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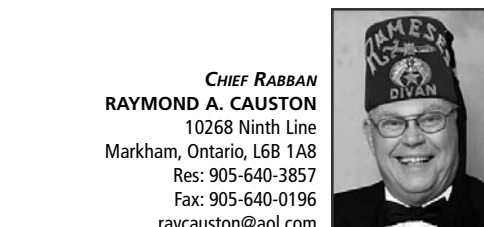
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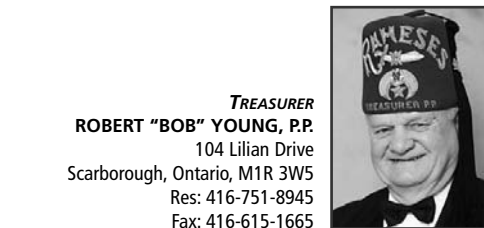
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Potentate's Message

Illustrious Sir Brian N. Davenport, Potentate

As a new year in Rameses begins, I am very honoured, maybe I should say humbled, to serve the Nobility of Rameses as your Potentate for 2008. Believe me, I take the responsibilities of Potentate very seriously and I will do my utmost to make the membership proud. As you know, traveling and representing one of the finest Temples in all of Shrinedom is certainly challenging. Being a member of the greatest philanthropy certainly has its rewards and responsibilities. The one reward is helping children and Rameses has always been at the forefront. Let's work together, in harmony, to keep Rameses number one!

You, the membership, have elected a Divan that I feel is one of the best. We support each other, we work well together as a TEAM and all of us have the interest of the children and the membership of Rameses as our primary goal. You have elected Noble Jim McKinney as Oriental Guide. Jim brings knowledge and new ideas to the table and I personally see a bright future working with Jim and his Lady Linda.

You, the membership, also have shown your pleasure in re-electing Ill. Sir Bob McGregor PP as your Recorder. I look forward to working with the Ill. Sir and I will listen to his experience and knowledge of Shrine affairs that your Recorder continues to exude. Also, congratulations to my fellow Divan members as they work their way up. Yes, I have Potentate on my Fez, but it is not a one man show. It is a TEAM effort and as a TEAM we can accomplish more for Shrinedom and our children with harmony and fun.

It amazes me how time passes very quickly. So, remember the Spring Ceremonial in Brampton, June 5-8, 2008. The organizational committee is working diligently for a successful time, lots of harmony and fellowship and a wonderful time. I hope to meet and greet as many Nobles and their Ladies as possible.

The 134th Imperial Session will be in St. Louis, Missouri, June 29th to July 3rd, 2008. There are 100 rooms booked at the Millennium Hotel (across from the Gateway Arch) so, book early as there is a cut off date and don't be left out. There is a Shrine Baseball game planned at Bush Stadium, which is just across from the Millennium, an evening parade and of course, all the other fun activities associated with the Imperial Session. Bring your Canadian flag and let's show Shrinedom that Rameses is in town. Yahoo!

This year, my slogan is "JOIN THE FUN", it is plain and simple but I think that it says a lot. Don't sit at home, bring along a fellow Noble to a meeting, have fun, enjoy yourself, get involved ... "JOIN THE FUN".

My Lady Johanna and I look forward to seeing as many Nobles and Ladies as possible in 2008. Once again "JOIN THE FUN".

Yours in the faith
Brian N. Davenport



Join the Fun

2007/8 SHRINERS LOTTERY RESULTS

WINNERS ARE PRINTED IN THE TORONTO STAR, SATURDAY EDITION, SECTION 670, PERSONAL COLUMN
AND ON OUR WEB SITE: www.rameses-shriners.ca

Draw 46, November 15, 2007

1233	D. Gadsby	Vasaga Beach	Midland	\$ 100
1855	G. Howe	North Bay	Rorab	\$ 100
1042	C. Zuniga	Toronto	Leaside	\$ 100
0791	T. Blacklock	Kingston	Kingston	\$ 100
2648	E. Leger	Temagami	Sheba	\$ 100
2351	C. Noble	Mar	Ramoca	\$ 250
1603	J&B Smith	Newmarket	Newbeaver	\$ 250
0115	B. Varga	Whitby	Founders	\$ 250
0783	B. Greenlees	Joyceville	Kingston	\$ 250
3031	P. Thureson	Mindemoya	Sudbury	\$ 500
2966	R. Fleming	Copper Cliff	Sudbury	\$1000

Draw 47, November 22, 2007

0263	G. Battaglia	North York	Security	\$ 100
2846	C. Christie	Guelph	Guelph	\$ 100
1096	D. Pulfer	Wasaga Beach	Manito	\$ 100
3451	J. Mortson	Queensville	Viking	\$ 100
1748	H. Nemeth	Niagara Falls	Niagara	\$ 100
2964	G. Loughheed, Jr	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 250
3552	C. Williams	Bancroft	Rameses	\$ 250
2103	B. Gurr	Scarborough	Oshawa	\$ 250
1140	R. Zeggil	Singhampton	Manito	\$ 250
2388	A. Vandolder	Annan	Ramoca	\$ 500
1518	Pt. Col/Well. Shrine Club	Port Colborne	Port Colborne	\$1000

Draw 48, November 29, 2007

2897	A. Harris	Toronto	Rameses	\$ 100
1064	K. Dixon	Maple	Leaside	\$ 100
2135	G. Moffitt	Oshawa	Oshawa	\$ 100
2757	L. Fallis	Hamilton	Hamilton	\$ 100
2676	R. Greer	Anten Mills	Sheba	\$ 100
2120	A. Vanderheyden	Oshawa	Oshawa	\$ 250
0013	Rameses Director's Staff	Burlington	Director's Staff	\$ 250
1616	K. Blunt	Sharon	Newbeaver	\$ 250
2716	C. McCluskey	Barrie	Sheba	\$ 250
3179	R. Cox	Erin	Tecumseh	\$ 500
2181	V. Phillips	Pickering	Oshawa	\$1000

Draw 49, December 6, 2007

3502	M. McMahon	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 100
3694	L. Ray	Scarborough	Drum Corps	\$ 100
3114	R. Weeda	Bolton	Tecumseh	\$ 100
0847	N. Clay	Elginburg	Kingston	\$ 100
0814	W. Patry	Kingston	Kingston	\$ 100
2983	M. Newburn	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 250
1903	S. Steves	Mississauga	Oakville	\$ 250
0862	D. Ewart	Lansdowne	Kingston	\$ 250
1387	G. Fernandez	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 250
0635	R. Ough	Peterborough	Kawartha	\$ 500
2420	M. Haswell	Owen Sound	Ramoca	\$1000

Draw 50, December 13, 2007

3651	L. Allen	Peterborough	Rameses	\$ 100
1240	K. McKay	Mississauga	Mississauga	\$ 100
2045	R. Seanor	Orillia	Orillia	\$ 100
1113	D&S McNicol	Ravenna	Manito	\$ 100
0736	R. Kennedy	Bobcaygeon	Kawartha	\$ 100
2858	E. Evans	Campbellville	Rameses	\$ 250
2268	N. D'Aurizio	Welland	Pt. Colborne	\$ 250
2618	R. Sinton	Barrie	Sheba	\$ 250
1181	Euker Gang Manito	Collingwood	Manito	\$ 250
3376	R. Emerson	Sharon	Viking	\$ 500
1468	J. MacNaughton	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$1000

Draw 51, December 20, 2007

2747	N. Vachal	Burlington	Hamilton	\$ 100
3472	L&A Thibeault	Espanola	Waubuno	\$ 100
1822	C. Youmell	North Bay	Rorab	\$ 100
0833	P. Schenk	Kingston	Kingston	\$ 100
1716	T. Kays	Fort Erie	Niagara	\$ 100
3529	R&E Newton	Parry Sound	Waubun	\$ 250
1365	J. Golding	Huntsville	Muskoka	\$ 250
1349	B. Henry	Lakefield	Muskoka	\$ 250
1459	J. Savijarvi	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 250
1253	A. Zahreddine	Brampton	Mississauga	\$ 500
2272	L. Collins	St. Catharines	Port Colborne	\$1000

Draw 52, December 27, 2007

2449	B. Radbourne	Owen Sound	Ramoca	\$ 100
0222	W. Heyworth	Scarborough	Scooter	\$ 100
1625	G. Kitching	Sharon	Newbeaver	\$ 100
0856	E. Cooney	Westbrook	Kingston	\$ 100
0981	D. Arnold	Toronto	Kingsway	\$ 100
0002	F. Harris	Brampton	Chanters	\$ 250
3398	R. McGuire	Newmarket	Viking	\$ 250
2673	G. Walker	Moonstone	Sheba	\$ 250
0547	D. Gillan	Alton	Newbeaver	\$ 250
2055	M. Peacock	Orillia	Orillia	\$ 500
2316	R. Gale	Pickering	Hillbilly	\$1000

Draw 1, January 3, 2008

2460	H. Watson	Oakville	Oakville	\$ 100
3652	W. Russell	Scarborough	Security	\$ 100
1103	P. Greatrix	Bancroft	Belleville	\$ 100
0841	J. Visch	Newmarket	Viking	\$ 100
1956	J. Hudswell	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 100
1091	G. Ackerman	Pickton	Belleville	\$ 250
1269	D. Stewart	Guelph	Guelph	\$ 250
2047	H. Currie	Gravenhurst	Muskoka	\$ 250
1454	L. Vadala	Kingston	Kingston	\$ 250
3337	J. Stillar	Nipissing	Rorab	\$ 500
0731	D. Drewett	Brighton	Trent Valley	\$1000

Draw 2, January 10, 2008

1711	G. Dinola	Mississauga	Leaside	\$ 100
0541	J. Dick	Bolton	Tecumseh	\$ 100
3098	J. Nash	Larder Lake	Northland	\$ 100
3483	M. Elgie	Brampton	Founders	\$ 100
2073	M. Steer	Etobicoke	Muskoka	\$ 100
0920	P. Martin	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 250
1784	L. Stewart	Nottawa	Manito	\$ 250
2094	M. Petsura	Gravenhurst	Muskoka	\$ 250
1596	Penner/Ling	St. Catharines	Kingston	\$ 250
2859	G. Knupp	London	Rameses	\$ 500
3502	C. Tinglin	Rexdale	Mrsella	\$1000

Draw 3, January 17, 2008

1179	S. Ashfield	Newmarket	El Shamaly	\$ 100
2630	J. McLaughlin	Scarborough	Oshawa	\$ 100
0902	Mark Campbell	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 100
0370	J&W Gerhard	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 100
2818	K. Burke	Pt. Colborne	Pt. Colborne	\$ 100
2889	D. Hardie	Coldwater	Rameses	\$ 250
1180	S. Hall	Richmond Hill	El Shamaly	\$ 250
2641	J. Pedersen	Ajax	Oshawa	\$ 250
3200	R. Todd	Owen Sound	Ramoca	\$ 250
0128	R. Miller	Barrie	Sheba	\$ 500
2464	J. Dean	Stoney Creek	Oakville	\$1000

Draw 4, January 24, 2008

1632	M. Chudiak	Etobicoke	Kingsway	\$ 100
3113	V. Richardson	Toronto	Yacht	\$ 100
0809	W. Smith	Newmarket	Viking	\$ 100
0791	A. Tran	Uxbridge	Viking	\$ 100
0312	R. Warren	Thorold	St. Catharines	\$ 100
2924	W. Ratcliff	Scarborough	Rameses	\$ 250
1838	Van Staveren Family	Stayner	Manito	\$ 250
2010	R. Ritchie	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 250
1206	B. Stapley	Maple	El Shamaly	\$ 250
0289	G. Hough	Thorold	St. Catharines	\$ 500
0031	R. Thanasse	Orillia	Sheba	\$1000

2007 Shriners Lottery Grand Winner

Last year's lucky winner of Rameses Shriners Lottery was

Gordon Ryder of Scarborough

with ticket number 0193

Congratulations and the best of luck to all the
participants in the 2008 Shriners Lottery

RAMESES SHRINERS MONTHLY EVENT SCHEDULE

THE EVENTS STATED IN THIS CALENDAR MAY HAVE BEEN POSTPONED OR CANCELLED. PLEASE CONFIRM WITH THE CLUB/UNIT PRIOR TO ATTENDING

April 2008

DATE	CLUB	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
April 12	Bokhara Court	Bokhara Tea	Headquarters	
April 24	Niagara Shrine	Beyond Magic Show	Greg Frewin Theatre	6:30 pm
April 26	Rameses	Potentate's Ball	Headquarters	5:00 pm

May 2008

DATE	CLUB	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
May 14	Rameses	Potentate's Golf Tournament	Kleinburg	10:00 am
May 25	Rameses	Special Ladies Luncheon	Headquarters	11:00 am

June 2008

DATE	CLUB	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
June 5		Stated Meeting	Brampton	7:00 pm

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Ramoca Shrine Club	www.ramocashrineclub.on.ca	
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Shrine International Headquarters	www.shrinershq.org	
Toronto Imperial Session	www.toronto2010.ca	
Waubuno Shrine Club	www.kirk-white.com/m-p-masons/waubuno/shrine1_2.htm	

Once again, I am sitting at my desk, gazing out the window at a very cold and sunny day, reflecting on another year gone by. As I have said, many times, Rameses Shrine Temple is second to none. The work ethic and determination shown by each Noble and their Lady to our philanthropy (Shriners Hospitals for Children) is just fantastic. The support shown to all Shrine events and in particular Rameses Temple itself is much appreciated by all members of your Divan.

Our annual Shrine Elections were well attended and I wanted to welcome our newest member of the Divan, Noble Jim McKinney and his lovely Lady Linda. We wish them well as Noble Jim progresses through the line.

It is always sad to see a friend and colleague leave the line but I would like to wish Illustrious Sir Robert "Bob" Whitmarsh

Ray's Thoughts

BY RAY A. CAUSTON - *Chief Rabban*

P.P. and Lady Doreen much health and happiness for many years to come, on behalf of all Rameses Nobles and Ladies thanks for a great year.

We are so fortunate to have another wonderful Noble, Illustrious Sir Brian Davenport guiding Rameses Temple and with the support of his Lady Johanna it will be another great year for Rameses.

Last but not least, Maureen and I would like to thank each of you for your support and guidance and we hope to meet you at many Shrine functions during the coming year.

Recorder's Message

BY BOB MCGREGOR, P.P. - Recorder

First, let me thank all 400 Nobles who showed up for the January 5, 2008 Stated Meeting. It's both a sad and happy time as we say goodbye to our 2007 Potentate and welcome in our new C.E.O.

Illustrious Sir Bob Whitmarsh, P.P. was a good and sincere Noble but like most of us who serve our 4,600 members, he couldn't please everyone. Let me assure you however that he doesn't have a bad or spiteful bone in his body and like his predecessor Illustrious Sir Fred, P.P. he only ever had the best interest of his membership at heart and I'm proud to have served him.

I welcome my new boss Illustrious Sir Brian Davenport and again the Nobles of Rameses have picked a good one. Illustrious Sir Brian has a busy schedule ahead of him but he has his sleeves rolled up and he's off and running with Club visits for almost every night for the next four weeks.

Nobles Ray Causton, Mel Runnalls and Bryan Lawson are all hard workers and again you, our members, have made wise choices. They are three very dedicated Nobles and with them in the wheelhouse, you have no worries.

Our Treasurer and Past Potentate Illustrious Sir Bob Young is just about the easiest guy in the world to get along with and understandably so is well liked by everyone. We work well together and with three years behind him as Treasurer, I can honestly say that he is my friend, all be it that every once in awhile we disagree on policy, but never to the point where we hold a grudge.

What can I say about Noble Jim McKinney that you don't already know. He is a professional businessman and brings a wealth of business knowledge to our team. His skill as a chartered accountant will be a great asset to Rameses as we

head into uncertain times ahead, dwindling income, membership and the 2010 Imperial Session here in Toronto will create some challenges for us but with the Divan you have just elected, we will not only weather the storm, we will make this the best Imperial Session ever and again show our neighbours to the south that we play second fiddle to no one. Our new slogan might just be "Let Rameses Do It". In any event, let no one doubt that this Divan will support the 2010 Imperial Session with time, talent, sincerity and dedication and you have already guaranteed up to \$60,000 to cover the cost of pageantry. This was moved, seconded and passed by our membership at a Stated Meeting in June of 2006 and will be taken from our investment portfolio as required.



Last but not least, I am humbled by your overwhelming support of me as I continue on as Recorder of Rameses Shriners. I'll confess with a small degree of bravado, that I felt confident that I would win, but the margin of victory was very much more than I expected, all be it that I ran on my record and you were obviously aware that I am indeed dedicated to Rameses and with such massive support from you, our members, I will continue to serve you for the foreseeable future or until you decide to make a change. Make no mistake about it, when I decide to retire, I'll give Rameses lots of advance warning and in writing. Please Nobles, as always, pay no attention to rumours, no matter what the subject is.

The latest information we have on the "do not call" legislation is that it will be monitored by the Bell Telephone company and that it will start in September 2008. Nobles, this means that anybody who does not want calls from telemarketers, can have their phone number blanked out to them, which of course will cut heavily into our circus, fantasy and football fundraising. It is expected that by 2009 our income will be reduced approximately \$200,000 per year.

This is the start of a new year so let us all resolve that as Masons and Shriners, we will work as a team, be forgiving of each other and keep fun and good fellowship at the top of our list of things to do. Make your meetings fun to attend. Tell the grippers if you have one, to stay at home so that the harmony of your meeting is not disturbed. Yes, I know that on occasion there are issues that have to be resolved but this is Canada, the greatest country in the world, we resolve problems in a diplomatic way; we do not resort to shouting and throwing chairs at each other as they do in some countries.

I wasn't born in this wonderful country but I became a Canadian citizen 5 years to the day of my arrival and I've appreciated this honour ever since, so let us all live, act and be proud of our Canadian heritage. It is not our fault that we are a little better than every one else, is it? Ha-ha. If in doubt about your dealings with another Noble, remind yourself and him of the apron charge in the first degree and act accordingly.

Good luck and best wishes to all our Nobles. I'm proud to be of service to you, so call me with your questions. I'm always glad to hear from you. Remember, I'm on your side and I thank you all for just being Shriners.

Jim's Notebook

BY JIM D. MCKINNEY - Oriental Guide

I would like to thank all the Nobles for supporting me in my bid for the office of Oriental Guide. I consider it to be a great honour to be elected as Oriental Guide of Rameses Temple. Election day 2008 will certainly be a day I will remember for a long time. I will do my best to work hard on your behalf.

I would also like to thank the Clubs and Units for their hospitality as it was a lot of fun visiting and I encourage you to do some visiting of other Clubs as well.

I look forward to visiting as many Clubs and Units as possible this year, particularly the ones I was not able to visit last fall. All the best for 2008.

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and friends to the*
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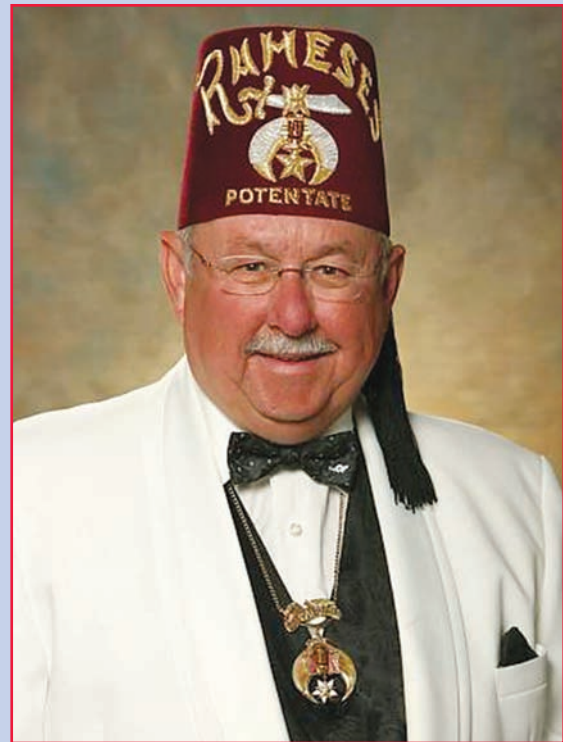


Robert 'Bob' Young, P.P.
Treasurer

2008

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DIVAN



Brian N. Davenport
Illustrious Potentate



Press Corps challenge all Clubs and Units

For those of you that attended the Installation Night, you may remember that our Ill. Sir made a comment about trying to lose weight during his year in office. With that in mind, the Rameses Press Corps has pledged to Ill. Sir Brian N. Davenport to donate to the Rameses Shrine Club the sum of \$5 for every 1 pound of weight that he loses during his term of office.

The Press Corps challenges all Clubs and Units to match or better this offer. The Ill. Sir has promised to do all in his power to support the effort, although he can't make any specific promises as far as a goal is concerned. However, we are sure that in the spirit of "Join The Fun" we will all be watching him over the next year and this should be a topic of conversation where ever he goes.

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Treasurer's Report

BY ROBERT "BOB" YOUNG, P.P. - *Treasurer*

Nobles, our elections are over. Thank you to everyone for the confidence in electing the Divan and our newest member, Noble Jim McKinney into office. He and his Lady Linda will be a great asset to this Divan. We wish them well on their new adventure.

I am thinking of getting ready to start my garden and

planning on what I will plant in the spring. This brings me to our newly elected Presidents and leaders of Units, as they start their new year. By now, your plans will be in the works and started and I hope that you are considering ways to improve our membership and the motion to do so keeps it going. As your seeds grow so will our organization. We wish you all the best for 2008.

If I can be of any assistance in any way do not hesitate to contact me at 416-633-6317.

To our Nobles and families who are ill, we wish you a speedy recovery.

The Elections and Installations of the Temple and all Clubs and Units are now complete and we start a new page in the history of Rameses Shriners. I would like to congratulate Noble Jim D. McKinney on his election to the position of Oriental Guide and welcome him as a member of the Divan. I am sure that Noble Jim will work hard on behalf of all members of Rameses Shriners. My congratulations to Ill Sir Robert McGregor, P.P. on being re-elected as Recorder. His many years of experience and expertise in Temple affairs are an asset that would be hard to replace.

I would also like to congratulate all the newly installed Presidents and Executives of all Clubs and Units. May your year be filled with enjoyment and challenge as you work for Shrinedom and the kids we support. Remember above all to have fun, the first rule of being a Shriner.

The 2008 Shiners Lottery was again a sell out. As Chairman for the 2008 Lottery I would like to personally thank all the Club and Unit Chairmen for their hard work and perseverance. I commend each of you for a job well done in making the 2008 Shriners Lottery a complete success. I would also thank Sonia

Bryan's Blackboard

BY BRYAN LAWSON - *High Priest and Prophet*

from our office staff for her help and hard work on this year's Lottery. Having such a good team sure makes the Chairman's job much easier. Good luck to all of the 2008 ticket holders.

As your newly installed High Priest and Prophet I look forward to the duties which come with this new office and will work hard on your behalf. It is such a wonderful feeling to know that as I start my second year on your Divan that I am part of such a great team within Rameses.

2008 will be another successful year under the direction of our new Potentate Ill Sir Brian N. Davenport as he brings his ideas and programs to the coming year. My personal congratulations to him on becoming Potentate of Rameses Shriners.

Best wishes for safe and happy travels, and remember, Shriners do it Best.

Mel's Musings

BY MEL J. L. RUNNALLS - *Assistant Rabban*

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and I wish you only the best in 2008. The Temple, Club and Unit elections and installations are over and the new executives are all hard at work planning for a great and productive year and I wish you all well.

It is my pleasure to congratulate our new Potentate Ill. Sir Brian N. Davenport to the top position of Rameses Shriners. This will be a great year Nobles.

Congratulations must also go to the rest of the Divan on their election of elevation and especially to our new Oriental Guide Noble Jim McKinney and to our Recorder Ill. Sir Robert McGregor, P.P. I'm honoured to be associated with these hard working and experienced Nobles. I know it will be a fun and productive year.

I thank all the Nobility for your confidence in me, allowing me to elevate to the position of Assistant Rabban. I can assure you I will work very hard for you all.

Remember this is your Temple and I work for you.

I also wish to thank Past Potentate Ill. Sir Robert S. Whitmarsh and Lady Doreen for all your support you have given to both Lori and I over the years. We are so proud to have you both as great friends and we wish you the very best in the future. Please don't be strangers.

In closing, I must again mention Rameses membership. We are now in the 4,500 range and in free fall. Nobles, we must reverse the wind direction and let's all step up to the plate and tell Joe Public what our purpose is, OUR KIDS, and having FUN doing it.

I would think this should draw some attention. Not forgetting you must be a Master Mason before a Shriner. This could be a win-win situation for both organizations.

Think about it Nobles, your input and output is needed and necessary.

You know if we could increase our membership by 10% in 2008, that's 450 members.

When you divide that into 38 Clubs and 20 Units that comes down to 8 each. I think that is an achievable number.

Let's become active and give it a try. Good Selling Nobles. We have a great Product, FUN & KIDS.

Lessons from the Shriners

Those
guys in
the funny
hats make
possible
free
hospital
care for
children

By William Schumacher, M.D.,
CEO of the Schumacher Group
in Lafayette, La.

say that every organization needs its symbols and pageantry. Despite their enigmatic rituals, Shriners are not members of a secret society, and contrary to rumor they do not sell Shrine-related insurance products.

Here's what the Shriners really do — and what they deserve to be better known for: Shriners maintain 22 hospitals for children located throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Eighteen of these hospitals specialize in orthopedics, three specialize in burn care and one specializes in burn, spinal and orthopedic care.

These hospitals provide state-of-the-art medical care to children with orthopedic deformities, diseases or injuries, such as clubfoot, scoliosis and the orthopedic problems caused by cerebral palsy. In addition, some of the hospitals treat patients with "healed" burns who need reconstructive surgery or rehabilitation.

In addition, Shriners Hospitals for Children is actively engaged in research, searching for the cures and improved treatments of childhood diseases and burn injuries. Major players in pediatric medical research, they have a combined annual research budget of \$28 million for 2005.

The 2005 research program includes 135 projects concentrated

You hear a lot from the cup-is-half-empty crowd these days about the U.S. healthcare system, and certainly there is a lot to be concerned about. The ranks of the uninsured continue to grow, malpractice is driving some good doctors out of medicine and patient safety continues to be a challenge in the nation's hospitals.

Personally, however, I find the negativity a little relentless, when there are so many positives about healthcare that merit attention.

One of these is the men in the funny hats. I refer to the Shriners, also known (though mostly among themselves) as the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Most people, including many health professionals, are only vaguely aware that the Shriners support medically-related charities, but they can teach us much about alternative methods of healthcare delivery.

Today's Shriners are not privy to the secrets of working in stone, as were their ancient ancestors, who were Freemasons. In fact, they are not tied to any particular profession, denomination or even religion. A general belief in a supreme being is the only theological litmus test prospective members have to pass.

As for why Shriners wear strange hats or drive comically small cars in parades — let's just

at five of the orthopedic hospitals and the four burn hospitals. Projects include developing a model to test treatments for Legg-Perthes disease, a degenerative disorder of the hip joint, and an effort to determine the specific cause of a genetic form of dwarfism.

In addition, researchers at the Tampa Shriners Hospital have developed a new biomaterial for tendon and ligament reconstruction that may significantly reduce surgical recovery time. One of the most exciting projects is a burn treatment program to grow a cultured skin substitute that could increase the survival rate of those with severe burns — even patients with a 90 percent total body surface injury.

Shriners Hospitals are also major teaching centers and affiliated with some of the top medical colleges and universities in the country. The hospitals have cured or substantially helped more than 770,000 children over the past 80 years. This year, Shriners Hospitals will provide about \$600 million in medical care to children, or about \$1.7 million per day.

Besides state-of-the-art care, research and teaching, what characterizes Shriners Hospitals? Since 1922, when the first Shriners Hospital was founded in Louisiana, treatment has been provided free. That's right — free care for all who are admitted based on medical need. Children from infancy to their 18th birthday are eligible for admission if treatment would be beneficial. No insurance money or government funds are used for any medical care or services provided by Shriners Hospitals.

When it comes to indigent care today, health professionals are indoctrinated to think that government programs such as Medicaid or community-run indigent-care programs are the only options available to pay for services for those in need. Both physicians and hospitals often overlook alternatives like the Shriners because they are so conditioned to rely on government-funded programs for assistance. The Shriners show that there is another way.

Their hospitals are funded by gifts, bequests and contributions; an annual hospital assessment paid by every Shriner; and charitable fundraising events such as the Shriners Circus. The Shriners show us that with a high degree of commitment, private citizens still can find solutions to societal problems that don't depend on government largesse.

Which brings me back to the funny hats. Shriners wear them proudly at events and certainly aren't above cramming themselves into miniature cars or dressing in flowing robes if it boosts participation or donations. But don't let the somewhat retro trappings of a fraternal organization fool you. The Shriners are cutting edge when it comes to providing healthcare with a conscience. As a healthcare professional (and non-Shriner) I honor what they do and hope to see their example both better known and better emulated.

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



Letters to the Editor. . .



Please address all correspondence to the Editor, Michael A. Parkes at email michaelaparkes@rogers.com or Rameses Shrine, 3100 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario, M3M 2H4

Hello Noble Michael

Noble Tyler Benny here from the Orillia Shrine Club. Thank you so much for sending me that picture of the Potentate, but what I was wondering was if I could get a digital copy of our President who also got his picture with you, Noble Garry Benny.

Regards

Noble Tyler Benny

Secretary of the Orillia Shrine Club.

Answer: Noble Benny and all Club/Unit Presidents/Directors and Nobles in general. The Press Corps operates a website at www.pbases.com/ramesses This site can be accessed direct or through www.rameses-shriners.ca and is there for not only the membership to enjoy but for you to download any pictures you wish. Even though we print in every copy of the Papyrus the location of this website many of you still do not have this information. Please visit this site often as we continually add pictures taken by the Press Corps. Feel free to download any or all of the pictures on this site for use on your own websites and in your bulletins. Pictures of the Divan are there, as well as the pictures taken this year for the Directory. Enjoy!

The Editor wishes to apologize to Noble Lloyd Murphy who, each year, has collected a \$500 donation from Bell Canada for Shrine Hospitals Transportation Fund, for not running his picture and story. Unfortunately, they were lost as a result of a hard drive/email error. Bell's Winning Hands program recognizes the many hours of charitable work by its employees and retirees. 2007 marked the 4th year that Noble Lloyd has qualified to receive and pass on this donation. It appears that as a result of this error, Bell Canada may not approve its donation for 2008 but I'm sure Noble Lloyd will do his best to see that this does not happen.

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Ladies and Nobles:

News about the soup labels! The people informed me today and asked me to pass this message onto you. All Campbell's soup labels are now accepted...Habitant etc. The soup cups are also taken and it is just the lid that is needed. They also said how pleased they are to receive these gifts and know when I come in, it is with shopping bags or boxes. Isn't it nice that we can help all children.

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FRIDAY JUNE 6TH

7:00 am	Golf Tournament	Caledon Golf & Country Club
8:30 am	Registration	Brampton Curling Club
10:00 am	Flea market	Brampton Curling Club
6:00 pm	Steak & Chicken B-B-Q & entertainment	Brampton Curling Club

SATURDAY JUNE 7TH

8:30 am	Registration	Brampton Curling Club
9:30 am	Ladies Program	Pearson Convention Centre
10:00 am	Flea Market	Brampton Curling club
1:30 pm	Parade	
6:00 pm	Feast	The Garden Banquet & Convention Centre

SUNDAY JUNE 8TH

9:00 am	Drumhead Service
9:30 am	Country Breakfast

2008 Potentate

Illustrious Sir Brian Davenport

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2008 Spring Ceremonial Events

The Theme

The theme that we have chosen for the 2008 Ceremonial is "COME CELEBRATE IN 08". We have chosen this theme for two reasons; we are celebrating Rameses 120th Spring Ceremonial and celebrating the initiation of our new Candidates.

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Nobles, we have arranged for top notch hotels at affordable prices and a fantastic program. Nobles, bring your Lady and come to the 2008 Ceremonial and have A RELAXING, STRESS FREE, FUN TIME, but most of all, give support to our new Candidates.

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Ladies Program

The Ladies Program will be held at the award winning Pearson Convention Centre located in the east end of Brampton. For your enjoyment, we have put together a three part program which will consist of the St Paul's Church Bell Ringers a choir that plays 52 bells that represent a 3 octave choir. A fashion show hosted by Talbots and featuring our own Shrine Ladies as models. The final piece of the program will be Gabriel Ferris an up and coming soprano from Brampton.

Ladies, we have put together an amazing program for you with something for everyone and a wonderful lunch that will be enjoyed by all.

The Feast

On June 7 at 6:00pm the 2008 ceremonial Feast will begin, and a Feast it will be! It will be held at the Garden Banquet and Convention Centre which is part of the Mandarin Restaurant Group. It is an elegant centre consisting of a 3,600 square foot lobby complete with a Scarlett O'Hara staircase that leads to a mezzanine floor. The ballroom is 9,000 square feet and features a modern classic décor. The ballroom can accommodate up to 600 guests.

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By Noble Jerry McKnight

HAMILTON SHRINE CLUB

The Shrine has lost a true gentleman - The Rev. John Alexander Johnston, the result of major injuries suffered in an automobile accident. He passed away in Hamilton on January 10th, 2008, in his eightieth year.

Noble Rev. John was an ordained minister of the historic McNab Street Presbyterian Church in Hamilton, where he served for 27 years.

He also enjoyed a very active Masonic/Shrine career. He was a past Grand Chaplain AF & AM, GRC, Royal Scottish Rite 33rd Degree, past Chaplain of Rameses Temple, and was the current Chaplain of the Hamilton Shrine Club.

He never missed the opportunity each year to support our Shrine Circus by selling programs and was a great inspiration to our members.

A service of remembrance was held on Saturday, January 19th at McNabb Street Church, Hamilton, where hundreds of friends and dignitaries, including the Mayor, joined together to celebrate the tremendous achievements Rev. Johnston accomplished and the wonderful legacy he left behind.

He is survived by his wife Heather, sons Andrew, Ian and daughter Mary as well as eight grandchildren. We share their sorrow and extend our condolences. Indeed, Reverend Johnston will be missed by all!

In other Club news, all our Units including, The Hillbillies, Clowns, and Oriental Band enjoyed successful Christmas parades and, our Christmas cake sales were very good.

On the other hand, the Christmas Fantasy suffered a major blow when a major snowstorm prevented our members from attending. This was a disappointment but, we now have a big challenge and renewed determination to make the 2008 Fantasy an affair to remember.

Congratulations to our new Club President, Noble Damon Smith and his slate of officers who were elected for 2008.

The Hamilton Shrine Club extends our thanks and appreciation to our past

Potentate, Illustrious Robert Whitmarsh for a job well done. Congratulations to Illustrious Potentate, Brian Davenport and the rest of the Divan, we wish them success for 2008.

We look forward to seeing you at our January installations and assure you of our continued support and dedication.

Numerous exciting events planned

GUELPH DISTRICT SHRINE CLUB

The Guelph District Shrine Club extends congratulations to our newest Potentate, Illustrious Sir, Brian Davenport, and all members of the Elected and Appointed Divan. We are sure they will continue to work very hard to ensure the continued success of our great Fraternity.

Our Club President Les Sulzer and his Executive have planned numerous exciting activities over the next few months.

Our first event was a 50/50 draw at the Guelph Storm/Owen Sound OHL hockey game. Also, approximately 10 members of our Club and their Ladies attended the Credit Valley Shrine Club' Installation and dinner. Later in the month, we celebrated a Robbie Burns Dinner at our monthly "Attitude Adjustment Evening". A Super Bowl party has been planned for February 3rd.

Upcoming events also include an NHL raffle, a Valentine's Brunch on Feb 17th and our Shrine Degree team under the direction of our Ambassador Noble Ian Millar are putting on a 3rd degree at Speed Lodge #180 in early March.

This is just the beginning of another busy year. Another OHL hockey 50/50 draw and a garage sale in early May are in the early planning stages.

An invitation is extended to all Nobles and their Ladies. Our "Attitude Adjustment Evening" is held on the fourth Thursday of each month.

If you are looking for enjoyment, pleasure and fellowship, we invite you to join us. Happy Hour is 5 p.m to 6 p.m followed by a meal. We would love to see you, "LET'S HAVE FUN" together.

Please welcome 22 new Nobles to the Shrine

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Ill. Sir Robert Whitmarsh, Potentate and Past Presidents of Ramoca Shrine Club. Back row - Left to Right; Ross King - 1982, Ted Horton- 1984, Dave, Bedford - 1985 and 1996, Murray Robins - 2001, Mike Wood - 2002, Howard Metcalfe - 2006, John Miller - 2007, Robert Whitmarsh, Potentate, Ron Waites - 1989, Don Gordon - 1993, Ken MacGillivray - 1981, Rob White - 2004, Jim Vamplew - 1991, Wayne Cole - 1998. Front row - Left to Right; Wil Hepburn - 1986, Peter Brandon - 1988, Grant Gillespie - 1980, Don Laycock - 1977, Harold Silk - 1994.

Ramoca Shrine Club honour their Past Presidents

RAMOCA SHRINE CLUB NEWS

The Ramoca Shrine Club was very busy in the last months of 2007. The Past Presidents' Night held on the Northland Transportation ferry Chi Cheemaun was a wonderful evening. Ill. Sir Robert Whitmarsh and Lady Doreen, Chief Rabban Noble Brian Davenport and Lady Johanna, High Priest and Prophet

Noble Mel Runnalls and Lady Lori and Oriental Guide Noble Bryan Lawson and Lady Ingrid were present for the occasion.

100 Million dollar certificates were presented to Noble Paul Johnson, Noble Terry Ellis and Lady Bonnie Ward. Ramoca Shrine Club honoured Ambassador Noble Ross King for his 15 years as the Club Ambassador. Ill. Sir Robert Whitmarsh and President Noble John Miller presented Noble Ross and Lady Ruth with gifts of appreciation and a 100 Million dollar certificate. Our Club is 32 years old and we recognized 18 of the Nobles that had served as President of the Ramoca Shrine Club.

At our November meeting, we held our Club elections and installation on the same evening. Although the weather has unsettled, there was a great attendance of Nobles and Ladies.

Noble Brian Davenport with the assistance of Noble Bryan Lawson and Noble Wes McNeice conducted the

Elections and Installation.

The Ramoca Shrine Club Officers for 2008 are President Noble Dan Ward, 1st Vice President Noble Paul Balogh, 2nd Vice President Noble Terry Ellis, 3rd Vice President Noble Creighton Taylor, Ambassador Noble Rob White, Secretary Noble Jason Gow, Treasurer Noble Howard Metcalfe. Directors: Noble Doug Richardson, Noble Lloyd Stewart, Noble Ron Todd, Noble Jim Wallace, Noble Robert Wright and Immediate Past President Noble John Miller. Noble Ross King was appointed as Ambassador Emeritus and Noble Murray Robins was appointed the Rameses Shriners Ambassador to Mocha Shriners.

President Noble John Miller held a Christmas Social in early December to allow the Nobles and Ladies a chance to prepare for the holiday season and to remember the Club activities of 2007. A DVD slide show of photographs from the Club events throughout the year was shown for everyone's enjoyment. On Christmas morning thirteen of our Nobles took time to visit the children, patients and staff at the Grey Bruce Regional Health Centre in Owen Sound and other Nobles visited the Warton, Markdale and Meaford Hospitals.



An open letter from the Chairman of the Board of Directors

Happy New Year to each of you, and congratulations to all the new Divan officers throughout Shrinedom.

Since "We are Family," I want to personally thank everyone for all the prayers you have offered for my wife, Helen, over these past six-and-a-half years. They were answered, and she did experience several miracles.

January started out with a bang... the West team beat the East again in the 83rd annual East-West Shrine Game, which was held in Houston on Jan. 19. We had a record number of Past Potentates and other dignitaries attend the Hall of Fame brunch the morning of the game. We hope you will help us increase that number even more next year.

The night before the Game, six new members were added to the East-West Shrine Game Hall of Fame: Dave Butz, Carl Eller, Forrest Gregg, E.J. Holub, Lenny Moore and Larry Wilson. Each of these athletes gave an inspiring speech to the players at the Hall of Fame Banquet. The message of each speech was essentially the same: one of the greatest experiences in their lives was being able to play in the East-West Shrine Game and to visit one of the Shriners Hospitals and interact with the children.

The speakers also reminded everyone in attendance that generalizations, including those about young people, can be unfair since they tend to lump people together indiscriminately. These young football players represent a new generation and are decent, respectable, hard-working men. After commending the younger players, the speakers then reminded them that while life is an experience to be enjoyed personally, it is also important to care for and have a concern for others. And, if fame should be part of one's life, fame comes with responsibilities - both personally and professionally.

Although the speakers' remarks were primarily directed to the young football players in the audience, I felt that they just as easily could have been talking to everyone in North America. We should all give back, respect one another and love our God and our country.

As I noted above, the Game was great if you were rooting for the West (it's the third year in a row they have won) and not so good if you were an Easterner. However, as Tommy Rousseau, chairman of the Imperial Photography Committee said, "Who won the game? The Shriners kids did!"

The East-West Shrine Game was followed by the SHC Leadership Conference at the Houston Marriott West Side, Sunday through Tuesday. All of the hospital Board chairmen and vice-chairmen, chiefs of staff, hospital administrators and the directors of patient care services, as well as leadership from headquarters, were in attendance. They worked to develop some action items for the SHC strategic plan. During the meeting, it was evident that everyone (Shriners, doctors, nurses and administrators) is beginning to realize change must come if Shriners Hospitals for Children is to thrive into the next millennium. The main focus is two-fold: the desire to continue treating the children who need our help, and the awareness that we may have to change our model of health care delivery in order to treat more children in the future.

There was a strong recognition that the field of medicine and medical care is undergoing great changes, and SHC had better keep up for the benefit of future generations. It was evident to me that everyone wants to work closer together, share the responsibilities and be held accountable for their actions. We need to provide safe, excellent health care to our patients and we need to be able to give our health care providers the tools to accomplish those goals.

Money and budgets were discussed; the Joint Board must set budgets with the headquarters staff, and then everyone will have to live within those boundaries if we are going to succeed into the future. We are all going to have to justify our spending since the projected expenditures are above our long-term financial capabilities. The attendees stated they felt the new marketing and branding initiatives were working and need to be expanded (this is currently in the development stage at headquarters).

Upon reflection, some people may think that we are just "spinning our wheels;" however, I have seen a marked change in the interaction of this leadership group over my 11-year term on the board. Confrontation has disappeared. In its place is a spirit of cooperation and "how can we get this job done?" Everyone present felt this was a very good seminar and believe it should be held annually.

On the fraternal side, I am going to begin traveling again and hope to meet many of you in person. Once again, this year all our leadership is focusing on membership. If we are going to remain a viable organization, we must increase the overall membership. As our numbers decrease, more and more Temples are finding that they can no longer afford the center that was built years ago when their numbers were double or triple what they are today. Again, no one likes to hear reality, but leaders at those Temples are facing big change; for example, moving from that large facility to one they can afford. I do not envy their having to convince the Nobility that it must be done. I only hope that everyone will work together for the good of their Temple.

Many of you have asked how to keep in closer contact with what is going on, and I am finding that more and more temples are developing their own Web sites. This certainly makes communication easy and quick, but to be effective, members need to know how to access the site; so make sure your leadership gives you that information. Also, remember to check the corporate web site www.shrinershq.org, which has all sorts of information.

Enjoy the remainder of the winter months. These are always very busy for the Temple officers as they visit the associations and attend Potentate Balls and other events. Remember, it is important to attend those meetings to have all the up-to-date information on the Shrine.

Also, annual meetings for Temple recorders and treasurers will be held in Tampa, FL, March 2-4. Ask them to make a full report when they come home; there is always new information from their meetings.

Finally, the Oriental Guide and Assistant Rabban seminars, which include leadership programs, are also coming up. It is really important for new O.G.'s and their ladies to attend the seminar, from March 13-15. There is so much information given, it may be difficult to retain it all; that is one of the reasons we ask you to return for the A.R. Seminar. At the A.R. seminar, which will be held March 17-19, we get much more specific and start talking about tools you will use when it is your turn to serve as Potentate of your Temple, and, the ladies program has been hailed by all in the past as a highlight of their year, so come on down and enjoy some nice weather and great fellowship in Tampa!

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Bernard J. Lemieux, M.D.

Imperial Potentate, Shrine of North America

Chairman, Board of Directors, Shriners Hospitals for Children



Pictured are Nobles Don Bellamy, John Cumin, Paul Jones, Roy Mackay and Bob Russell.

Kawartha Shrine Firemen receive award

The Kawartha Shrine Firemen's Unit received the award for the best Service Club Presentation in the Peterborough Xmas Parade. This is the first time the Unit has had their new parade Units in the local Xmas Parade.

The object of the Unit is to promote the Shrine, and the Children's hospitals in the local community. The parade Units are a crowd favourite, and provide fun and fellowship to the Nobles.

To celebrate the year's successes, a Xmas party was held at the home of Bob and Debbie Russell and was enjoyed by all who attended.

Christmas cakes an annual winner

By Noble Ken Northey

MUSKOKA SHRINE CLUB

Since the last edition of the Papyrus, our regular correspondent, Noble Peter Glazier, was visited by the Black Camel. He was a Charter Member of Muskoka Shrine Club and we will all miss him and his unfailing support for Shrinedom, Muskoka Shrine Club and Muskoka 38 Unit. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lady Anne and family.

In December, the Club had a successful fundraiser selling 360 cases of Christmas cakes and shortbread and later in the month were joined by our Potentate Illustrious Sir Robert Whitmarsh and his Lady Doreen, Assistant Rabban Ray Causton and his Lady Maureen as we hosted our Ladies and Honoured Ladies at our annual Christmas party, complete with a visit from Santa. At this time Noble Tom Brooks was honoured with the President's Award for his contribution to the Club.

In January, again with our Ladies in attendance, our incoming President Noble John Morrison and the Club Executive were installed by Illustrious Sir Brian Davenport who was joined that evening by his wife Lady Johanna and High Priest and Prophet Noble Bryan Lawson and his Lady Ingrid. Illustrious Sir Brian was presented with \$9,000 to forward to our Hospital in Montreal, a great start to a new year.

Looking ahead we shall be having our annual Pancake Breakfast at Kerr Park in Bracebridge on April 27th and we would welcome a visit from any Shriners and their families who would like to join us.

Drum Corps on parade

By Derek B. Fisher P.P.

First of all, congratulations to Illustrious Sir, Brian N.

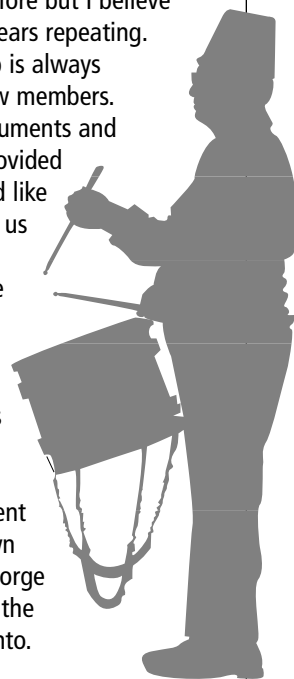
Davenport, on being installed as Potentate of Rameses Shriners for 2008. The Drum Corps know that he will do a great job and we pledge him our full support. Congratulations also go out to all our new Divan Officers. May you all have a great year.

The Drum Corps, as usual, was very busy representing Rameses at the many Santa Claus Parades before Christmas and rest assured, we strutted our stuff, made beautiful music and in general made Rameses proud.

On February 16 we have been invited to participate in the Winter Carnival Parade in Claremont and it will be our first parade in 2008. Please come if at all possible and lend your support.

Plans are also being made to participate in the Spring Ceremonial in Brampton and the Imperial Session in St. Louis. The Drum Corps intends to lead our Illustrious Sir and Rameses Shriners in fine style.

I know that I have said this many times before but I believe the message bears repeating. The Drum Corp is always looking for new members. Uniforms, instruments and training are provided so if you would like to join us, give us a call. 2010 is just around the corner and Rameses will be the host Temple. Join us now and be a part of this memorable event leading our own Imperial Sir George Mitchell down the streets of Toronto.





Banner Exchange and Installation 2008



Nobles, Divan, friends and family assembled recently to exchange banners and celebrate the installation of officers for Rameses Shrine Temple. The impressive uniforms, colours and pageantry signified the heritage which is the outward display of a deeply felt obligation.

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Waubuno Shrine Club wins Whitefish Bonspiel - again!

By Noble Seymour Butz

WAUBUNO SHRINE CLUB

The Waubuno Shrine Club from Parry Sound won the Terry Harris Memorial Whitefish Bonspiel on January 26, 2008.

The 43rd annual curling bonspiel was sponsored by the Sheba Shrine Club, Barrie. The event was entirely beer free.

The Waubuno rink was comprised of Skip Doug Kerr, Roger Beagan, Roger Burden and Roy Milligan.

The Minnow Event was captured by the Patrol, skipped by Pat Monkman and his team of John Young, George Kimber and Ed Foden.

This was Kerr's 6th win at the Whitefish in 11 years, despite having Roy Milligan on the team. "We were severely handicapped."

Pat Monkman established an astounding record of appearing at the Whitefish for 38 consecutive years. Over those years, Monkman won the Whitefish 4 times and the Minnow 3 times. Glen Pollinger was with the Patrol rink for most of those victories but missed the recent bonspiel.

Draw Master Stuart Crockatt announced next year's Whitefish Bonspiel will be held at a new and enlarged Barrie Curling Club, which will permit the Whitefish to accommodate 4 more teams. According to Crockatt, "The date of next year's bonspiel and location of the new facility will be announced later, when the Waubuno Shrine Club is on vacation."

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The field of pediatric orthopaedics includes treatment of injuries and disorders to the musculo-skeletal system. Specific problems treated at Shriners Hospitals for Children include club foot, congenital hip dislocation, scoliosis (curvature of the spine), osteogenesis imperfecta (often called brittle bone disease), deformities and length discrepancies of the lower limbs and orthopaedic problems associated with cerebral palsy, spina bifida, etc. Shriners Hospitals for Children are equipped and staffed to provide care for virtually all pediatric orthopaedic problems, except acute trauma.

When treating children with orthopaedic problems, Shriners Hospitals use an inter-disciplinary approach to ensure comprehensive, personalized care. The medical staff includes orthopaedists, pediatricians, surgeons, psychologists, geneticists, neurologists, urologists, rheumatologists, and others.

In addition, Shriners Hospitals use the most up-to-date technology and equipment to treat their patients. Thirteen hospitals have motion analysis labs equipped to carefully study how a child with mobility problems walks. These high-tech labs use a system of



reflective markers, high-speed cameras and computers to develop a model of a child's walk that physicians use to recommend treatment.

Thirteen hospitals have in-house orthotics and prosthetics departments, where custom-designed artificial arms, legs, hands and feet are created for patients who need them.

Being a leader in providing innovative treatments depends on cutting edge research. Much of what Shriners Hospitals for Children has been able to accomplish was possible because of a strong commitment to research efforts. All the knowledge, understanding and expertise gained over the past 80-plus years has improved the lives of not only the patients at our hospitals, but also others around the world. Currently, there are 135 research projects underway at Shriners Hospitals. These efforts include developing new devices to help children with club foot,

developing an implantable leg-lengthening device and improving the tools used in the motion analysis labs.

Shriners Hospitals also have a solid reputation for excellence in medical education. Several thousand physicians have received residency or post-graduate fellowship training in our hospitals. In fact, many orthopaedic surgeons practicing today received instruction at some point, either directly or indirectly, from Shriners Hospitals. Today, Shriners orthopaedic hospitals have strong links with several prestigious universities including Washington University, University of California at Los Angeles and Davis, University of Utah, University of Hawaii and McGill University. The emphasis on research and education are additional indicators of Shriners Hospitals for Children's total commitment to finding and providing the best possible orthopaedic care for children.

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Rameses Legion of Honour Unit

By Noble Stephen D. Shirk
Past Commander

The Legion of Honour was first established as a Club Unit by the Waubuno Shrine Club at a meeting on September 18th 1997 with Noble Ernie Watthey appointed as their interim Acting Commander. At this meeting there were 15 Shriners present. Nobles Murray Fraser, Ellis Gates and Bob Gilbert also assumed temporary acting officer positions. Formal elections were held at their next meeting on 15 October 1997 with the first official meeting held on 17 December 1997 with their new Commander Noble Murray Fraser elected. Noble Gates was their first Secretary, Noble John Wetham appointed as Treasurer with the By-Law Committee comprised of Nobles Jack McKay, Ernie Watthey and Frank Kirk. Motions were made by Nobles Al Poolton and Bob Gilbert to forward membership fees to the International Association of Legions of Honour. Yearly elections were held with new Commanders appointed as follows: 8 October 1998 - Noble Ernie Watthey; 19 January 1999 - Noble Robert Gilbert; 21 January 2000 - Noble Bill Gerhart; 10 January 2001 - Noble Bill Gerhart.

An Emergency Meeting was held on 7 February 2002 where it was announced that the Legion of Honour Unit must be a Unit of Rameses Temple vice a unit of the Waubuno Shrine Club. Noble William Gerhart was elected as the new Commander of the Rameses Legion of Honour Unit. During the following years new Commanders were elected as follows: November 2002 - Noble Ernie Watthey; November 2003 - Noble Stephen D. Shirk; November 2004 - Noble Gordon Culbert; November 2005 - Noble Russell McFarland; November 2006 - Noble Ernie Watthey; October 2007 - Noble Peter Penner.

The purpose of the Rameses Legion of Honour Unit is to bind all eligible servicemen, past and present, of Rameses Temple into a single Unit of comradeship and service. It holds sacred and perpetuates the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of their country. The Unit has cultivated a spirit of comradeship with and among all Masonic and Shrine organizations, both domestic and international. Our primary aim is to support and assist the Illustrious Potentate and Divan of Rameses Temple in advancing the best interests of the Temple. We intend to encourage Nobles of Rameses Temple, if eligible, to join the Rameses Temple Legion of Honour Unit.

This Unit is a uniformed body of Rameses Temple, and as a marching Unit, guards the Colours and acts as official escort to the Illustrious Potentate when requested.

The objectives of this Unit are: To foster a Spirit of Patriotism, Love of Country and Flag; To perpetuate the memory of our Comrades in Arms who made the Supreme Sacrifice by giving their lives for their country while members of the Armed Forces; To devote our efforts as individuals, and Legion of Honour Units to strive for an increase in Friendship and Cooperation between our Legion of Honour Unit and other Units of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (A.A.O.N.M.S.).

For membership in this Unit all members of the Temple Unit must have received an Honourable Discharge, released from active duty under honourable conditions or satisfactory Certificate of Honourable Service from his last service from the Armed Forces of his country, or produce evidence that he is presently serving honourably in the Armed Forces of his country at the time of his application. The phrase Armed Forces of his country shall be interpreted to include only those military forces as defined by the government of that country, and which would be considered veterans upon completion of their tour of duty.

An Honourary Membership may be granted for a Noble who may not be eligible for regular membership but the Unit would like to honour or pay tribute to i.e. Potentate, Past Potentate, Director of Units, Club Presidents or Nobles who have achieved a high honour within the Temple. These Nobles may be presented certificates, time-limited dues cards, etc. However, Honourary Members may not wear the Legion of Honour medallion, pay dues or hold any Legion office.

Nobles who are members of Policing Services such as the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Ontario Provincial Police, City Police, etc. may be considered for membership in the Legion of Honour Unit if they can prove that they were performing policing duties in a theatre of action as employed by the Canadian Government Department of National Defense

Platoons have been established in locations throughout the region of responsibility governed by Rameses Temple. A Platoon must consist of a minimum of seven (7) Unit members. Unit members elect a Platoon Lieutenant that must be approved by the Unit Executive. Platoon Lieutenants are active voting members of the Unit Executive. Currently we have Platoons in Parry Sound (Waubuno), Orillia, Collingwood (Manito), Belleville, and most recently Kingston.

The Rameses Shriners Legion of Honour Unit is actively looking for new members to join our ranks. Membership fees are \$15 per year or a lifetime membership is \$100.

Two general meetings will be held annually as a Unit at the Spring Ceremonial and election at our fall ceremonial of each year at a location as designated by the Commander. Platoons will hold their meetings throughout the remainder of the year at the direction of the Platoon Lieutenants. LOH Nobles are encouraged to attend the Banner exchanges in January, Wreath Laying ceremonies in Ottawa in May, participate as a Unit at the Spring Ceremonials, and attend other official Unit functions at the request of the Commander. Please contact the Commander or any member of the LOH if you would be interested in becoming a member or if you would like to form a Platoon in your area.

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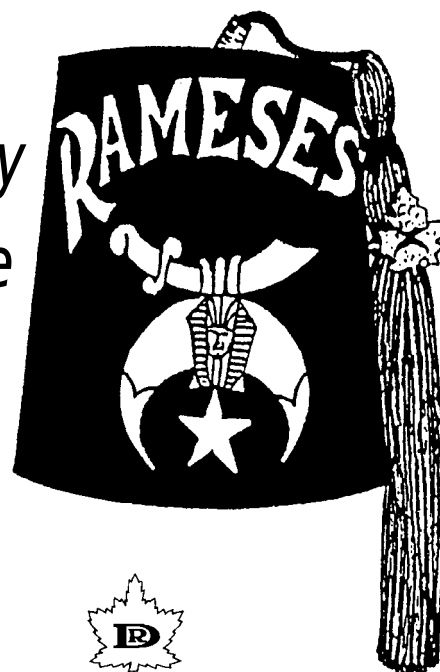
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November 9, 2007
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November 15, 2007
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V. Bill F. Koivu
October 24, 2007
Sudbury, Ontario
Onni L. Koskinen
December 23, 2005
Elliott Lake, Ontario
James MacKay
November 21, 2007
Glenburnie, Ontario
W. J. "Bill" Rose
November 5, 2007
Guelph, Ontario
Ralph E. Seaton
October 17, 2007
Hastings, Ontario
Edward E. Stephens
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Barrie, Ontario

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November 8, 2007
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Parry Sound, Ontario
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December 7, 2007
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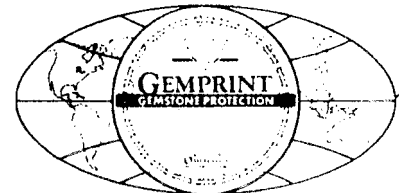
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