



THE MAZOL CONNECTION

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Let's Have Fun

Under the leadership of Ill. Sir Paul Rose, we have launched our newest communication tool, entitled The Mazol Connection. This quarterly newsletter will contain articles about our Shrine family, heartwarming stories from our patients, news from our hospitals, and of course news and stories from our Clubs. In this regard, we are pleased to advise that your PR Committee is constantly developing new articles and we want to hear from you.

Let us share your news to the Nobility at large! Contact our news coordinator at mazolnewscoordinator@nf.aibn.com if you have a news story, announcement, fundraiser activity, or anything else.

Introducing your Public Relations Committee for 2018

Ill. Sir Lorne Warren - Committee Chair
Noble Dave Reeves
Noble Tom Power
Noble Keith Boone
Lady Sharon Rose
Mr. Josh Bourden

... And we are here to spread the good news

Keep up-to-date with everything Mazol by visiting our website, Facebook, and Instagram pages. Make sure to 'Like' and 'Follow' us for all the latest news from Mazol Shriners, Shriners International, and Shriners Hospitals for Children.



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Potentate's Reflection

III. Sir Paul Rose

It's hard to realize that my term as Potentate of Mazol is coming to an end, and we will soon be participating in the Installation Weekend and AGM, scheduled for January 25 and 26 th at the Holiday Inn in St. John's. Lady Sharon and I urge the Nobility and their Ladies to participate in this, Mazol's showpiece event. Please note the 2019 Installation is a week later. Maybe we will avoid the storms that have plagued us in the past!

2018 can best be described as a year which saw Mazol in a state of turmoil. We all know about the issues this year which have created a deep divide within our Temple's membership. I need not delve into those issues as it serves only to perpetuate them and maintain a level of discontentment. Nobles, we need to wake up and smell the coffee! We must not let the opinions of a few, continue to stir the pot. Mazol is in trouble, and it requires us to come together as a Temple, and not hide behind the insular façade of our Clubs. The united efforts and contributions of our Nobles and Clubs are critical to our growth and continued success. We must overcome the petty attitudes that exist and which are gradually eating away at the core of our great philanthropy in Newfoundland and Labrador.

This year has seen Mazol struggle with keeping its financial head above water. Albeit our PTF and contributions to the Hospital are exemplary, given that we are relatively a small Temple. Unfortunately, there are some amongst us who have seen fit to engage in a destructive agenda which is strangling the very lifeblood out of our organization. It is obvious that Mazol cannot survive much longer without adequate core funding for our Operations, no matter how savvy our Divan. This year "your" Divan, which is mandated to manage the affairs of the Temple, has continually been forced to deal with numerous confrontational and distractive issues which prevent the proper focus on our key organizational activities and core values. Unless we strive for more open mindedness and inclusion, we are on a slippery slope to demise. When Mazol received its Charter in 1982, it was undoubtedly a proud day for all the Nobility, as we finally became our own Temple. If we continue down the present path, with minimal new members and an ever-growing number of visits from the Black Camel, we may eventually end up reverting back to the old regime under Philae. I cannot imagine such an unfortunate set of circumstances.

As I turn the reins over to the incoming Potentate, I wish him well. Many difficult decisions will be required and will be essential for the re-emergence of Mazol. The Nobility must stop the internal strife and come back together as the team we are supposed to be. We are a tremendously valued and supported organization amongst the people of our Province, and who are, without a doubt, the most charitable in Canada. How many times have we all heard the comment, "Shriners do great work for the children". Nobles, let's not forget this. Let's practice what we preach.

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III. Sir Paul Rose

Potentate



RBC Steps Up

For those Nobles who have attended events at the St. John's Shrine Club over the past year, you may be wondering who were the group of volunteers wearing the RBC T-shirts. Well, they are part of the RBC Volunteers Program, and are present and retired employees of the Royal Bank of Canada.

The Program offers groups of 5/6 representatives from RBC to assist charitable organizations with their activities throughout the year. A total of five Charity events are chosen, and upon conclusion of these events the bank donates \$1,000.00 for each event.

This past year RBC helped with Bingos, a Club cleanup and a craft fair. The St. John's Club received a donation of \$4,000 from the Program this past year. And on another positive note, the Club has now been accepted for their program again in 2019.

No job was too big or too small for this energetic group, and it certainly gave a break to the regular Shrine Nobles and their Ladies, who assist during these events. It can't get much better than when you have Volunteers, helping volunteers.

Clubs across the Island and in Labrador are urged to explore this Program in their respective communities with your local RBC Branch.

Many thanks to RBC for their ongoing support.





100 Million Dollar Club: Fergus Brown

This is what the 100 million dollar club is about!

Fergus Brown, who is mostly confined to a wheelchair, agreed to sell the tickets for our 2019 Northeast Shrine Association Fall Field Days. I agreed to work with Fergus and be responsible for monies, including his payment, and the ticket stubs. Tiffany Stewart is his support worker and goes beyond normal expectations to make sure that Fergus's life is "normal".

In doing her daily routine, she has directly and indirectly helped our cause:

- makes sure his tickets and monies are ready before he starts work.
- counts and puts all monies in sealed envelope and has it properly labelled before my weekly meetings with Fergus.
- ensures monies are in large denominations making it easy for me to check and verify with Fergus.

Tiffany and Fergus are true ambassadors of Mazol Shriners and promote our cause when talking to the general public.



Noble Gary Higgins



NLRTA Continues Tradition of Generosity

On December 15th, the Newfoundland and Labrador Retired Teachers Association (Western Region) held their Annual Christmas Social at Bennett Hall, Corner Brook. At that event Chief Rabban Robert Barrett was presented with a cheque for \$7500 for Mazol's Patient Transportation Fund.

The NLRTA have been a stalwart supporter of Mazol for over 20 years. This latest donation was their largest to date, and Mazol extends its sincere thanks to the NLRTA for their continued support.





Above and Beyond

Lady Sharon's OI Project

Within the Shriners Hospital system, Mazol Shriners of Newfoundland and Labrador may be small but we are mighty! Once again, you have shown that you are a shining star at Shriners Hospital for Children, Canada.

The Ultra-specialized Home Splint Kit for our Children with Osteogenesis Imperfecta (Brittle Bone Disease) was just being launched when Hospital staff asked if I would take this on as my special project during Paul's tenure as Potentate. I introduced the fundraiser at my ladies' luncheon on January 20th and almost immediately, Clubs donated to the cause. I had no idea the extent of the generosity you would show!

I cannot express how grateful I am to all those Nobles, Ladies and private donors who helped me reach and go above and beyond my goal of \$15,000. In fact, I am excited to announce that I, or should I say, you raised more than double that amount! A special thank you to Richard and Catherine Steele who continue to support Mazol Shriners by donating a painting each year. I am happy to say that the ticket sales on this year's beautiful painting, "Humps and Hollows" totalled \$1415.00.

From the bottom of my heart and on behalf of all our Shrine Children, thank you for your support!

Lady Sharon Rose





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OUR OI SUPPORT KITS



When parents travel or live far away from a hospital, they often have to splint their child when a break or sprain occurs. Developed following the initiative of fellow patient Carter Brown and his family, a multidisciplinary team at the Hospital worked together to create this OI Support Kit for families with children affected by OI. This allows parents and caregivers to manage a child's fracture and pain in a safe manner. Each kit includes all material required to splint a fracture, an instructional video – animated by our expert casting nurses Pierre Ouellet & Marilyn Provost – as well as cue cards and a memory game to distract the child during splinting.

Due to the generosity of many donors, we are able to supply this kit free of charge to each of the 360 families living with OI who are followed at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Canada. The fundraising campaign was launched in September 2017 and was the focus of Giving Tuesday that year. Our fundraising efforts really began to reach new heights when First Lady Sharon Rose of Mazol Shriners embraced this initiative as her First Lady Program for 2018. Thanks to her leadership, inspiration and drive, we have raised over \$60,000 for this program.

The OI Support Kits have been distributed by the nursing staff in the clinic since early June 2018 and have made a difference for 182 families thus far. The hospital was also able to establish an online ordering process for the families who wish to complete their kits once they have used some items. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, reordering is also free of charge.

***Congratulations to all those who had the vision
to see what we can accomplish together.***





\$20,000 Donation from Hebron

On November 13th, Ill. Sir Paul Rose was asked to attend a meeting in Downtown St. John's with the executive of the Hebron Project Employers Association (HPEA). At that gathering he was joined by representatives of a dozen leading charities, including the Janeway Children's Hospital Foundation and Ronald McDonald House. Attendees had been told in advance that there would be charitable donations made to them by the HPEA. As a result Mazol was presented with a cheque for \$20,000. This was a tremendous surprise and greatly appreciated. A formal cheque presentation took place on November 27th at Bally Haly Golf and Country Club. The Potentate was accompanied by a Treasurer, Noble Bruce. Special thanks to Ill. Sir John Brake for being instrumental in having Mazol chosen as one of the charities of choice.





Annual Installation and Stated Meeting Schedule and Details

January 25th & 26th, 2019

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, January 25th, 2019

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

Saturday, January 26th, 2019

9:00 am Annual Stated Meeting
Mazol Shrine Centre
(Club Dress & Fez)
(2019 Dues Card Required)

11:00am Ladies Brunch** (\$35.00)
Holiday Inn
(Red Scarf)

1:30pm Potentate's Hospitality, Holiday Inn, Room 416

3:30pm Installation of Mazol Shrine Temple Divan
Holiday Inn (Open to Public)
(Formal Dress & Fez)

7:00pm Banquet and Dance** (\$110.00 dbl)
Holiday Inn* with Live Music
(Formal Dress and Fez)

12:00 Midnight Potentate's Hospitality, Holiday Inn, Room 416

* A block of standard rooms are available at the Holiday Inn with King Size or two Double Beds at a cost of \$109.00 (plus tax) per night. Reservations can be made directly with the hotel at 709-722-0506 , let them know that you are part of "Mazol Shriners" to avail of the special rate.

** For tickets to the Ladies Brunch and the Banquet, please contact Karen at the Shrine office by calling 364-1591 or by email at shrine@nf.aibn.com.

CHIEF RABBAN'S NIGHT "MEET & GREET"

Noble Robert Barrett invites you and your Lady to the Mazol Shrine Centre
January 25th, 2019 at 8:00pm

(Club Dress and Fez)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 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 – 1st and 2nd 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, App. \$200
White Dinner Jacket, App \$200
Tux Shirt, App. \$60
Black Tux Trousers, App. \$150

Blue Jacket, App. \$275
Beige Shirt, App. \$30
Brown Trousers, App. \$60



Our Patient Story: Cameron Cull

Meet Cameron Thomas, the Son of Charlene Cull and Leon Thomas. Cameron is a Shriner patient from Springdale, Newfoundland and Labrador. He is an enthusiastic 6 year old and is in grade one at Indian River Academy. He is very fond of his cat Sparkey whom he shares with his big brother Dylan.

Cameron was born with a severe bilateral clubbed foot, making walking extremely difficult. After contacting Mazol Shriners, Noble Ralph Miller sprang into action and, as Cameron's Mom said, "we began our new journey".

Cameron's first trip to Shriners Hospital for Children in Montreal was on July 26, 2017 where he met Dr. Thierry Benaroch and several other medical professionals. They explained to Cameron and Mom how they could help him walk better. Thus began a series of surgeries to help correct Cameron's foot.

Cameron and his parents are completely overwhelmed by the Shrine support and medical care at the Shriner's Hospital in Montreal. This is so evident with Cameron. He was excited to take part in the Shriners Fezeroo fundraiser and sold in excess of 800 tickets. When asked why he did it, his response was, "now everyone will be able to have straight feet like me".

Noble Larry Grandy





Gander War Memorial Service

On Nov. 11, 2018 at the Gander War Memorial, Noble Scott Granville and myself were standing awaiting our turn to lay a wreath on behalf of the Gander Shrine Club. We were approached by a parent, Lori Kelly who said on behalf of her family she wished to thank us for the work that Shriners do especially have done for her 6 year old son, Daniel. Daniel has made numerous trips to Montreal Shriners Hospital.

During our conversation Noble Scott asked if Daniel was here and if so, would she consent to have him assist us in the laying of the wreath. She gladly agreed and Daniel was soon standing with us awaiting our turn. This was such a fortuitous and wonderful occasion to have the opportunity of having not only a Parent publicly thank us for what we do, but to actually have a patient assist us in doing such a public action.



Mazol Shriners Recognized in the House of Assembly

On December 5th, for the second time this year, Mazol was invited to the House of Assembly for special recognition. This time the invitation came from the Hon. Steve Crocker, Minister of Transportation and Works. Minister Crocker had attended the Annual NL Construction Association(NLCA) Luncheon in November at the Mazol Shrine Centre and was greatly impressed to learn of the relationship between the NLCA and Mazol. This relationship over the past 12 years has seen Mazol receive a total of \$395,000 from the NLCA. Minister Crocker recognized NLCA member companies who have contributed to the fundraising efforts of Mazol since 2003, and thanked the many dedicated volunteers of Mazol, both past and present, who have worked tirelessly to achieve this significant milestone. Ill. Sir Paul Rose was joined by Recorder Ill. Sir Bill Smith , and Assistant Rabban Dave Pike, for this event.





NSA 2019 Update

The NSA Organizing Committee continues to meet every other week. Planning and co-ordination of activities has been the primary focus of most meetings to date. The Committee is pleased to announce that Noble Doug Ash from the Gander Shrine Club has joined and will assume the role of Fundraising Chair.

The event website NSA2019.com is now fully up and running, and contains answers to most of the questions that Nobles may have in mind. Also, Committee members are available and will be only to glad to answer your questions.

The Mid-Winter Meeting is scheduled for March 7-10, 2019 in Corner Brook. As a Noble of Mazol we encourage you to attend, not just to learn about NSA 2019, but to meet the Imperial Officers who will be participating, and bringing with them the latest information on our Philanthropy and Hospital Network. There will be no registration costs for members of Mazol, except that meal will be at your expense.

In the New Year we hope to be able to call on all Nobles and Ladies to assist with all the work that will need to be done...Stay Tuned!

We would like to wish all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Noble Barrett
President NSA 2019



Mary Likes her Jeep Cherokee

Mary Fontaine of Trepassey was the winner of this year's Fezeroo. On October 24th she was joined by her family, and received the keys to a 2019 Jeep Cherokee at Hickman's Chrysler in St. John's. Ill.. Sir Paul Rose and Hickman's Sales Manager, Keith Taylor conducted the presentation. Mazol extends its thanks to the Hickman Group for their continued support and we wish Mary all the best with her new Jeep.

We would also like to thank all those who purchased tickets this year from our Nobles and commercial sellers.





Meet a Shriner - Noble Ralph Mayo

Introduce Yourself

My name is Noble Ralph Mayo.

My hometown is the community of Burin on the Burin Peninsula. I am a member of The Boot Shrine Club and over the past 30 years I have served as President of the club for 5 years. I stepped down as President in December of this year, but I still serve on the Board of Directors.

Why did you become a Shriner?

Well, that is a long story that goes back to my youth and my Father. He was a Mason and I had a deep respect for him. He earned his living as a Deep-Sea Diver for Fishery Products and he would take me and my brother on trips with him, to give him a hand, when he travelled around the province. After a while observing my Father at work, I noticed that wherever he went, he knew all kinds of people. Why is that, I asked him? He told me it was because he was a Mason, and because of that he had friends everywhere. I learned very early in life that being a Mason meant that you had lots of friends and that stuck with me and influenced my thinking and opinion of the craft. I eventually became a Mason in 1972 when I joined Cabot Lodge in Port Aux Basques. From there I went on to become a Shriner in 1985 when I joined the Boot Shrine Club. I can thank my Father for where I am today as a Mason and a Shriner.



What is your proudest moment of being a Shriner?

My proudest moment was meeting a Shrine patient on a ferry crossing some 5 years after my club had assisted him. In 1991 I had received a call from Noble Doug Alteen, of what was then the Corner Brook Shine Club and now The Long Range Shrine Club, asking if our club had any money. They needed \$15,000 to pay for an air ambulance for a Michael Gaultois, who had just been severely burned in a cabin fire. We had the money and gladly donated it. On the ferry in 1996, where I worked as an Engineer, I noticed Michael, whom I had never met but had seen pictures of him. I went up to Him and asked if I had the right person and he was surprised that I knew of him. I told the story of my involvement through the Boot Shrine Club and he was very happy I made myself known to him. Over the years we have stayed in touch up to this day. He is now a motivational speaker for Fire Safety and travels around to high schools, Fire Departments, hospitals and whenever he is asked, to tell his story and the Shriners story of the help he received. He calls himself the “Million Dollar Man”, because of all the money the Shriners have spent on him to make him well. He had an opportunity to travel for a speaking engagement in Boston and at the same time got to meet with the Doctors and nurses at the Boston Shriners International Hospital where he was air-lifted to first receive treatment many years ago. They all knew him and welcomed him back. Michael went on to graduate with a Degree in Psychology from Memorial University and has a partner with a young son. As a Shriner, the greatest reward is in meeting our patients, especially many years after their treatments, and seeing the miracles that our Shriners Hospitals and their people have performed. It puts a lump in my throat.

Could you tell me a story about being a Shriner in public?

Well, I have been very active in my Shrine Club. As I said, I have served as President some 5 years over the last 30 years. We carry out special activities like, calling Bingo every week, which is a collaboration with three other organizations in the area. The funds we raise help us to support our Mazol Patient Travel Fund and other causes. Over the years we have raised \$25,000 for Burin Peninsula Health Care. As a club we are very proud that some years ago we pledged to raise, over 10 years, \$100,000 for our Shriners International Hospital in Montreal. We did it in 5 years. I had the privilege in May of this year to visit our Montreal Hospital and I was totally amazed at the facility and the wonderful environment for our patients. I wish every Noble could visit and see first hand this place of miracles. We also sell tickets for the Mazol Temple such as for the Annual Fezeroo. When I wear my Fez in Public, I get only the best of respect from the public because, those that know what Shriners do, are very appreciative and they tell you about it. Being a Shriner is very rewarding in that way. I have to add that I would not have been able to support my Masonic Lodge and The Boot like I have without the full support of my wife Roberta. **Together it seems we can do anything.**



Noble Ralph Mayo

Noble Keith Boone



A Christmas Collage





A Year in Review

The year started with Mazol's Annual AGM and Installation on January 20th . at the Holiday Inn in St. John's. The new Potentate, Ill. Sir Paul Rose and his Divan were installed by the Ceremonial Divan from the Compass Club in Mount Pearl. That ceremony was followed by the annual banquet, attended by 140 Nobles and their Ladies. Lady Sharon and I were humbled by the huge support!

In April the Potentate and Lady Sharon were joined by Chief Rabban Robert Barrett and Lady Zana on the first official Visit of the year, to the joint Lake Melville / Ptarmigan Shrine Club Visit in Goose Bay. A great weekend was organized by the Club, which was highlighted by the attendance 11 Shriner's Patients. It was heartwarming to see the children join in the festivities.

In May it was the much-anticipated Visit to Karnak Temple in Montreal. This weekend was followed by the Seminar and Visit to our Canadian Shriners's Hospital. Mazol was proud to have the largest Temple representation at the seminar; all thanks to Nobles and Ladies from the Long Range, Boot and Gander Shrine Clubs. It was also a proud moment for Lady Sharon as she was recognized by he Hospital for her involvement with the new national OI splint kit initiative.



The Potentate's Island Visitations started in June involving the Clarendville, Boot, Gander and Lewisporte Shrine Clubs. These events were very well attended by the Nobles and their Ladies, and as usual featured great hospitality and superb meals.

The Imperial Session was held in Daytona Beach, Florida, in July. A detached retina prevented the Potentate's attendance. Nonetheless, Mazol was represented by Divan members Barrett, Peckford, Tucker, and their Ladies.

Later that month the Summer Ceremonial was held in St. John's. Mazol was proud to host Counterparts from several Temples in the Northeast Shrine Association. The event was highlighted by an "Out of this World" banquet at the Johnson Geo Centre on Signal Hill. We were grateful to Kelly Thorstad who made the trip from our hospital. The evening featured our Shrine Patient, Brandon Bowen who told his own story and entertained the audience with several local tunes on his accordion. There weren't many dry eyes in the room following his performance.



In August Tunis Temple held their Annual Potentate's weekend in Brockville, ON. Ill. Sir Paul and Lady Sharon represented Mazol.



The Labor Day Weekend saw the annual visit to the H.W. Duffett Shriners R.V. Park in Eastport. Divan members and their Ladies enjoyed two days of top notch hospitality thanks to the members of the Park. Highlights of the weekend included the Annual Shriners Concert and Silent Auction, and the bicycle trek by Wayne Hounsell from Gander in aid of Mazol. He raised more than \$5,000 for the cause. Thank you for your dedication. The Sunday morning gospel concert was a beautiful way to end the weekend and this year your Divan performed their rendition of "I'll Fly Away". Wondering if the park residents ever recovered!

In mid September Mazol Nobles and ladies attended the Northeast Shrine Association's Fall Field Days in Rutland, Vermont. This year's NSA was attended by 300 Nobles and Ladies from the Region. The weekend saw an impressive Shriner's Parade in Downtown Rutland as well as the traditional competition between the various Temple Units. The local Temple, Cairo Shriners, did a superb job offering three days of outdoor hospitality amid 30 degree temperatures.

The Luxor/Philae Visit took place this year in Saint John, NB. It brought together Shriners from the Maritimes and the U.S. The highlight of the weekend was the tour of the breathtaking Fundy Trail aboard the Philae trolley car.

The off-Island visits concluded in October with the "TriFecta" in Bangor, ME. The event is hosted by the three Temples in Maine, Anah, Kora and Bektash. The Saturday evening banquet drew a crowd upwards to 400 Nobles and Ladies. That same evening Mazol's Robert Barrett was awarded the NSA Chief Rabban's Toilet Seat Award for service above and beyond the call of duty. Congratulations to Noble Barrett.

In November, visits took place to the Compass Club, Mount Pearl, and the Trinity Conception Club in Carbonear. At both locations the Potentate and Divan performed the annual installation of the Club Executives. One highlight of note, at the TC Club, was a presentation to the Potentate of \$9800 by Miss Junior Miss NL, Rachel Graham. The money was raised by the Pageant's contestants.

The year concluded with the St. John's Club Visit. Divan members installed the Club Executive for 2019.

As we approach the new year, may the closeness of friends, the comforts of home and the unity of our Mazol community, renew your spirits this festive season.

Paul Rose and Lady Sharon





A Message from your Imperial Potentate

Dear Fellow Nobles and Shriners Hospitals for Children Staff Members,

We wish each of you Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year! We also want to thank you for your commitment and dedication to the missions of Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children® this past year. The holiday season is a time to celebrate and treasure family and friends. Each of you is part of our huge, extended global family, and we are pleased to share this special time of year with you. Some say that hope is an important part of the holidays. Your efforts help us to bring hope to our patients and families – and one another – every day of the year; so you could say we keep the spirit of the holidays present throughout the year, which is a very good thing. Your ongoing efforts, dedication and commitment make this possible. Because of you, children are able to take their first steps, recover from significant injuries, and go on to chase their dreams and have lives full of hope and promise.

It is the combined individual effort and commitment of every single one of you that has made our health care system and our fraternity respected worldwide. Together, we truly do improve lives, and make the world a better place.

During the holiday season, many of you participate in a wide variety of initiatives – from toy drives to motorcycle runs to raffles – to ensure that children and families will have a joy-filled time – complete with toys, food and all the other festive items of this time of year. We thank you for giving your time and talents to support these efforts, as well.

As 2018 comes to a close, and we begin to anticipate a New Year, we wish you and your families a wonderful year, full of hope, promise, peace, prosperity and good health. We also ask that our nobles spend some time reflecting on their fraternity and philanthropy, and re-commit to being as involved and active as possible, and to supporting local, national and international efforts and initiatives. It truly does take the total effort and energy of each of us to impact the world around us. If you're not sure how you can take a more active role, speak with your temple leadership. There are always ways to participate. And, we ask that our staff continue their incredible efforts on behalf of our patients and families, and continue to support the necessary studies and initiatives to revise and strengthen our delivery of health care. Remember that Together We Can accomplish amazing things! We look forward to continuing to work with you, and to continuing to make a difference in the lives of children, and in our communities.

Finally, together with our ladies, Patsy and Lisa, we thank you for all that you do for our two great organizations, and wish you holidays full of memorable times with family and friends, and a wonderful New Year. Enjoy every moment and every memory this special season brings.

Yours in the faith,

Jim Cain
Imperial Potentate
Shriners International

Jerry G. Gantt
Chairman, Board of Trustees
Shriners Hospitals for Children



Black Camel

Deepest sympathy from the Illustrious Potentate, the Divan and all Nobles of Mazol is extended to the families of these deceased Nobles.

March

William Osmond

April

Wilfred Folks

May

Bert Guzzwell
Sam Roberts
Fred Cook

June

Paul Bugden
Ross Cull

July

George Fiander
Kenneth Bazilsky

September

Lewis Crummey
H. David Handrihan

October

Gil Deering

November

Gerald Mercer
Robert Dunham

December

William Bennett



Notes from the Editor's Desk

Nobles,

It is my pleasure to have served as the Public Relation Chair for Mazol during 2018 and I wish next year's Chair every success. Thank you, Ill Sir Paul, for giving me this opportunity to serve the Nobles of Mazol. I would like to thank the members of your Public Relations team who have worked very hard to produce a very professional document that is both timely and interesting ...A job well done Mr. Josh Bourden and a personal thank you from me.

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Fraternally,

Ill Sir Lorne R. Warren PP

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