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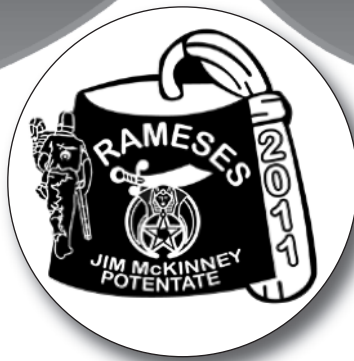
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Potentate's Message

ILLUSTRIOUS SIR JAMES D. "JIM" MCKINNEY, POTENTATE

I am greatly honoured to have been elected as Potentate of Rameses Shriners for 2011. Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me and the other Elected Divan and Appointed Officers of Rameses Shriners for the upcoming year. I truly believe that we have a hard working and dedicated team of people. Together we can continue to build a strong Shrine Centre.

I would like to congratulate Noble Robert Jones on his election as Oriental Guide. In my opinion, he will do a great job and wish him and Lady Tina all the best for this year and the years to follow.

On behalf of the members of Rameses Shriners, I would like to thank Illustrious Sir Bryan Lawson for all his hard work and dedication. The year 2010 was a very good year.

At the time of this writing, 2011 is well underway. One of my goals this year is to put fun as one of the top priorities. I firmly believe if we can put more fun into our events, we will have more Shriners.

Congratulations to all the new Presidents and Officers for 2011. If you would like me or any member of the Divan to attend your Club or Unit event, please contact us as soon as possible so that we can put your event on our schedules. Thanks a million for the warm welcomes and courtesies extended to my wife and I at the Club Installations.

Hot off the press: The curling team from Waubuno has won the 2011 Terry Harris Whitefish Bonspiel. Congratulations to Noble Doug Kerr and his rink. This event is a whole lot of fun and I encourage the Clubs who do not have a team to put one together and contact the Sheba Shrine Club.

I look forward to greeting all of you this year. I hope to make it to many of your Club and Unit meetings. I will have an open ear at all times. Let me know what you are thinking and what WE can do to make RAMESES SHRINERS better.

Please remember. . .

TOGETHER WE CAN



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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

February 2011

DATE	CLUB	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
19 February	Headquarters	Financial Meeting	Headquarters	1:30 p.m.

April 2011

DATE	CLUB	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
8-9 April	Headquarters	NYOSA	Endicott, NY	
10 April	Headquarters	Divine Service	Headquarters	2:00 p.m.
16 April	Headquarters	Potentate's Ball	Headquarters	

SHRINE CLUBS' WEB SITES AND EMAIL ADDRESSES

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Kawartha Firemens' Unit	www.kawarthafiremen.ca	
Kingston District Shrine Club	www.kingstonshrineclub.com	
Mississauga Shrine Club	www.mississaugashrineclub.net	
Muskoka Shrine Club	www.kirk-white.com/m-p-masons/shrine1.htm	Email: muskokashrineclub@cogeco.ca
Niagara Shrine Club	www.niagarashrineclub.com	Email: niagarashrine@cogeco.ca
Oakville Shrine Club	http://oakvilleshrineclub.ca	
Oronto #69 - Daughters of the Nile		www.daughtersofthenile.com
Oshawa Shrine Club	www.oshawashrineclub.com	Email: info@oshawashrineclub.com
Peel Shrine Club	www.freewebs.com/peelshrineclub	Email: peelshrineclub@yahoo.ca
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Sheba Shrine Club	www.shebashrine.ca	
Shrine International Headquarters	www.shrinershq.org	
Sudbury Shrine Club		Email: sudburyshrine@bellnet.ca
Toronto Imperial Session	www.toronto2010.ca	
Waubuno Shrine Club	www.kirk-white.com/m-p-masons/waubuno/shrine1_2.htm	

GET THAT CANDIDATE NOW!

We must have NEW members to grow.

Thousands of children depend on the Shrine to help mend their twisted and burned bodies. Let's not let them down, let's share with our friends the opportunity to join us in this great philanthropy.

Sign them up now!



Pictured above are: Noble Jack Reid (President 2011), Ambassador Ian Millar, Noble Don Dyson, Noble Willy Oliver, Noble Derek Stewart and Noble Peter Carberry.

Guelph tradition of distributing flowers on Christmas Day continues

By Noble Willy Oliver
1st Vice President

GUELPH AND DISTRICT SHRINE CLUB

A tradition started some 8 years ago by Noble Don Dyson of handing out flowers to the working attendants of the Guelph General Hospital continued last year on the 25th of December.

Christmas morning is always special to both the participating Nobles and the staff. Nobles of the Guelph and District Shrine Club have an annual gathering of Nobles to celebrate the festive season.



Pictured are some of the nurses and support staff who were working on Christmas Day

Oshawa Shrine Club a growing concern

By Noble Vic Phillips

OSHAWA SHRINE CLUB

The Oshawa Shrine Club certainly does not have a new membership problem. In the past year we have initiated a dozen new members and the list is growing. The main attraction, we are told, are the number of Units to choose from and the variety of activities at the Club.

New Shriners can become clowns, play in the Oriental Band, drive mini cars or mini bikes or carry a banner in the numerous parades in which we take part. We enjoy all the people on the sidelines and visiting rural towns. In one town we spotted an unusual sign in a shop window. It read "ears pierced while you wait".

All the Units are growing in membership and we are always checking out and buying new vehicles.

Our ladies are also on the go, supporting the Units with their work behind the scenes.

If parties are your thing, well, just in the past few months we had a packed house for Ladies Night, followed by the President's Ball, followed by a Super Bowl Party. We had no idea that so many of the ladies are NFL fans who enjoy the odd wager on the games.

Our Club building is booked months and even years ahead for wedding receptions and private parties. The Club is one huge non-stop concern and is well managed by many Nobles who now and in the past held responsible positions.

We are also very proud of our Past President and extremely active Shriner Noble Robert Jones and his wife Lady Tina.

"Bob" was recently elected as Oriental Guide for Rameses Shriners at the January Annual Meeting and elections and hopefully will join the several other Illustrious Nobles from our Club who are now Past Potentates.

I recall one Potentate telling me many years ago that there are three stages in a Potentate's career: "who is he?" followed by "there he is" followed by "my God is he still around?"



David Dunn
Chief Rabban



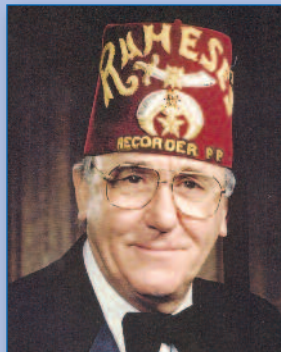
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Oriental Guide



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Robert "Bob" Young, P.P.
Treasurer

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James D. "Jim" McKinney
Illustrious Potentate

Introducing your new Oriental Guide Noble Robert E. "Bob" Jones

Bob became a Mason in 1972. He was Master of Jerusalem Lodge No. 31 in 1997 and DDGM of Ontario District 2006-2007. He is a member of the GL Committee of Masonic Education. Bob is a 32 degree Scottish Rite Mason of the Peterborough Valley and Hamilton Consistory. He is a Royal Arch Mason, Cryptic Rite and member of several other degrees.

He has been a member of Rameses Shriners since 1988, and a very active Oshawa and District Shrine Club President (2004), Secretary (2006-2009), Bingo Chairman, Sick and Visiting Chairman, and Unit Director of the Oshawa Oriental Band.

Bob was Ambassador of the Rameses Wheelers Shrine Club and is Ambassador of the New York/Ontario Association of Oriental Bands. You may have heard Bob sing at the Potentate's Ball or Varsity Stadium Shrine Football game.

Bob has been married to Lady Tina for over 40 years and has two sons.

2010/11 SHRINERS LOTTERY RESULTS

WINNERS WILL BE PRINTED IN THE TORONTO STAR, SATURDAY EDITION, SECTION 670, PERSONAL COLUMN
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Draw 45, 11 November 2010

0445	R. McGovern	Everett	Tecumseh	\$1000
2281	F. Cade	Niagara Falls	Niagara	\$ 500
1890	H. Keene	Ajax	Oshawa	\$ 250
0200	Z. Ioannidis	Bradford	Viking	\$ 250
3490	J. Hedley-Plante	Walkerton	Mrisela	\$ 250
2124	S. Nash	Larder Lake	Northland	\$ 250
2427	M. Cathcart	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 100
2957	D. Hutcheon	Kingston	Kingston	\$ 100
0150	D. Gingrich	Holland Landing	Viking	\$ 100
2781	T. McKee	Nottawa	Manoto	\$ 100
0011	R. Fleming	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 100

Draw 46, 18 November 2010

1091	A. Giles	Barrie	Sheba	\$1000
0503	R. Conklin	Brampton	Tecumseh	\$ 500
0313	D. Baily	Guelph	Guelph	\$ 250
2991	K. Rossi	Woodbridge	Kingston	\$ 250
3443	T. Lamping	Burlington	Directors	\$ 250
0727	G. Brouillette	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 250
1162	H. Otto	North Bay	Rorab	\$ 100
3504	Rameses Drum Corps	Toronto	Drum Corps	\$ 100
1463	J. Lawson	Nobel	Waubuno	\$ 100
2329	K. Davis	Sutton	Newbeaver	\$ 100
0624	J. Gosselin	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 100

Draw 47, 25 November 2010

0942	O. Sinton	Midhurst	Sheba	\$1000
2689	D. Hurman	Stayner	Manito	\$ 500
1661	A. Etling	Port Colborne	Port Colborne	\$ 250
3331	R. Burnet	South Glengarry	Belleville	\$ 250
0090	P. Goodfellow	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 250
1632	M. Oyler	Willowdale	Hillbilly	\$ 250
1357	R. Almas	Meaford	Ramoca	\$ 100
1986	L. Payne	Orillia	Orillia	\$ 100
0546	H. Saville	Hanmer	Sudbury	\$ 100
0055	Hammond/Sproats	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 100
0650	W. Tait	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 100

Draw 48, 2 December 2010

3140	R. Walker	Bobcaygeon	Kawartha	\$1000
2546	M. Robinson	Beaumaris	Muskoka	\$ 500
0822	W. Klapatiuk	St. Catharines	St. Catharines	\$ 250
0875	T. Paul	Burlington	Hamilton	\$ 250
3418	E. Mueller	Maple Leaf	Algonquin	\$ 250
3366	R. Wigmore	Trenton	Belleville	\$ 250
1722	Merry's Sisters	Niagara Falls	Niagara	\$ 100
1009	G&S Fraser	Gilford	Sheba	\$ 100
0234	L. Hill	Belleville	Trent Valley	\$ 100
2645	D. Stevens	Brampton	Mississauga	\$ 100
1722	Merry's Sisters	Niagara Falls	Niagara	\$ 100

Draw 49, 9 December 2010

0778	Lake/Sykes	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$1000
1820	N. Lawton	Ajax	Oshawa	\$ 500
1282	B. Rutherford	Owen Sound	Ramoca	\$ 250
0227	C. Martin	Newmarket	Viking	\$ 250
0686	C. Anderson	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 250
0081	W. Lebert	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 250
2162	F. Herbert	Vineland Station	Niagara	\$ 100
2782	M. Stephens	Glencairn	Manito	\$ 100
2510	M. Speicher	Gravenhurst	Muskoka	\$ 100
1407	Ettinger/Elford	Aurora	El Shamaly	\$ 100
2713	R. Bates	Stayner	Manito	\$ 100

Draw 50, 16 December 2010

2339	M. Hall	Sharon	Newbeaver	\$1000
1142	B. Sillivan	North Bay	Rorab	\$ 500
2501	K. Lever	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 250
0637	R. Fleming	Copper Cliff	Sudbury	\$ 250
0696	B. Tooley	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 250
2325	A. Hatton	Keswick	Newbeaver	\$ 250
2273	C. Menechella	Niagara Falls	Niagara	\$ 100
0461	K. Lipsett	Bond Head	Tecumseh	\$ 100
1485	C&T Worrall	Toronto	Security	\$ 100
3430	C. Pritchard	L'Amble	Algonquin	\$ 100
0756	W. Wright	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 100

Draw 51, 23 December 2010

3472	Hunter/Niven	Scarborough	Drum Corps	\$1000
1259	D. Templeman	Kincardine	Ramoca	\$ 500
0335	G. Smith	Timmins	Timmins	\$ 250
0251	R. Arbuckle	Belleville	Trent Valley	\$ 250
0241	B. Hare	Brighton	Trent Valley	\$ 250
1464	T. McEwen	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 250
1103	H. Ayerst	Barrie	Sheba	\$ 100
3051	KDSC Parade Unit	Kingston	Kingston	\$ 100
3350	A. Hackett	Wellington	Belleville	\$ 100
3172	F. Konopaski	Peterborough	Kawartha	\$ 100
0734	G. Charles	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 100

Draw 52, 30 December 2010

0732	R. Zadow	Lively	Sudbury	\$1000
1991	D. Falls	Penetang	Orillia	\$ 500
1335	B. Dixon	Shallow Lake	Ramoca	\$ 250
1571	Pt. Colborne/Welland	Welland	Pt. Colborne	\$ 250
2726	P. Zeggil	Brighton	Manito	\$ 250
0803	M. Tantolo	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 250
2569	L&D Ruttle	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 100
1606	W. Bishop	Kingston	Kingston	\$ 100
3514	C. Fiddy	Brantford	Rameses	\$ 100
2810	J. Balmer	Markham	Leaside	\$ 100
3690	G. Decristoforo	Brampton	Transport	\$ 100

Draw 1, 6 January 2011

2748	M. Varcoe	Thornton	Sheba	\$1000
0064	J. Rock	Scarborough	Security	\$ 500
0004	Rameses Clowns	Toronto	Rameses	\$ 250
0870	R. Stokes	Bracebridge	Muskoka	\$ 250
0986	M. Thompson	Collingwood	Manito	\$ 250
2920	K&L Redden	Val Caron	Sudbury	\$ 250
0308	R. Kerr	Grimsby	Rameses	\$ 100
0012	R. Hutchison	Kleinburg	Rameses	\$ 100
1837	G. Pye	Orillia	Orillia	\$ 100
0935	V. Colby	Toronto	Leaside	\$ 100
1872	B. Noble	Courtice	Oshawa	\$ 100

Draw 2, 13 January 2011

1872	B. Noble	Courtice	Oshawa	\$1000
0744	J. Harrison	Kington	Kingston	\$ 500
0865	N. Pridham	Brampton	Kingsway	\$ 250
2857	D. Foss	St. Catharines	St. Catharines	\$ 250
0560	T. Stewart	Guelph	Guelph	\$ 250
0372	W. Clare	Stirling	Belleville	\$ 250
0583	R. Clancey	Lakefield	Kawartha	\$ 100
0607	F. Knopopaski	Peterborough	Kawartha	\$ 100
1786	C. Lye	Coldwater	Orillia	\$ 100
0910	M. Guerguis	Markham	Leaside	\$ 100
1085	E. Teskey	Owen Sound	Rameses	\$ 100

Draw 3, 20 January 2011

0650	A. Crowe	Bobcaygeon	Kawartha	\$1000
2917	P&S Finkle	Sudbury	Sudbury	\$ 500
0488	Stapley/Whitmarsh	Maple	El Shamaly	\$ 250
2773	G. Dawson	Barrie	Sheba	\$ 250
0928	D. Cook	Pickering	Leaside	\$ 250
2503	J. Simpson	North Bay	Rorab	\$ 250
0311	R. Nash	Stirling	Hillbilly	\$ 100
0659	J. Young	Bobcaygeon	Kawartha	\$ 100
3546	G. Jennings	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 100
3576	M. Tait	Parry Sound	Waubuno	\$ 100
2906	M. Bryant	Wasaga Beach	Sudbury	\$ 100

**Winner of the 2010
Grand Prize
John and Aileen Carter
of Cochrane, Ontario
Ticket #0360**



Chaplain's Corner

BY REVEREND MARSHALL JESS - *Chaplain*

Congratulations are extended to Ill. Sir James D. (Jim) McKinney on his election to the office of Potentate of Rameses Shriners and to all those who have been elected or appointed to the respective offices of Rameses Shriners, and joining the Elected Divan is Noble Robert (Bob) Jones to the office of Oriental Guide. As we embark on a new year we face challenges in every area of our lives.

To accomplish these tasks and responsibilities each one of us needs guidance, strength and wisdom. These virtues do not just happen, we have to look beyond ourselves for assistance in the development of these qualities.

There is a little record told by another which has a message for each and all of us. Let me share it with you as I found it.

"Up on the bleak hillside, alone in the winter darkness, stands the little old church. Only a few folk turn out from their firesides, bend before the wind, and toil up the road, and most

of them are white-haired. They sing a hymn or two; they bow as the minister prays for them and for all the wide world; they listen to the sermon . . .

When you think that for every one who attended that Sunday evening service, hundreds within a few miles of the church did not attend and never even thought of it; why not let the preaching and singing and praying drop out of use altogether?

But however carelessly men and women live today, the truth still needs to be preached, hearts still need to be warmed by singing the great hymns which stirred earlier generations, prayers are still needed, perhaps more than ever for those who have no time for religion. And the church on the hill needs still to light its windows that men and women may find their way back to God."

That article was written almost 50 years ago and true as it was at that time, it is truer than ever in this new year of 2011.

Our Shrine Kids need our prayers and our support and there is only one way that it can happen, and it is not by word alone but by action.

As our Ill. Sir has said, "Together We Can!"

We are certainly in the Canadian winter now and probably when you read this, spring will be just around the corner.

Please accept my thanks for the continued confidence in myself and all the members of the Divan. My congratulations to Noble Bob Jones as the newest member of your Divan, I know he will be an asset and a strong voice to represent you.

We now enter the busiest time of the year with our installations and the challenges we all face in our unique Fraternity. You may ask what these challenges are!

With our diminishing membership we have and must put in place unusual and

groundbreaking efforts to not only increase our membership but to expand our financial bottom line.

Diminishing membership requires unique and unusual efforts



Terry's Tunes

BY TERRY LAMPING - *Assistant Rabban*

Make no mistake, we continue to work to increase our membership. Keep in mind that it costs us close to \$500,000 just to operate the Temple and pay all the expenses for light heat and power etc.

On another theme, I wish to thank the Nobles at the Clubs I visited for their wonderful and kind hospitality for myself and my Lady Joyce. We enjoy visiting the Clubs all over Rameses' huge territory.

As a member of your Divan, I say thank you for your support and encouragement and never forget that the Shrine was formed by Nobles Florence and Fleming to have fun.

See that we do!



Treasurer's Report

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

I would like to congratulate Noble Bob Jones on his election to Oriental Guide and the rest of the Divan on their move closer to the top of the line.

Thank you to Ill. Sir Jim McKinney and Lady Linda on a well planned weekend. It was nice to see the turn out for the Banner Exchange. Congratulations to Ill. Sir Jim and Lady Linda on becoming grandparents to a baby boy and girl. What an exciting weekend for them.

Now we are already into the job of looking after this year and a few changes will be in the making for everyone. The

changes will affect how we look at the running of our hospitals, our own Shrine Centre and in our government. While we may not always agree with the change, we have to keep our Special Children in our mind and hearts as they are our reason for being. Nobles, if you haven't visited one of our hospitals, please try and do so.

Congratulations to our Club and Unit leaders. Your work for the children helps to keep us in the right direction. The costs for your home base, 3100 Keele Street keep rising so I would ask that you consider helping with these costs also so that you can have a nice place to bring family and friends. I was pleased to hear that our new First Lady Linda's project will be to help refurbish the reception area. This is a beginning.

Thank you for the confidence in electing me as your Treasurer for another year.



Rameses Installation and Banner Exchange 2011







Dave's Place

BY DAVID DUNN - *Chief Rabban*

Nobles, I take this opportunity to congratulate Ill. Sir Bryan Lawson on his successful year as Potentate of Rameses Shriners. It was a pleasure to work with Ill. Sir Bryan on the Divan. I wish him and Lady Ingrid all the best in the future.

Congratulations also to Ill. Sir Jim McKinney on his elevation to Potentate of Rameses Shriners. Ill. Sir Jim is a highly respected Noble, I know he will serve Rameses well.

I also congratulate Noble Bob Jones on being elected to the position of Oriental Guide, I've known Noble Bob for many

years. He will be a great asset to the Divan.

As we start another year in the Shrine filled with enjoyment from wearing the Fez, it's time to renew our commitment to our Shrine Center, to our Shrine Clubs, to our Shrine Units and to our Shrine Hospitals which we support.

We all have the responsibility of keeping the Shrine healthy and vibrant, this includes regular participation in Shrine Activities.

Nobles, I ask you to remember your commitment you made when you were initiated into the Shrine.

Remember Nobles, "Together We Can".

Good luck and congratulations to the new Club and Unit Executives, I look forward to meeting everyone on our travels throughout the year.

Here we are in 2011, another year is underway, Past Potentate Illustrious Sir Bryan Lawson and his Lady Ingrid are enjoying a well earned rest in the sunny south.

Your new Potentate Ill Sir James D. McKinney and Lady Linda have a great year planned for Rameses Shriners.

The Spring Ceremonial in Niagara Falls has a great program for all to enjoy, and he has blocked rooms in Denver for the Imperial (reserve yours early).

The rest of the Divan has moved up a position and Robert and Bob are holding on to their respective positions.

We have a new Oriental Guide, Robert Jones (another Bob) I am sure he will serve the position well and keep us from becoming Lost in the Desert.

We have another busy year ahead for all the Nobles. Membership needs to be addressed by all, our numbers are



Terry's Thoughts

BY TERRY FULTON - *High Priest and Prophet*

dropping and I am positive there are many good Masons that would like to experience another avenue within the Order. At the same time when you encounter a good man that would make a Mason, take him to your Lodge.

I have just finished a great year as your Oriental Guide and I am looking toward to the next twelve months as High Priest and Prophet.

In my travels and visits this year I have found we are truly an organization that practices what I believe - FUN WITH A PURPOSE.



Jonesy's Journal

BY BOB JONES - *Oriental Guide*

To all the Nobles who supported me over the past eight months and for the encouragement along the way, I sincerely thank you.

While visiting the Clubs and Units of Rameses, I mentioned "It is not the destination, but the journey that counts", I had a

great time meeting old friends and making new ones.

The next five years will be busy and rewarding, at the same time Lady Tina and I look forward to the challenge.

As a member of the elected Divan I will do my best to live up to my obligations to Rameses Shriners.

To all Nobles, get to know the workings of the Shrine by attending your Club, Temple and Unit meetings. Don't just be a "knife and forker".

Remember our Ill. Sir Jim McKinney's motto "Together we can". You need to participate.

Hello from First Lady Linda

Welcome to 2011

I wish to thank the Ladies for attending The Ladies Coffee Bar Meet & Greet on Election day at the Holiday Inn.

Also, many thanks for all the helping hands of the Appointed Ladies and other supporting Ladies. And thanks to all the people for supporting and buying raffle tickets.

Sincerely, Linda McKinney, First Lady





Recorder's Message

BY BOB MCGREGOR, P.P. - Recorder

Nobles, we are starting into a new year and I want to thank you all for your past support of Rameses functions and I trust you will see fit to continue the work of actively supporting our Masonic Lodges, the Rites and of course the playground of Masonry, the Shrine.

One of my duties is By-law Chairman, so if at any time you have a question on this subject I'm only a phone call away. Let me be clear on the subject of By-laws. All Clubs in Rameses use the standard Club By-laws which were approved in 1999 and whereas they are not perfect and in some parts maybe a little gray, none the less, they have served us well these past 11 years. We have no plans at present to change them. Note our Temple By-laws out-rank Club By-laws and Imperial By-laws out-rank them both. Let me say for the record that our Temple By-laws leave much to be desired and I lean heavily on Imperial By-laws for all final rulings.

Let me recommend for your serious consideration that you first remind yourselves of the F.P.O.F. before you bring a problem to me for a ruling. I listen to all aspects of the problem both pro and con then a decision is made in accordance with the Club By-laws and not necessarily in favour of those that shout the longest and loudest.

As Masons we should be able to work out an amicable solution without going through the By-laws with a magnifying glass. I strongly recommend the principles of good old common sense, if it feels good, if it sounds good, if it looks good, it's probably good. Let's give this a try, but if this doesn't work for you, give me a call. I'm always available to help if needed. Be advised the current elected Club President is your C.E.O. All approvals for Club fundraisers and functions must be signed by him before it can be approved at the Temple level. If your Club has Units, they come under the direct control of the Club President and they must have his approval for anything they plan to do. He in turn gets approval from the Illustrious Potentate.

If your Units have bank accounts, that money belongs to the Club and the Club President is responsible, assisted by the Club elected Treasurer and secretary to see that Unit money is reflected in the Club's year end financial statements. It is expected that the Clubs and their Units work in harmony on this financial item however when push comes to shove, it's Club money and for the record Imperial By-laws state and I quote "Shrine Clubs have no independent right to govern their own funds contrary to the By-laws of the Imperil Council and the controlling Temple Potentate", page 170 annotations to Imperial By-laws (Iowa).

The Club President is automatically a member of all committees and he is Chairman of the Trustees. The President can appoint an Assistant Secretary and Treasurer for the duration of his term in office but his successor is not bound by this decision.

The Club Ambassador is the Potentate's Representative to the Club. He does not run the Club but he does speak with the authority of the Potentate in his absence. His job is to make sure the By-laws are adhered to and keep the Club informed on what's happening at the Temple level.

As By-law Chairman, please allow me to give you a piece of good advice, run your Club with a big helping of common sense, with fun and fellowship always at the top of your agendas.

Note: if I'm asked to settle a dispute, I do not take sides. I use the By-laws because the complainants leave me no choice.

Let me say what a pleasure it was for me to serve as Recorder for Illustrious Sir Bryan Lawson in 2010. Illustrious Sir Bryan served with dignity, compassion, sincerity and dedication and I will remember him and his lovely Lady Ingrid as two wonderful people. He always put the needs of others at the forefront of his decisions and I know they will be remembered for their generosity and kindness.

I also wish to congratulate Illustrious Sir Jim McKinney on his elevation to C.E.O. of Rameses Shriners. Jim brings with him his professional experience as a Chartered Accountant and I'm sure Rameses will benefit from his business acumen and his easy going style but beware he is not a pussy cat.

I congratulate Nobles David Dunn, Terry Lamping, Terry Fulton, Robert Jones and Illustrious Sir Bob Young on their election to the Divan and I wish them all well for 2011.

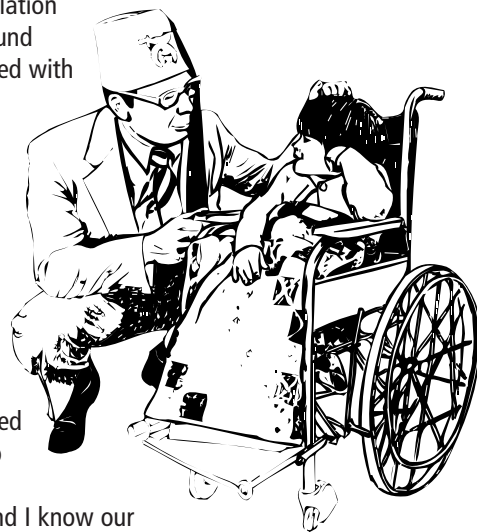
I also wish to thank you for your vote of confidence in me and be assured that so long as I draw breath I'll give you my best effort, but I will not give in to the council of fools.

I regret to say that we face some real challenges in 2011. Membership in Rameses is now 3,890 Nobles and our income is down by over \$100,000 and I believe the worst is yet to come.

The "do not call" legislation is clearly hurting our fund raising and we are faced with ever increasing costs. Insurance for 2011 cost us \$136,000 with heat, light and power coming in at over \$100,000 per year. Clearly we have to sharpen our pencil on every item we can.

Our thanks to everyone who supported our Christmas cakes to our overseas troops. It was a great success and I know our thoughts were well received. I also wish to thank everyone who offered kind thoughts and get well cards to my Nancy before and between her two surgeries. I appreciate your kind thoughts and best wishes for my sweetheart and I'm happy to say she appears to be on the mend.

I close as always by thanking our hardworking Nobles for all that they do for Rameses. Your support is noticed and appreciated and I thank you all for just being Shriners.





RAMESES SPRING CEREMONIAL

JUNE 9 - 12 / 2011

NIAGARA FALLS

WAVES OF FUN IN DOUBLE ONE

Thursday June 9

Illustrious Potentate
James D. "Jim" McKinney

President 2011
George Biggar

Director General
Dave Gillies
dgillies1@cogeco.ca

Secretary
Ken Halbert
kenhalbert@gmail.com

Housing
Brian Wallace
niagarahousing@gmail.com

Package
Peter Van Hemmen
pvanhemmen@gmail.com

2:00pm
5:00pm
7:30 pm

Flag Raising Ceremony, Niagara Falls City Hall
BBQ at the Oasis Shrine Club
Ramees Stated Meeting Shrine Club

Friday June 10

7:00am

Noon
Noon
Noon
Evening

Golf Tournament Shotgun Start
Legends Golf Course Niagara Parks
Registration opens Shrine Club
Marketplace Shrine Club
BBQ at the Oasis Shrine Club
A free night to use your discount pass for dining and to explore Niagara Falls

Saturday June 11

7:00 to 9:30am
8:00am

9:00am
9:30am
11:00am
Noon
1:00pm
2:30 pm
5:30pm
6:30pm
7:00pm

Breakfast Shrine Club
Candidates Registration & All Sections
Kingston College
Ladies Program
Marketplace Shrine Club
Parade Line Up
BBQ at the Oasis Shrine Club
Parade Begins
Class party - meet the Candidates Shrine Club
General Reception Club Italia
Symposium Club Italia
Ceremonial Feast Club Italia

Sunday June 12

7:00 - 9:30am
9:00 to 12:00
9:00am

Noon

Breakfast Shrine Club
Marketplace Shrine Club
Drum Head Ceremony
location to be determined
BBQ at the Oasis Shrine Club



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Lady	First or given name	Surname	
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Email Address		Are you a Candidate?	YES NO

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GOLFER 3		GOLFER 4	
GOLF FEES REMITTED \$			

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	130		71.7							
	125		69.0							
	110		65.6							
HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
WHITE	334	477	114	349	299	381	140	445	462	3001
HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN
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McIntyre, Linda	\$ 200.00
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Niagara Shrine Club	\$ 200.00
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Yowski, Marjorie	\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 4,868.00

**By Ill. Sir Robert R. McGregor, P.P.
Recorder**

It is my pleasure to offer thanks to all shown on the list herewith for their generous donation to our Christmas Cake Fund for our troops in Afghanistan.

There is no doubt in my mind that our troops enjoyed this festive treat, but in retrospect I believe that the real message we send is that we give our thanks for the very difficult and dangerous job they are doing and that we care and appreciate the sacrifice they are making for the Afghan people while at the same time protecting the freedom that we all take for granted.

I must also offer our thanks to Country Style Bakers who gave us the 400 cakes we sent to our troops at their cost, thereby saving us \$600 on the purchase price and be assured we also appreciated their generosity.

Thanks to your support, it looks like we will have an excess of funds in the neighborhood of slightly over \$600 which we will apply to next year's gift.

Thank you all. You done good!

Tartans-R-Us say Muskoka Shrine Club



MUSKOKA SHRINE CLUB

A new year, a new executive, new projects and, all with a proud tradition of sporting a beautiful Tartan. Tartan by Webster is a pattern of colours to designate a distinguished Clan. Scottish no less but truly Muskokan as well. Perhaps R. McGregor P.P. could enlighten us further but we do know that there is a binding force to it and, not to be tinkered with.

The Muskoka Shrine Club jackets arise from a registered Muskokan Tartan which is very colourful and appealing. The Blues reflect the great waters here, the green indicate the abundant trees, the white illustrates our snowy winters and, the red-orange-ambers point out the enveloping autumn leaf colours.

This Tartan, woven into a jacket, is not mandatory in our Club dress code but, each member is always eager to purchase one and wear it proudly. The photo above captures our new

2011 executive and, again, the tartan jacket highlights their appearance. One Noble in this picture is a member and a director who was named "the Shriner of the year for 2010".

This is a profound honour exemplifying dedication and hard work in all areas of the Club. Congratulations Ivan, it is an honour to have you as a Club member.

Winter and spring have traditionally been quiet times for our Club projects. This is changing gradually with our Hillbilly Unit undertaking a great winter project called the "Bonanza Sno-Ball", a winter carnival type event to be held in Dorset on February 19 as a one day family fair. You will, of course, only hear about it in this issue but, you will also know that it is a winter event that you should plan for in 2012.

We wish, from the snowy north, that all have enjoyed many great winter activities and, hope, as well, that we can plan for good winter interludes in Muskoka where we can share fun and fellowship in our Tartan's back yard.

By Noble Floyd Sales

PARADE MARSHAL

Marshal's Message

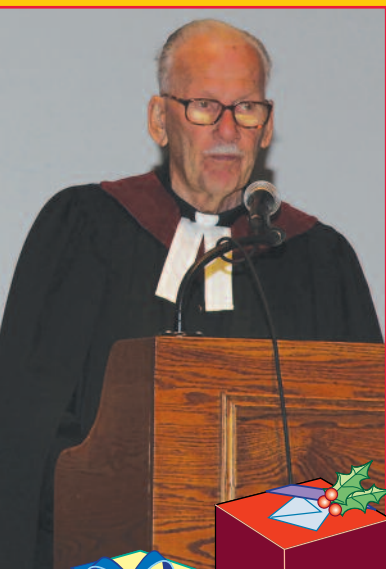
Thank you to all those Clubs and Units who participated in the various events during 2010. Your support for these events is very much appreciated and we look forward to your continued support in 2011. In the very near future, the 2011 Parades and Events Questionnaires will be mailed out to you. In the interim I will be preparing the Parade Line Up for the Spring Ceremonial in Niagara Falls.

It is important for you to complete the Parade and Events Questionnaire and mail it to me as soon as possible in order for me to receive the appropriate marshaling information. This marshaling information will enable me to see that your Club or Unit has the appropriate space necessary to place your Club or Unit in the parade.

Thanks for your kind attention and consideration. I look forward to seeing you in Niagara Falls for the first Parade of 2011.



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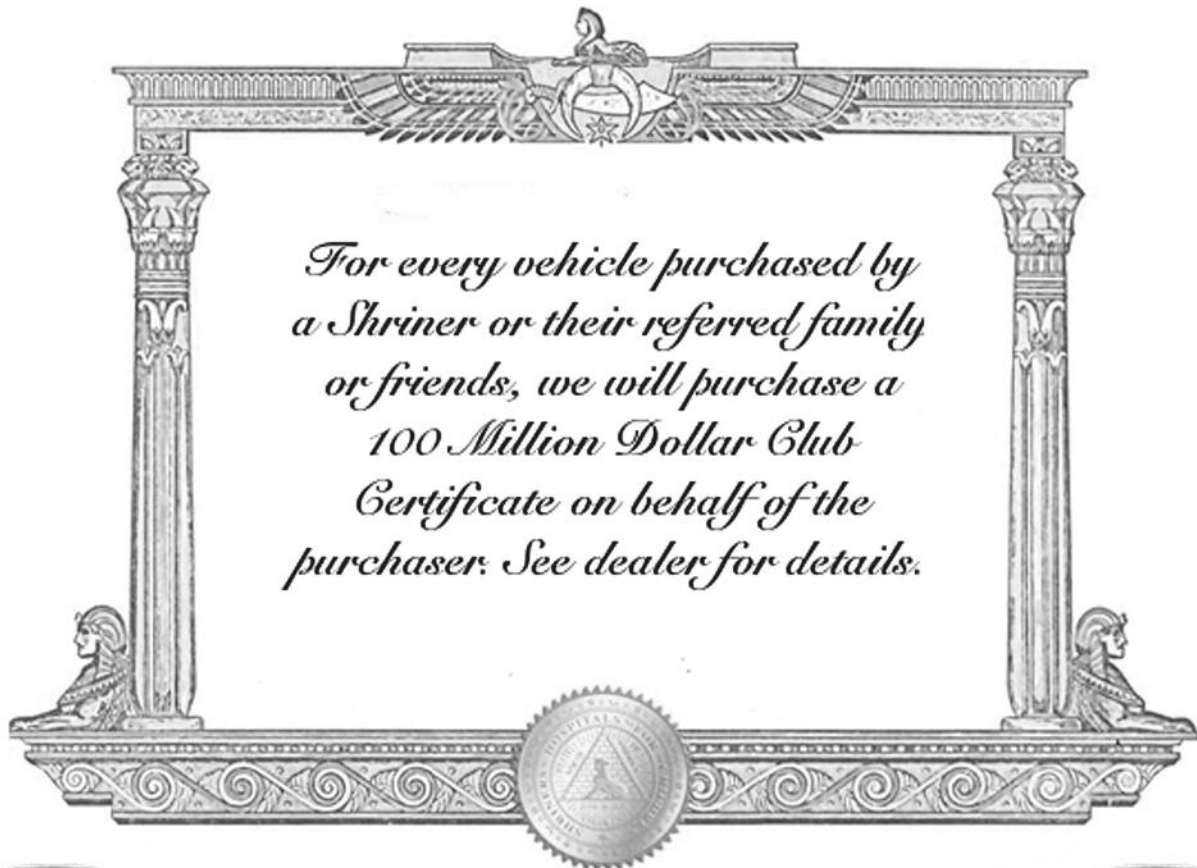
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By Noble Tony Fernando

MISSISSAUGA SHRINE CLUB

We are taking this opportunity to wish Illustrious Sir Jim McKinney and the members of the Divan and our President, Noble Tom Malicki, Secretary and Treasurer and the Board of Directors and Committee members a very prosperous and a successful 2011.

You can be assured of our support throughout the year.

At our November meeting, we were pleased to have Assistant Rabban, Noble David Dunn and Ambassador, Noble Wes McNeice conduct our elections and install our newly elected President, Secretary and Treasurer and Board of Directors. In our opinion, the new process of having elections and installation on the same night is a great step forward to reduce the cycle time.

On our election/installation night, we were delighted to have our gregarious Oriental Guide, Noble Terry Fulton and Noble Scott McCulligh from Tillsonburg Shrine Club.

As always, our President, Noble Tom was well organized with loot bags for the Christmas Fantasy. It was one of the best shows for children as well as adults. Our thanks to Santa Claus, Noble Ralph Cornish for enthralling the children on his descent from the stage in moon walk strides.

In November, Noble George Alexitch was admitted to St Michaels Hospital. We are pleased to have him back in great spirits at our January 2011 meeting. We salute Noble George for his ineffable commitment to our Bingo endeavour.

At our December meeting, our Nobles unanimously voted to purchase and install a defibrillator at Renforth Temple for the benefit of all Masons. So, what is a defibrillator? A defibrillator is a machine that can sometimes reverse a problem with the mammalian heart called ventricular fibrillation. Normally, the beat of the heart begins by an electrical signal from a few cells in the right atrium: these are called the pacemaker cells. This signal moves into the right ventricle and left ventricle. Fibrillation occurs when many different cells in the ventricles begin to act as pacemaker cells. This means that many

thousands of cells tell the heart to beat, all at different times and with no rhythm. This causes the heart to become totally useless, and unable to move blood around the body. This causes death. A defibrillator sends a high-energy pulse from the top-right of the heart to the bottom-middle of the heart. This causes the whole heart to stop all activity. The heart's normal pacemaker then can try and restart normal beating.

We will have a few Nobles trained to operate the defibrillator. In addition, we propose to have the Renforth Temple Board expound to the Secretaries of all Lodges meeting at Renforth to invest in having a couple of members trained.

As our President intimated, it was a

New Election and installation process a great step forward

great feeling to be a member of Mississauga Shrine Club on the cogent, unanimous concurrence without any discussion. We can presume or believe that this is charity or altruism in its best form.

Our Hospital Visitation Chairman, Noble Dave McKay and his entourage of Nobles have been visiting Credit Valley Hospital and Trillium Health Centre for several decades. Our Santa Claus was generally a Noble who fitted into the Santa Claus costume. We have received glowing comments from the hospitals for our charitable endeavors by distributing toys to children who are unable to be at home for Christmas. Our thanks to our Nobles for donating toys.

Cake sales? \$3,495! A great effort by Nobel Don Rowe. Our special thanks to you all.

At our January meeting, Noble Ralph Cornish displayed and made a presentation on two bugles used in World War I in 1915. I must admit that I failed to note the individual (Noble Ralph's relative) who returned to Canada safely. Over the past few years, Noble Ralph has been blowing the bugle outside his home at the dawn of every New Year. To-date, no one has thrown shoes at him for the

deafening sounds he exhorts from the bugle.

Motions were made by our Ambassador to present \$100 Million Dollar Certificates to Nobles Dave Stevens and George Alexitch for their outstanding work at the back end of our Bingo commitment. The motions were seconded and unanimously agreed. In our opinion, their commitment and reliability are exemplary. We must also express our thanks to our Noble President, our Ambassador, Noble Les Bodrogi and our Bingo team for their dedication and unwavering efforts. Over the last fourteen years, we have contributed approximately \$378,000 to the Transportation Fund.

We must extol our Secretary, Noble

Glen Pollinger, Treasurer, Noble Brad Wilson, Calling Committee, Nobles, Cal Waters and Ralph Cornish, Dinner and Refreshments Chairman, Noble Roy Wilson and our

Ambassador, Noble Les Bodrogi for his delicious dinners served at our dinner meetings.

Oriental Guide, Noble Terry Fulton stated in 2010 that he would be at our first meeting in 2011 and he delivered that promise. I called him gregarious earlier and it is my opinion that he will be a great Manager and Leader.

Peter Drucker said that the business world does not need leaders, it needs managers, people who can actually manage a team of people. Being a manager means being in service to the team. It means giving credit and making everyone else successful.

We are pleased to understand that Past Potentate and our Past President, Illustrious Sir, Noble Bob Hall is on the road to recovery and we await his presence at our dinner meetings.

Noble Kaiwan, it's good to see you amid your double duty workloads.

We welcome all Nobles, Scottish Rite Masons and Master Masons to our dinner meetings on the first Monday of the month at Renforth Masonic Temple. For dinner reservations, please call Noble Ralph Cornish at 905-815-9889.

Our best wishes for 2011 to all members of our Fraternity.

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Another busy year planned for the Ladies of Oronto Temple #69

DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE
ORONTO TEMPLE #69

The year has begun with a flurry of all the usual activities that go with it...let's take a moment to wish that we all have a healthy, safe, happy and prosperous year.

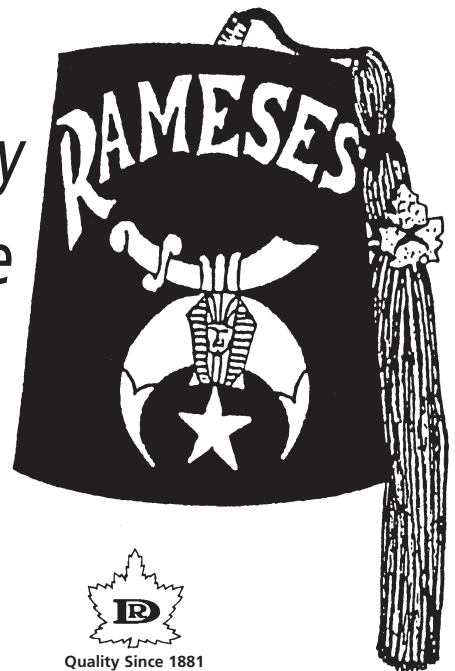
The Daughters of the Nile schedule is filling up quickly as usual. Some of the events we are busily preparing for are:

- The Orthopedic Tea on Sunday February 20, 2011 at 2:00 - 4:00 pm, at the Rameses Temple. All are welcome, so please come and join our Ladies of the Household for good food and fellowship and see the various items they have made for the hospital in Montreal. There is also a craft table with our beautiful hand made items for sale.

- The Open Installation of New Officers on Sunday March 27th (a revised date) at 2:30 pm, at the Rameses Temple. Please come join us in welcoming our new Queen and her officers. Banquet is at 6:00 pm in the Rameses #1 room, cost \$25 per person. The invitation is extended to Nobles, family and friends.

- We are looking forward to making more of our delicious pie dough in the spring. If you are interested in ordering pastry please contact Pr Elizabeth Webster, 416-439-2944.

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New Club is wheeling and dealing

By Ambassador Vic Phillips

WHEELERS SHRINE CLUB

The Rameses Wheelers Shrine Club has only been around a brief time, three years or so, but is growing quickly. Illustrious Potentate James McKinney wanted to find out what the Club is all about and he recently came out to our Oshawa headquarters to install the Wheelers new executive and tell us all about Rameses Shrine plans for 2011. It sure sounds like a fun year ahead.



The Wheelers got out their shovels and built a couple of horseshoe pits behind the Oshawa Shrine Club on Simcoe Street and are working behind the scenes to organize a tournament with other Shrine Clubs who want to form a team. So far we have enough members to form a dozen teams and the challenge is going out far and wide as we look for competition.

Some of the ladies want to get involved and throw the shoes at either the pits or the men. There is some interest from the Divan in forming a team and trekking out to Oshawa. Of course any monies collected will go to our hospitals.

We are also looking into having a vehicle rodeo down the road with motorbikes, mini cars etc. anything that moves.

A new Wheelers Club was recently formed at Media Temple in Watertown, New York and a number of our lads travelled there for a hospital visit and made plans to form Wheelers Clubs all across Shrinedom.

We are always looking to initiate new members into the Club. The initiation is a hoot and something you will always remember. The ladies are initiated as associate members and have proven to be the best drivers we have. Give our President Callum McComish a call at 905-725-2837 and you too can become a big wheeler.

A great opportunity to see Ladies hard work

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Sunday, March 13, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. will be our Bokhara Court, No. 22 Spring Tea at Rameses Shriners, 3100 Keele Street, Toronto Ontario. This is a great opportunity to see what the Ladies have worked so hard to prepare all year for our Canadian Unit, Shriners Hospital for Children in Montreal.

We will have displays of the items to send to the hospital and monetary donations will be presented. We are working hard to raise monies for a Gait Lab.

Our guest speaker will be Mrs. Celine Doray, M.Sc. Nursing, and Administrator for our Montreal Hospital. Come and join us and bring a friend.

Lady Jo-Anne Hedley-Plante, Associate Princess, Hospital Chairman

It is with great pleasure that I inform you of a presentation that will take place on March 17, 2011 at the Montreal Shrine Hospital for Children. A Gold Plaque will be presented to the Hospital with a Bronze medallion on it. In total, the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America, Inc. has contributed \$1.25 million dollars to this hospital. On the same day our Ladies will be present to see the new EOS machine at work. It has been sixteen months since we gave the money to the hospital so we are excited that the machine will be in place and ready for use. Come join us on March 17th.

Lady Pat Martin, High Priestess

Our elections took place in February and our Installation will take place Saturday, April 9, 2011. Please mark your calendars with the dates. I hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas and New Year. Get well wishes to our sick and hope to see you soon. To our shut-ins you are always in our thoughts.

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A tip of the floppy Hillbilly hat at the "frozen feet" parade

By Cuzin' (Noble) Barry

Howdy dear neighbours. By Jupiter, the past seven years I have been doing this column sure have flown by and, God willing, I will continue to do my best from in front of the pot-bellied stove here at Johnson's General Store in Burning Sands to bring you the latest news and stories about the Rameses Hillbilly Shrine Club.

Well folks, we got through winter without too many problems except for the farm well freezing up. Members of the Rameses Hillbilly Shrine Club strutted their stuff at the annual 'frozen feet' parade up in Claremont, Ontario in February. Usual fine hospitality, hot coffee and great chili to warm the innards and a big tip of the Hillbilly floppy hat to all the Masonic Brethren who work so hard to put the event together and always extend their friendship to all.

Gentle reader, I have a correction to make from my last column concerning our Club elections in November. I was more surprised than a three pound hen laying a two pound egg when I was told our President, Cuzin' Jim Rennie decided to stay on as the chief cook and bottle washer for yet another term! He's a bear for punishment, I reckon.

Congratulations to all the new officers - those fellers who have stepped up to the plate to give their time and talent to ensure our Club remains an important part of Shrinedom. At Installation Night, each of the Past Presidents of the Club was presented with a beautiful Past President Jewel, finely engraved. I don't reckon I have ever seen anything like that down at Johnson's General Store. Thanks Cuzin' Jim for your personal involvement in honouring our 'Presidents of the past'.

Well neighbours, the coming of spring and summer means our parade season is almost at hand so why not consider dropping by some of our parades and giving us a hearty 'howdy' as we pass by. Better still, as a Shriner, you are always welcomed to join with us, ride on our float and greet the rows of spectators along the parade routes. Another big bonus, you will get the chance to enjoy the sweet sounds of our bluegrass music emanating from our backhouse.

Hey, all you new and/or experienced Shriners are invited to check out our Club and consider joining up with us officially. Annual dues are \$50.

We meet on the fourth Monday of the month except during the summer thrashing season. You will find us in the Fez Room, Shrine Headquarters, 3100 Keele Street (on the west side), just north of Highway 401 or a couple of blocks south from Sheppard Avenue West. Meetings start around 7:30 or as soon as the farm chores are done. Please wash your feet and wear clean socks.

Folks, it's time for me to get out to the back of the henhouse where I have a batch of mosquito repellent boiling-up. By golly, those little critters sure can bite, but their bites don't quite equal the bite of the repellent! Until next time, gentle friends, may all your troubles be few and we hope the G.A.O.T.U. keep taking a liking to you.

As always, a special hello and best wishes to all our Club members, Shriner friends and/or their families who may not be enjoying the best of health right now.

Y'all are in our prayers and thoughts.

Remember to be neighbourly and offer your postman some mosquito repellent and his horse a drink of cool water.

Shriners, remember to support our very special children. Bless them. They mean so much to all of us.

Folks, give your eyes a treat - check out: www.rameseshillbillyshrineclub.ca for pictures of us and our parades.

For now, and on behalf of Club President Cuzin' Jim Rennie, this is Cuzin' Barry heading to the back of the henhouse.

I can be reached via ve3dtj@aol.com or phone: 3 longs, 2 shorts (if no answer, I may be out behind the henhouse).

One of our Club members went for his annual medical checkup. The doc told him: 'I'd say the best thing for you would be to give up drinking, smoking yer pipe, chasing women and gettin' yourself to bed early'. The member replied: 'Whew, hmmm, well Doc, you know, I don't really deserve what is best...so maybe you could recommend what would be second best!'



Generous winner donates cheque to Club

By Noble Larry Peyton

PORT COLBORNE AND WELLAND SHRINE CLUB

Kendra Cousineau, winner of \$200 in Port Colborne/Welland Club's cash draw Calendar, with her mother Sherri, presented her cheque back to the Club, represented by Noble Ambassador Larry Peyton and Past President Noble Don Kettle. Kendra said "I can't believe I won again. Mom told me what you do and I thought and thought about it. It is good that you help kids. I want your Club to keep this money for a person who needs it. That would make me happy."

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Buffalo Shriners teach Niagara dogs new tricks

By Noble Dave Gillies

NIAGARA SHRINE CLUB

You have to give credit to a bunch of old dogs trying to learn new tricks as a few of our Nobles are going back to school to earn their PHDs. Ismailia Shriners from Buffalo NY are our willing educators and after three demanding classes your PHD, a doctorate of Rhymes is conferred on you by Chancellor Charlie Johnson. Fun, just another good reason for joining with other Shriners in fellowship, as our Illustrious Sir Jim says "there are no strangers in Shrinedom only friends you have yet to meet". Plans are set to visit them on the fourth Wednesday monthly for those seeking a higher education.

The Maid found a new chart to Hagersville and we navigated cross-country in December. She sailed through the city streets along with every type of farm implement you could put some lights on in this wonderful night parade.

Our trusty crew of sailors had the most fun while interacting with the spectators and after the parade the Legion put on a great feedbag for us all.

A super effort and result in the revival of this parade after a number of dark years for the Hagersville Santa's night parade.

Out-going president Andy and his Lady Carol welcomed us all to the Christmas dinner meeting at the door with a Christmas bag of goodies. I thought the chocolates were for me as there was a neat night light for my Lady but never saw hide nor hair of them again. Business was dispatched in short order and a great turkey dinner was presented buffet style. I can only speak for myself as a guy with two left feet but the dance floor was noticeably empty of the usual great dance partners we normally see when entertainment is presented.

Some good luck should rub off on the Club as a result of the hard work by Nobles Rick and Ed and others in selling 60 extra tickets over our quota of 100 on the Cadillac lottery. You can't win if you don't buy so think about sitting behind the wheel of some new wheels next year or relaxing on a sunny beach with \$40,000 in the bank and make all the ticket sellers jobs even easier next fall.

We got off to a good start with cake sales at the Vineland Craft Fair but went all out at the Club with inside sales by a few dedicated Nobles of close to \$12,000. If each Noble in the Club took one case home and ate them our over-all sales would go through the roof. We might all end up with sugar or at the very least, grossly overweight so pretend you're on a diet as it would be healthier for you to sell them to your neighbours.

At the time of writing our sister Club from where the canal starts at Lake Erie; the Nobles of Port Colborne Welland are gearing up for the Tri-Installation Dinner. It's a good chance for the three Shrine Clubs in the peninsula to get together along with usually a good turn-out from the Divan. We get the chance to welcome our new officers, interact with the Divan and show off our beautiful Ladies over a good dinner and conversation with our peers.

Rameses elections went off without a hitch and we welcomed in our new Potentate III. Sir Jim McKinney and his



Divan. After a standing goodbye and good luck to now Noble Brian Lawson P.P; thanks for a great year, the newly elected Club officers were fezzed.

An unexpected bonus was handed to us after the banner exchange, food and beverage! The Ill Sir's slogan for 2011 is "Together We Can" and together we all trooped into another room for a hot beef on a bun and a glass of foamy camels milk as his welcome to the year.

His year has some promised big plans to put fun into membership echoing Imperial Sir George's membership drive ideas. Membership as we all know is foremost for the continuation of our fraternity after hearing about all the demits, suspensions and deaths. Almost double the number of new members initiated last year.

This means Niagara has a big job in the planning and execution of his Spring Ceremonial. Ill Sir Jim wants to see 111 new candidates walk the burning sands and the word on the street is there might be some sort of incentive to the Club that provides the most willing victims.

Niagara's Ceremonial committee is working hard in planning a big welcome to all the Nobles and Candidates for the "Waves of Fun in Double One" this June.

Those with a basic knowledge of the internet can click on www.niagarashrineclub.com to find out just what these plans are and even sign up for a package or two. If the internet's not your thing, look through the Papyrus for the Ceremonial information or call the Niagara Shrine Club 905-358-9110.



Despite sustaining severe injuries during the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing that will affect him throughout his life, Brandon has a positive outlook. With the help of Shriners Hospitals, he continues to progress and improve.

Taking positive steps: The Denny family

The Denny family doesn't take things one day at a time.

"We take one minute at a time and enjoy every minute of every day like it's our last," Jim Denny said. "This is the way we live, and it's a good life."

Over the years, the Denny family of Oklahoma City has created and maintained a positive approach to life. Shaping that perspective, in part, was an experience so devastating that it forever changed the lives of the Denny family, and left a lasting impact on the entire nation.

On April 19, 1995, Jim Denny went about his morning routine of dropping his wife, Claudia, off at work and his two youngest children – 3-year-old Brandon and 2-year-old Rebecca – off at America's Kids, a daycare center located in the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

At 9:02 that morning, more than 5,000 pounds of explosives were detonated near the Murrah building in what was, at the time, the worst terrorist attack on U.S. soil. The explosives were in a rental truck, which was parked just outside the second-story windows of America's Kids. Nineteen of the 25 children there were killed.

Rebecca and Brandon were the only child siblings to survive. Rebecca sustained extensive injuries to her left side; and Brandon had massive injuries, including life-threatening ones to his head and brain. Rebecca recovered after spending 10 days in the hospital. Brandon's condition was far worse.

In the weeks and months following the attack, Brandon had four major brain surgeries, each posing life-threatening risks. After 126 days of hospitalization, Brandon was released, but his prognosis was not favorable.

Within eight months, Brandon was walking and talking, which doctors did not expect he'd be able to do. Because of the necessary removal of brain tissue, he had no use of his

right hand and his wrist was pointed downward. He also walked with a limp.

After years of therapy failed to produce tangible results, Brandon's Oklahoma City physician recommended the family seek treatment at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Shreveport. In the summer of 2007, Brandon, who was then 15, had several surgeries at the Shreveport Shriners Hospital to improve his gait (walking pattern), arm mobility and use of his fingers.

Brandon returned to the Shreveport hospital this past fall for a month-long session of intensive therapy, focusing primarily on eliminating the need for a walker. Upon completing his session, Brandon walked out of the hospital unassisted.

"We're at a place in Brandon's life where I couldn't be happier," Jim said. "This is a five-star facility without a doubt, from top to bottom. Everyone we've come in contact with has been super."

Having experienced firsthand one of the darkest days in American history, the Denny family savors each moment together and maintains a steadfast, positive focus on the future. While Brandon will always have orthopaedic issues related to his brain injuries, both he and Rebecca exude amazing perspective and determination. For Jim, it's the right view.

"It's a long road, and we've never asked for sympathy from anybody, but what we've received from people is understanding, a lot of prayers and a lot of help from good doctors," he said. "We feel we're in the best position at Shriners Hospital for Brandon to continue his efforts to walk better and use his fingers."

The family will continue their positive journey. One minute at a time.



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