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Dear Nobles and Ladies,

Thanks everyone for helping to get this year off to a great start. I first would like to thank P.P. Dennis Belford and his Lady Paula for heading up our Public Installation. Kim and I were so honored, also to see a great man like Scott Jones and his Lady Kim be installed... it was a great day!

The Ambassadors meeting had a great turnout; these outlying clubs do a great job for our children. Thank you each and every one for what you do.

Our first Stated Meeting we did a little different but feel it was a huge success. I would like to thank Scott Jones for volunteering to cook dinner; the chili was great. The Kitchen crew did a wonderful job serving dinner and I think the ladies and men were well pleased. We had one of the largest turnouts for a Stated Meeting in a long time. I hope each of you we pleased with how the evening went and remember my door is always open if you have suggestions or concerns about the night. We are going to be open to any new ideas you might have this year. Our main focus this year is Membership and Retention.

Remember to attend the Lodge in your area and be on the lookout for new candidates. If we work together we can make a child's dream come true! To better do this we need to grow our Shrine to better fund our Hospitals.

Please bring your Valentine to the "Queen of Hearts" Valentine's Dance on February 13th. The doors open at 5:30, 6:30 dinner and dance to follow. Come out, enjoy the band, KEY LARGO and have a great dinner. You can purchase your tickets through the office or any of the Divan members; the cost is \$25 per person and remember you cannot purchase tickets at the door; you must purchase your ticket by February 10th. Kim and I hope to see you at the Valentine's Party!

Please plan to attend the Potentate's Ball "Al Menah Shrine Nobility 2016 Celebration, A Southern Gathering" on April 1st & 2nd. Our host Hotel is the Clarion Nashville Downtown Stadium. The rooms will run \$109 per night; you can reserve your room by calling 615-254-1551 and ask for the "Shriners 2016 room block." We will be hosting hospitality Friday night, Saturday afternoon and the afterglow Saturday night after the Ball. We would be honored to have you to come and be a part of our Celebration. Transportation will be provided to and from the Temple. Reservations must be in by March 2nd to get this price. If you need more information please call me or Nicole Kaplanis at the Clarion.

**"One Team One Dream"**

**Jeff Head, Potentate**

**615-310-9009**



# From the desk of...

## CHIEF RABBAN



What a great month we had in January...getting off to a good start. The Potentate, Divan and Ladies are working hard to make this a successful year for Al Menah.

The Public Installation was well received thanks to Dennis Belford, PP and his committee. It was good to see the big turnout for the Installation.

The Divan met with the Ambassadors, Club Presidents and Unit Captains and reviewed the upcoming events and programs for

2016. There were several good presentations on many subjects. The Paper Sale and Membership are the top priorities for 2016. Thanks to everyone who attended.

Our new format for the Stated Meeting was very well received. The food was good and the fellowship with the Nobles and Ladies was even better.

The Hillbilly Meeting was a blast as usual, thanks to all who came out and participated.

This month we will have our Annual Valentine Party on Feb. 13th. You can purchase your tickets from any of the Divan members or from the office, \$25.00 per person. Phil "Fat Rabbit" Parman and his committee will be working hard to make this an outstanding event.

Our new Membership Chairman, Sam Isbell and Co-Chairman Dale Pewitt are working hard to increase our membership. If you are interested in helping with this campaign please contact Sam, Dale or any of the Divan members.

This year Lady Tracy and I, along with the Circus Committee will be sell our Ring Master Club pins and encouraging everyone to sell ads for the Circus Program. Please support this fund raiser. The circus and the dues we receive from our members are the only revenue we have to keep our Temple doors open. We want to thank you in advance for your support of the Al Menah Circus.

**Yours in faith,  
Chief Rabban  
Frank Hester**

## ASSISTANT RABBAN



Great night at January Al Menah Stated Meeting. Thank you, Potentate Jeff Head for trying something new, and it worked. Also, all the Nobles and Ladies for having an open mind!

I hope everyone buys tickets and attends the Valentine Party. It will be a steak dinner and fun fellowship. (Tickets \$25 each. See Divan or Office).

Please help Chief Rabban Frank Hester make the circus successful and join the Ringmaster Club. Nobles, start selling Circus Ads!!!

Lady Tammy and myself encourage each of you to come enjoy all the events at Al Menah.

**Asst. Rabban  
Horace Perkins III**

## HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET



Happy Valentine's Day to you and those special people in your life! Make sure that the Al Menah office has your current email address! You will want to receive the email blast that goes out each week to keep up to date on all the happenings at our Shrine Center.

You will also want to register at [shrinersvillage.com](http://shrinersvillage.com). All you need is your name and ID number to get all the information from Shriner's International. Also, be sure to go to YouTube to check out all the latest

Shriner Hospital Videos.

Be looking for good Masons who would make good Shriners for our upcoming ceremonial in April.

Hope to see you all at the Valentine Party on February 13!

**High Priest and Prophet  
Randy Williams**

## ORIENTAL GUIDE



We are off to a busy start for the New Year. It has been great visiting the Shrine Clubs across the mid-state. Our goal is to visit as many Shrine Clubs as possible.

We are in search of several Chairman from our Blue Lodges that will visit the Blue Lodges in their county. If you are active in your county lodge, then we are requesting your help. A form is located in this Shriner with additional information.

Hope to see everyone at the Valentine Party. Until we meet again, warm wishes.

**Oriental Guide  
Scott Jones**

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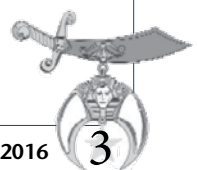
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## **DUTIES:**

1. Promote Shrine Hospitals and the services we provide.
2. Contact and introduce himself to the master of each assigned lodge.
3. Present information and handouts when provided.
4. Maintain a log of each Blue Lodge visit and submit a written quarterly summary to the Zone Chairman.
5. Contact each mason presented a membership petition to provide opportunity for questions and additional information.

### **Blue Lodge Chairman Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell # : \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

If this is something you are interested in, please contact one of the following:

Sam Isbell  
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615-579-0765  
[sisbell@eml1.com](mailto:sisbell@eml1.com)

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# **JOIN US IN ROYAL STYLE**

**AL MENAH SHRINE  
"QUEEN OF HEARTS"  
VALENTINE'S DANCE**

**SATURDAY, FEB. 13TH**

**DOORS OPEN AT 5:30**

**DINNER AT 6:30**

**DANCE AT 7:30**

**Music by "Key Largo"**

**BYOB - SET UPS PROVIDED**

**\$25.00 PER PERSON**

**TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE OFFICE**

**OR FROM ANY DIVAN MEMBER**

**DEADLINE IS FEB. 10TH**

**For More Info:**

**Contact Phil Parman @ 615-268-6547 or 615-268-4140**



# CENTER NEWS

## AL MENAH BAND

The band is GROWING with new members and we are excited. New players, and possibly a whole new group. Pull out that instrument and come join us.

Thanks to all for the things being done to support the band.

**Victor Smith**  
Captain

## CLOWNS

The Fabulous AL Menah Clowns are ready for 2016! Captain Geoff 'Sticks' King has his calendar planned and we can expect lots of good times, fraternal fellowship and fund raising activities for our kids. We are looking forward to working closely with the Divan, other Units and clubs this year.

The second annual Football Party will be held in the Clown room on Feb. 7th. We will have the TV on so you can keep up with the game while having fun with your friends. Please bring hors d'oeuvres to share and BYOB.

We will be holding our first Daytona 500 party scheduled for February 21st in the Clown room. Come enjoy this annual event. Let's all participate and have fun this year.

We have added several new clowns in 2015 and already have petitions for consideration from the last ceremonial.

"If by chance someday you're not feeling well and you should remember some silly thing I've said or done and it brings back a smile to your face or a chuckle to your heart, then my purpose as your clown has been fulfilled." Red Skelton

**Frank "Froggy" Wilson**  
Secretary

## DIRECTOR'S STAFF

A new year & a great start with the kickoff & installation of our Potentate, Jeff Head for 2016! Thank you to all who were in attendance

and for showing your support for our Divan members. Our upcoming Valentine's Dinner will soon be here & plans are underway for its theme, "Queen of Hearts." Bring your Queen or your King to the party, Feb. 13th with doors opening at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm & the dance beginning at 7:30 pm. Note: BYOB set ups will be provided and tickets may be purchased \$50 per couple at the office or from any Divan member the deadline ending Feb. 10th. There will be NO tickets sold at the door.

Just a friendly reminder regarding dues for 2016. Dues will be paid directly to Headquarters this year. If you need more information regarding where to send your dues or if you have questions, please contact the office. We want to take a moment to congratulate Joe Stroud, Captain of Directors staff for 2016 as we are looking forward to a great year of fellowship & fun under his leadership!

Upcoming events include the yearly Potentate's trip to the Dominican Republic, Stated meeting Feb 16th Dinner at 6pm with the ladies, followed by the monthly Stated meeting & unit meetings. Please note, the ladies will retire to the Vision building following dinner. This is a new approach to our monthly meeting; let's show our support.

We would like to take a moment and remember our sick, Billy & June Burgess, Don & Janie Young, Rick Rider & any other Brothers or their families, as we pray for their health & strength & send well wishes. Also, in recognition of our freedoms & ability to belong to such a Grand Organization, we thank our service members working tirelessly, both abroad & at home and recognize their families as well who sacrifice so much that we may be free. God Bless our Temple & members, God Bless America & may we always remember we are One Team, with but One Dream.

**Cordially,**  
**Lt. Randy D. Byram**

## GREETERS

Al Menah Shrine is off to a running start in 2016 with lots of new ideas,

The Valentine Dance was Fantastic (it was great seeing so many of our New Nobles mixing in with the crowd, with new friend made all around)

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the Easter Egg Hunt March 26th, the Potentate's Ball April 2nd and Ceremonial April 9th and that's just the First Quarter of the year. We look forward to seeing all of you at

as many Shrine functions as you can make, as well as the Greeters events

We want to welcome Noble Kirk Hunt and his Lady Laura as the our newest member of the Greeters.

Although the Paper Sale Week-end is still to come (April 4th-8th) we should still be selling paper, the drive is on-going. Remember plaque sales run year round.

We all should be gearing up to sell the circus Ads. Start making a list of everyone you trade with, each and every one of them is a GREAT PROSPECT for an Ad. Start with a large Ad and go down to a smaller one if you have to. Don't forget the NEW Name Sponsor ad at just \$10.00

How about that delicious dinner provided by the Temple at our last meeting

Keep in our prayers all those that are hurting or sick as well as our Armed Forces in Harm's way.

**Lou Becker**

## D&B MOUNTAINEERS

Our January meeting could be called monumental for our Shrine Center's future. A very good crowd of folks mixing together and having a good time. As you are aware this was our first changed monthly meeting with an opportunity to bring your Lady along. We had a chili supper with desserts which was great on a cold January night.

Our meetings, Shrine and Units went very well with the timing working out great. The ladies meeting also went well. The best part of the meetings was the membership who came. I have not seen a crowd this large in many years. Congratulations Al Menah!!! Good planning brings success.

For you Mountaineers that didn't show you missed a good night. I ain't gonna name you but all I can say is OUCH!

I would like to welcome our newest Mountaineer, who is the world's most famous photo man--- Bro. Jesse Riggs. I am sure you would agree Jesse would have a hard time cleaning them Mountaineers up for a photo shoot. Congratulations Jesse.

In closing, support our Shrine Center's new meeting program. Enlist a new brother in the Shrine. Pray for our Shrine children, our troops in harms way and keep your powder dry.

**Until next time,**  
**Captain Ray Cravens**  
**615-587-3247**



## LEGION OF HONOR

We are off to a good year here in the Legion of Honor. We welcomed a new noble to your unit, Jason Robinson. I am sure he will be an active member not only in our unit but the Shrine also. We also named four nobles as honorary members. They are Past Potentate Dennis Belford, Past Potentate Carl Barnes, Past Potentate Mike Van Sant, and Kenny Loftis. I am sure that they are very proud to be honorary members.

We recently had a great turnout for our Christmas dinner and instillation of our new officers. It is going to be a very productive year in the Legion of Honor. We would like to thank Dennis Belford and his crew from the motor core for providing an amazing meal. I know they put a lot of effort and time for this undertaking. Their time and effort are much appreciated from our unit.

**Troy Smith**

## MOTOR CORPS

Happy New Year!! I hope everyone enjoyed the new change in stated meeting nights. This is an awesome change to the old schedule! The next stated meeting is February 16. Dinner for Nobles and Ladies is at 6, followed by the stated meeting and unit meeting at 7:30.

Parades, parades, parades! The Erin parade is coming up. Shine those motors, polish that chrome. The captain wants a great turn out. The Al Menah Valentine's Party is Saturday, February 13th. Doors are at 5:30 with dinner at 6:30 and dancing begins at 7:30. BYOB. Tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased at the office or from any Divan member. The deadline is February 10th, no tickets will be sold at the door, so get your tickets today!

Ladies, you are not forgotten... You are cordially invited to a welcome luncheon, "Hearts and Hyacinths" on February 14th. Social hour begins at 11, lunch at noon in the Dining Room at Al Menah. This is a great time for you to meet and fellowship with the other ladies and share an amazing meal. We will discuss this year's plans, and brainstorm on future events. Must RSVP to Lady Debbie Parman at [dlparman@comcast.net](mailto:dlparman@comcast.net) or 615-268-4140. We can't wait to see you there!!

Support our Chief Rabban Frank Hester and Lady Tracy and their Ringmaster Club. Contact Frank, Fat Rabbit or Van Miller for more information.

We have a lot going on in the Motor Corps this year! Be a part of it! Attend your Blue

Lodge and spread the word about membership. Always keep others in your prayers.

Ride with Pride – Keep the Spirit Alive!!

**Noble Joey Holder**  
**Journalist**

## PROVOST GUARD

We are excited and welcome our new 2016 officers under the leadership of Captain- Barry Cassetty, Lieutenant- Josh Waynick, Treasurer- Chris Vigil, Secretary- Ken Loftis, Sgt. At Arms- Gordon Macdonald. We are prepared for a great year under their leadership.

And also our Provost Guard meeting will be on Tuesday evening beginning at 6:00pm before the temple stated meeting.

**Secretary**  
**Ken Loftis**

## SHRINE CLUB NEWS

### Hendersonville Shrine Club

Congratulations to Potentate Jeff Head and the rest of the Divan on making a few changes to make 2016 an outstanding year for Al Menah Temple.

A big event is our Valentine Party. This year it will be Saturday, February 13th featuring the Key Largo Band. The doors will open at 5:30pm, dinner at 6:30pm and entertainment to follow. Buy your tickets at the Temple or from a Divan member. Tickets are \$25 each and must be bought by February 10th. "NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR". It's a BYOB party.

Once again, I would like to invite any Shriner in our area to come out and fellowship with the Hendersonville Shrine Club. We meet on the 4th Monday of each month at the Black-Eye-Pea Restaurant at 164 East Main Street in Hendersonville. We would love for you to join us to share good food, fellowship and share your ideas with us.

Nobles, remember February is the month we choose to honor the ones we love, so send them some flowers, take them out and tell them how much you love them.

Let's remember to keep our Temple, our kids, our sick and those who have lost loved ones in our prayers and thank God for this great country of ours.

**Boyd Parnell**  
**President**

### Williamson County Shrine Club

Welcome to our all our new 2016 Club Officers. Skeet Winstead is the Captain of the WCSC Motor Division and we are looking for new members. Our Motor Division has lots of fun in the Shrine Parades and you will too once you get in! We have Golf Carts – Dune Buggies and a Classy Car Division which includes Convertibles – Hot Rods and Antique Cars. If you have one of these vehicles or would like to acquire one, please come on down and we can help you become one of our members.

We have been working on our Calendar and programs for our meetings and we think you will be happy with it.

Our Club meets on the third Thursday of the Month, 6:00 pm at Logan's Steakhouse in Cool Springs. We have an interesting program each Month to entertain you. Come on down, visit with us and have some fun! You will be glad you did.

Our number one thing is helping the Shrine Hospitals and our number two thing is to have fun doing it! Our total for 2015 was around \$34,000.00. Thank you for all who helped WCSC SHINE and have success on the paper sale.

Nobles, please remember to thank God every day for the freedom we enjoy in this Great Country!

Shriners Help Children!

**Butch Mays,**  
**WCSC President**

## Notice:

**Schedule for**

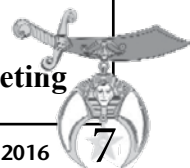
**February 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Stated Meeting:**

**Captain's Meeting – 5:30pm**

**Dinner – 6:00pm**

**Stated Meeting**  
**to follow Dinner**

**Unit Meetings**  
**to follow Stated Meeting**





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# From the Recorders Desk

These Bylaws were introduced at the January Stated Meeting.  
They will be voted on at the February Stated Meeting.

## BYLAWS OF AL MENAH SHRINERS

### Preamble

This temple is governed by the articles of incorporation and bylaws of Shriners International, an Iowa corporation, and the following bylaws not inconsistent therewith.

### Article I

#### Name, Seal & Jurisdiction

- 1.1 Name.** This temple shall be known as Al Menah Shriners. It was granted a charter on May 13, 1913 by Shriners International.
- 1.2 Location.** It shall be located in the community designated by its charter.
- 1.3 Seal.** The seal of Al Menah Shriners shall consist of two concentric circles between the circumferences of which are the words Al Menah Shriners. An impression and facsimile shall be deposited with the Imperial Recorder.
- 1.4 Flag.** The official flag of this temple shall be described by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 1.5 Jurisdiction.** The territorial jurisdiction of this temple is governed by the provision of the bylaws of Shriners International.

### ARTICLE 2

#### Temple Membership

- 2.1 Prerequisites.** Membership in this temple, including a candidate's petition and balloting thereon, is governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.2 Affiliation.** Affiliation into this temple is governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.3 Associate Membership.** Associate membership in this temple is governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.4 Retention of Membership.** Retention of membership in this temple is governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.5 Demit.** The procedure for a demit is governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.6 Suspension or Termination of Membership.** Suspension and termination of membership in this temple are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.7 Life Memberships.** Life memberships in this temple are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.8 Honorary Membership.** Honorary membership in this temple is governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.9 Discipline.** The discipline of a member of this temple, for any cause other than nonpayment of dues, is governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 2.10 Complaints to Imperial Potentate.** Complaints or correspondence to the Imperial Potentate are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**2.11 Copies of Temple Bylaws and Shriners International Bylaws.** Each member of the temple shall receive a copy of these temple bylaws; and the recorder of the temple shall allow each member access to a copy of the Imperial bylaws so that they may be read and understood.

### ARTICLE 3

#### Temple Meetings & Ceremonials

- 3.1 Stated Meetings.** A stated meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month (except June & July). The exact hour of all meetings, including the annual meeting, shall be designated by the potentate.
  - (a) December Meeting.** At the December stated meeting, the officers and representatives for the ensuing year shall be elected.
  - (b) Annual Meeting.** The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday in January.
- 3.2 Ceremonial Sessions.** Ceremonial sessions may be called by the potentate at any time.
- 3.3 Special Meetings.** Special meetings may be called by the potentate at any time, but notice must be given to each member stating the business to be considered and no other business than that specified in the call may be transacted.
- 3.4 Sunday Meetings.** No business meeting or ceremonial session shall be held on Sunday, except upon special dispensation of the Imperial Potentate for good and sufficient cause.
- 3.5 Place of Meetings.** The place of all meetings shall be determined by the potentate except as may be otherwise required or restricted by the bylaws of Shriners International.
- 3.6 Notice of Meetings.** At least one week's notice must be given of the time and place of all meetings and ceremonial sessions. The notice may be given in the official temple publication or by letter.
- 3.7 Rules of Order.** Unless otherwise provided by the bylaws of Shriners International, the temple bylaws or resolution, parliamentary procedures shall be governed by *Robert's Rules of Order*.
- 3.8 Admission.** A Noble may not be admitted to this temple unless he exhibits to the temple an official Shrine card for the current year.
- 3.9 Quorum.** A quorum consists of seven members of the temple entitled to vote, one of whom must be the potentate, chief rabban, assistant rabban or a past potentate of the temple.
- 3.10 Order of Business.** The order of business shall be as follows:
  - (a) Opening ceremony
  - (b) Reading of minutes of previous session
  - (c) Reading of communications
  - (d) Reading of financial statements
  - (e) Reading of petitions for membership
  - (f) Balloting on candidates
  - (g) Reports of standing and special committees
  - (h) Unfinished business
  - (i) New business
  - (j) Conferring the ceremonial
  - (k) Closing ceremony

The order of business may be changed or suspended whenever it is in the best interest of the temple.



## ARTICLE 4

### Officers

**4.1 Officers.** The officers of this temple are those listed in the bylaws of Shriners International. No person may hold more than one of the offices at the same time.

**4.2 Nomination.** Candidates for elective office and Representatives must be placed in nomination from the floor. There shall not be more than one nomination speech for a candidate and the speech may not exceed three minutes. Seconding speeches are not required or permitted.

**4.3 Election and Appointment.** The election and appointment of officers are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**4.4 Duties.** The potentate or these temple bylaws assign the duties of officers not governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**4.5 Enthronement and Installation.** The enthronement and installation of the temple officers are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**4.6 Vacancies.** The existence of a vacancy and filling a vacancy are governed by the provisions of the bylaws of Shriners International.

**4.7 Delivery of Records.** Each officer shall deliver all books, papers and other property of the temple in his hands to his successor in office, or to such person and at such time as the temple may direct.

**4.8 Board of Directors.** The composition and duties of the board of directors are enumerated in the bylaws of Shriners International. The board of directors has these additional duties.

- (a) **Leadership Search Committee.** The board of directors may appoint a Leadership Search Committee as allowed by the provisions of the bylaws of Shriners International.
- (b) **Temple Holding Corporation.** The board of directors and the immediate past potentate shall be the board of directors of any temple holding corporation.

## ARTICLE 5

### Initiation Fees, Dues, Per Capita, Hospital Levy

**5.1 Initiation Fee.** The initiation fee shall be determined at a stated or special meeting of the temple after notice has been given to each member stating the proposed amount of the initiation fee. It must be paid in full prior to initiation.

**5.2 Dues.** The annual dues shall be determined at a stated or special meeting of the temple after notice has been given to each member stating the proposed amount of the annual dues. The annual dues shall not be less than prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International. The annual dues do not include the hospital levy or the annual per capita tax required by the bylaws of Shriners International, each of which shall be added to the annual dues. This temple may, by affirmative vote, remit dues of a member for good cause shown either to the temple or a committee selected for that purpose.

- (a) **Suspension for nonpayment.** A member who is one year in arrears on his dues is suspended, pursuant to the procedure recited in the bylaws of Shriners International, unless this temple votes to remit his dues.
- (b) **Restoration.** A member who has been suspended for nonpayment of dues may be restored to membership pursuant to the procedure prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**5.3 Life Memberships.** A member may be granted a life membership in this temple as prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**5.4 Per Capita Tax.** Each member of this temple, other than life per capita members and associate members, shall pay Shriners International per capita tax as prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**5.5 Life Per Capita.** A member may pay the sum prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International and, thereafter, be exempt from the annual per capita tax.

**5.6 Hospital Levy.** Each member of this temple, other than Permanent Contributing Membership purchasers, shall pay the hospital levy as prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International. This temple may remit the hospital levy of a member whose dues have been remitted because of hardship and so advise the Imperial Treasurer.

**5.7 Permanent Contributing Membership.** A member may purchase a Permanent Contributing Membership in the Hospitals as prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International and, thereafter, be exempted from the hospital levy.

**5.8 Assessment.** The temple may levy an assessment on its members as prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

## ARTICLE 6

### Fiscal

**6.1 Fiscal Year.** This temple must arrange its books of account, annual report and audit to conform to the calendar year.

**6.2 Budget.** This temple must adopt an annual budget, which must be in accordance with the Uniform Charts of Accounts prescribed by Shriners International. Its preparation, inspection, presentation, adoption, appropriations, amendments, temple reports and Imperial Recorder filing are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International. There shall be no expenditure of funds except as authorized by the budget.

**6.3 Review.** This temple is required to have its financial statements and those of its affiliated and appendant corporations, including Shrine club holding companies, reviewed, unless an audit is required pursuant to Shrine law, by a certified or chartered public accountant, or the equivalent in the state in which the temple is located, selected by the temple at the close of each year. A copy of the accountant's report and accompanying financial statements must be filed with the Imperial Recorder.

**6.4 Personal Benefit.** No part of the assets or funds may inure to the benefit of individuals personally except in payment for services actually received or performed.

**6.5 Checks and Payment or Transfer of Funds.** Transfers of funds and payment of obligations of this temple shall be made into and from depositories approved by the board of directors, pursuant to procedures adopted by the board of directors, and as otherwise governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**6.6 Required Signatures.** Signatures are required to transfer funds and pay obligations of this temple, in accordance with a resolution adopted by the board of directors, and as otherwise governed by the bylaws of Shriners International. One of the authorized signatures must be the treasurer. All checks and payments must be supported by vouchers or requisitions.

**6.7 Monthly Reports.** Each Noble, committee, unit, or other organization of this temple that is authorized to incur indebtedness or to disburse or collect funds, shall make a detailed financial report, accompanied by receipts or vouchers to the board of directors monthly and at such other times as may be required.

**6.8 Construction Program and Secured or Long Term Obligations.** Prior to commencing a construction program or incurring a secured or long-term debt, as defined by the bylaws of Shriners International, this temple must follow the bylaws of Shriners International.

**6.9 Sale of Temple Assets.** Prior to this temple, or any of its affiliates, selling, leasing, exchanging, mortgaging, pledging or otherwise disposing of all or substantially all of its property or assets, it must follow the bylaws of Shriners International.



**6.10 Fidelity Bond.** The temple must procure a corporate fidelity bond as prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**6.11 Insurance.** The temple must procure insurance policies, and the potentate must appoint an insurance advisory committee, as prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**6.12 Indemnification.** The official divan, committee members, officers and employees shall be indemnified by the temple for all expenses reasonably incurred by them in defending themselves from any proceedings instituted or threatened against them provided the temple votes that they have acted within the scope of their authority and are not guilty of misfeasance or malfeasance.

## ARTICLE 7 Committees

**7.1 Leadership Search Committee.** This temple may have a Leadership Search Committee. Its appointment and duties are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**7.2 Insurance Advisory Committee.** This temple shall have an Insurance Advisory Committee. Its appointment and duties are governed by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**7.3 Other Committees.** The potentate shall appoint such other committees as may be required for the operation of the temple's affairs. Their duties and responsibilities shall not conflict with any provisions of the bylaws of Shriners International or these bylaws.

## ARTICLE 8 Prohibited Practices

**8.1 Unlawful Activities.** It is unlawful for this temple, or any unit or club under its control, or any group of its members, or any member acting for or on behalf of the temple, to promote or take part in any engagement or enterprise prohibited by the law of the land.

**8.2 Shrine Law.** A Noble may not violate Shrine law. The provisions of Shrine law are found in the articles of incorporation and bylaws of Shriners International and any general or special orders at the time in effect.

**8.3 Alcoholic Beverages.** The consumption of alcoholic beverages during parades and ceremonials is forbidden by those Nobles participating therein.

## ARTICLE 9 Temple Units & Shrine Clubs

**9.1 Approval.** No temple unit or shrine club may be organized, or continue to exist, without the express written approval of the potentate.

**9.2 Bylaws.** No temple unit or shrine club may be organized until its bylaws have been approved in writing by the potentate. No amendments to such bylaws are effective until approved in writing by the potentate. The potentate may direct such modifications of the bylaws as he deems appropriate.

### 9.3 Membership.

- (a) **Units.** Temple units must be composed solely of members of this temple. The fez of the temple must be worn at all appropriate times except for such units which do not normally wear fezzes.

- (b) **Clubs.** Temple shrine clubs may include Nobles of other temples. All members of the shrine club who are regular or associate members of Al Menah Shriners are eligible to hold office.

- (c) **Election of Officers.** The temple units and shrine clubs shall elect their officers for the ensuing year no later than December. The list of the elected officers is to be presented to the recorder of the temple by the last day of December for approval by the incoming temple potentate.

**9.4 Records.** The temple units and shrine clubs shall keep such financial records and inventories as directed by the potentate.

**9.5 Funds.** The assets of shrine clubs and temple units belong to this temple. However, in the discretion of the potentate, he may allow assets to be in the custody of shrine clubs and the temple units. Moneys in the custody of shrine clubs and temple units shall be deposited into accounts in the names of the shrine clubs and temple units.

**9.6 Financial Reports.** The shrine clubs and Temple units must prepare and submit to the board of directors all financial reports required by Shrine law. The financial reports shall bear a certification that they are true and correct and that no money or property is held for the benefit of the reporting organization. Funds being accumulated for any shrine authorized purpose shall be identified as being reserved for that purpose in the financial reports.

**9.7 Government.** The temple units and shrine clubs are governed by the provisions of the bylaws of Shriners International and these bylaws not inconsistent therewith.

**1.8 Organization of Nobles.** An organization of Nobles meeting as such, as defined in the bylaws of Shriners International, are governed by such bylaws.

## ARTICLE 10 Temple Publication

**10.1 Official Publication.** Unless otherwise provided in Shriners International bylaws or these bylaws, a magazine or newsletter may be established as the official publication of this temple. It shall be proper to publish all official calls and notices therein.

**10.2 Advertising.** All advertising accepted for the official publication shall be non-offensive and in compliance with the bylaws of Shriners International and these bylaws.

**10.3 Staff.** The potentate shall appoint the editor and approve the appointment of staff members by the editor.

## ARTICLE 11 AMENDMENTS

**11.1 Amendments.** These bylaws may be amended as provided by the bylaws of Shriners International.

**11.2 Inconsistencies.** In the event of an inconsistency between these bylaws and the bylaws of Shriners International, the bylaws of Shriners International supersede these bylaws.







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# News from Cincinnati



## 2016 Burn Awareness Week

**Burn Awareness Week is February 1-7**, and the *American Burn Association* is focusing on scald prevention this year. Scald injuries are the most common injury in children under the age of two. This demonstrates that the need for burn education is still out there.

### *The Facts:*

- The average annual cost of scald injuries is \$44 million
- Over 136,000 children were seen in emergency rooms for burn injuries in 2011
- 1100 children die each year from fire and burns

### *What to do if a burn occurs:*

- Cool the burn with COOL (not cold) water to stop the burning process
- Remove all clothing and/or diaper from the injured area
- Cover the area with a clean dry sheet or bandage
- Seek medical attention

### *Here are some tips to prevent burn injuries:*

#### **DO**

Set the water heater temperature to 120°F

Keep hot food and liquids away from the edges of counters and tables

Place pots and pans on back burners with handles turned away from stove edges

#### **DO NOT**

Leave a child unattended in the bathtub

Allow your children to adjust the water temperature or sit near faucet handles

Set anything hot on tabletops within reach of young children who can pull them down

If you would like to be a part of burn prevention week and spread the word in your community, several Burn Awareness materials are available to order from Shriners Village to help you do just that. These materials feature the always kid-friendly Boots and Brewster characters, sharing their important safety messages.

### *Shriners Play a Big Role in Referrals*

When it comes to finding medical help for children, Shriners are now more important than ever. Members of the fraternity have always played a critical role in helping families in their communities get connected with Shriners Hospitals for Children® – Cincinnati.

With your kind help, let's get out there and teach our children to **BE BURN AWARE!**

Shriners Hospitals for Children®—Cincinnati is one of only four freestanding hospitals in the country dedicated to the treatment of pediatric burns and specializing in plastic and reconstructive surgery. Our physicians' experience and expertise in pediatric burn treatment, cleft lip and palate, complex wound and skin conditions, and plastic and reconstructive surgery makes Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati a first choice for care.

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go to **[shrinershospitalcincinnati.org](http://shrinershospitalcincinnati.org)** or call:



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### **Website**

Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati continues to make referring a patient and obtaining an appointment for care easier than ever through the **[www.shrinershospitalcincinnati.org](http://www.shrinershospitalcincinnati.org)** website. Every page has a Schedule an Appointment and a Contact Us feature; both are easy forms that families can complete and submit online directly to the hospital.

### **Referral Cards**

Referral cards are also a great resource that Nobles can use. These cards allow families easy access to hospital information and services. The cards provide hospital contact information to assist in scheduling appointments. On the back of each card is space for the Shriner's name and Temple. Please stop by the Business Development office to pick cards up, or call 513-872-6391 to have them mailed to your Temple.

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# Notices.....

## *Children's Christmas Party....*

Nobles and Ladies:

I wish to thank all of you on behalf of our Hospital Patients that attended the 2015 Patients Christmas Party. It was a great time and it was all of you that helped make it such a success!

**Wes Frye, Chairman**

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## *DeMolay News*

Attention All Senior DeMolay Nobles!!!

A new club is in the works at Al Menah for those who were Senior DeMolays, Andrew Jackson DeMolays or a Demolay advisor. The new group will be called The Alumni Council of Demolay at Al Menah Shrine. If you are interested and/or eligible for membership, please email me at [R.Williams@almenahshrine.org](mailto:R.Williams@almenahshrine.org) or give me a call at (615)337-0031. More info to come!

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## *Special Notice from the Potentate*

Nobles,

Please note changes in our monthly Captains/Club Officers, Stated Meeting and Unit Meetings. This approach is intended to help booster attendance at the various meetings. Please invite your lady to join us for dinner prior to the stated meeting. After dinner they will retire to the Vision Building for a fun filled time with other ladies.

February 16, 2016      Captain's Meeting - 5:30 pm  
Dinner - 6:00 pm  
Stated Meeting to follow Dinner  
Units Meetings will begin after Stated Meeting

**Jeff Head - Potentate**

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## *For the Ladies*

Just wanted to thank everyone for a great start to a new year! One thing I would like to start this year is a Sewing/Quilting group, so if you are interested please let me know. I'm thinking we will meet one Saturday a month, starting with one square and hopefully by the end of the year you will have a quilt! All you need to bring is a willingness to learn and have fun! A sewing machine, if you have access to one. Some material, you might start with 2 contrasting colors (½ yard each), pins, thread and scissors.

Valerie Wilson has volunteered to help me with this project and we had our first class February 6<sup>th</sup> and we had a great time, **our next class is Saturday, March 12 from 9am–Noon** at the Shrine Center. Please give either of us a call if you are interested. Valerie and I are very excited to get this project started.

I would also like the ladies to start collecting travel size toiletries for the Hospitals. We will be putting together small care packages for the parents of our patients who have overnight stays. We will take wash rags, fold them over and sew pockets to hold hair products, soap, etc. If you are interested in helping please bring travel size toothpaste and tooth brushes to the Stated Meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Each month we will bring a different item until we get enough to start assembling them. Thanks

**Lady Kim Head, 615-337-3417**

**Lady Valerie Wilson, 615-497-2140**





# NEWS WORTH SHARING

## for friends of Shriners Hospital for Children – Lexington

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### Fundraising Goal Reached for EOS Imaging System



Dale Wallenius, Director of Development, and his team have been hard at work for the last nine months raising money for the \$908,500 campaign to help fund the installation of an EOS Imaging System at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Medical Center. In January, Dale, reported that his goal has been reached, with \$915,000 raised for this campaign! This is a huge win, not only for our hospital, but for our patients as well. The EOS system captures the whole body of a standing patient in a single scan, providing front and side images simultaneously with outstanding image quality, all in less than 20 seconds scan time. EOS delivers a radiation dose of 50-85% less than digital radiology and 95% less than basic CT scans. The EOS Imaging system at SHCMC will be the first in Kentucky. "We're excited to be able to include this technology to improve the radiology services we provide for the children we are privileged to serve," said Peggy Myers, Director of Radiology at Shriners Hospitals for Children—Lexington.



### SHCMC Construction Update

Have you seen the Shriners Hospitals for Children Medical Center lately?

You can also view the construction camera by copying and pasting this link in your web browser:

[https://www.truelook.com/tl/app/?u=ms1435677345#tl\\_live](https://www.truelook.com/tl/app/?u=ms1435677345#tl_live).



### Dr. Talwalkar Completes Hospital's First MAGEC Rod Surgery

In September 2015, Vishwas Talwalkar, M.D., pediatric orthopedic surgeon at the Lexington Shriners Hospital, completed the hospital's first implantation of a state-of-the-art procedure for scoliosis called the MAGnetic Expansion Control (MAGEC) Spinal Bracing and Distraction System on an 8-year-old boy with scoliosis.

More information on this surgery is available at  
<http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/news/LEX-MAGECrod>

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## "Editorial Without Words"

*You have probably seen this*



*But have you ever seen this?*



*No doubt you've seen the popular cartoon of the Shriner carrying the crippled girl (above left). What many people don't know is that it is based on an actual photo taken at an event in 1970 (above right). It is Randy Dieter's original photo of Shriner Al Hortman (formerly of Evansville, Indiana, now living in Georgia), carrying a girl named Bobbi Jo Wright. The older girl on the left in the photo is Hortman's daughter, Laura, who was a patient at Shriners Hospital in St. Louis. After Laura began receiving treatment at Shriners Hospitals For Children, Hortman himself joined the Shrine.*

*The photo known as the "Editorial Without Words" is probably one of the best recognized symbols of Shriners Hospitals, yet it was taken almost by accident. Randy Dieter, the photographer, recalled that in 1970, he had been on assignment covering Hadi Temple's annual outing for handicapped children at the now-defunct Mesker Amusement Park in Evansville, Indiana.*

*"I was taking shots of the midway and was using my telephoto lens," Dieter said. "I saw a local Shriner walking by carrying a little girl in one hand and her crutches in the other. My camera wouldn't fire. Then they were too close for my lens. I ran past them, but the camera jammed. I had to take my last shot as they walked by. It was the end of the roll. If I had to think about it, I wouldn't have come up with something like that. Fate guides you."*

*"It still seems unreal," said Bobbi Jo Wright, the little girl in the photo. "I have many wonderful memories of the years I was a patient at the St. Louis Shriners Hospital and remember all the fun activities. I was born with cerebral palsy, which resulted in many orthopedic problems that made walking difficult. I had many surgeries at the St. Louis Hospital. They greatly improved my ability to walk."*

*Bobbi Jo received her B.A. in English from Anderson University. She is active in her church and teaches Sunday School. "I use a cane when I go shopping," she said. "If I'm walking on grassy areas, I use crutches."*

*Today, the famous photo is an integral part of the Shriners Hospitals logo, and has been reproduced on stained-glass windows, mosaics, tie tacs, pins, and in statues. A larger-than-life replica of the "Editorial Without Words" stands outside the International Shrine Headquarters building in Tampa. Photographer Randy Dieter presently serves as graphics editor for the Kentucky Post.*

**NOTE:** Noble Albert Lanier Hortman, the man in the photo carrying Bobbi Jo, passed away on December 6, 2009, two months shy of his 81st birthday. He lived a full life and was one of the fortunate ones to make a place in history that will live in time immemorial. You can read Noble Albert Lanier Hortman's complete obituary here: <http://www.tributes.com/show/Albert-Hortman-87308399>

**"No Man Stands So Tall As When He Stoops To Help A Child"**

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11/28/1942 – 11/27/2015  
Gruetli Laager, TN

**Herbert Dean Hester**  
11/06/1944 – 01/04/2016  
White Bluff, TN

**Frank Buford Thaxton, Sr.**  
12/29/1935 – 12/05/2015  
Clarksville, TN

**Don M. Manier**  
11/25/1922 – 01/06/2016  
College Grove, TN

**John W. Yunker**  
09/30/1928 – 12/21/2015  
Nashville, TN

**Edward Samuel Porter**  
07/11/1935 – 01/07/2016  
McMinnville, TN

**Karl S. Levy, Sr.**  
07/04/1942 – 12/23/2015  
Chapel Hill, TN

**Jack Kervis Dodson**  
09/02/1931 – 01/10/2016  
Hendersonville, TN

**Paul Vernon Ross**  
09/28/1940 – 12/26/2015  
Erin, TN

**Arthur Clarence Kilburn, Jr.**  
02/15/1928 – 01/13/2016  
Nashville, TN

**James Carlin Hester**  
05/15/1928 – 01/01/2016  
Madison, TN

**Marion Melver Luffman**  
08/12/1942 – 01/13/2016  
Lawrenceburg, TN

**James Robert Shoemaker**  
12/19/1933 – 01/02/2016  
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# Upcoming Events

(as of this publication)

## FEBRUARY 2016

- Feb 3 Past Captains
- Feb 6 Singles
- Feb 7 Clown Football Party
- Feb 13 Valentines Dinner & Dance
- Feb 16 5:30 pm Captain's Meeting  
6:00 pm Noble Dinner with Ladies  
7:00 pm Stated Meeting with  
Unit meetings to follow
- Feb 20 Demolay Sweetheart Dance
- Feb 26 - Potentate's Trip
- Mar 3

## MARCH 2016

- Mar 19 Erin St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Mar 26 Easter Egg Hunt

## APRIL 2016

- Apr 1-2 Potentate's Ball Weekend