadelphia. Built in 1873, it has been called one of the great "wonders" of the Masonic world. The seven magnificent Lodge rooms are based on themes of the ancient architectural world and are adorned with some of the finest artifacts of Freemasonry. It was a most fitting end to our Philadelphia visit.

Our thanks to the Director's Staff and especially Noble Bill Ferguson, who unfortunately was not able to be with



us, for organizing the trip. Thanks to III. Dennis who was able to partially subsidize the trip by moving some money in his budget to make it happen. Thanks also to Lady Toni for the great photos! Nobles and Ladies, to sum up, to really understand and appreciate what being a Shriner is all about, you need to visit one of our hospitals.

On the home front, Noble Dave Eells and I are again making the rounds of charity fairs for the United Way,

Combined Virginia Campaign, and Combined Federal Campaign, spreading the word of Shriners Hospitals for Children to state and federal employees who are making their charitable contribution decisions for 2019.

Board members were saddened to learn of the sudden passing of our Secretary, III. Sir Terry Fabian on October 2 Whenever Terry came to a board meeting, he brought checks from groups he had addressed during the month and other donations from Zembo Shriners units and clubs. He was an excellent spokesman for our Shrine and our Hospitals and he will be sorely missed.

Finally, thanks to all of you who participated in or donated to our Second Annual Walk for Love. Another great day for Acca Shriners and for the Greenville and Philadelphia Hospitals and the Acca Transportation Fund. Preliminary figures indicate that we will meet or exceed last year's contributions. We are already excited about planning for next year's Third Annual Walk!

It is an honor and privilege to serve on the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Hospital and to represent Acca Shriners in that capacity. As always, to the Nobles and Ladies of Acca, thank you for all you do to support 'the world's greatest philanthropy'!

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