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Potentate's Message

Brian LaFontaine

Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of Acca Shriners,

My thanks to you once again for making this year a special one for Lady Linda and I. Your support, enthusiasm, and kindness has made 2022 very special in our memories.

As you receive this edition of the Accalette, we will have entered the last quarter of the year. This is the home stretch of my term but one with many activities yet to be enjoyed.

The Sportsman's Raffle is underway! With the leadership of Illustrious Rick Marion as our Sportsman's Raffle Coordinator, I expect another blockbuster year for ticket sales, but this can only be accomplished with your help. We will have the opportunity to sell tickets at Bass Pro Shops in Ashland, VA during several weekends in September and October. Your help would be appreciated! Keep an eye out for sign-ups and lend us a hand!

You will find information in this Accalette issue about several events including the Veteran's Breakfast, Breakfast with Santa and New Years Eve Celebration. Please save the dates so you can join us.

I would like to make special emphasis of the Fall Ceremonial on November 18 and 19. We experienced a wonderful Spring Ceremonial and realized 30 new Nobles, a number that has us at a positive membership growth as of July 30th. If the Black Camel is kind to us and we can secure another 30 new Nobles in November, there is a chance that we can avoid a membership loss

for the first time in decades.

I have returned to tradition for the Fall Ceremonial by selecting the Potentate who nominated me into the elective line as our honoree. It is my pleasure to announce that Illustrious Dennis W. Berry and Lady Toni will be honored at the Fall Ceremonial. Both Illustrious Dennis and Lady Toni have given, and continue to give, much to Acca Shriners. There are few others who can reflect the commitment and love of Acca Shriners that they do.

It is now time to start looking forward to 2023! Chief Rabban Mike Lott is working hard to plan his year. If favorably elected as Potentate, I know he will bring with him experience that will offer new and exciting approaches and opportunities. I ask that everyone provide him your assistance so we can continue moving forward with hope, energy and growth.

May the remainder of 2022 be good for you and your family.

God Bless, Brian F. LaFontaine Potentate Acca Shriners



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- 10. Expanding the Masonic experience
- 9. Developing long-lasting relationships
- 8. Participating in activities with the whole family
- 7. Creating fun through clubs and units
- Being part of a group with a colorful, 150-year history
- 5. Parades: Is it even a parade without Shriners?
- 4. Being of service to your community
- 3. Developing leadership skills
- 2. Proudly wearing the fez: Fezzes are cool
- 1. Making a difference in the lives of children through Shriners Children's

From the Recorder's Pen

Dennis Berry, P.P.

Nobles and Ladies, I hope this finds everyone well and enjoying the summer weather.

On June 3rd and 4th we held lour Spring Ceremonial in honor of Noble James Sadler. It was a great turnout on Friday night for the open house and then on Saturday, we had 29 new nobles created. The Ceremonial Cast did their usual outstanding job on the First and Third Sections. The Directors Staff introduce a new skit depicting the founding of the Shrine and the founding of the hospital system. The summer has been full of activities at the Temple, with the watermelon festival, many parades and many clubs and units holding picnics.

Remember the Sportsman Raffle is up and running so get out and sell tickets. The raffle will be held on Saturday, October 29th. Tickets are available in the office and most units have picked up several books to issue to members. Remember, that when you sell tickets, to turn the tickets and monies into the office as soon as possible.

The Fall Ceremonial will be held on November 18th and 19th. I was honored when Illustrious Brian LaFontaine called and told me that he had chosen Lady Toni and myself as the honoree. We are deeply humbled by the honor. The flyer for the Ceremonial with the schedule is posted later in this issue of the Accalette.



It is the fall of the year, and that means dues for the next year have been assessed and electronic notices sent out to the nobles. Paper notices will be forthcoming from Imperial.

Remember that the membership voted to raise the dues beginning with the 2023 year and will be \$153.50 for 2023

Just a reminder that we still have several nobles that owe dues for 2022. The temple needs your financial support to continue operations. Check your dues card and make sure you are up to date.

In order to avoid any dues increases, consider purchasing a Life Membership. There are different classifications of life membership levels. The PCM (Permanent Contributing Member) is where you purchase a lifetime hospital assessment, which is currently \$5 of your dues each year. The PCLM (Permanent Contributing Life Member) is for a lifetime per capita membership. And then the temple life member is for your temple portion of the dues. If you would like further information about any or all of these, please contact me in the Recorder's Office.

We have applied for our annual Sportsman Raffle permit and hopefully will have tickets ready for distribution by sometime in June.

I hope everyone has a great spring and summer



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C. Bryan Martin - President

From the Editor's Desk

Brian Moubray, Managing Editor

Acca Nobles and Ladies,

It's a pleasure to sit at my desk and write my second message as editor of Our Accalette. It has been a great experience and I want to thank all who have submitted articles and pictures and especially Noble Rusty for being so patient and helpful as I settle into this new role.

It's been quite a busy summer, and for me, just ended with sending my two children back to school. While

it's been a great time watching them grow, I don't think I'll ever get used to watching them do it.

It's so encouraging for me as editor to read the articles submitted and see how much our Temple is doing in the lives of our communities and for the children that we serve at the hospitals.

On my side of the mountain, I had the pleasure of participating in all three Hillbilly Jamborees. What an amazing and fun time raising money. The water battles and golf cart bingo will always be my favorite parts!

One of the best things about Freemasonry and the Shrine for me is the amount of family involvement. Our Grand Master's motto this year is "A Family Affair." When I was raised as a master Mason in 2013, my Granddad played a huge role. In May of this year, I was honored to present him with his fez after he took his Shriners obligation and



I'm proud to say that just this month, he was made a member of Acca's most exciting and unique unit, the Hillbillies. Words can't describe how it feels to be able to share my journey with him as a Brother Mason and Cuzin.

As you read through this edition, please take note of the flyers for all of the Temple activities coming up and attend if you are able!

And always remember, Nobles: "No man stands so tall as when he stoops to help a child."





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Antique Car Club

Ed Johnston

We are continuing to meet in person and conducting our business as usual. Noble Gary Prock has his yellow mustang ready to show, but now would like to sell it due to it being a stick shift and his troublesome knee needs an automatic!! Gary did chauffeur our Potentate, Ill. Sir. Brian LaFontaine, in the Sandston Memorial Day Parade. David Lloyd had his mustang in the parade as well. Vince Bobrosky came to enter his newly acquired 1970 Ford Galaxy, but had to withdraw due to an overheating issue.

Michael Poegl is planning to attend the Khedive Shrine Car Show in Chesapeake, VA on August 20, 2022 to get some ideas and information for our planned Car Show. Their show is a big, well attended show with 200+ cars entered.

We are continuing to explore having a car show/ cruise-in at the Temple in 2023but we have several items to iron out. We will keep everyone updated.

Potentate Brian LaFontaine and Lady Linda are still hard at work providing ACCA Shrine with a number of events and activities.

Noble Dewey Draucker passed away in France in late March where he and his Lady Patricia have been living for the last 2 years. Dewey was a long time Mason, ACCA Shriner, and Car Club Member. Patricia had a visitation at their home on the Boulevard this summer, which we attended. Matt Williams is undergoing therapy to help his strength and is doing fairly well but isn't able to get out much. Gene Williams underwent surgery and is recovering well.

The ACCA Car Club participated in the Carytown Watermelon Festival again on August 14, 2022. We set up our tent at the intersection of Cary Street and Sheppard Street for the morning shift while The Oriental Band took over the afternoon shift. The weather was great for a change and the crowds were large and bought a lot of watermelon. Our preliminary money total was just short of \$5,000.00, which is a record for us.

We are looking forward to fall and cooler weather! Please come visit our meeting some time, we meet on the first Tuesday of even months!!

Ed Johnston Jr., Reporter



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Accaba Court

Lady Sharon Heard, PHP

There are some exciting things happening with the Ladies of Accaba Court. Our Court just keeps growing and it's so exciting to meet the new members. On June 12, we welcomed Ladies Renee Berry, Paige Ellwanger, Linda LaFontaine (First Lady of Acca), Tina Shaffer, Erin Hall, Janet Mitchell, and Suzanne Spearman. Lady Paige was reinstated, welcome back! We look forward to working with our new members in the months ahead. Our new members were welcomed with an ice cream social after the initiation.

Our High Priestess, Lady Christi Colletti, attended Grand Council in May, which was held in Renton, Washington, just outside of Seattle, along with other ladies from Accaba. They had a wonderful time and fun getting to meet ladies from courts across the United States and Canada.

Our Court is dark during July and August, meaning we do not have an "official" meeting. However, this hasn't slowed us down.

SPECIAL NEWS ALERT: The Accaba Court has formed a third, yes, third unit: The Accabellas. Lady Susan Ream is the Directress of our new unit. Members of our other units, The Lady Slippers and The Klown Arounds will join members of The Accabellas as they attend the Mid-East Unit Meet in Windsor Locks, Connecticut on October 7-9, hosted by Helma Court No. 64. Next year MEMU (Mid-East Unit Meet) will be hosted by Accaba Court here in Richmond on October 6-8, 2023.

Our ladies had been looking forward to the Watermelon Festival all year, and as you can see

from the picture, they worked hard and had fun. Now we're planning for the Official Visit of the Grand High Priestess, Lady Linda Figler, on October 3-4. It's always a fun time for our Court when the Grand High Priestess comes to visit and all of our members get to meet and spend time with her. All three of our Units wil be preparing a special performance just for her visit. We will also host a special dinner in her honor, and the Past High Priestesses will treat her to lunch.

We thank everyone in Acca Shrine for their support of Shriners Hospital for Children through Sedona Taphouse's "Dine out for Charity" during the month of June. With your help, our Court was able to raise \$932.00 for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Since the deadline for the next issue of the Accalette is December 15, the Ladies of Accaba Court wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving and a special time with family and friends.







Golf Club

President Larry Koon

Like most everyone, I am really tired of dealing with this virus. You purchase tickets to an event only to have it cancelled, then go through the process of trying to get a refund. Filling up your vehicle with gas puts you in sticker shock and overseas travel is a gamble because you don't know when you will be able to return home.

But, in spite of all of this, the Acca "Swingers" Golf Club is doing very well. We are playing each month and the turnout at each event has been great. We enjoyed playing the Crossing course in April, the Brickshire course in May, the Brookwood course in June, and Hunting Hawk in July. We also enjoyed a special golf day at the Spring Creek course in Zion Crossroads. This is a private course that is on every golfer's wish list.

After playing Spring Creek, we found out that there is a sister course called The Federal Club in the area. After inquiring and visiting the course, it was determined that we definitely had to play it. It will be scheduled as a special outing in October.

Surprise, surprise! One of our Acca Golfers got a hole in one! Steve Clark was playing with friends at the Mill Quarter Golf Course and holed it on the par 3, 118-yard, fourth hole using a nine iron. Congratulations Steve. Am I envious, certainly not... Well maybe a little...

We have four more outings on our schedule.: Brandermill on August 25, Sycamore Creek on September 22, Meadowbrook on October 27, and we will finish at the Hollows Course on November 17.

The Golf Club has supported the two Grand Master's Tournaments as well as the Scottish Rite Tournament by being a Golf Hole Sponsor.

The club is continuing to expand as we are acquiring new members. Come play a round with us and bring a friend or two, you don't have to be a Shriner to play.

Be Nice and Keep the Sunny-Side Up.

Larry Koon, President







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Acca Ceremonial Cast

William R. Bond, III

On Friday June 3rd ACCA held their spring Open House. The Ceremonial Cast had a good turnout of Nobles as well as perspective candidates. Below are some pictures of the Ceremonial Cast and Manchester Shrine Club's joint open house.



Kim and Riley





Noble Bill Bond performed the ritual of "The Seven Sons."

Nobles who participated in the ritual are:

From left to right, front row: Noble Paul Rinko; Potentate, Bill Bond; Father of the Seven Sons

Second row from left to right: Noble Clay Farmer; Director, Noble Bruce Smith; Orator, Noble Jeremy (Boomer) Calhoun; Oriental Guide, Noble Nelson Bryant; Alchemist, Noble Bill Eddelton; High Priest and Prophet, Noble Donnie Korb; 1st Ceremonial Master, Noble Vernon Korb; 2nd Oriental Master, Noble Bobby Smith; Assistant Rabban, Noble Billy Farmer; Chief Rabban, Noble Rodney Gallagher; Master of Ceremonies, Noble P. D. Heines; Alchemist, Il. Sam Dunn, Assistant Director and Orator.

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Director's Staff

Jim Deitrick

Webster's defines HOT as follows: "1. A condition of being hot: warmth. 2. Hot weather heat and humidity. 3. A form of energy that rises in temperature." Well, we've certainly had enough of this definition recently! As I put the quill to paper to compose this article, the outside temperature at noon is 78 degrees, which is about 20 degrees cooler than recent temperatures at this time of day. Enough said.

The Staff typically slows down a little bit during the summer to partake in some personal vacation time before the Fall activities start up. Of course, with the exceptionally hot weather, many of us stayed inside or, when we did venture outside, looked for a pool or air-conditioned facility to enjoy. During the month of August several of us worked at the Richmond Raceway as ushers to earn monies for one of our annual fundraisers, while another contingent of the Staff worked the Cary Street Watermelon Festival. Also in August, we attended the Temple Business Meeting, followed by the annual picnic for Acca families. During the month of September, the Unit sent a delegation to SASA in Myrtle Beach to enjoy the fun 'n sun 'n parade.

During the last quarter of the year, our Unit is looking forward to participating in the Masonic Home Day festivities in October as well as the Fall Ceremonial activities in November. At the Ceremonial, we will present a more drama-oriented form of initiation ritual for the new Shriners entering Acca membership. Who would have ever thought that we "party and fun-loving reprobates" would dress up in period costumes and participate in a serious rendition about ANY subject! Oh well, there's hope for the masses then!

Normally in the Fall, we set aside a weekend to produce our award-winning Brunswick stew, but this year may be different because we still have some quarts in our freezer from the last production. Maybe if we can sell the frozen ones, we may corral

the troops for another 'party around the stew pot' extravaganza.

December is usually reserved for enjoying time with our families to celebrate the season, as well as attending Temple holiday functions. The Staff would like to take this opportunity to wish all the Acca members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Joyous and Happy New Year.

It should be noted that the Director's Staff has established a sizable contingent of present and/ or former members in the state of Florida. We decided that if the summer was extremely hot, then the winter would most likely be very cold, therefore a warmer climate to visit during that time of year would be a good thing. Take note Florida members, we're freshening our Speedos for the plunge!

Staff Murmurs

Attendance at our meetings in recent times has been affected by not only Covid-related illnesses, but other medical conditions and maladies as well. We need to hire a devoted medical staff to exclusively tend to our needs. Has anyone seen our bovine mascots recently? Just wondering. Duct tape seems to be the fastener of choice for car repair (inside and out) by one of our members. As a very good friend of mine used to say, "Only the Shadow knows."

"This heat wave is brutal! Not only is it hot enough to fry an egg on the sidewalk, but you can use your mailbox as a toaster oven."

Crabby Road

Hillbilly Unit

Secretary Ross Morland

owdy y'all! Let me start by saying how great of a cook my wife is. Just the other night she made Himalayan Rabbit Stew for dinner. That's because she found Himalayan in the road. Seems like the only fast food we ever eat is what we find on the side of the interstate. Be sure to follow me for more cooking tips.

June 4th was a busy day for the Unit, beginning with Acca's Spring Ceremonial. Of the twenty-nine Novices who traveled across the Hot Sands, two were from Lee Lodge No. 209: John Craft and Jacobi Leathers. Congratulations to all the new Nobles and welcome to our Fraternity! That same day the Hillbillies parked cars for the Augusta County Parks and Rec Department's "Draft Days" – a family-centered festival with games, crafts, live music, food trucks, and concluding with an outdoor movie.

July was a fun-filled month with parades and numerous fundraisers. The Unit participated in both the Bridgewater and McGaheysville parades along with many other Acca Shrine Units and Clubs. It was fantastic to have so many Nobles publicly representing our Fraternity.

Our new enclosed car trailer for the Model A has also proved to be of great benefit, and we hope to have it wrapped with letters and decals before fall.

On July 23rd, the Unit helped work a toy drive at Wright Way Hyundai in Waynesboro. Staff and members of the community donated toys to be given to patients at our Greenville and Philadelphia hospitals. Enough toys were given to fill an entire truck!

We hosted our annual Hillbilly Jamborees at three area campgrounds this summer with great success: Sun Retreats Shenandoah Valley, Waynesboro North 340, and Stoney Creek Resort. For those who may not know, these Jamborees are two-day events with bingo, a cornhole tournament, a water battle, a golf cart poker run, an ice cream social, a king and queen hillbilly pageant, awards for best hillbilly decorated campsite, live music, and multiple raffle prize drawings. At each one, we were blessed with perfect weather, warm fellowship, and tasty meals which made for wonderful experiences. The members and ladies proudly joined in to help run the different events and the campers and staff were incredibly supportive. For their hard work and dedication to the Unit, Captain Stanley gave special recognition to two of our Shrine Ladies: Tammy Serrett and Valerie Morland. Congratulations ladies and well done! The Unit also thanks the members of the Riverheads and Dooms Volunteer Fire Departments for providing some much-needed backup for our Water Battles.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at S.A.S.A. in September. Y'all take care and honor the cob!





Fun times in Parades!!



Wright Way Hyundai Toy Drive

Oriental Band

our ACCA Oriental Band has been busy over the past several months. We have been participating in the tailgate parties providing food and beverages as well as working a food counter for the coin show that rents the temple out 2 weekends each year. We continue to welcome new members to our unit with Garry Corker and John Hall recently joining the most colorful unit in the Temple. The Watermelon Festival was a big success and a lot of fun as we teamed up with the car club and worked non-stop all day. You can see the fun that was had in the picture. Where else can you have this much fun while raising funds to support our Unit and Temple. A big thank you to one of our new nobles, Josh Brookreson, for coming out and helping us. We look forward to his continued participation. As warm as it was, we can start to feel the Christmas season quickly approaching and are ramping up to be in several of the Christmas parades this year, but the next thing we will be participating in will be SASA. We hope to see many fellow ACCA Units and Clubs parading in Myrtle Beach.









As this is being written, we are in the "Dog Days" of summer, with plenty of pool days and not many cool days. We had hoped to be clear of this awful pandemic, but it continues to hang on, challenging us around every corner. We will continue to strive forward and hopefully put this behind us for good.

MSC continues to grow, and we are very proud to have signed 6 new nobles and their ladies. Please welcome them when you see them and help us get them involved.

SASA is coming up quick and MSC will be hosting the Saturday lunch after the parade. If you are there and can help, please jump in and lend a hand.

Speaking of SASA, our new drifters will be there. They have been working hard and currently have 4 parades under their black hats. These have really become a crowd favorite and have been requested at several more parades to come. Captain Bobby Smith is doing a great job leading and keeping them in line, or in circles, whichever may be the case at the time. This group has a ton of fun and really work hard to please everyone watching. If you are interested in participating or maybe even have your very own big boy toy, please see Captain Bobby. He may even give you a test ride.

The Greys Point "Rivah Dawgs" have begun the lot raffle. For those that do not know, Chris Atkinson came up with idea to sell tickets for \$50 each. The ticket is filled out with the lot number of the person

buying. If that ticket is drawn, they win their lot fee for the next year, which will be paid directly to management. Prices for the lots could be in upwards of \$6-\$10k. This is a much-anticipated 3rd year for this raffle and the club could potential match the amount. The drawing will be on 9/10 at Greys Point during the annual BBQ put on by our good friend, Donny Adams.

Another idea from Chris is the TC Atkinson memorial raffle, honoring his late father. It was actually his father's idea but Chris brought it to fruition after his father's passing. We print 100 tickets at \$100 each and the winner gets half the pot. We will probably start selling these in September, more to come as the time gets closer.

Great ideas like this are much needed to keep our club relevant. As Chris would say, "know your audience." Bring us your ideas, you never know what the next great thing may be. A small group cannot do this alone, we need involvement in any way we can find it.

Don't forget to plan for our Brunswick Stew coming up October14th and 15th. We had a lot of help last year and it was a lot of fun. Let's keep it going. We have the best stew for sure, often imitated but never duplicated.

Come give us a visit, have a meal, and help with fund raiser. You never know, you may want to become the newest member of the #1 club in ACCA. Fraternally,

Manchester Shrine Club

"No man stands so tall as when he stoops to help a child"



Captain Bobby Smith



Colonial Beach Parade

Million Dollar Band

Bill Hudson

Since our last chat, the band has been very busy and has had loads of fun. As I mentioned in the last article, we decided to return to the parade route. We dusted off our trailer, took care of some maintenance issues, kicked the tires, and said, "let's roll." We performed in the Goochland Memorial Day Parade and the Irvington Independence Day parade. The first was rainy and chilly and the second was sunny and hot. But regardless of the weather, we sounded great, looked good (the trailer at least), and had a ball. At the conclusion of the Irvington parade, the band was treated to a steak cookout at the river home of saxman Allan Mills. What a fantastic day. Thanks Allan! For our next stop, we're planning on invading Urbanna on November 6th for their annual Oyster Festival Parade.

Even though we temporarily parked the trailer, the band didn't take a break. In fact, we never missed a beat transitioning between parade mode and concert readiness. We literally stepped off the trailer and onto the stage to rehearse for our annual Showcase performance. A tremendous amount of hard work took place in a very short period of time in order to make this special evening successful. We pulled together under

the leadership of our President, Dann Ladd, and our Director, John Stenstrom, and made it happen. Hats off especially to Pres. Dann who literally worked around the clock to pull this thing off. A lot of coordination had to take place to get three bands set up, able to perform, and wrapped up within the two-hour allotted time frame for the show.

This year's Showcase featured The Richmond Cadet Alumni Band and The Metropolitan British Brass Band of Central Virginia in addition to our very own Million Dollar Band. The program was MCed by Noble Larry Haake who, as usual, did an outstanding job. The bands looked out over the largest crowd we've ever had for Showcase and those in attendance rendered spirited applause for all three performances. I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge all of the guest musicians who helped fill in some holes where they were needed. Thank you all for helping out. On a personal note, I want to extend a special shout-out to my fifteenyear-old grandson Aiden, son of fellow trumpet player Ashby Hudson, who joined us in the lower brass section playing the baritone. Great Job Aiden! By the way, Aiden helped us out in the trumpet section in both parades and plans on being there for Urbanna as well.

Until next time, I'll see you at the beach! Bill Hudson, Reporter



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OCTOBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 MASONIC HOME DAY
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NOVEMBER 2022

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13 LEADERSHIP SEMINAR 2PM	14 Chester SC Hillbilly Unit Million Dollar Band	15	16 Hopewell SC	17 Lake Country SC Golf Club C & W Band Sauerkrauts	18 FALL CEREMONIAL OPEN HOUSE	19 FALL CEREMONIAL
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DECEMBER 2022

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18	19 South Hill SC Klownz Million Dollar Band	20	21 Hopewell SC	22 Oriental Band Sauerkrauts	23	24
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The menu for the evening includes Beef Brisket, Bratwurst, Frankfurters, Sauerkraut, and our famous German Potato Salad. We will also serve Large Soft Pretzels with mustard.

A wide selection of German beers will be in the bar. The Acca Sauerkrauts German Band will play traditional Oktoberfest music throughout the evening for sing-a-longs and dancing.

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Philadelphia Hospital Report

Daniel L. Freye, Chairman - Board of Governors - Philadelphia

Greetings from Philadelphia! As predicted, it has been a busy and exciting summer at Shriners Children's Philadelphia, so I'll get right to it.

Probably the most exciting news is that the Cleft Lip and Palate Program was successfully launched on July 1! Shriners Children's Philadelphia has created a comprehensive, multidisciplinary cleft lip and palate program which includes specialists in plastic orthodontia. surgery, speech pathology, and social work, to name just a few. The goal is to provide top-level surgical and therapy care for all patients in holistic and time sensitive manner. The first surgery was performed the week of July 18 with four more scheduled.

The Chiefs are excited that the medical staff is at full strength again and thrilled with the impact our new physicians are making already. As reported in my last article, Dr. Eugene Park, M.D., an upper extremity and pediatric plastic surgeon, joined the team in March and Dr. Terry Ishmael, M.D., a pediatric orthopedic and spine surgeon, joined us in May. To round out the team, our newest addition, Dr. Sean Waldron, M.D., started Dr. Waldron attended Johns Hopkins University as an undergraduate and then returned to New Jersey for medical school at Robert Wood Johnson. He did his residency in orthopedics at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. His pediatric orthopedic fellowship was at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Dr. Waldron then moved to New Orleans to practice pediatric orthopedics at Ochsner Medical Center. He developed a special pediatric interest in sports

medicine and cerebral palsy. Sean is a perfect fit on the lower extremity team, focusing on those areas.

We received positive feedback from the Joint Boards on our Clinic Dovlestown 6-Month Retroactive Review and obtained approval to transition from an outreach clinic to an outpatient clinic. In a nutshell, that transition allows us to bill for services and include patient encounters in the main hospital's metrics. June was our strongest month to Clinic physicians saw 69 patients, and 28 of those were seen for fracture care; 2 patients were referred to Philadelphia for outpatient surgery; and 2 patients were referred to Philadelphia for additional services. Significantly. new patients continue to make up approximately 50% of our patients seen.

More clinic news: Shriners Hospitals for Children-Springfield transitions outpatient clinic under the new name, Shriners Children's New England, our leadership team begun discussions about patient referrals and what that New England location may need regarding medical staff and other assistance. The team has also met with the people in charge of their Cyprus Outreach Clinic to discuss Philadelphia's possible role going forward there. More to follow!

Finally, with regard to clinics, we have once again had to cancel our Puerto Rico outreach clinic that was to take place over the Columbus Day weekend. Officials at the San Juan VA Medical Center, where the clinic is held, are concerned about continued high Covid rates on the island and a recent outbreak at

the Center. We are now discussing rescheduling the clinic to the Martin Luther King Day weekend in January, 2023.

Several of you have asked if the Philadelphia hospital has seen any patients from the Ukraine. The answer to date is no. However, the Administrator and Chiefs are having weekly calls with Home Office to discuss capacity and capabilities and they in turn are working with the Ukrainian Foreign Ministry to get necessary paperwork and visas for any patients that can be treated in Philadelphia. We expect to welcome Ukrainian patients by summer's end.

Finally, it was my honor to recognize 15 Shriners Children's Philadelphia emplovees service awards following the July board meeting. As we all know, the hospital is much more than concrete, glass, and steel. heart and soul of our hospital are the employees who come to work every day and change the lives of children. As Shriners we have all heard or experienced, and I have shared, heartwarming stories of our patients and the exceptional care and compassion they receive at Shriners Children's. But I want to share a story that was relayed by Megan Hauser, Director of Human Resources, at the board meeting:

"I want to tell you about a special patient truly receiving Love to the Rescue at the Philadelphia Hospital. Stafffromalldepartments are pitching in to support a 3-year-old unaccompanied patient. The patient arrived needing 24 hours per day, seven days per week supervision for an anticipated weeks-long (or even months-

Philadelphia Hospital Report Continued

long) inpatient stay. The inpatient department could not provide that kind of support alone with its current staffing and resources. So, in the City of Brotherly Love, a city of people who are aggressively protective of their own, staff from all departments have come together to sign up for 'babysitting' shifts. From food service workers to patient access representatives to clinical research coordinators and beyond, this three-year old patient is receiving love and much needed attention from an extraordinary hospital effort in addition to world class care."

This act of exceptional kindness and compassion is truly above and beyond and I could not be prouder of our employees.

By the time you read this, Vice Chairman Chris Ritchie and I will have attended the mid-year leadership conference in Tampa. This will be our first in-person leadership conference since April, 2019, and we are looking forward to meeting our counterparts face

to face and enjoying some nonscreen fellowship.

Noble Dave Eells and I are honored to serve on the Philadelphia Hospital Board of Governors and represent Acca Shriners in that capacity. Please let either of us know if you have any questions about the hospital and especially if you know of a child who could benefit from Shriners care. As always, thanks to all Acca Nobles and Ladies for continued support your commitment to Shriners and Children's Philadelphia and the World's Greatest Philanthropy. Please follow Shriners Children's Philadelphia on Facebook for current information.

Fraternally and sincerely, Noble Daniel L. Freye, Chairman Board of Governors Shriners Children's Philadelphia

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Valley Shrine Club

Secretary Dan Perry

The Valley Shrine Club held its traditional stag "steak night" on Wednesday, June 22 at the homes of Noble Irving Byrd and Lady Pat and Noble Danny Neese and Lady Chip. Despite the thunderstorm, we had a great turnout that included members of the Divan and other Shrine clubs. VSC member Noble Danny Swanson was honored with a certificate in the \$100 Million Dollar Club for his contributions to this event over the years.

Sales of the VSC 50/50 raffle remain brisk. The drawing will be held at the October dinner meeting with the winner receiving 50% of the proceeds from the tickets sold. The remaining 50% will go to the Childrens' Hospitals.

The VSC held a catered picnic for Nobles and their families and guests on Friday, July 15th prior to the club's participation in the annual Bridgewater Fireman's Parade. We had participation from other clubs, all of whom enjoyed good food and the comradery. The club is planning another catered picnic for Nobles and their families for the fourth Wednesday of August. Noble Bob Puffenbarger is chairing this event.

The VSC and Brothers Craft Brewery will participate in a fund-raiser entitled "Cask for a Cause" on Friday, August 19th. Just as in last year's event, a special beer will be brewed for sale in the tap room. The event is open to the public and will begin at 1 p.m. until closing. VSC members will be present to speak with patrons about the Shriners' organization. Several local businesses have pledged to donate food for the event. The club will return to our regular indoor 4th Wednesday dinner meetings in September.









Pictured here are members at the Bridgewater Fireman's Parade and Picnic before.

At Left: Noble Dayy Swanson being presented \$100 Million Dollar Certificate for his work with the club.

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Sauerkrauts Band

Bill Hudson

With off-season rehearsals coming to a close, we can hardly wait to kick off a new festival season. As of this writing, we have twelve gigs currently scheduled with more being booked daily. Our first appearance will be poolside at the Coral Beach during SASA. We're scheduled to play from 4 to 7 PM on Friday afternoon so stop on by, grab a beverage and a snack, and kickback and enjoy the show. The folks there have always been generous and what's not to like with a gig like that? I can guarantee that the band will have a ball whether anybody gets wet or not.

The band will be performing both days at the Richmond Oktoberfest again this year, which is quite an honor. As always, we are looking forward to entertaining you at the annual Provost Guard Oktoberfest, which is fun for all. We're really excited to be going back to the Hardywood Brewery at their Goochland location for the second consecutive year. What a beautiful facility that place is and a great place to perform. A few years ago, we performed on stage by the lake at Brandermill and we're happy to say we've have been invited back to play again this year. We also added some first-time gigs for us this season, including the Steam Bell Brewery and Sedona Taphouse. With craft brewers popping up everywhere we envision an opportunity for more festivals where not only we can entertain but raise public awareness of our great institution and philanthropy. about.



We are looking forward to a great season and anticipate another generous contribution at the end of the year. We realize coming out of a major shutdown is a slow process. What we made last year really surprised us given what we were up against. Although it will take a long time to return to precovid donation amounts, just knowing that we are still out there doing what we love makes it all so very special. The feeling of satisfaction from a job well done that we experience at the end of a gig and knowing that in some small way we're improving the life of a child, for us as performers, is what it's all about.



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