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The Shriners' Legacy Program:

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As Shriners, we are part of an international organization that strengthens us individually, enhances our families and makes us part of a history of brotherhood and camaraderie. As Shriners, we also have the opportunity to be Legacies. The Legacy Program helps strengthen our fraternal bond with those closest to us, and allows members to honor the many men before us who laid the foundation of our great fraternity.

Promoting both membership and the Legacy Program will help ensure the future strength of this great organization that has enriched so many of our lives. Shriners International invites each of you to be part of the Legacy Program, and to encourage your family members to participate, as well.

Start Your Family's Legacy Today: Register on Shriners Village!

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All family members, including: sons, sons-in-law, brothers, uncles, grandfathers, etc. are eligible to become part of the Legacy Program. To make the registration process easy, the membership development office only requires one member of the family's legacy to register on Shriners Village.

Step 2: Register on Shriners Village

When logging in to your account on Shriners Village (**shrinersvillage.com**), click on the "Membership" tab on the top of the web page. From this page, select the "Legacy Program" on the left-hand side of the screen. On the Legacy Program's main page you will have the opportunity to read more about the program and visit the registration page via the "click here" link.

If you are not already registered as part of a Legacy, your account will prompt you to click the link to "set up." Once in the "set-up" screen, your name will appear as the "current legacy" in your family. Once this step is completed, enter each of your Shriner family member(s) that are to be included in your family's legacy. If you should have any questions or need help during the registration process, please contact the membership development office at **813-281-8101** or **membership@shrinenet.org**.

Congratulations!

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Register today to take part in this exciting program by visiting **shrinersvillage.com**.





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POTENTATE'S message



Es Selamu Aleikum!

Nobles, it has been five (5) years since you elected me as your Oriental Guide and now I will soon be passing to the rank of Past Potentate. Where has the past five (5) years gone?

Your Chief Rabban, Noble Doug and Lady Olive accompanied Lady Gail and I on all our visitations this year. During our visits to all of the different Shrine Clubs in Newfoundland and Labrador we were extended all the courtesies expected, as well we were met with very warm receptions. Lady Gail and I will cherish each and every visit and remember, because of our geography and distance from each other, you all have something positive to add to our Temple.

This year the Board of Governors at our Canadian Hospital in Montreal decided to carry out an awareness campaign called the Odyssey Run. This Run started in Newfoundland and Labrador and visited all the Temples across Canada and the United States that utilize our Canadian hospital. This campaign was a huge success in this Province. Under the direction of Mazol's member on the Board of Governors, Ill. Sir Roger Tinkham, Mazol set the tone for the rest of the campaign. Thank you Ill. Sir Roger.

This year the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Newfoundland and Labrador, Noble Gerald Budden, along with Lady Christine, attended the Imperial Sessions at Minneapolis, Illinois. It was a pleasure Most Worshipful Sir having you with us and I feel the bond between the Grand Lodge and the Shrine could not be better. Thank you.

Your Potentate, along with the Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban and Recorder attended the Imperial Sessions. They were very interesting and informative.

The Summer Ceremonial, held in Marystown in July, was a huge success. At this time, I thank the organizing Committee under the co-leadership of Nobles Gordon Abbott and Paul Pike, as well as all of the Nobles and Ladies of the Boot Shrine Club (my club), for all of the hard work you all did to make it the success it was. I still hear, during my travels, positive remarks from my counterparts. There was also a side trip to St. Pierre, which my counterparts attended as well as Emmanuelle Rondeau our Public Relations person in our Canadian Hospital in Montreal.

During our visit to St. Pierre, Emmanuelle and I met with the Press on the Island to explain about Shriners and our Charity. Later that day, Emmanuelle did a radio and television interview. As a result of these interviews, the people of St. Pierre now have a better understanding of us as Shriners and consequently, we picked up a new patient. Nobles isn't that what we are all about? As always, the Nobles of Mazol who attended the Northeast Fall Field Days held in Springfield, Massachusetts enjoyed themselves.

This year, being my fifth (5th) time visiting the Harold W. Duffett Shriners R.V. Park at Eastport, was by far the most enjoyable. The Friday night entertainment at the Social Center in the park was delightful. The Saturday morning meeting with the Park Board and Nobles was well received. Following the Board meeting, an open Divan meeting was held which I felt showed the Nobles the openness and transparency of the Divan. On Saturday night we attended an auction and concert held at the Beaches Hall. The performers were great. This wonderful weekend ended Sunday morning with a Gospel concert at the Social Center with a full house in attendance. Thank you Nobles for a wonderful weekend.

As my year of serving you as Potentate comes to an end, I thank each and everyone of you for allowing me to make this a wonderful memorable journey. I will cherish this all the rest of my life. To the incoming Potentate, Noble Doug, I wish you and Lady Olive all the best of health and every success in the future. It was a pleasure working with you both.

To my Lady, Gail thank you for your unending support during this past five (5) years. I would not have been able to do this journey without you. Thank you for being with me.

In closing Nobles, from our home to yours, Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, Joyous New Year and remember our motto: Having Fun Helping Kids.

> Aleikum Es Selam Yours in the Faith ILL. SIR WAYNE R. MAYO



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LADY GAIL'S message



It is difficult to believe that we are nearing the end of our year as ambassadors for Mazol. It has been an amazing year filled with experiences that we will treasure always.

Since June we have thoroughly enjoyed our local visitations to Botwood, Lewisporte, Gander, the Harold W. Duffett Shriners R.V. Park in Eastport and Corner Brook. Thank you to all Nobles and Ladies of each Club for your very warm hospitality to us and our Divan on each visit. Your outstanding kindness and warm reception, beautiful gifts, which we cherish, and your generous donations to the PTF and the Canadian Shriners Hospital in Montreal in my name are so much appreciated. Thank you all! You should all be so proud of your Shrine Clubs.

We were also very proud and honored to represent Mazol as we did official visitations to the Temples in Ottawa, Montreal, Moncton and New Hampshire and the NESA Field Days in Springfield, Massachusetts. In July, we attended the Imperial Session in Minneapolis, a very enlightening experience. There, one can see the international scope of our organization.

At this point, I would like to thank the Nobles and Ladies of the Boot Shrine Club for hosting the wonderful Summer Ceremonial. Your tireless efforts and support were greatly appreciated! (You even ordered up fabulous weather!) Our counterparts thoroughly enjoyed themselves and cannot wait to return. That says a lot for the hospitality they received!

Thank you to our Divan members who travelled with us this year—the memories and friendships made will last forever, Thank you to our Chief Aide Noble Paul Pike and Lady Yvonne and to Noble Gordie Abbot and Lady Maxine for all your help and support. Thank you to our Director General III. Sir Doug Rowe and Lady Eunice for your direction and guidance. A special sincere thank you to Mazol's Office Administrator, Cecilia for all you do your work is truly invaluable!

At this time I would like to wish

Noble Doug and Lady Olive every success in 2015. I know you will work very hard and be great ambassadors for Mazol. It will certainly be an exciting year with the official opening of our new hospital in Montreal in August.

I have to say some of the highlights of this past year would have to be:

- Meeting some of our patients and their families—seeing their positive attitudes in spite of the challenges they face gives real meaning to being involved in the Shrine organization.
- Visiting our Shriners Hospitals and seeing first hand exactly what is done for our children during their stays—this is truly inspirational!
- The many, many wonderful friendships formed throughout the year.

In closing, I would like to say a sincere thank you to you all for allowing me to take this journey on your behalf. It has been enlightening, heart warming and educational.

Thank you to all Nobles and Ladies of Mazol for all you do to make the lives of our children so much better. Be very proud of what you do!

Wishing you all a special Christmas that is filled with peace, love and thankfulness.

> Yours in the Shrine Family LADY GAIL MAYO

The Staff of the Mazol Mirror and Members of the Mazol Patrol Unit

Would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to our supporters during the past year.

This publication would not have been possible without the cooperation of the many Nobles and Ladies who took the time to submit articles and pictures. To the Friends of the Mirror and our Advertisers, your financial support contributed greatly to our being able to maintain the quality and frequency of our publication.

Finally to Brenda Andrews, Image4, thank you for your patience and professionalism.

Merry Christmas to all and may your New Year be filled with Peace, Happiness and Good Health!

CHIEF RABBAN'S report



Ah, The Mirror. To some a mirror is a looking glass. To Sherlock Holmes, it is a magnifier. To Mazol Shrine Centre, well, maybe it's both. It's great to read the Club reports in The Mirror and see what each of our 11 Clubs and RV Park is doing; how they spend their time; how they spend their hard-earned money; and how they are having fun. The Mirror keeps us informed on those things quite well, but that's the outer side. What about the inner side – the part that really makes us tick? As Shriners, who and what are we? "We are Shrine Masons!" you say, proudly. "We have fun and help kids." That's good! But now let's take a little closer look through that looking glass. The answer above is a two-part response. Part one we are really good at; the part about helping kids. Part two, the part about having fun – well - not so much! But, I'm talking about being Shrine Masons; more specifically - Masons. As Masons, we are a mostly fraternal organization - a brotherhood. Our friend, Mr. Webster defines the word brotherhood simply as brotherliness; and that, Brother, is a big word.

At a Shrine International mem-

bership seminar in October, 2014, the Noble(s) representing Shrine Temples and Centres from far and wide received a report card and the one for Mazol Shrine Centre was actually quite good. But, as always, we can do better! As of the end of September, 2014, 527 Nobles called Mazol home, but, and there is always a "but," at the beginning of the year we had 540 members. Where did those 13 go? "Well," you say, "that old black camel struck again. He's not very good to us, you know." True enough. The black camel did strike. But, so far this year, he took only 4 – so where did we lose the other 9? The answer is to be found in the columns headed demits. suspensions, and, resignations; and those columns are directly related to the second part of the question about who and what are Shrine Masons - the part about having fun.

You see, Nobles, the black camel is not our problem. We know that we normally average about 12 Nobles per year in that category. That is a certainty that we have no control over. But we can control our numbers in the categories that are doing the damage to us demits, suspensions, and resignations. It is simply a matter of having a sound retention program and making it work. We need to pay more attention Brother Nobles, to what is happening in their lives, and to the fun part of being a Shrine Mason. If we do those things, our declining numbers will do nothing but grow. Our average creation of new Nobles over the period 2009 to 2013 was 21 per year, and on top of that we average 3 affiliations and 3 restored members per year - yet, we slipped over all by one Noble three-quarters of the way through 2014. So, all things considered, we are pretty good at creating new Nobles. We are actually winning that battle, and Nobles, and if we continue to win the

battles, we can win the war. **Retention** is the key to success and having **fun** is the key to **retention**. It really is that simple. Have <u>**fun**</u>, Nobles, because <u>**fun**</u> is the key to success in **membership**.

Speaking of having fun, Lady Olive and I have enjoyed a fun, but extremely busy year in visiting Shrine Clubs throughout Newfoundland and Labrador as well as Shrine Centres and Temples in eastern Canada and the United States with our Potentate, Illustrious Sir Wayne and Lady Gail. We met with Nobles and counterparts and heard reports of how the work of the Shrine is done differently from club to club and centre to centre, but always with the same result, that being to serve children to the best of our ability. Throughout all of that travel we also had some frustrating moments with missed airline connections, early morning flights, late departures, unexpected bad weather, and mechanical problems, but when all is said and done the work of the Shrine and the fantastic and hardworking Nobles and Ladies that make the Shrine their priority still make us proud to greet people with a firm hand-shake and introduce ourselves as Shriners from Mazol Shrine Centre of Newfoundland and Labrador.

And now, Nobles and Ladies, with that message being delivered, it is now my pleasure, on behalf of myself and my wonderful wife, Lady Olive, to wish all Nobles and Ladies of Mazol Shrine Centre along with your friends and relations a very Merry Christmas, and a New Year filled with love, hope, peace and joy. We wish you success and happy days in all that you do – always, and we look forward to the year ahead. Happy Shrinering!

> Yours in the Faith NOBLE DOUG BEATTIE Chief Rabban



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IMPERIAL POTENTATE'S letter



October 20, 2014

To: All Temple Potentates

Dear Illustrious Sirs:

I was extremely fortunate to attend our Shriners International Membership Seminar, held in Tampa on October 2- 4, which was a HUGE SUCCESS. It was well attended and I hope your temple was one that was represented. We would ask that those who attended from your temple report to your Board of Directors about what they learned at the seminar, and if possible, to all of your nobility through your temple publication. Many proven successful ideas were shared during the seminar. KEY items discussed were:

- 1. CULTURAL CHANGE During the seminar, it was the general consensus of those in attendance that cultural changes MUST HAPPEN at your temple in order to achieve membership success and to become a vibrant, growing fraternity. This was stressed throughout the seminar. An example would be to more actively involve the younger, family members and form new units and clubs that are relevant in today's society. Let's start today to change the priorities and culture in our temples!
- 2. WRITTEN MEMBERSHIP PLAN A written membership plan was distributed for October, November and December. During the first week of December, a plan for the first quarter of 2015 will be sent via e-mail to your temple Board of Directors and your Membership Chairman. Additional plans will be sent prior to each quarter. Share these plans with your clubs and units. We know that one plan doesn't fit everyone. However, all components of our membership plans are very important and may be modified to fit your temple. It will be a "roadmap to success" for membership in your units, clubs and temple.
- 3. LADIES ARE IMPORTANT If we are going to be successful at membership, the LADIES MUST BE INVOLVED!! It is important that Ceremonial Day be IMPRESSIVE for BOTH the new Noble and his lady. A Lady's Mentoring Program was introduced and should be implemented at your temple. Please ask your Board of Directors' ladies to get this program started as soon as possible.
- **4. S.M.A.R.T. TEAM** We are asking ALL TEMPLES to form a Shrine Membership Action Renewal Team (SMART). This team would involve anyone who wants to make a POSITIVE DIFFERENCE in membership at your temple. Please contact our Membership Development Office for assistance or more information on getting your SMART team in action.
- 5. KNOW YOUR NUMBERS At the start of each year, it is important for every temple to know how many creations and restorations MUST BE ATTAINED in order to offset the number of suspensions, demits and deaths. The percent of deaths does not vary much so we cannot use that as an excuse for losing members. You must also know your current number of delinquent members, those who have not paid their dues and are in danger of being suspended. Achieving a membership gain can be attained if EVERYONE knows the numbers that must be achieved.

Finally, we have redesigned the Imperial Membership Team and now have Association Membership Directors (AMD). We recognize that some temples are in multiple associations but have assigned every temple to one of our AMDs. If one of our AMDs calls on you, please work with him. He is there to help you and your temple. <u>A list is attached</u> to this letter informing you who the AMD is for your temple.

MEMBERSHIP has to be the TOP PRIORITY of every temple. Your membership committee must be EMPOWERED, FUNDED AND HELP ACCOUNTABLE. Schedule MONTHLY membership committee meetings and have a member of the Divan report to the Board of Directors and your Nobility about their actions. Ensuring a cultural change in your temple and setting your priorities on membership will help your clubs, units and Shriners International grow. WE NEED YOUR HELP.

Yours in the Faith

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DALE W. STAUSS Imperial Potentate



ASSISTANT RABBAN'S report



"Don we now our gay apparel"..... took on new meaning with the fezmobile, an SUV transformed to look like a fez. The Odyssey, launched in St. John's headed to the Boot and then on to see and visit the rest of the province. On the way from Marystown to Gander, Lady Margaret and I had the pleasure of providing a "comfort" break in Clarenville allowing us to invite the "crew" into our home to show them a little more Mazol hospitality. In Gander the Odyssey set the stage for the Outreach Clinic which was another successful venture. This was Lady Margaret's first clinic and she was in her element.

The first Friday in June had us in Botwood at Shanadithit Shrine Club for the Potentate's Visitation. We shared the restaurant with many visiting members of Grand Lodge. The visitation was attended by the Divan with the exception of our Oriental Guide and Treasurer. We shared a bed and breakfast which gave us the opportunity to get to know each other a bit better. This was the visit that Noble Rolly was christened with the title of "the eggman".From there we went on to Lewisporte to the Phillip's Central Shrine Club and we enjoyed a barbeque of steak and lobster. Both visitations provided good fun and fellowship allowing us to re-new old friendships and make new ones.

Following the Imperial Session in Minneapolis, we attended the Summer Ceremonial in Marystown. The Boot Shrine Club always puts on a good display in support of Shrinedom and this year was no exception. Many outof-province visitors were in attendance and a good time was had by all.

Following this visit, we headed for the North East Field Days in Springfield Massachusetts along with the Potentate and the Chief Rabban and their ladies. Lady Margaret and I flew to Montreal and drove to Springfield just to do something different. The Potentate's entourage did not arrive until Friday afternoon. It was a short weekend but it turned out to be a good time for all involved.

Onward hoe to the RV Park in Eastport on the Labour Day Weekend where we were treated to an evening of musical entertainment which included our sax player Noble Beattie. The evening also included a silent auction with proceeds going to Mazol Shriners. Once again we all shared a 6 bedroom bed and breakfast and the "eggman" once again did his thing. Early October saw us all in Corner Brook for the Long Range Shrine Club visit. Due to the Municipal Affairs meetings we weren't able to stay at our normal venue. Instead we found accommodations at Marble Mountain Inn Resort at Steady Brook. The area was beautiful and we really appreciated the fireworks display they put on Friday night. We don't know what the occasion was but we'll take it was for us!

Travelling to the various clubs can be fun, entertaining and educational. I encourage you to take in some of these visits just to see what others do. The North East Field days are normally within driving distance so why not include it in a holiday plan! In 2016, it will be in Fredericton, New Brunswick and I can almost guarantee that you wouldn't regret the experience. These visitations are not only for the Divan, they are for ALL the Nobility and their ladies. If you are interested in seeing what it's all about let one of us know and we'll do our best to see that you and yours are included.

Lady Margaret and I hope that all is well with each and every one of you as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Saviour. I thank you for allowing me to serve you as Assistant Rabban and, God willing, I will be able to continue as your Chief Rabban in 2015.

We want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a healthy, prosperous Happy New Year.

> Yours in the Faith NOBLE ELMER RYZUK Assistant Rabban

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HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET'S report



2014 has been an eventful year on many fronts. For example, the former St. John's Shrine Club facility on Topsail Road is now owned and operated by Mazol Temple. Following extensive renovations this summer, throughout which we were able to maintain operations at the Centre, it is now a bright contemporary facility. It is in demand for internal Shrine functions as well as external public, commercial and institutional uses. Your management board, chaired by Ill Sir Lorne Warren, of which I am a member, has developed and is implementing a marketing plan that we believe will be the basis for usage growth leading to the centre being self sufficient in the near term, and an ongoing funding source for Mazol temple operations into the future. Already rental bookings are up significantly following the renovations. The Centre belongs to all of us. Its primary purpose is for the use and enjoyment of all Mazol Shriners. Any time the opportunity presents itself please visit and or attend any of the Shrine functions taking place there.

The 2014 Fezeroo fundraising campaign was successful in raising \$53,400.00 for Temple operations. For the past three years, it was my pleasure to Chair this campaign. During that period through the efforts of our nobles, clubs, sponsors and commercial sellers, we raised just under \$200,000.00 net, towards operations of the Temple. This was my final year as Chair as I have been asked by the incoming potentate to take on a different role next year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make the past three campaigns successful. It only happens when we all work together. Thank you all very, very much.

In October, we attended the Membership seminar in Tampa. Imperial has made membership growth its number one priority. The seminar provided some good ideas and tools to help grow membership in the future. The seminar leaders also made it clear that membership growth has to be a team effort with a multi year plan containing goals and measurable objectives. As Shriners, whose primary goal is to have fun while helping kids, we must be successful in this endeavour. More to come on this as we develop a plan for our Temple.

This year Lady Helen and I have participated in all but one of the Potentate's visits to date. We were out of the province and unable to attend the Long Range Shrine Club visitation. We thoroughly enjoyed each one, particularly meeting and chatting with the nobles and ladies of the Clubs. It is our intention to continue to do so into the future.

Lady Helen and I are encouraged by the progress our Temple is making in fundraising for the new hospital. At this point, we are the highest per capita contributor of all temples involved in the campaign. Our patient transportation fund is doing very well and we have a caring and responsive patient care system under the direction of Noble Ralph Miller. We can all rightfully take pride in those accomplishments. While there is still much to be done, it is indeed an honor to be part of the great Shrine Fraternity and in particular Mazol Temple, and with your support we are looking forward to continuing to work and grow with the temple in 2015.

On a different note, Lady Helen suffered a stroke while we were in Florida in October. While scary at the time, I am pleased to report she was treated in time to avoid the potential damage normally associated with strokes, and she is now doing very well. The doctors both here and in Florida expect her to make a 100% recovery. Thank you to all who expressed well wishes and support.

Finally, as we go into the 2014 Christmas season, it is the wish of Lady Helen and I that everyone will be blessed with good health and will have a very merry Christmas and a prosperous and happy new year.

> Yours in the Faith NOBLE ROLAND CARD High Priest & Prophetet

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ORIENTAL GUIDE'S report



The latter half of 2014 has been very eventful for Lady Sharon and I. Starting in June it was our pleasure to accompany Illustrious Sir Wayne and Lady Gail, along with other Divan and their Ladies, on a visit to the Gander Shrine Club. The weekend was highlighted by a lovely dinner followed by a "meet and greet" with the Nobles and their Ladies at the Albatross Hotel.

In July we joined Nobles and their Ladies from around the Province, as well as several from the North East Shrine Association, for the annual Summer Ceremonial in Marystown. The weekend program was highlighted by the Saturday initiation of a group of new Nobles followed by a Shriner's Parade in the community of Burin involving Clubs from across the Province, the Mazol Band and the Keystone Cops. During the Potentate's Ball, the new Ladies had the honour and privilege of fezzing their Nobles.

In August, the 10th Annual Mazol Shriners/M.I.Swaco Charity Golf Tournament was held at The Wilds Golf Course in Salmonier. It was a pleasure for me to serve as Chairman and to be part of the Shrine team which worked so hard to ensure its success. Again, this year we received invaluable support from our major sponsor, M.I.Swaco, as well as from other members of the local business community.

Over the Labor Day weekend, the Divan travelled to the beautiful Eastport Peninsula for a visit to the Shriner's RV Park. The weekend featured a variety of events, the highlight of which was a Saturday night Shriner's Benefit Concert and Silent Auction at The Beaches Heritage Centre. The Concert showcased a variety of entertainers from the area, and attracted an audience of 195 people. On Friday evening, the Divan participated in a "Meet and Greet" at the Park's Recreation Centre. Upwards of 100 Park residents participated and enjoyed an evening of song and humour. On Saturday the Divan met with the Park's Board of Directors and resident Shriners. Discussions focused on the Park's Strategic Development Plan, as well as the significant upgrade to the Park's national rating, which was viewed as a major "positive" for future marketing initiatives.

On Sunday morning the Divan attended a Gospel sing-along concert at the Recreation Centre along with 135 other park residents and visitors. The program featured many solo performances by Park musicians, as well as the musical stylings of the Shriner's Connection.

October started out at a Shriner's Membership Seminar in Tampa. The Seminar attracted over 300 Nobles and their Ladies from various Temples in North America. Participation in this Seminar was seen as a major priority by Mazol, given the fact that declining membership is a problem facing most Temples today. The Seminar featured presentations by a number of Temples on their "best practices" and fun activities being used to grow, retain and restore membership. Speakers focused on the importance of mentoring, and the fact that we, both Nobles and our Ladies, are mentors, and need to be active in this role at all times. The concept of establishing Smart Teams aimed at younger members was addressed. All in all, the seminar stressed the importance of having a membership plan with achievable goals.

On Thanksgiving Weekend the Divan accompanied our Potentate to the West Coast for a visit to the Long Range Shrine Club. The highlight of the visit was the initiation of a new Noble, David Hallingham, during a Friday evening ceremony and reception at the Club. Earlier that day, Illustrious Sir Wayne signed a special civic proclamation and raised the Shriner's Flag, during ceremonies at Corner Brook's City Hall. On Saturday the Divan held a roundtable discussion with the Long Range Nobles and their Ladies on current Shrine issues and priorities. That evening's highlight was a dinner and dance at Bennett Hall. On Sunday, Illustrious Sir Wayne and Divan members travelled to the Gander Shrine Club for the initiation of two new Nobles, Aubrey Anstey and Wayne Hodder.

Before the year ends the Divan will be conducting two more visitations, a November visit and dinner at the Trinity Conception Shrine Club in Carbonear, followed by a December meeting and dinner with members of the Compass Club in Mount Pearl.

Lady Sharon and I have deemed our first year on the Divan to be a very rewarding and heart-warming year, to say the least. We wish to extend to all Nobles, Ladies and their families, a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to a successful 2015.

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Ill. Sir John H. Brake, P.P.

As this year draws to a close and we are about to embark on a new Shrine Year, it is necessary for all of us to reflect on how things are developing and on what the future holds in store for Mazol Shriners and our Shrine Temple.

Noble Norman Hiscock wrote a very astute article in last December's edition of The Mirror, entitled "WHAT COMES FIRST ?".

That article contained a considerable amount of wisdom, and is worth rereading by all of us.

I am likewise no longer willing to stick my head in the sand and pretend that everything is okay, when it's not. While I have never been a negative person,I hate negativity, however I do believe I have the ability to recognize danger signs when I see them, and can face reality.

Mazol Temple is in trouble, and unless we collectively do something about it, our time is limited. The sad part is that we don't have to be in trouble. We have it fully within our power to fix it. Mazol can be a strong, vibrant Temple, for many years into the future, if we have the will and foresight to do the right things.

In the St. John's area, the Divan is referred to by some members as "that crowd upstairs". Across the Province we are referred to as "that crowd in St John's". We are like cannibals, we eat our own. Fortunately the number of Nobles with that attitude is small, but as the old saying goes, "it only takes one bad apple to ruin a whole barrel". Invariably those with that attitude are the ones who are never prepared to do anything except bitch and complain.

Each year it is becoming more and more difficult to attract new members to the Divan, and for understandable reasons. There are a number of qualified Nobles, who would make great leaders on the Divan, but they refuse to run. They not only express concerns for the contemptuous remarks they hear about the Divan, but they also state that they simply can't afford it.

Nobles, "that crowd upstairs" as they are so irreverently and contemptuously referred to by some, just happens to be the life blood of Mazol Shriners. Without them our Temple will certainly close.

I have been saying for years, that unless we are prepared to pay more of the legitimate costs of Divan Members and provide them with some small incentives, then we will get no one.

As Noble Norm stated in his article, whenever this matter is raised, some Noble, and sadly sometimes even a Past Potentate, will invariably jump to his feet and state that, "We must remember that we are here for our Shrine children first, they are our priority," as if they were some sort of super hero for the children and none of the rest of us care.

Well of course we are here for our Shrine children. No one, particularly on the Divan, needs to be reminded of that. Why else would Divan Members give up a minimum of five years of their lives, working at great personal expense on your behalf, and putting up with the criticism and nonsense they have to listen to, if it weren't for the children?

Doesn't everyone realize that without a Divan, we have no Temple, hence we are no longer here for our children?

Shrine is a business. It must be operated as a business, and that requires spending money to keep our Temple alive.

We pat ourselves on the back because we have given a half million dollars to the Hospital within the past two or three years, and so we should. However, that's far more than most, if not all Temples in Canada have given, and we are perhaps the smallest Temple. The reality is that we are doing that because Mazol has so much surplus in the PTF account, if we don't give it away, Tampa will take it from us and perhaps use it for transportation of patients in the USA.

Sadly, while you are sending so much money to the PTF, which we must dispose of before it's taken from us, Mazol is dying.

Within two to three years our RV Park will be contributing just about everything we need to sustain our PTF requirements.

Noble Norm Hiscock's question "WHAT COMES FIRST ?" is a very valid one.

Nobles, you have it within your power to ensure that Mazol survives, so that we are always here for our children.

If each Club were to give less to the PTF, which doesn't need it, and more to the necessary funding of your Temple, our problems would be resolved.

We have Clubs around the Province with substantial surplus funds. They will give money to other charities, which is a blatant breach of Shrine Law, but yet they will not send money to "THAT CROWD IN ST. JOHN"S" to help run the Temple.

Nobles, charity begins at home, and that sort of negative attitude is very short sighted and lethal.

We have to attract good Nobles to serve on the Divan, and if that requires spending more money, we have to do it. We can definitely afford it.

Nobles, we have the means to keep Mazol alive and well for many years into the future, thus ensuring that we are always there for our children.

Let's do the right thing.

Lady Thelma and I, thank all of you for your friendship and cooperation throughout the year. We wish you all a joyous and peaceful Christmas and a happy and healthful New Year.

> Sincerely, ILL. SIR JOHN H. BRAKE, P.P. Recorder

from the **TREASURER'S** desk



Nobles, I would like to take this opportunity to bring you up-to-date with our financial results for the first ten months of 2014

The Patient Transportation Fund had revenues of \$162,000 and incurred expenses of \$141,000 for a surplus of \$21,000. This compares to 2014 annual

budget revenues of \$198,000 and 2014 budgeted expenses of \$196,000 for a budgeted surplus of \$2,000. As you can see the PTF is in a strong position given that our December 31, 2013 surplus was \$491,000 which together with current surplus of \$21,000 gives us a total surplus of \$512,000. Given that we are allowed to keep a "surplus equal to two and a half times annual costs", we approved a \$25,000 donation to our hospital at our November Stated Meeting. For 2014, the costs of attending board meetings and hospital seminars is a Temple cost.

Our Temple is not doing as well as the Patient Transportation Fund. Revenues were \$117,000 for the period and expenses for the period were \$155,000 for a deficit of \$38,000. Our Fezeroo made a profit of \$54,000 which was \$32,000 short of budget.

Fraternal donations are \$32,000 versus a budget of \$91,000. A letter from the Potentate has been sent to all clubs seeking financial assistance to cover our shortfall. Expenses are within our approved budget

I am currently working on the budget with the Divan and the Chief Rabban and the other members of the Divan. I expect copies of the budget to be sent to each Noble before Christmas.

It would be appreciated if all Clubs and Units could ensure that their financial reports for the year ended December 31, 2014 are sent to the office by February 15, 2015

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Cecilia Paddon for her assistance during the year and her diligent work on our behalf.

Lady Vyvyenne and I wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

> NOBLE MICHAEL BRUCE Treasurer

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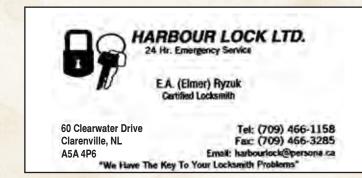
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Wishing all Masons and their families a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

greetings from the GRAND MASTER I



Noble Larry Grandy

It is with much pleasure, as the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Newfoundland and Labrador, that I extend greetings to all Mazol Shriners and their families at this time.

Our Annual Communication, held October 18, 2014, marks the beginning of my tenure as Grand Master. I feel humbled but yet excited that the Brethren saw fit to elevate me to this high position. The Annual Communication is significant in that it was the first time a Grand Master was installed outside the city of St. John's. Organization of the events was undertaken by the Western District. I thank all those involved for a job well done.

I would like to thank Mazol Shriners. and indeed all Brethren, for the support given to me and my family regarding the passing of our son-in-law, Brother Clarence Squires. It was expressed in many ways and points out the caring

nature of our Fraternity. We can boast on being members of a very large family.

We are now into the fall season with all its splendid colours. Days are getting shorter and colder. Amid this beauty I realize that the Christmas season is fast approaching. With all its commercializing, let us not forget its purpose. Keep Christ in Christmas as you celebrate with your families. Reach out to others. Remember the saying, 'it is better to give than to receive'.

On behalf of Beverly and myself and the entire Masonic family, I wish all Mazol Shriners and their families a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 2015.

Sincerely and Fraternally NOBLE MW BRO. LARRY B. GRANDY Grand Master Grand Lodge of Newfoundland and Labrador

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greetings from the **DISTRICT GRAND MASTER**



Noble Owen T. Devereaux

Brethren, it is my honour and pleasure to extend to you and your loved ones Christmas greetings from the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland and Labrador, Grand Lodge of Scotland.

In the words of Mother Teresa "It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you... yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand". No truer words can be spoken about the Shriners and their Ladies. Each and every day, you exemplify this by your continuous love and devotion in helping our orthopaedic and burned children.

Now is the time we all reflect back to the many happy Christmas' we spent

as young and old. But let us also look forward to this upcoming year with great enthusiasm and prepare ourselves for the labours of joy in helping our Shrine children. Be a part of a good change in someone's life. Ladies and Brethren, it is you who inspire me.

Lady Rosalind and I sincerely wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy, safe and successful year in 2015.

Fraternally Yours, NOBLE OWEN T. DEVEREAUX **District Grand Master** District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland & Labrador Grand Lodge of Scotland

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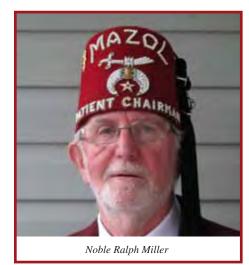
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MAZOL PATIENT CHAIRMAN'S Report





ACTIVITIES

The Odyssey Fez-mobile visited Gander on May 18th on the across continent voyage of awareness and fundraising for the new Shriners Children's Hospital being built in Montreal. I took part in the arrangement of a "Meet & Greet" held at the Freemasons Hall in Gander attended by the Odyssey team, town officials, Nobles of the Gander Shrine Club and their Ladies. On Tuesday, May 20, a Press Conference/Media blitz was held at the James Paton Memorial Health Center. Ill. Sir Roger Tinkham was emcee and the keynote speaker was Shriners Children's Hospital Orthopaedic Chief Surgeon and Outreach Clinic specialist, Dr. Francois Fassier. Ill. Sir. Wayne Mayo, Potentate of Mazol Shriners spoke of Shriners desire to provide the best care possible for children.

SUMMER CEREMONIAL

This year's Summer Ceremonial held in Marystown was very well organized by the Nobles and Ladies of the Boot Shrine Club of Burin. Visitors from all over the Northeastern Shrine Centers and Newfoundland and Labrador were in attendance. The Ladies and Nobles of the Boot Shrine Club are to be commended for all their work. A great weekend was had by all with "profit and pleasure being the result".

FALL OUTREACH CLINIC

There was no fall Outreach Clinic this year, the first one missed in 10 years. This was due to lack of need and scheduling of appointments which are sometimes based on the patients' progress (some on recall of from 3-6-12-24 months etc.) or type of new applications, (evaluations or urgency) At this time, the numbers were not sufficient to require Dr. Fassier and his Assistant to travel to Gander for a Clinic. We expect to see a larger number in the Spring 2015 Clinic.

Breakdown of applications received for 2014 by Month and Shrine Club.

2014 by Month and Shime Club.				
Feb. 2014	St. John's Club	2		
	Long Range Club	1		
March 2014	Trinity Conception	1		
May 2014	Gander Shrine Club	1		
	Boot Shrine Club	1		
July 2014	Trinity Conception	1		
August 2014	Boot Shrine Club	1		
	St. John's Club	2		
	Long Range Club	1		
October 2014	Trinity Conception	1		
	Gander Club	1		
	St. John's Club	2		
Nov. 2014	Gander Club	1		
	Long Range Club	1		
	St. John's Club	1		

Our heartfelt thanks to the all Nobles and Ladies who work tirelessly to provide, "exceptional care for exceptional kids".

Just remember "We work hard so that Children may play more Easily".

PATIENT STATS:

- •We have had a total of 68 children with 92 appointments so far for 2014
- There have been 86 completed and 6 pending (Boston 1, Montreal 5)
- •Philadelphia 2 children have completed 2 appointments.
- •Boston -1 child completed 3 appointments and 1 child has 1 appointment pending for Nov. 2014.
- •Montreal / Gander-64 children have been given a total 86 appointments. 81 have been completed (19 of which were in Gander) there are 5 appointments pending thus far to the end of this year.

Total cost to date this year: \$123,339.67.

NOBLES AND LADIES:

As the Christmas season draws nearer Lady Mabel and I wish for you and yours, that the holidays and the coming year of 2015 will be filled with peace, joy, hope, good health and prosperity.

NOBLE RALPH MILLER Mazol Patient Chairman



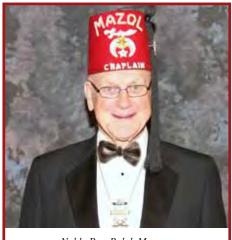
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CHAPLAIN'S corner



Noble Rev. Ralph Moores

A friend of mine has been going to the Eastport area for 40 years, camping in the Shriners R.V. Park, even before it was acquired by the Shrine, enjoying the amenities of the park and surrounding area. This past summer, while on the beautiful sandy beach, he and his wife had a once in a lifetime experience. They noticed a couple of Arctic terns enjoying the beach too, which is not unusual at certain times of the year.

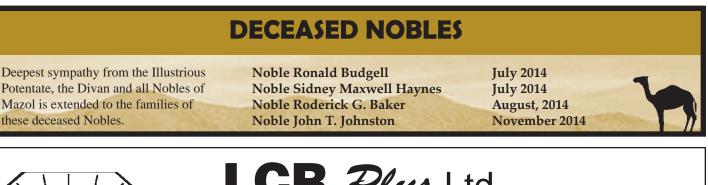
The Arctic tern is the "champion long-distant migrant bird of the world". It nests in the Arctic and travels to the Antarctica for their summer. It is an annual distance of approximately 25,000 miles and they live for roughly 30 years, so that is quite a bit of flying.

As my friends watched, suddenly a tern came and landed close to them is a seemingly exhausted condition, perhaps from a long flight. One of the other terns already on the beach came very close to the new arrival and from his craw gave the exhausted bird a fish. This was repeated by another bird coming and giving the new arrival a fish also. Soon with the food, the care and the attention, the new arrival bounced back to new life and energy. What a lesson from nature of the miracle wrought by the care and consideration of one bird for another.

It is humbling to learn that even in nature each species takes care of its own. As human beings we are supposed to have a lot more intelligence and therefore, knowledge and technique to look after ourselves and all humanity. However, there are many evil and destructive forces at work in the world and it takes a fair segment of our time to combat these man made evils.

The lesson of the birds and indeed our Fraternity is a positive one. We are dedicated to making the world, through kindness and goodwill, a better place in which to live. Within the Shrine community we zero in on what we consider a problem within our society, the plight of children with certain health problems. May we be as dedicated to the cause of children's care in as personal and meaningful ways as the tern felt and acted toward his exhausted friend.

Yours in the Faith, NOBLE REV. RALPH MOORES Chaplain





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PATIENT TRANSPORTATION FUND DONATIONS







Noble Jason Brake, owner of the Restaurant "Blue on Water", presents a cheque in the amount of \$1,500.00 to his Father, Ill. Sir John Brake and his uncle, Noble Doug Beattie. The contribution, which is for the PTF, was generated from money raised for charity at a football pool, which Noble Jason holds regularly at Blue on Water each Sunday during the football season.This is the second year in a row that Noble Jason Brake has made a similar donation to the PTF.

WELCOME NEW NOBLES

Noble Terry C.W. Hollett Noble John Pittman Noble Michael Kelly Noble Robert Tucker Noble John M. Lynch Noble Donald Hallingham Noble Wayne E. Hodder Noble Aubrey G. Anstey Noble Benjamin Titford Noble Harold J. Porter



Mishing all Shriners & Ladies A Alerry Christmas & Happy New Year Trinity Conception Shrine Club Carbonear, NL

CANADA SHRINERS HOSPITAL Report

As your member on the Board of Governors of the Canada Shriners Hospital, it is my pleasure to report on our Canadian Hospital in Montreal.

This latest photograph shows that our new hospital is progressing very well and I'm happy to say ahead of schedule. Mazol Shriners were asked to make a commitment



of \$110,000.00 over a five-(5)-to-ten-(10)-year period. As of September 30, 2014 Mazol has contributed **\$496,655.00 or 451.5%**. This is totally amazing and Mazol Shriners can be very proud. To date, **\$118,743,057 or (91.3%)** of the **\$130,000,000** needed to build/construct our new Canadian Shriners Hospital has already been raised.

I was very pleased to be able to present Children's Quilts on behalf of Lady Roma Garland to the Hospital Staff at Montreal. As the photographs show, they were extremely well received.

At our last Board Meeting in October I also had the pleasure



Ill Sir Roger Tinkham presenting Lady Roma Garland's quilts to Noble Gino Berretta, Chairman of the Hospital Board



of presenting a cheque in the amount of \$220,000.00 to the Chairman of the Board of Govenors of the Canada Shriners Hospital. This amount was received from the Estate of Noble Jack and Lady Irene Williams. Their wish was that these funds be presented to the Shrine Hospital in Montreal. The photograph shows Brother Gerald Taylor, Executor of the Estate, presenting Illustrious Sir James Finch, P.P. and Illustrious Sir Roger Tinkham, P.P. with the cheque. For this very generous donation

"The Shriners Lounge and the adjacent Family Room" on the first floor of the new Hospital will be named in their honour.

On Thursday 20th of November, I, (on your behalf) will have presented cheques in the amount of \$31,452 making Mazol's contribution \$528,107.00 -- OVER HALF A MILLION DOLLARS! FANTASTIC!!

The **Dedication Ceremony of our hospital** is set for **August 20, 2015 at 1:15 p.m**. A block of hotel rooms has already been



L-R III. Sir Roger Tinkham, Bro Gerald Taylor, Ill Sir Jim Finch

booked in Montreal in the event that some of you may wish to attend. If you are interested in attending and require a room, please let me know as soon as possible.

Lady Pat and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

> ILL. SIR ROGER TINKHAM, PP Canadian Shriners Hospital Board Member

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Dale W. Stauss Elected Imperial Potentate

During the 2014 Imperial Session, held in Minneapolis July 6 - July 10, Dale W. Stauss of Grand Forks, N.D., was elected Imperial Potentate of Shriners International, making him the highest ranking Shriner in the world. In this role, he serves as President of the Board of Directors of Shriners International and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Shriners Hospitals for Children[®].

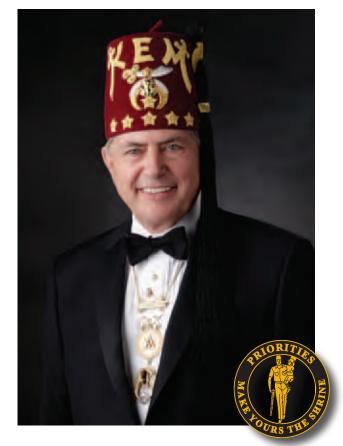
Founded in 1872, Shriners International is a fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief and truth. The fraternity founded Shriners Hospitals for Children as its official philanthropy in 1922. What began as one hospital is now a world-renowned health care system with 22 locations in three countries that provide advanced care for children with orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate, regardless of the families' ability to pay. The fraternity, which has nearly 200 temples (chapters) in several countries and thousands of clubs around the world, continues to operate and support this unique health care system.

A Mason, Shriner, Business and Family Man

Stauss joined East Grand Forks Red River Lodge #292 in 1982, and served as Master in 1989. He is a 33rd degree member of the Scottish Rite, and a member of the Royal Order of Jesters. Stauss became a member of Kem Shriners in Grand Forks in 1982 and served as the temple's Potentate in 1997. He is a member of the Kem Drum and Bugle Corps, and he served on the board of the North Dakota Shrine Bowl for 16 years. In 1995, he received the Samsar Award for his service to Kem Shriners. In 2000, Dale served the region's Shriners as president of the Midwest Shrine Association.

As an Imperial Officer, Stauss has served as chairman of the Imperial Athletic Committee, the East-West Shrine Game, the Shriners Hospitals for Children Golf Tournament, and the Imperial Membership Committee. Stauss also served on the Planning Committee and the Buildings and Equipment Committee.

Stauss graduated from the University of North Dakota and has been involved in the real estate management field for more than 25 years. He recently retired from Century Properties, Inc., a



property management company, after serving as its president for 22 years.

His civic activities include serving more than 20 years on the East Grand Forks School Board in East Grand Forks, Minn., as well as serving on the 2000 Minnesota All-State School Board.

He and his wife, Cheryl, have three daughters, one son and 14 grandchildren. They enjoy spending their spare time with the family at their lake cabin.

His Focus as Imperial Potentate

As Imperial Potentate, Stauss will continue to stress membership and emphasize clear and open communication in order to strengthen and raise awareness of both our organizations – and all they have to offer. He plans to encourage all members to make Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children their priority, and to have pride in their Shriners family.

MAZOL SHRINE CENTRE The Home for All Shriners in Newfoundland & Labrador

The Mazol Shrine Centre (MSC) management board, appointed by the Divan, has remained just as active since the article in the June edition of the Mirror. Our banquet hall is fully completed as well as the ladies washroom (Thank you LADIES of the SABRE for your assistance).

The Marketing Plan has been a very useful document as we continue to increase the number of confirmed rentals for such events as Weddings, BBQ's and Corporate parties. This fall, we have been fortunate in securing several daytime rentals and, from all indications, these will only increase, now that the Corporate world is aware of our facility and the technology that we can provide. This is a market niche that previously went largely untapped.

Now to some of the specific things that have been accomplished since the last report:

- Created a formalized working relationship with Visions Canada that allow us to utilize one of their clients as well as his/her supervisor. This is invaluable as these people perform all the general maintenance and assist our Manager, Mr. Terry Walsh, where required in setting up tables and chairs, lawn care, snow clearing from entrances etc.
- Participated in the Ultimate Bridal Show in September and talked to close to one hundred brides, all of

whom were very impressed with our new and improved facilities as well as the professional manner that there questions were answered. This type of event is crucial to us in growing this portion of our revenue stream.

- Developed plans for a new BBQ Pavilion on our premises. We are currently seeking funding from local suppliers to assist us with this effort.
- The basement has been cleared of all unwanted documents and other material that is no longer of any use to Mazol Shriners or the members of the St. John's Shrine Club.
- The side storage area has also been decluttered and re-configured to allow for much more efficient use.
- Trimmed the trees next to the large storage building in order to illuminate an area that teenagers were using as a hangout.
- Entered into maintenance contracts for all of our coolers and ice machine. We also now have a similar arrangement for the air-conditioning system,
- Established a sub-committee consisting of members of the St. John's Shrine Club and members of the Mazol Shrine Centre management board. Their mandate is to identify the opportunities and requirements with respect to the Members Lounge operation and development.

Future Plans

• The BBQ Pavilion is one the areas that

we hope to completed by the summer of 2015. It is dependent upon funding only, as we already have a capable work force who have committed their time and talents.

- The kitchen ceiling tiles and lighting will be replaced during the slower month of February. In addition, the floor in the kitchen will be stripped and refinished.
- Attend both Ultimate Bridal Shows scheduled for 2015.

The Bingo team, under the leadership of Nobles Ches Lambert and Albert Piercey, continue to work tirelessly and they should be recognized for their efforts. This work is vital to the continued operations of the Mazol Shrine Centre and is always in need of extra support from the Nobility. If you find yourself free for a Wednesday evening, we would appreciate a helping hand.

Our objective when finished is to have a very functional centre that will serve the needs of **ALL MAZOL SHRINERS** into the foreseeable future and provide a revenue stream that will completely offset operating costs as well as provide for a Capital Improvement Fund that will ensure that the Centre in maintained to a professional quality that we all can be proud to call **HOME**.

> ILL. SIR LORNE WARREN Chairman, Management Team



Phillips Central Shrine Club

Greetings from the Nobles and Ladies of Phillips Central Shrine Club. We wish members of the Newfoundland and Labrador Shrine Family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Remember, if you are a visiting Shriner to the Lewisporte area please contact one of our nobles. Cecila at Temple Office will provide a listing of our membership.



Meet Our 2014-15 National Patient Ambassadors

Joe Dertinger of Waconia, Minn., and Katie Ladlie of Troy, Mo., have been selected as the health care system's national patient ambassadors for 2014- 2015. The announcement was made after the premiere of their video, "Born to Inspire" during the July 2014 Imperial Session of Shriners International in Minneapolis.

Every year, Shriners Hospitals for Children® chooses two national patient ambassadors to represent the thousands of children who receive care at the health care system every year. The Ambassadors share their stories to inspire others and raise awareness of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Joe: A Champion Skier

Joe was born with an unusual condition that involved all four of his extremities. He had a short tibia and no fibula on his right leg, and only three toes on his right foot. His left ankle has an unusual "ball and socket" type of joint. He was also born with only two fingers and a thumb on each hand, and the fingers on the right hand were webbed together.

At our Twin Cities hospital, Joe was initially seen by an orthopaedic surgeon and a hand specialist, who recommended surgeries to separate the fingers on his right hand and amputation of the right foot so that a prosthesis would fit better. Over time, Joe received physical and occupational therapy at Shriners Hospitals for Children, combined with lots of encouragement. That, and having a twin sister to keep up with, helped Joe continue to make progress.

Joe, now 18, has been involved in adaptive skiing for many years. In the last two seasons at the national competition in Park City, Utah, Joe has won the Men's Junior National overall Alpine Skiing title. He is currently training for the Giant Slalom World Cup and the 2018 winter Paralympic games, which will be held in South Korea.

While Joe is passionate about his sport, he also wants to give back and help others with similar conditions and has enrolled in Century College's Prosthetics Technology program; he is set to start in the fall of 2014.

Katie: An inspiration to Others

Relatively quickly after her birth, Katie was diagnosed as having a vascular malformation, a very



rare condition. She has been a patient at our St. Louis hospital since she was 2 years old.

Katie struggled with severe knee pain and other difficulties for years. By the time she was 12 years old, her knee had deteriorated to the point that her physicians gave her two options, knee fusion or amputation above the knee. Young Katie bravely determined to have the amputation as this would free her from the pain and from the anchor that held her back, which is how she viewed her leg.

Shortly after the surgery, Katie was introduced to adaptive sports, which was a turning point. She became very active and is no longer sitting on the sidelines in pain. And then she discovered public speaking, and became a patient ambassador for our St. Louis hospital.

Katie, now 16, hopes to be able to give back and inspire others through her new role as a national patient ambassador.

We know that both Katie and Joe will do exactly that in the coming months.

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The journey of hope Supporting Transportation Assistance Programs for Our Patients and Families

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First Lady Cheryl Stauss knows first-hand how hard it can be when a child is in need. Her young grandson has Prader-Willi syndrome, a rare genetic disorder that can have all sorts of complications and difficulties as time progresses, including the possibility of scoliosis. Should he develop scoliosis, the family would, of course want him to be seen by an expert in both conditions. We have such an expert in our Shriners Hospitals for Children® system - and First Lady Cheryl is comforted knowing that should her grandson one day need that expertise, he will be able to obtain that care, regardless of the distance involved.

Shriners Hospitals for Children has a long history of providing the answers, and the hope, families facing difficult medical situations need. Shriners Hospitals for Children have experts known for saying "yes, there is a way to help" when others have said no, or given up on a child.

Our 22 locations serve patients from around the country; more than 18 percent of Shriners Hospitals' U.S. patients travel to their appointments by plane. Everyone wants the best care for their children - no matter the distance - and that is why First Lady Cheryl's program, The Journey of Hope, will raise funds to augment the transportation assistance efforts for the patients and families of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

As the First Lady makes her visits throughout the year, she asks that donations be made to her fundraising program, The Journey of Hope, in lieu of personal gifts. For a donation of \$40, contributors will receive a bracelet with a bead fashioned as a suitcase, representing a journey. A sophisticated gentleman's tie can be obtained for a donation of \$30.

Completed order forms may be given to the First Lady. Order forms, along with donations made payable to Shriners Hospitals for Children, can also be mailed to Shriners International Headquarters, First Lady's Program, Donor Relations Department, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631. Canadian order forms and donations may be sent to Shriners Hospitals for Children — Canada, 1529 Cedar Ave., Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3G 1A6. Additional order forms and return envelopes may be obtained

from the donor relations department at Shriners International Headquarters by calling 800-241-4438 or by sending an e-mail to cstauss@shrinenet.org. Donations to this program can also be made online at support.shrinershospitals.org/FirstLadyCheryl.

"In honor of my grandson, The inspiration for my program."







Why?

From time to time, we've all been told a story or experienced something during a special time in our Shrine journey that brought a tear (or several) to our eyes. It's not an uncommon thing. My Lady Olive and I even saw tears in the eyes of our Imperial Potentate Ill. Sir John Cinatto during a tour of our Canadian Hospital last year, and as our top Shriner, I know he won't mind me sharing that. As Shriners, why do we do the things that we do? "It's for the kids!" we answer, without missing a beat. And – it is.

But now and then, out of the blue, something happens that reminds us of why we do those things – and that's what we'd like to tell you about in this little corner to be published twice yearly in our Mazol magazine, *"The Mirror."* Just a short little story of your latest, or even your earliest, experience – the one that reminded you of why you are a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.

A little story just came into your head – I know it did. Jot it down and send it to me. You can email it to me or give me phone call and I will jot it down for you. It will then be put together in a format similar to Noble Bob Barrett's experience in this first edition of, "Why?."

Nobles and Ladies, I 'd love to hear your story and write it up for you or with you for "Why?." So, please contact me, tell me why you do it and lets share those stories with the Nobility of Mazol and beyond.

M/hy Not?

Noble Doug Beattie Long Range Shrine Club.



By Noble Reg Bowers

One day this summer, while out mowing the lawn, a teenage girl walked up the street. Nothing out of the ordinary but she had a small limp. We waved to each other and she passed by. I remember pausing in my work and saying a quick thank you to the sky. Fifteen years ago, when I first met that young girl, she was just fourteen months old and I remember the mother and the grandmother standing on the steps of the home telling me she would probably not live another year and, if she did, she would never walk. The actual report was "Jaide may never walk or talk, that she may be blind and/or deaf, and may remain in a vegetative state." I gave her an application to the Shrine Hospital in Montreal with the words "let's keep hoping and see what happens". Over the years I watched her grow and move around to various locations in Canada and Europe but always coming back for treatment at the hospital. Every time I met the mother I asked for a report. At age eleven she ran in a marathon in Halifax, now she's in her final year of school and this year plans on touring Europe with the school group Europe before she goes to University.

Christmas is a time of giving. Everyone gets in the spirit of the occasion and everyone thinks of others and tries his or her best to please others. It's the best time of the year. Isn't being a Shriner, thinking of and helping a child grow, like having Christmas all year long? Just being there, opening up a channel to help a young person change their life and realize their potential and be an inspiration to others. To see Jaide overcome some of the worst illness she could endure and reach for goals that once was thought to be unattainable for her is an inspiration. It "makes my day" every time I see her walk down the street.

We all love getting gifts, don't we? The simply act of seeing that young girl walk her daily walk is a simple act I did that is a gift to me. It was an act that would not be available to me without the backing of the Shriners

As an individual, I don't have either the financial means or the knowledge to, in any way shape or form, help that young person. But as a Shriner, I have the wealth and knowledge of an organization that keeps expanding their means and methods with one simple sole aim - **Improving a young person's life when hope is all they have left.** I get a gift every time I hand out an application and watch and help the progress of that child and hear of their achievements.

I'm a Shriner because of the kids. To me, nothing surpasses the act of opening up an avenue for a child to get unlimited and the greatest help available on the planet. It is unselfish giving and the greatest form of love. The child can only pay you back by growing into a good upstanding productive member of society. That gives my life a purpose that money can't buy.

From a Masonic point



of view, I believe that being a Shriner is the epitome of being a Mason. Freemasonry, when you strip away all the pomp and ceremony, is built around giving to the best of your ability, to those in need, and to keep on giving without recompense or reward. I pledge to help those in distress and nowhere in the literature does it give me the means to recover the help I give. I believe every man who is a Mason must understand that pledge and carry it to the nth degree. I also don't believe it should stop at the Lodge door. Joining the Lodge, learning the rituals, carrying out the various works with finesse and precision makes me a good Lodge member. Giving, and finding the means to help those less fortunate than me, makes me a better Mason. I believe I must be a Mason in my heart before I practice to become a Lodge member. Being a Shriner extends the bounds of my Masonic commitments. It shows the community the goodness of the organization and makes me a better Mason and a man.



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DONOR RELATIONS Report

Well, it's that time of the year again (Christmas time) the time for giving and sharing our bounty with others. We, as Shriners, have a tradition of doing this, exemplifying the Christmas spirit throughout the year with the care we give our children in our 22 hospitals.

This past year has been no exception. As a small group of Shriners here in Newfoundland and Labrador, we have contributed in so many ways to fulfill our mission of "Having Fun Helping Children". Our contributions to donor relations are very impressive. Our Patient Transportation Fund continues to receive monetary support from In-Memoriams , direct donations from individuals and groups and other sources.

The purchases of 100 Million Dollar certificates from Shrine clubs, Units and Lodges who recognize individuals and groups who have supported the Shrine has been impressive "To Say The Least". I am reluctant to single out one group in particular but I must. The Boot Shrine Club has once again been exemplary with their continued purchases of 100 Million Dollar Certificates.

Our new hospital in Montreal is going up fast with a Dedication Ceremony date of Thursday, August 20th at 1:30 PM. Our Shriners Canadian Hospital representative, Ill Sir Roger Tinkham, has already booked a number of rooms for any person who would like to attend this special occasion. If you would like to attend, please contact Ill Sir Roger as soon as possible. This Dedication is all "part and parcel" because of hard working Shriners like yourselves.

The fundraising committee in Montreal agreed to raise 130 million dollars for the construction of the new Hospital. To date they have raised in excess of 118,743,057 or 91.5% of the total commitment .

Our little Shrine Centre, Mazol as we know it, agreed to raise \$110,000 for the new hospital. To date we have contributed \$496,655 or 451.5% of that objective --A big thank you from me as your Donor Relations Chair for Mazol and the Newfoundland and Labrador Fund-Raising Chair for the new Canadian Hospital in Montreal.

Nobles, with the declining membership and the ever increasing costs of operating our 22 hospitals -WE NEED YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. As in the past, I ask you to make Shriners Hospitals For Children YOUR CHARITY OF CHOICE.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous and healthy New Year

Yours in Shrine ILL. SIR JIM FINCH PP

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To Help Prevent Fires:

• Follow safe cooking practices: Never leave food that is cooking unattended; supervise children's use of the stove, oven or microwave.

• Install and maintain smoke alarms on every floor of the home and near every bedroom. Test them monthly.

• Teach children that fire is not a toy, and can be dangerous.

- Keep matches and lighters locked up and away from children.
- Keep electrical cords from being trapped against walls.
- Do not overload electrical circuits or extension cords.
- Do not place electrical cords or wires under rugs, over nails or in high traffic areas.
- Shut off and unplug appliances that sputter, spark or smell. Have them checked and repaired, or replaced.
- Be careful when using portable heaters. Be sure bedding, clothing and other combustible items are at least 3 feet from space heaters.
- Replace mattresses made prior to 2007, when flammability standards were implemented.

- Use fireplace screens and have the chimney cleaned annually.
- Kerosene heaters should only be used when approved by authorities. Do not use gasoline or campstove fuel. Refuel outside and only when the unit is cool.

Be Prepared for a Fire:

Fires occur quickly. In less than 30 seconds a single flame can become a fire. In two minutes, it can become lifethreatening; in five minutes a residence can be destroyed. To protect yourself and your family, be prepared:

- Have an escape plan, and practice it with the children. Learn two ways out of every room, and agree on a meeting place outside the building.
- If you live in an apartment building, know the best route to the stairwell and emergency exits.
- If you are in a room with a closed door when fire occurs, there are extra precautions:
 - O Do not open the door if you see smoke under it.
 - O If you don't see smoke, check the door handle. If it is hot, do not open the door.
 - O If you can open the door, and there is no smoke or heat, proceed quickly to your exit.
 - O Stay low to the ground as you exit.
 - O If you can't get out right away, yell for help or call 911 if you have a phone. Do not hide in a closet or under a bed.

Information from KidsHealth.org, Ready.gov, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, U.S. Fire Administration and Safe Kids Worldwide was used in this report

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M.I.Swaco/Mazol Shriners Charity TOURNAMENT

The 10th annual M.I.Swaco/Mazol Shriners Charity Golf Tournament took place at the Wilds at Salmonier Golf Course in August. The event again received significant support from the business community which entered individual teams, sponsored holes and donated prizes for a variety of accomplishments.

The Tournament continued to receive major financial support from its prime sponsor, M.I.Swaco, a global leader in the hydrocarbon exploration and production industry. All in all the Tournament raised approximately \$25,000 for Mazol's Patient Travel Fund, which enables patient and guardian travel to a Shriners Hospital for Children.

This year's Tournament featured a total of 60 golfers on 15 corporatesponsored teams. The weather for the day was favourable for golf, and enabled all participants the opportunity to showcase their finest golf skills.

In the end, a team sponsored by M.I.Swaco had the Tournament's best score and won the Grand Prize donated by the Wilds at Salmonier. The day concluded with a steak dinner and presentation of prizes. A good time was had by all, and we look forward to continuing this most worthwhile event again next year.

NOBLE PAUL ROSE Golf Committee Chairman 2014





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MAZOL SHRINERS ANNUAL INSTALLATION & STATED MEETING JANUARY 23 - 24, 2015

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY - JANUARY 23, 2015

8:00 p.m. Chief Rabban's Night & Meet and Greet Mazol Shrine Centre (*Club Dress and Fez*)

SATURDAY - JANUARY 24, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Annual Meeting Holiday Inn (Club Dress and Fez) (2015 Dues Card Required)

3:30 p.m.

Ladies Brunch (\$30) Holiday Inn Installation of Mazol Shrine

Temple Divan Holiday Inn (Open to Public) (Formal Dress and Fez)

7:00 p.m. Banquet and Dance (\$100 dbl.) Holiday Inn* (Formal Dress and Fez)

* Rooms are available at the Holiday Inn with King Size or two Double Beds at a cost of \$136.95 (plus tax) per night. A block of rooms has been reserved. Nobles and Ladies requiring rooms, ladies brunch tickets, and/or banquet tickets should contact Cecilia at the Shrine office by calling 364-1591 or by email at shrine@nf.aibn.com.

CHIEF RABBAN'S NIGHT "MEET & GREET"

Noble Doug Beattie invites you and your Lady to the Mazol Shrine Centre

on January 23, 2015 at 8:00pm.

(Club Dress and Fez)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS The Imperial Law Reads:

Section 325.10

Representatives

- (a) Single Ballot. Where a temple elects more than one Representative, all candidates must be balloted for on one written ballot.
- (b) Complete Ballot. Each member voting must vote only for the total number of Representative 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.
- (e) Successive Ballots. Successive written ballots must then be taken in the same number on other candidates until all representatives are elected.
- (f) Highest Vote. If more candidates receive a majority vote than the number of representative to be elected, then those receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected.
- (g) Void Ballot. Blank ballots are not votes.

Section 325.11 Election Regulations

- (a) Electioneering. The printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a Noble, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.
- (b) Violation. For any violation of (a), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.
- (c) 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.

APPOINTMENTS ARE FOR ONE YEAR ONLY

When a Potentate's term of office expires, all appointments made by him during his administration TERMINATE, according to the Imperial Code.

Such appointments include ALL appointed Officers, Potentate's Aides, members of Committees and their Chairman, Special appointees, Directors, Assistant Directors and all members of the Potentate's staff.

Some uniformed Nobles have mistakenly believed or assumed their appointments to be permanent, NOT SO! Each Potentate, when installed in office must make his own appointments, including six (6) officers of the Divan -1^{st} and 2^{nd} Ceremonial Masters, Director, Marshal, Captain of the Guard and Outer Guard.

The Potentate has the Power and authority under Imperial Shrine Law to replace every appointee; or he may, if he believes it to be in the best interest of the Temple, retain all appointees by reappointment.

Traditionally, for the sake of efficiency, many Nobles of demonstrated ability, are continued in office or appointment by reappointment. But that is at the will and pleasure of the incoming Potentate.

In no case is he, or can he be bound by his predecessor. By the same token, in no case can any Potentate bind his successor.

Courtesy requires that the Noble holding an appointive office, position or assignment tender his resignation to the incoming Potentate. If it is the will and pleasure of the incoming Potentate that the Noble is to continue in his office or position by reappointment, he will be notified by the Potentate to that effect.

Should any Noble not holding appointment by the current Potentate wear a Fez carrying any title such as "Aide" or any other designation, he does so in violation of the Code.

Some Nobles seek to perpetuate an appointment fictitiously by adding to the lettering on the Fez the year or years of their appointment. This is a violation the Imperial Law. The offenders may be uninformed: but "Ignorance of the law is no excuse."

DUTIES OF THE ORIENTAL GUIDE

- The Oriental Guide in conjunction with the High Priest and Prophet will share the liaison duties between Mazol Shrine Centre elected Divan and the Clubs and Units.
- Immediately after election at the Annual Meeting he will be responsible for obtaining clothing commonly known as Divan
- Dress.
- He will serve on the Membership Committee.
- He shall also perform the duties appropriate to his station and those assigned him by the Potentate. For the sake of continuity, the task assigned the Oriental Guide may very well follow him through the four progressive years on the Divan.
- He will attend and assist in the Installation Ceremonies of the Club Executives when required.
- He will be available and on Parade for Mazol Shrine Centre at all Ceremonial and Shrine Centres functions.
- Once elected to the Divan line, the new Oriental Guide, at his own expense, will be responsible to purchase clothing to comply with the standard Divan dress. *Beige Jacket, Approx.* \$200

Beige Sacket, Approx. \$200 Blue Jacket, Approx. \$275 White Dinner Jacket, Approx. \$200 Beige Shirt, Approx. \$30 Tux Shirt, Approx. \$60 Brown Trousers, Approx. \$60 Black Tux Trousers, Approx. \$150

🚳 FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES 🚳

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

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

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

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

Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Fund-Raising for Fraternal Purposes:

- (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any fundraising activity without the express written consent of the potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof.
- (b) There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children.
- (c) The temple potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with #335.3 and # 503.10 of the fraternal and charitable bylaws.
- (d) The temple potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fundraising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and, additionally, as may be required by temple bylaws.
- (e) A copy of the temple potentate's written consent shall be mailed to the Executive Vice President, Imperial Council. Further, such written material pertaining to the fundraising activity, as requested by the Executive Vice President, Imperial Council shall be promptly mailed to him.

2. Fund-Raising for Charitable Purposes:

- (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fundraising activity other than for Shriners Hospital for Children, and said activity shall not be in the jurisdiction of any other temple. Permission therefore must be first obtained in writing from the temple potentate. The temple potentate must then obtain written permission from the Chairman of the Boards of Directors and Trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the Executive Vice President, Imperial Council, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631-3356. However, a joint charitable fundraising activity with another 501(c)(3) charity may be authorized provided that a minimum of 50% of the net proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and the Chairmen of the Board of Directors and Trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of the Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.
- (b) 100% of the net proceeds (as defined in the Charitable Fund Raising-Approval And Reporting provisions of any existing General Order) from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children except for such portion thereof

as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund, pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of any existing general order. Provided, however, if the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees determine for good cause shown, that the law of the land requires that a portion of the net proceeds must be distributed locally, then they may, if they determine it to be in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children, grant their written permission for such distribution.

- (c) The temple shall report the result of each charitable fundraising activity within sixty days of the activity, pursuant to the Charitable Fund Raising-Approval and Reporting provision of this General Order.
- (d) This section shall not apply to activities exempt under #335.4(b) of the bylaws of The Imperial Council.
- (e) Each independent corporation or entity that receives the permission of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and Trustees to raise money for Shriners Hospitals for Children, and which does not have its financial accounts audited pursuant to #334.5 and 337.8 of the bylaws of The Imperial Council, shall have its financial statements audited by a certified, chartered or licensed public accountant and shall submit a copy of the accountant's report and accompanying financial statements to the Imperial Recorder within 120 days of the activity.

3. Statement of Purpose and Disclosure:

- (a) Every fundraising activity must contain factual information on its solicitation material, tickets, programs and documents regarding the use of the proceeds. Examples: "Proceeds are for the benefit of(<u>Shriners</u>)(<u>Shrine Club</u>) activities." "Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children."
- (b)Every fundraising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children shall prominently state on the solicitation material, tickets and documents that "payments are not deductable as charitable contributions."
- (c) There must be compliance with the Revenue Act of 1987 provision of any existing general orders by U.S. temples.

4. Compliance with Applicable Laws:

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

5. Financial Records:

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

6. Notification to Nobility:

A copy of the Fun-Raising Activities provisions of this General Order shall be printed in the temple publication at least once every calender year. If there is no temple publication, then a copy shall be mailed to each Noble in the temple not later than the last day in March of each calendar year.

7. Discipline:

Any officer, Noble or temple which violates a provision of Fundraising Activities is subject to discipline pursuant to the bylaws of The Imperial Council.

LADIES OF THE SABRE Report

Since my last message in the summer issue I am pleased to report that we have met monthly except for our usual July and August break, and have been very busy with several actives and projects. I am pleased to say our Ladies organized and held a potluck supper for them and their Nobles. We also held



a luncheon for the ladies of departed nobles. Both events were well received and attended and feedback was very complementary.

Our yearly dessert-card party fundraiser event held on October 23rd was successful. I was away at the time attending a membership seminar in Tampa and enjoying a few days vacation after the seminar. Thank you ladies for the way you all stepped up and made the event the success that it was.

I had hoped to be back for this event however, while in Florida, I had a health issue that prevented me from attending. On the 16th of October, without any warning whatsoever, I experienced a stroke which, fortunately, and with the help of my friend Lady Sandra Mercer, I was able to get medical treatment in time to minimize the potential effects. I am fine now and have been told there should be no lasting effects as a result. I would also like to thank everyone for your expressions of concern and well wishes. Thank you all very, very much

We grew our membership by two ladies at our June meeting when Lady Brenda Pike and Lady Krista Murrins joined our group. Welcome aboard ladies, we are very glad to have you with us and look forward to working with you in the future. In October, we lost Lady Mary Bugden. While we are very saddened by the loss of Lady Mary, we need to celebrate her life and



be grateful that she was able to do all the things she did in her long life of 101 years. We had the privilege to have her with us for our ladies luncheon in September. She will be missed by all of us.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and Noble Rolly to wish you a very merry Christmas season and a healthy, happy and prosperous 2015.

> LADY HELEN CARD President, Ladies of the Sabre



PHILLIPS CENTRAL SHRINE CLUB Report

Greetings from Lewisporte Shrine Club. For those that do not already know, the name of our Club is presently in the process of being changed from Phillip Central Shrine Club to "Lewisporte Shrine Club". The reason for the change is when our Club was formed, it was the only Shrine Club in Central Newfoundland. However, now there are three, namely in Gander, Lewisporte and Botwood. It was decided at a meeting of the Shrine that to clearly identify our Club and it's location, we would rename our Club, "Lewisporte Shrine Club".

The past few months have gone by very quickly. However, we have managed to keep pace with our usual activities, commitments to the Shrine and overall obligations. Our weekly TV Bingo carried on throughout the summer and did reasonably well, at a little slower pace. It has now picked up somewhat and makes for a good fundraiser for the club. Our TV Bingo requires a lot of work and dedication



Nobles Don Manuel, Kevin Manuel & Wade Colbourne taking care of the BBQ. Noble Don is the Head Chef.



and the Nobles involved can be very proud that it has worked so well. It has enabled us to meet our financial obligations and other donations, etc.

We were pleased to host the Potentate and the members of his



Divan that visited us on June 7th. We served steak and lobster for the main event and had a very enjoyable evening. The event ran smoothly with our own Nobles taking care of things. Noble Don Manuel was master chef on the barbeque, and the lobsters were boiled and prepared by Nobles George Winter, Calvin Hoffe and Lloyd Russell, (and



President Noble Jeff Manuel presents Ill Sir Wayne Mayo with cheque in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the travel fund.

they still boiled over). On this occasion our President, Noble Jeff Manuel, presented our Potentate Ill. Sir Wayne Mayo with a cheque for \$10,000.00 for the travel fund and \$1,000.00 to Lady Gail.

The summer ceremonial this year was held at Marystown. The Nobles and Ladies that attended from Lewisporte reported that it was very well run, and all had a very enjoyable time. Of course,



President Noble Jeff Manuel presents Lady Gail with a cheque for \$1000.00.



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the main thing of interest for us was that we had a new Noble join, a prospect for our Lewisporte Club in the person of, now, Noble Robert Tucker. We are very pleased to have Noble Tucker and Lady Sandra in our club and we extend a very sincere "welcome" to them.

Over the summer period it was decided that we would change our time of meetings. It was changed from 8:00

pm to 7:30 pm.

Committee Chairman, Noble Kevin Manuel, reporting on behalf of the Orthopedic and Burned Children, reports that there have been very little activity in that area lately. One lead was followed up and an application was given to the family with no results to date.

The election of officers was conducted November 10th by Past President Noble Kevin Manuel. The



President Noble Jeff Manuel and Noble Jason Slade laying a wreath at the war memorial on Remembrance Day.

following officers were elected to serve for the coming year. President - Noble Jeff Manuel, serving for his second year; Vice-President - Noble Brian Peckford; Secretary - Noble Peter Sceviour; Treasurer - Noble Brian Sceviour; Directors - Noble Alex Luscombe, Noble Jason Slade, Noble George Winter, Noble Eric Anstey, Noble Randy Russell, Noble Calvin Hoffe, Ill. Sir Robert Woolfrey. It was also passed at our November 10th meeting to forward \$7,500.00 to Mazol Temple for Temple Activities, bringing our total contributions to Mazol Temple to \$28,500.00 for year 2014. It was also passed that we donate \$500.00 to the South and Central Hospital Foundation to help in purchasing a new hospital bed. We wish the incoming officers a very successful and rewarding year.

President Noble Jeff Manuel and the present Executive wish all a very Merry Christmas and a properous and Happy New Year.

Respectfully submitted, NOBLE R. GORDON WOOLFREY

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TRINITY CONCEPTION SHRINE CLUB Report

The Trinity Conception Shrine Club had another productive year in 2014. Our usual fundraisers were completed and significant funds were raised:

The TV Bingo was run from June until December and proved to be our biggest money maker for the year. The annual Gospel Concert was a success



again this year. The TV Auction was carried out on November 5th and 6th and also did very well this year. We also had a crew selling Fezeroo tickets at the TC Mall on a number of occasions but we did not have as successful a year as



Noble Howard offers dessert to Noble George at a dinner meeting in Hearts Content

2013. Our club was very fortunate to be the recipient of a fundraiser held by Brown's Restaurant of Green's Harbour. The fundraiser raised a substantial sum for the club.

The club also participated in the Summer Ceremonial in Marystown with five Nobles at the beginning of the weekend and six at the end. Our second newest member, Noble John Lynch, was made a Shriner at this event. All Club members took part in the parade and festivities. The Stated Meeting on November 1st produced our newest member, Noble Ben Titford.

Meeting of the TC Club at Lodge Hearts Content



The singing group "The Mercers" accepts a 100 Million Dollar certificate from Noble Rex Cotter. The group has appeared in all 16 of the annual gospel concerts

Our Mobile Unit was also active this year and saw the unit participate in five parades. The exposure of the members and carts at these events has been very positive and has raised the profile of our cause in the public eye. We are anticipating being joined by the Mazol Patrol in December for the Santa Clause Parade in Carbonear.



Nobles Laurence Pike and Rex Cotter on the air at this year's auction

In May, we held our annual Flipper Dinner at the Lodge in Heart's Content. It was well attended, as usual, and this year, we were pleased to have Ill Sir Doug Rowe, PP in attendance.

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The musical group "Generations" entertain a full house at the "Dinner & A Show" in Whiteway

In October, we were pleased to receive a sizeable donation from Brown's Restaurant in Whiteway. For a number of years, the proprietors, Cecil and Barbara Brown have sponsored a "Din-



ner & a Show" and have donated the proceeds to worthwhile charities in the area. This year they chose to support the Shriners, through the T.C. Shrine Club. The Browns and their staff put out a delicious dinner, with music and song provided by the "Generations", a band headed by Lew Skinner of Ducats fame. Needless to say, the Community Centre in Whiteway was filled to capacity and everyone had a grand time.

The Installation of Officers for 2015 is planned for November 21 at Lodge Carbonear.

The Club supported two new patients this year.





Some of the many people who attended the Whiteway "Dinner & A Show" in whiteway

Membership remains a concern; however, we were fortunate enough to have two new members join our ranks this year. Many of our members are



2014 Executive members - Nobles John Crane, Harold Laing, Fred Baldwin, Alurence Pike, George Warford, Boyd Vivian, Howard Smith, and Rex Cotter



Ladies on the phones at this year's 15th annual TV auction at Eastlink studios in Bay Roberts

not active due to health and age issues. We are fortunate to have a small core of very dedicated members. We were very fortunate not to be visited by the Black Camel this year.



Nobles and Ladies from the TC Shrine Club at the "Dinner & A Show" event in Whiteway



The newly appointed officers of the TC Shrine Club will be looking forward to a fun-filled productive year in 2014-15

> NOBLE HOWARD SMITH President



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CLARENVILLE / BONAVISTA SHRINE CLUB Report



Greetings from the Clarenville - Bonavista Shriners! We hope that everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer and fall. Over the summer our club was again involved with the bike ride with Wayne Hounsell. This year Doug Barnes joined him in the ride and in raising funds for the Shriners Canadian Hospital in Montreal. The ride started in Clarenville and ended in Eastport at the Shriners RV Park. The riders were escorted by members of our club to Eastport using the pickup from the RV Park. Many thanks to the park for allowing us the use of the pickup. Our President, Noble Kevin Avery had his mini car in tow to drive on the last leg of the journey.



In attendance for the start of the bike ride were front row: Wayne Hounsell and Doug Barnes (both of whom are seasonal campers at the Park) back row Nobles Kevin Butt, Paul Baker, Gord Letto, Elmer Ryzuk, Kevin Avery, Hon Ross Wiseman, Gilbert Elford, Ed Dewling, and Greg Harnum. From all reports everyone had an enjoyable day. Again thanks to Wayne and Doug for spearheading this fundraiser.

In June we started with major renovations on our Shrine building and by the time this is printed in the Mirror, we hope we will have finally completed the reno's. It has been a long road and a lot of volunteer hours (we should have kept a log) spent at this project since we started in June. From walls coming down, to new ones going up, to adding an extra washroom and renovating our kitchen, meant for a busy summer and fall for our Club. A **BIG** thank you to all Shriners and Brothers in Lodge that helped in any way.

Once completed we will be very proud that we will now have a facility large enough to hold the different functions that we have, instead of going to other venues for our meals or other social functions.



Pictures are of our main room showing the room after the wall between the two rooms was removed and after awaiting the final touches and also the bar area that we built.





When complete, we are hoping to rent our facility for functions to generate more revenue for out club. We are looking forward to our official opening of our newly renovated club.

On behalf of our President Noble Kevin Avery and rest of Clarenville Bonavista Shriners we would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year..

NOBLE GILBERT ELFORD Secretary







LAKE MELVILLE SHRINE CLUB Report

From the Heart of Labrador, I once again bring you greetings on behalf of the Lake Melville Shrine Club. Again we had a successful year under the guidance of our President, Noble Shaun Crann.

The highlight of the year was the visit by Illustrious Sir Wayne Mayo and Lady Gail and Chief Rabban Noble Doug Beattie and his Lady Olive and one of our own, who left here years ago and returned this year as the Potentiate of Philae Temple, Ill Sir John Cameron. During their visit, three new Nobles joined our merry band. Noble Ken Grant, Noble Darrin Wells and Noble Ken Russell, the current Worshipful Master of our Lodge, were initiated. They are welcome additions because they have youth on their side and they are not afraid of the work that is needed to keep our Club strong. That seems to be a rare commodity these days, doesn't it? Unfortunately this year we lost one of our Nobles. Noble Roy Peddle moved to Prince Edward Island and has since become very ill. We wish him all the best

Last Christmas and into the early spring we helped one of our former Shiners' children get a bike that would make her more mobile. This young Lady is from Cartwright and has trouble getting around. This is the essence of what we are all about so we were very happy to carry out that task.

Our main source of income is still our weekly bingo. Last year we had a drop off in sales and we see a sharp downturn in our financial standing. One of the things we have to do is improve the service and we felt we needed a new studio to do that. Over the summer and fall, Noble Dwight Vokey almost single handily build a twenty-four by twenty-eight foot studio with a barbeque pit attached. That's dedication! By the time the winter is over we hope to get enough funds to complete the installation and kick off a full on-air service.

This year we had five patients travel to and from Montreal hospital on a regular basis. Without them our reason for being doesn't exist.

Again this year we supported the Shriners minor soccer program with over seven hundred children enrolled. This way we are involved in the community and get the message out.

We have our regular monthly meetings on the first Wednesday of each month. Our executive Noble President Crann, Vice President Noble Reg Bowers, Secretary Noble Wayne Windsor and Noble Treasurer Dwight Vokey try their best to keep the Club "functioning on an even keel". It's always a challenge with such a small crew. Our members, to the man, are expected to carry a heavy load. Weekly bingos, selling tickets, attending functions and planning and participating in at least one event every month is demanding when the same members are the main officers of the Lodge and are expected to do more than their share there. Some times we forget just how difficult it can become especially when there are young families involved.

The Club members, like all Canadians, were really taken back and appalled at the events of the last several weeks with the killing of two of our soldiers. We will remember them! This November 11th, like we have done every year for the past thirty plus years, we will attend the ceremony at the Royal Canadian Legion and lay a wreath in their honour. Our prayers are with the families.

As the year comes to a close, we thank all those who help us by distributing our cards, buying our tickets and attending our public functions. We look forward to an even better 2015.

On behalf of the fifteen of us here in Happy Valley-Goose Bay, have a Merry Christmas.

NOBLE REG BOWERS Vice President

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KEYSTONE KOPS Report



The Keystone Kops had a busy and rewarding second half of 2014.

On Wednesday May 27th, Keystone Kops, Nobles Ralph Cole, Bill Smith, Doug Stone, Allan Carter and Allan Neil visited Lodge Westmoorland to present Bro. Paul Anthony, owner of Anthony's Autotech Ltd., with a 100 Million Dollar Certificate from Mazol Shriners. Bro. Anthony was being thanked for the many "mechanic favors" he has done for the Keystone Kops. It is a challenge to keep our older vehicles in running order and the outstanding help of Bro. Anthony is a very significant contribution. The Lodge was put at ease by RWM Bro Martin Batterson, following the opening and normal business, during which time the Shriners were invited to make their presentation on the floor of the Lodge. Kops present replaced their aprons with their Fez and Noble Ralph Cole provided a short explanation for the brethren assembled following which Bro Anthony was formally presented with his Certificate. The Keystone Kops are very grateful to Lodge Westmoorland for the opportunity to make this formal presentation to Bro. Anthony. Most of the discussion that evening centered on the phrase, "Shrine Masons at Work" and it was certainly a great example of Masons and Shriners formally helping each other. Our sincere thanks to the RWM, Office-bearers and brethren of Lodge Westmoorland for giving us the opportunity to do this.

We participated in Mazol's Summer Ceremonial in Marystown in July with 8 kops, 3 mini cars, jail and trailer. Our newly initiated Shriners, dressed as "prisoners", gave out Shrine fez tattoos to all the kids watching the parade. We had a successful trip and by all accounts our participation was among the highlights of the parade.



L-R Noble Ralph Cole, Bro. Paul Anthony and RWM Bro. Martin Batterson

Maintaining our equipment is an ongoing task but we are committed to ensuring that the fleet is dependable and safe. Presently, we have 12 active vehicles and 11 are in reasonably good working order. Our signature car is the doubleender mini. Noble Hubert Locke, a retired professional in the automotive field, and former Kop, Noble Roy Moores were instrumental in building and maintaining the double-ender as well as the older mini. Recently, Noble Locke advised us that, in his opinion, there is too much work involved to justify maintaining both of these vehicles going forward. "They are worn out and rusted out". In addition, it is difficult to locate parts and costly to acquire. He felt that both cars are at the end of their useful life and should be retired. We accepted Noble Hubert's advice and approved a motion in our October meeting to retire the vehicles immediately.

The double-ender has been the most endearing public relations symbols for Mazol Shriners over the past 30 years. It is the highlight of every parade it participates in. We feel that it is very important to replace this venerable old symbol so that the long tradition



can continue. Plans are in progress to have one or both cars "towed" in the upcoming Christmas Parades as a public relations initiative to inform the public of the retirement of the cars and launch a campaign to repair or replace them. A "Double-Ender Replacement" Committee consisting of Nobles Charlie Parsons, Jr., Roger Hubley, Frank Skanes and Dave Strong has been established to make sure that these cars are "unable to be put back safely on the road". This is a big challenge for the Kops and we will need the assistance of all nobles to make it a reality.

We have been recently approached by Noble Roy Moores, one of the founders of the Keystone Kops. Noble Roy has built a replica of the Double-ender, the older mini and the jail which he has offered to donate to us. This is very fortuitous in light of the decision to retire the two cars. We will have a wonderful memento from the glory days of the Keystone Kops when final presentation arrangements are made with Noble Moores.

Over the past number of years we have held a Christmas quilt raffle as our main fund raiser. With Christmas travel, the increasing demands this season places on all of us and inclement weather, we have been finding it increasingly difficult to get sufficient members to fill the necessary time slots. Consequently we have decided to cancel this event but are optimistic that we can find alternatives to produce the revenue lost.

We are committed to participating in the St. John's Santa Claus parade on Nov. 30th and the Mount Pearl Santa Claus parade on Dec. 6th.

Our finances are in good order as we finish the year with a healthy balance in our bank account.

Noble Allan Neil has been our Director for the past two years and has advised us that he will not be available for this position in the coming year. Noble Allan has provided dedicated and inspired leadership to the Kops during his tenure. He has been a tireless and tenacious worker who will be missed. He does intend to remain an active member of the Keystone Kop and he will continue to contribute to our work. By the time you read this, we would have had our Annual Meeting on November 20 at which time a new Executive will have been elected. We have 30 members of which 21 are active participants. Those that are not active have family and work commitments which limit their ability to participate more but they do contribute wherever and whenever they can.

We want to wish all of our fellow Mazol Shriners, their Ladies and families a happy and safe Christmas holiday season.

> NOBLE DWIGHT NOSEWORTHY Secretary

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GANDER SHRINE CLUB Report



Summer passed by so quickly and it's back to the order of business. I would like to start this report a little different than others. Since June I had a close call with cancer and had to have a kidney removed. Everything went extremely well and I am happy to report I am on the road to recovery. The big thing I want to say is a very big thank you to everyone who called, visited me or sent cards. Your thoughts and prayers will always be remembered and meant so much at a difficult time. I would also like to thank Noble Lew Pearce our first Vice President for filling in for me during my absence and doing a commendable job for the Shrine Club.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a very warm welcome to our newest Nobles into Gander Shrine Club. Noble Terry Hollett, Noble Wayne Hodder, and Noble Aubrey Anstey joined since our last report. Welcome Nobles.



Since our last report, the Gander Shrine Club had a number of Nobles attend the Summer Ceremonial in Burin along with our motorized fleet of bikes, planes, and cars for the parade. A wonderful weekend of fellowship was had by all. Thanks to the organizing committee of Booth Shrine Club for a wonderful weekend. Also during the summer months Noble Len Norris accepted the responsibility for the sale of 3000 Fezeroo tickets for Mazol. All tickets were sold and a big thank you to Noble Len.

On August 4 a number of Nobles and Brothers from the Lodge helped to prepare the Community Breakfast for Gander Day. We arrived at the lodge 0500hrs and cooked 22 gallons of beans, and 1000 slices of "NL Steak" (bologna), a windy day for sure in Gander.

On September 21, Nobles Dave Rowsell and Aubrey Cooper attended the Battle of Britain church service and wreath laying ceremony at the Cenotaph. Nobles Rowsell and Cooper placed a wreath on behalf of Gander Shrine Club. Thank you to both Nobles for representing our club.

As this report is being prepared, we are busy preparing for out annual TV Auction which will be held in November and carried on Rogers TV. This is a big fundraiser for our Club and a big success due to the number of Nobles assisting in campaigning the business community and the generosity of the business community with their donations.

I am sure it will be a wonderful success again this year.

On November 11, Nobles Doug Ash and myself will be laying a wreath at the cenotaph to remember all those who paid the supreme sacrifice for our freedom.

On November 12, we made a \$10,000.00 donation towards the restoration of the recreation centre at the



L-R Noble Ev Green,Noble Eric Murray Noble Dave Cook of the RV Park

RV Park in Eastport. This makes a total of \$20,000.00 to date from the Gander Shrine Club towards the renovations.

In December we will again have our Annual Christmas Party for the mentally challenged young men and women within the Gander Region. This has become a yearly event for the Gander Shrine Club for a number of years and is organized by Noble Hayward Clarke assisted by the other Nobles. A big thank you to Noble Hayward. Approximately 100 people attend each year and are treated to some Christmas music, a visit from Santa Claus where every person receives a Christmas gift and a meal of Mary Brown's Chicken and ice cream for dessert.

On behalf of the Gander Shrine Club and our Ladies I would like to wish each and everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

> Yours truly NOBLE ERIC MURRAY President





Mazol Oriental Temple Band Wish all Nobles, their Ladies and Families a Very Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year.

BOOT SHRINE CLUB Report



Once again, Fraternal Greetings from the southern most oasis in the Newfoundland and Labrador Shrine Family.

It is always a pleasure to give you a glimpse of the activity of our small caravan since our last Mirror Publication, as we strive to carry out Shrinedom's great philanthropic mandate with vigor, enthusiasm, dedication and zeal.

FEZEROO



Noble Gary Higgins with Mr &Mrs Glennis Akerman

The Akermans (who are from Spaniards Bay) provided the rope barricade that we used around the display vehicle in the Peninsula Mall in Marystown.

Ticket sales were around the same this year as they were in 2013, seeing our Club sell in excess of 9200 tickets over a three month span. As a note of interest, 1000 of these tickets were sold by Noble Kevin Kelly on the FPSO Terra Nova out on Hibernia Oil Fields.

It's funny sometimes how distance can be so unfortunate on the one hand, yet quite lucky on the other. Such is the story of this year's Fezeroo Winners. The top ticket, which was of course the car, was won by Ernest Foote who lives in Victoria. B.C. Wouldn't you know it, Ernest is a member of the Boot Shrine Club, but due to distance it would be too expensive to ship the car all the way to B.C., so he decided to sell the car. In walks Ernest's bother, Noble Shane Foote, also a member of the Boot Shrine Club, who buys said vehicle, and becomes the proud owner of a brand new 2014 Chevrolet Camaro. "Once again, the presence of the Boot Shrine Club spans the country from coast to coast"!

SUMMER CEREMONIAL



Ill Sir Wayne Mayo parades with Patient Representative Joseph Hartery

Next to the Installation of our Potentate and Divan each January, the next "BIG" event (on the local/provincial level), is the Summer Ceremonial. Yet as we envelope ourselves with this convention, we find that it was made up of many different sub-events, which culminate with the Main Banquet, followed by the Potentate's Breakfast.

CEREMONIAL PARADE

Our Street Parade was roughly 3 1/2 to

4 kilometers from start to finish, and pretty much stretched to nearly ³/₄ of the route in length, with the Potentate and Patient Representative at the end, as seen in the photo above.

PATIENT REPRESENTATIVE

This year the patient selected to represent Burin Peninsula children treated at Shriners Hospitals, was 7 year old Joseph Hartery of Marystown. Joseph really enjoyed the parade, especially the ride in the Mustang GT, but once involved, he thought he might check out a couple more of the vehicles.





(L-R) Joseph with Boot Noble Paul Vokey, and Joseph with Keystone Kop Ill Sir John Brake



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NEW NOBLES





(L-R) Candidates Terry Hollett, Jack Lynch, Robert Tucker, Michael Kelly and John Pittman

Most, if not all, Ceremonials brings with it "New Nobles", and this ceremonial was no different, with five candidates being initiated, two of which are from the Boot.





(L-R) Nobles Michael Kelly and John Pittman

The following photos also represent our Ceremonial Parade:















THE KEYSTONE KOPS

We wish all Shriners and their Ladies a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year













ST. PIERRE SIDE-TRIP



Counterparts at the Fortune Ferry Terminal

As a side trip to the Summer Ceremonial, Ill Sir Wayne and Lady Gail arranged for their counterparts to visit the French Island of St. Pierre. The trip was a 2-day excursion from July 20th, returning on July 22nd.

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Noble Gary Higgins presents \$17,500.00 to Ill Sir Wayne Mayo

Club President Noble Gary Higgins makes a two-part presentation to the Potentate. \$15,000.00 completed our Annual Assessment to the Patient Travel Fund; with the remaining \$2500.00 for the Temple Levy towards operating costs.

DONOR RELATIONS



Noble Gerald Mayo presents cheque to the Potentate

In keeping with tradition, the Boot decided to once again make a contribution to the Donor Relation's Program, through the \$100 Million Club, where <u>all monies</u> go directly to our Montreal Hospital. This cheque was in the amount of \$5000.00, and was presented by Boot's Donor Relations Chairman Noble Gerald Mayo, bringing our total annual givings to the \$100 Million Club, to \$5400.00.

Donor Relations is one our Montreal Shriners Hospital's main and most important avenues of Public Relations, and this is why Ill Sir Wayne Mayo decided to bring in two of our Montreal PR personnel - Emmanuelle Rondeau, Communications/PR Director and her cousin Sylvain Rondeau, PR Consultant, as Guest Speakers for the Ceremonial Banquet. As a point of interest, Emmanuelle was also a team member in the Odyssey Tour that traveled with the Fezmobile, as it made its way from St. John's, across the North Eastern States, all the way to Victoria, British Columbia, promoting the exceptional care offered at our Montreal Shriners Hospital.



WISHING NOBLES & LADIES A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN THE NEW YEAR

> FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE BOOT SHRINE RIDERS MINI CAR UNIT





A GIFT OF LOVE FOR OUR NEW HOSPITAL

Ill Sir Wayne Mayo and Guest Speaker Emmanuelle Rondeau (Public Relations and Communications Director of our Montreal Shriners Hospital) were presented a "set of 3 Homemade Quilts", by the wife of Noble Andrew Garland, member of the Mazol Patrol. These quilts will be used in our New Montreal Hospital, which will be opened in 2015. This was a true example of "the giving of one's time, stitched into a gift of love".





(L-R) Ill Sir Doug Rowe PP, Ill Sir Wayne Mayo, Emmanuelle Rondeau and Lady Roma Garland

BOOT SHRINER OF THE YEAR



Noble Wilson Piercey receives plaque from Noble Ralph Mayo

Each year the Boot Shrine Club awards one of its members who have gone over and above what is asked, and who demonstrates the characteristics of what it means to serve and work for others. For 2013, the lucky recipient was Noble Wilson Piercey, Chaplain for the Boot Shrine Club and Assistant Chaplain of Mazol Shriners. Noble Piercey will now serve as the Committee Chair, for selecting the 2014 recipient. Congratulations Noble Piercey!

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

It has been a long standing practice of the Boot Shrine Club to support other local community groups, and one of these groups is the Children's Wish Foundation. We support the local branch of this foundation with a donation of \$100.00, and when the weather is suitable, both the Boot Shrine Club and Boot Shrine Riders Mini Car Unit participate in their annual Wish-Maker Parade.



HOSPITAL COMMITMENT



Noble Gary Higgins presents First of Ten Installment s to the New Montreal Hospital

With the new Montreal Hospital well into construction, and the opening scheduled for August 2015, our members had several discussions of how we might make a contribution toward this facility. After some deliberation, we agreed to make a monetary commitment over a given number of years, as we have done on similar occasion with our local hospital. To this end, Noble Gary Higgins proudly presented Ill Sir Wayne Mayo with a cheque in the amount of \$10,000.00, representing the first of ten installments in our commitment of \$100,000.00 to the New Montreal Shriners Hospital.



WISHING ONE AND ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY & PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR FROM THE NOBLES & LADIES OF THE BOOT SHRINE CLUB



1 MORE NOBLE



Noble Porter on the left

During the Stated Meeting in November, Ill Sir Wayne Mayo welcomed 1 more new Noble from the Burin Peninsula, in the person of Judge Harold Porter. Judge Ported is working and residing in the Burin, Marystown, Grand Bank area, and hopes to participate in the local Shrine activities.

ARMISTICE DAY

It has been a long established custom for the Boot Shrine Club to honor our war dead and veterans each year. This year the custom continued with somber remembrance marking the 100th Anniversary of the First World



(L-R)Noble Gary Higgins and Wilson Piercey lay wreath at the Marystown Cenotaph

War; and we also salute the men and women who today, serve in our Armed Forces whether it be in conflict or peace keeping missions, and we ask for God's protection over them as they do so to protect our freedom.

This year our Club decided to participate a little extra by providing a Soup & Sandwich Luncheon for the members of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 29, RCMP and Veterans. The luncheon was held at the Legion building in Salt Pond, and proved to be a beautiful time of fellowship.



In closing, as we all look forward to the Christmas Season, we pray that you will all have safe travel over the holidays and we wish you a Happy and Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year in 2015.

Until next time, may God bless you in all your endeavors, and let us never forget that we are all in this for the same reason — *our children*! *So keep on smiling, because they always do*!

- ALEIKUM ES SELAM! Article & Photos Submitted by, NOBLE GORDON J.ABBOTT



Lake Melville Shrine Club

Mishes a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all Nobles & Ladies



Mishing All Nobles and Ladies A Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year

Clarenville/Bonavista Shrine Club

ST. JOHN'S SHRINE CLUB Report

Nobles, it is with great pleasure that I present this brief report outlining some of the activities of the St. John's Shrine Club. The Club, as you are all aware, is rebuilding for the future. The elected officers are in the process of updating our mailing list. We are researching our members email addresses so we can use this electronic medium to keep in contact with our members. We are keenly aware that some of our members do not want to use email, but rather, want to hold the actual notice paper. We will make sure that any Noble who wishes will have the notice mailed through Canada Post.

Members were disappointed when our President had to resign due to a serious illness in his family. He stated that he will offer himself for a position on the Executive when his life situation returns to normal.

We involved ourselves in the June Calendar draw, but found that it was much work for little gain. We made the decision not to hold the November Draw. Funds raised during this event were coupled with other contributions and a donation was made to the Patient Travel Fund. This presentation took place during the Summer Ceremonial in Marystown in July. There was a degree of pride felt amongst the members of the St. John's Shrine Club who were in attendance. This was the first such official presentation by the Club in a number of years. Our contributions were usually folded with our Temple Accounts to help expedite our in-kind transaction. We look forward to making another financial contribution at our Annual Meeting in January.

Our Club cooking team is hard at work in support of our Club. So far this year the team has participated in seven cooking events. The events range from preparing meals for groups of about 60 people to groups of over two hundred persons. The team of dedicated Nobles under the direction of our head cook, Noble Hubert Hibbs, always make themselves available when called upon. They are a great example of Shriners having fun while helping children.

Noble Bert Avery P.P. worked with a great musical group to present a night of music at the Shrine Center. The Pennell Brothers and Newfound





L-R Nobles Terry Philpott, Jim Cook, Ralph Cole, Hubert Hibbs, Eric White and Walt Bennett

Appalachia along with special guests, Ryman Country delivered a superb concert, attended by over two hundred patrons. All money raised will go towards the Patient Transportation Fund.

I want to mention something of what commitment means. Ryman Country members were conducting their sound check and apologized to audience. They attended a funeral that afternoon and could not conduct the necessary sound check. Later we learned that they attended the funeral of one of their long time band members. We also learned that they had made a commitment to play that evening.

The writer was struck by this deep sense of commitment and thought. If more of our members had this sort of commitment our Club would rise more quickly and return to its past involvement in the life of its members and share in our many activities.

> Yours in the Faith, NOBLE ROB STEAD Acting President



St. John's Shrine Club

Mishing All Nobles and their Ladies a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

LONG RANGE SHRINE CLUB Report

Ill. Sir Wayne, the Long Range Shrine Club continues its dedication to serving the children of our province. You and your Divan continue to provide exemplary leadership. We are confident that Mazol's future, and that of our great philanthropy is in capable hands.

The Nobility and Ladies of the Long Range Shrine Club have succeeded in living up to the spirit of our Shrine motto " having fun and helping kids". This report will give the Nobles and Ladies of Mazol an overview of our activities, our interactions with the comminity, and how we strive to promote the care and special needs of deserving children.

Spring Social



Our host Noble Adlore Hughes and Noble Lloyd Walters tending to the meal.



Our Noble President Tom Goulding and Noble Gerald Mercer tend to the steaks while Noble Llew Hounsell and Noble Stan Brake provide emotional support. Noble Llew had just returned from clowning at a birthday party.

Starting off this report with some fun as per our motto, our Spring Social was graciously hosted once again this year by Noble Adlore Hughes and Lady Agnes. This year as per tradition, lobster and steak was on the menu.

From all accounts the social was well attended and a tremendous success again this year.

Annual Potentate's Visit

The annual Potentate's visit took place this year From October 10-12 and was a tremendous success. It kicked off Friday afternoon with the signing of a proclamation at City Hall followed by a flag raising.



The signing of the proclamation by City Counsellr Josh Carey with the Divan and our Noble President looking on.



The Potentate and Divan seeing to the Flag Raising at City Hall with Bennett Hall in the background.

Following the flag raising there was a special meeting to invest Noble Don Hallingham followed by a meet and greet. Saturday started with a luncheon of gourmet hot dogs prepared by Noble Lloyd Walters with an informal round table discussion following.



A walk through the Corner Brook Stream Trail at 2:00 pm was awe inspiring with the fall colors of Corner Brook in full view.



The dinner that evening was well attended with several presentations being made. Our Patient Coordinator, Noble Michael Parsons arranged for Ryan Quilty, a Shriner patient to join us for the evening. Ryan's father, Jeff Quilty provided an account of Ryan's contacts with the Shriner's including how friendly and welcoming the Shriner's were at the clinic in Gander. All attending enjoyed the presentation. After dinner the Nobles and ladies danced the night away. From all reports the Potentate's visit was a tremendous success and enjoyed by all attending.

The Long Range Shrine Club



(Formally the Corner Brook Shrine Club) Would like to take this opportunity to wish every Noble, Lady and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year





Patient Coordination

Our patient coordinator, Noble Mike Parsons, advises that to date this year, eleven (11) children from our area have completed a total of fifteen (15) appointments. Nine (9) of these have been to our hospital in Montreal, and six (6) at our outreach clinic in Gander.

As well, two new applications have been received since May 2014. Noble Mike indicates that we have over 30 patients in our area that we are currently serving.

Community Support

The Long Range Shrine Club is the beneficiary of the generosity of many community groups. It is impractical to mention all the generous groups in this report however the club will be holding it's second annual President's Dinner during on November 15, 2014 and several of the groups will be represented at that dinner and will be recognized for their contributions.

Fund Raising

The Nobles and Ladies of the Long Range Shrine Club run a variety of fundraisers. These include;

TV Bingo

Bingo normally runs from September to June with a minor break at Christmas.



It involves most of our membership and ladies. Their dedication has ensured its success. We are fortunate to have a group of store owners that support us by making cards available to the public.



The many hands that are involved with the Bingo make for light work and tremendous gains for the philanthropy.

Calendar Draw

This is our premier local fund raiser. Our \$10 tickets entitles a person to be entered into 31 draws in December for various cash prizes ranging from \$100 to \$1000. Again this year it is anticipated that the draw will be a huge success. Noble Allan Skanes our Treasurer ensured that the tickets were distributed earlier this year and all reports are that sales are going very well.



Ill Sir Doug Rowe and Noble Mike Parsons selling tickets at the Valley Mall.

Penny Sneaker Fund

This has been the pet Project of Lady Bessie Reid for the past 20 years.

As pennies have been withdrawn from circulation, the drive is cooming to an end. Bessie has been sponsored by local businesses and groups, including the Town of Gallants, the Curling Ranger Club, The Press Club Dart League, the Red Rock Lounge, and Alteens; and by friends, family, Nobles and Ladies throughout the Province, with donations coming from as far away as St. John's and Trinity Bay. Lady Bessie made her most recent donation during the Potentate's visit and her donation was topped up to the nearest \$1000 by the club. Her total is now over \$35000.

Club Donations

The Long Range Shrine Club has exceeded Mazol's donations expectation this year.

Canadian Hospital

We have committed \$50,000 to the Canadian hospital. construction fund. The fourth installment of \$10,000 was made at the Summer Ceremonial.

Research Chair

We have made a donation to the new research chair and have added the donation to our agenda annually for further donations. Most recently we made a donation of \$500 in Lady Gail's name at the annual Potentate's Visit as that was her charity of choice.

Membership

Noble Doug Beattie with the help of his committee continues to do





presentations about the Shrine and the Masonic Fraternity at various social and fraternal clubs throughout our area. We continue to identify prospective members throughout the community. We invite these persons and their spouses to our functions to get to know us and learn about our Philanthropy. Recently we had two prospestive members at the Potetate's dinner and are expecting a good turnout for our President's Dinner later this month. The fruits of his labour has resulted in a new Noble, Don Hallingham, being invested at a special meeting held during the annual Potentate's visit in October.



Noble Don Hallingham receiving congratulations from Illustrious Sir Wayne Mayo with Lady Selena looking on.

Parade Unit

This has been another great year for our Parade Unit with the busy season fast approaching. Our equipment is in excellent condition thanks to the help of Twin Peaks Motor Sports who have donated their time to our cause. We are currently operating two (2) minitractor trailer units, two(2) cycles and one (1) Honda tri-cycle.

Upcoming parades include the Corner Brook Christmas parade, Nov.29th, Deer Lake Christmas Parade, Dec 6th, Pasadena Christmas Parade Dec 13th and Meadows Christmas Parade. With many Nobles and a few clowns pitching in, it stands to be another great parade season for the unit.

Clown Unit

The Clown Unit under the direction of Noble Stan Brake was very active throughout the year and is growing in numbers. The clown unit meets regularly about once per month and practice their skills while enjoying some fellowship and a bowl of soup or a pizza.

The clowns attended several events since the last Mirror report including





the Special Olympics, JJ Curling Kindergarten Graduation and several birthday parties over the summer months.

Remembrance Day Parade

The parade was well attended again this year and a wreath was laid by the club.



Nobles, Gerald Mercer and Tom Goulding laying the wreath on November 11, 2014.

Yours in the Faith. NOBLE JEFF MITCHELL Secretary

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ORIENTAL BAND Report

Greetings fellow Nobles:

The Oriental Band members had a memorable and enjoyable gathering at the Summer Ceremonial in Marystown. The Boot Shrine Club provided a trailer for the band. It was a great day for a parade and we enjoyed being a part of the celebrations.

Many changes have taken place within the ranks of the Oriental Band over this past year. We met with difficulties over this past couple of years in our recruitment efforts for Musette players. However, we were successful in recruiting new drummers who are actively involved with the band and enjoy our practice sessions. We have, therefore, decided to concentrate on becoming a drum only band, yet maintaining the Oriental rhythms out of respect for our tradition and roots. This past summer's Ceremonial was the last time that the Band played our Oriental music with our Musettes, although we did not know it at the time.

The Band members voted to acquire two Quad Drums along with a pocket Bass drum. Coinciding with this, the Gander Shrine Club made a substantial donation of its top quality band equipment to our Temple. Noble David Bartlett, our band Director, began introducing different drumming routines for the Fall Ceremonial held in St. John's on Nov. 1st. The Band had only one practice prior to the Ceremonial. All of the newly acquired instruments were used at the practice. Noble David modified the old familiar drum solos. We all felt that the new





sound was pretty good, terrific in fact. The band will be practicing for the upcoming Installation Ceremony in January and look forward to supporting our incoming Potentate and Divan. To show our appreciation to the Gander Shrine Club, the Band will present a contribution to the PTF at the Annual Meeting in January.

The Band is currently recruiting new drummers. If you can play a drum or if you are interested in learning to play, contact any band member. The Band meets for practice at the Mazol Shrine Centre on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m., something we have been doing for over thirty years. Come and enjoy the fun while practicing to support our great fraternity, Shrine International.

Yours in the Faith. **NOBLE WALTER BENNETT**



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HAROLD W. DUFFETT SHRINERS RV PARK Report

Once again the Fall is upon us and our RV Park has been shut down after another very successful camping season. Beginning in June our recreation center became a beehive of activities. Weekly card games, lots of musical nights with a variety of local talent taking part, barbecues, Sunday morning gospel services, and customer appreciation days, filled our center to capacity. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who had any part in making all of these activities, as well as others, the success they became.

On Labor Day Weekend our park hosted the official visit of Ill Sir Wayne Mayo and his Divan. It was a glorious sunny weekend highlighted by the 3rd. Annual Walter Pinsent Fund Raising Concert and Silent Auction held at the Beaches Heritage Centre in Eastport. The concert was a sold out event and the silent auction generated a total of 124 items donated by many individuals and businesses. Net proceeds from the concert and silent auction combined, realized a total profit of \$7,600.00 which was an increase over the previous year of \$3,600.00. Thank-you Noble Walter, the Beaches Heritage Center and all who volunteered in making this event such a huge success. Other highlights of the Potentate's visit included a meet and greet at the park on Friday evening, and the presentation of 11 Million Dollar Club Certificates to volunteers and businesses who gave of their time and talent to the park over the past years. After attending worship service on Sunday morning our distinguished guests

left the park with very happy memories of their visit.

SHRINERS DO MORE THAN SUPPORT HOSPITALS AND CHILDREN

Keeping the purpose of the RV Park in mind, our park board was moved by the testimonies and generosity of two of our park seasonal patrons this past summer. Kimberley Tucker crippled by a horrific motor vehicle accident in 2008, and Neil Holloway who was diagnosed with Colon Cancer in 2013, offered to share their experience and enlighten us on the humility and kindness of the park patrons. Both Kimberley and Neil presented their stories to a packed recreation centre on Labor Day Weekend.



A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to All Nobles & Ladies from Harold W. Duffett Shriners R.V. Park, Eastport, NL

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Both elaborated how their experiences effected a whole new and positive outlook on their lives, and both were quick to admit that this positive change to their lives would not have happened had it not been for the humility, prayers and support that came from the caring people of the Harold W. Duffett Shriners RV Park. As a token of appreciation, Kimberley made a financial donation to the park, and Neil donated a number of sketches of various scenes around the park which he completed during his illness. After consultation with our board president, and approval by Neil, it was decided to have a 2015 calendar completed and offered as a fund raiser for the park. 300 copies were printed and offered for sale at \$15.00 each. To date 174 calendars have been sold generating \$2,610.00. We still have 126 calendars on hand and would like to have them all sold by year end. Please contact Mazol office, the Park Office or Ill Bert Avery to obtain a copy.

Suffice it to say, our park is not only a summer camping ground for fun and frolic; it is also a community of individuals who care for children and one another, and offer each other support in whatever manner we can. As Shriners we refer to it as, "Love to the Rescue." You can read the testimonies of Kimberley and Neil presented as an addendum this report.

A happy and blessed Christmas to you all, and we look forward to seeing you in 2015.

> NOBLE DAVE COOK Park Administrator

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LETTER OF THANKS TO RV PARK

August 29th, 2014

Illustrious Sir Wayne Mayo Potentate, Mazol Shrine Newfoundland and Labrador

Illustrious Sir:

Every person has a story!

Every one of us faces trials, adversity, pain, sorrow, happiness and so on in our lives. But learning how to adapt and adjust to the changes that may occur sometimes mould us to be more stronger, more courageous and more determined in what we face. I would like to share with you "MY" story on how the Harold W. Duffett Shriners RV Park in Eastport has impacted my life in such a positive and inspiring way. I feel that it gave me back my strength, confidence, self esteem and a quality of life that I had regarded as being lost forever.

In December 2008 I was involved in a horrific motor vehicle accident which literally changed the path of my life forever. Life as I knew it was over. I was hospitalized for 5 months and faced years of rehabilitation and many, many challenges. I had suffered several broken bones and faced many surgeries in a short period of time. With both arms and both legs broken, among other serious injuries I was unable to function in any capacity. I had worked 30+ years in a career that I dearly loved and was now faced with not being able to ever return to that job. Simple everyday tasks were now major challenges for me. I was dependent upon someone to wash me, feed me, dress me and perform all the daily task that we all take so much for granted. I now realize that the statement, "You never know what you have until it's gone" is so very, very true.

Due to the severity of my injuries I was unable to climb steps and therefore unable to enjoy the use of our travel trailer for a few years. However, in March 2011 we purchased an hydraulic remove control lift which enabled me to once again use our trailer. In April 2011 we obtained a seasonal camping permit at the park. After a few years of not being able to camp this now enabled me to enjoy what I loved to do, even though I faced major challenges. Little did I know that by camping at the park I would regain my confidence and self esteem and that it would give me back a quality of life that I felt I had lost. I was welcomed with open arms into the Shriners family.

I cannot express enough what this park has done for me personally. The friends I have made in the park have become like family and the encouragement that I receive through music, fellowship and activities has given new meaning to my life. Again I found a purpose. The activities available in the park encourage people to be a part of the Shriners family and again I can only express what this has done for my life and the positive influence upon me. I have benefited tremendously in my recovery by coming to this park. The Shriners go above and beyond helping children in nee and I feel that they have helped "this child" in my time of need. They have done so much to make my life a whole lot easier while I reside there.

Thank you to the residents in the park from the bottom of my heart for everything that you have done for me and the everlasting friendships that I have made. Jess C. Scott once said, "Friends are the family you choose". Thank you to the Shriners for helping me in my recovery by doing what you do. You have shown kindness and compassion and helped me in so many ways. Thank you for the numerous activities available in the park. Music was a major part of my life prior to my accident and I felt that I would never regain the confidence required to perform again. Once again I was proven wrong. The encouragement from the patrons in the park gave me that boost that I needed. Being a member of the "Shriners Connection": inspires me to continue doing what I love. I now sing a new song in my heart. My life has truly been blessed because of the Shriners Park and the people that reside there.

A positive attitude, determination and perseverance has gotten me where I am today with a lot of help from my family, friends and the Shriners Park. We have been coming to the park for the past three years and I can say that I have progressed leaps and bounds in my recovery, both physically and emotionally. Thank you for letting me tell my story. Because of this park I now have a whole new outlook on life. My path may not be going in the direction I thought for my retirement but this is just a different direction. Things could have been so very difficult for me and I am so very fortunate to still be on this earth, therefore, I intend to embrace life to the fullest.

John F. Kennedy once said, "We must find time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives". Thank you again Shriners for making a difference in mine. Keep up the wonderful work that you do.

May God bless each and every one of you.

Sincerely

Kimberly Barley Jucker Kimberly Balley Tucker

On May of 2013, I was diagnosed with Colon Cancer. I was to have six weeks of chemo and radiation followed by surgery and then back on six more weeks of chemo. While waiting to start this process, we camped at the Shriners RV Park in Eastport, NL. To help pass the time and to keep the situation off my mind, I started doing sketches of scenes around the park.

One day, I showed the sketches to Bert Avery, President of the Shriners Park Committee. He asked if it was possible if the Shriners could have them and do a calendar for all Shriners to see and sell copies for everyone who wanted one. This was to be a program to help support the Harold W. Duffett Shriners RV Park in Eastport, NL.

The song enclosed called **'The Shriners'** was a thank you for a Shriners' shirt given to me for singing and playing music at the hall. I got the shirt during one of the lowest and worst days of my life, while having treatment. Words cannot express how much a gift lifted my spirit and gave me a reason to carry on the fight.

I never slept that night, so around 2 AM, the words came to me in the form of a song and within thirty minutes, this is what I had written: **G** The Shriners we call them, they're the people who help Trying to help kids who **A** can't help them **D** selves They **G** pray to God to heal them **C** as they raise more **G** funds Giving them **C** hope to a normal life and **D** play in the **G** sun

G Oh yes they are the Shriners, helping in our race Raising money, helping kids **A** in their Hospital **D** place A **G** nother child needs help, they **C** help if they **G** can Helping **C** all the **G** kids who **D** fit in their get well **G** plan

The Shriners we call them, they are people we know Looking good in the parade and giving us a show It's good to see them having fun with a smile on their face Soon they'd be back home, feeling proud in their workplace.

Oh yes they are the Shriners, helping in our race Raising money, helping kids in their Hospital place Another child needs help, they help if they can Helping all the kids who fit in their get well plan

The Shriners we call them, they own an RV park Some have been coming since their beginning, others for a lark The park is very friendly, we all try to get along But it's the kids who benefit as they raise money and we sing songs

On yes they are the Shriners, helping in our race Raising money, helping kids in their Hospital place Another child needs help, they help if they can Helping all the kids who fit in their get well plan

I whole heartily believe in the Shriners program to raise money and hope these sketches will uplift someone else in their worst moment. You have my blessing with these sketches and use them as you see a need. May God keep the Shriners in the palm of His hand.

NEIL W. HOLLOWAY

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MAZOL PATROL Report

The Mazol Patrol is a very active group of Mazol Shriners. During the fall of 2014, it held two meeting and prior to each meeting there was a meal.

At the meeting in November, it being our annual meeting, the election of officers for 2014 – 2015 was held. Noble Rolly Card, High Priest and Prophet attended the meeting and presided over the election of the officers for 2014-2015 with the following results:

President, Noble George Fiander Vice President, Noble Bert Avery Treasure, Noble Harold Laing Secretary, Noble Paul Benger Quarter Master, Noble Gerry Crookshanks Social Convener, Noble Max Downey The Mazol Patrol is looking forward to a busy December and January. In addition to the normal December activities, we will be visiting Carbonear to participate in their Santa Clause parade. Also in December, we are planning a meal activity with the nobles and their guest.

In January, we will once again be very active in the Mazol Shrine Ceremonial and the Installation of the new Potentate and Divan.

Recently, the Mazol Patrol has been concentrating on attracting new nobles and this has proven to be successful. There are a total of five new nobles who have joined, three from Carbonear and two from the St John's / Mount Pearl area. We extend a special welcome to all these new nobles. It is hoped that your membership in the Mazol Patrol will be very satisfying with lots of fun and comradery.

The Mazol Patrol is still looking for new nobles and if you are a noble who has any interest in joining or just finding out more about the Mazol Patrol, please feel free to contact one of the executive listed above who would be only too glad to speak to you.

> NOBLE GEORGE FIANDER President

The Contributions of the NLCA to the Mazol Shriners Children's Transportation Fund

\$25,700.30	2003	CA*
\$40,546.14	2004	СА
\$35,126.74	2005	СА
\$6,942.73	2007	СА
\$2,453.25	2008	СА
\$9,075.00	2009	СА
\$40,058.85	2010	СА
\$47,041.41	2012	СА
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