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Nobles,

Here's hoping everyone had a great Thanksgiving and enjoyed time with Family and Friends. As Christmas is not too far off and 2017 draws to an end I'm taking time to reflect on what a wonderful year it has been for me and First Lady, Bernadette. For four years our time was spent planning 2017 and before we knew it, it was here and the

time had come to execute. I won't pretend and say it was easy, it took some hard work, but looking back over the year I'm pleased to say it was everything we envisioned and more. Yes, there were changes not everyone agreed with but isn't that the job of the Potentate to do what is in the best interest of the Temple? Let me assure everyone that the benefits of these changes will be realized as the year comes to an end and in future years for Moslem Temple.

However, we did not do it alone it took the Temple to make it successful.

I could fill this whole issue if I were to thank everyone personally but even if I don't mention you by name please rest assured every single one of you have my heartfelt gratitude for your support, attendance, hard work and friendship throughout the year.

Thank you to the Divan, Unit Directors and Units for

at a the Jackson Boy's for all the help with the UTV raffle. Kudos to the Membership team for doing an outstanding job recruiting, Moslem Temple should hit Gold this year! Thank you to all the Volunteers who spent numerous hours away from family to fore work the events.
Ann Marie and the Silver Gardens Staff should be commended for a job well done. Even with all the changes they incurred, they worked hard and were successful in improving SGEC.
Yes, They are a very dedicated Team.

Last but definitely not least my wife, Bernadette, who gave it her all this year and who has supported me throughout my years on the Divan. I could not have pulled it off without her. My final quote as Potentate:

representing the Temple well this year, the Office Staff, Pam, Kim, and Katie for all their help and support. They are

invaluable and a big part of the success of Moslem Temple.

Bobby, Joe, Barb Lenart, Judy Horner and Chair Ladies who

did a great job keeping everything running smoothly at each

event. A big thank you to Louie and Joyce Lenart along with

Thank you to our Staffs especially, Charlie, Jack, Wayne, Mark,

"Accomplish but do not boast, Accomplish without show, Accomplish without arrogance, Accomplish without force" (Lao Tzu)

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

YITF,

Arthur Brdak, Potentate



Nobles All - Greetings

The word Christmas itself carries so much meaning in it. Each letter carries with itself a lesson to mankind along with the birth of Jesus.

Here is a slightly different meaning of the word Christmas that surely suits us a lot in this present scenario.

C - Carry a smile everywhere you go. In today's world, each

one of us is so busy in our own affairs that we are not only hesitant to smile at others but we ourselves have forgotten to smile. **This Christmas let us make a sincere attempt to smile more and be cheerful.**

H - Hold on to our morals. Today all of us are so busy chasing the ladder of glory and fame, that we are ready to compromise on our ethics. **This Christmas let us attempt to stick on to our morals and values, whatsoever the situation may arise. R** - Receive others the way they are. Most of the times we fail to realize that all are not alike and perfect and tend to blame and condemn people who do not fit into our framework. **This Christmas let us learn to accept others and acknowledge our differences.** **I** - Inspect one self. We fail to retrospect our drawbacks and ourselves and thereby cause trouble to others. **This Christmas let us attempt to peep into ourselves and make good those little negativities we carry.**

S - Share with those in need. Let us make an effort to share with not only people who have lots and can repay us, but with those who cannot repay us.

T - Trust in the Almighty. All of us have become so selfsufficient that we fail to seek the assistance of God. In addition, when things crumble in life we lose hope. **This Christmas, let us learn to trust in God at all times, good or bad.**

M - Make genuine relationships. Today all our relationships have become a means to achieve something, the purity and innocence is lost. **This Christmas let us learn to value and build true and lasting relationships.**

A - Add a dash of love in everything you do. This Christmas let us make a strong resolution to carry the essence of love wherever we go and in whatever we do.

S - Shine as people of God. This Christmas, let us learn to follow Christ not only in words but also through our deeds and uphold the values of Christ through our life.

I wish you and yours the Happiest of Holidays. Until we meet again, Bob O'Brien Chief Rabban

ATTENTION MOSLEM SHRINERS

Arthur Brdak, Potentate of Moslem Shrine has called for:

The Stated Meeting and Election of Office for the Moslem Shrine Temple

To be held on Monday, December 11th, 2017 at 7:00pm at the **Moslem Shrine Temple**

Entry to the meeting will require possession of a 2017 Moslem Shrine Dues card

So Ordered: Attested to: Arthur Brdak, Potentate Robert Pate, P.P. Recorder

ATTENTION MOSLEM SHRINERS

2018 Potentate Elect of Moslem Shrine has called for:

The Annual Meeting for the Moslem Shrine Temple

To be held on Monday, January 15th, 2018 at 7:00pm at the **Moslem Shrine Temple**

Entry to the meeting will require possession of a 2018 Moslem Shrine Dues card

So Ordered: Attested to: 2018 Potentate Elect Robert Pate, P.P. Recorder American Legion, George Washington Post 88, is now meeting in the Moslem Shrine Center 4 times per. We are looking to increase our membership and hope to encourage all veterans of our past and current wars, to join with us in supporting veteran causes, sponsoring DeMolay lads to Boys State and helping community organizations in/and around Detroit Metro.

A Brief History: American Legion, George Washington Post 88, was founded on November 8th, 1922 by a group of Detroit Masons. For decades the Post held their meetings at the Masonic Temple. Under the leadership of Commander Wilbur Shaffmaster, with the assistance of First Vice Commander Raymond Anderson and Adjutant Paul Johnston, our Post began a revitalization program in 2008. We began with 12 members in 2008 and we now have just over 55 members. Under Commander Eugene Pisha, we adopted the following Mission Statement in 2013:



"Our mission is to promote the ideals stated in the preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion and the Masonic tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth to Michigan veterans through active participation in organizations, thoughtful and relevant education, charitable programs, and exemplary behaviors in all endeavors."



All veterans who are Master Masons are welcome. For more information, please call our Commander Howard Crumit at 248-334-7523 or Adjutant Jim Hodgson at 734-416-5159

December - Past Master Article

And now, the Christmas season is upon us and again the message "Peace on Earth and Goodwill Towards All Men" is uppermost in our minds. This is the time of year when the philosophy of Brotherhood and "Doing unto others as we would have them do unto us" comes closer to fruition than at any other period. Let us as Masons and Shriners, now make even greater efforts to cement our friendships and to live by the Golden Rule.

December Birthdays: Happy Birthday Wishes go to W. B. Douglas George who celebrates his Birthday on December 2nd, and to W.B. Kenneth Fraser who celebrates his Birthday on December 19th.

The Directors Staff has joined with the Past Master Unit to have their Christmas Dinner Party on December 5th at the Shrine Center. Looking forward to a great time. Welcome aboard Director Vince Lenart and all the Nobles of the Directors Staff.

Because of the poor attendance at our meetings and activities, the Past Master Unit has voted and approved a change in the by-laws to admit any Shriner to join the Past Master Unit as an Honorary Member, and have all the same rights and privileges of our Past Masters except the right to vote.

So, if you wish to join us, come on down and be a part of the most prestigious Unit in Moslem Shrine Temple.

There will be no Past Master meeting in December due to the Dinner Dance and the Christmas Holidays.

Our January, 2018 meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 15th, however, the Moslem Shrine Business Meeting is also scheduled to meet at the same date and time. We will have a short meeting immediately following the Shrine Business Meeting.

I wish to extend to every Noble and his family my sincere best wishes for a Joyous Christmas Season, a Happy Hanukkah, and also a very Happy New year for 2018.

John Thornhill, P.P.

Director

Hello Nobles,

This time of year is the greatest time of year to see family and friends and to give thanks for our health and happiness. With all the various Holiday parties we attend, the gathering of friends and family,whether they are from near or far it is a great time for happiness.

As we all sit down with our family's make sure to give thanks for our great philanthropy and what we as Shriners do to make a child's life so much better because of you, Shriners, LOS, Daughters of the Nile and any other group that is part of the Shrine Family,these great Hospitals wouldn't exist.

The thanks I want to give first and foremost is to Pam York for her tireless efforts to make a child get the care they need,without Pam's BIG HEART and her knowledge of our Hospital system to get a child the correct care our transportation system would not work as well as it does. Thank You Pam.

I would also like to Thank the new kid on the block Katie Stone for her efforts and help Thank You Katie

To the Drivers the hours you spend on the road getting, started so early driving for those long distance waiting for our kids. getting back so late I want to thank you all.

On Dec 17th we will be having our Shrine Kids and Driver appreciation Party this is to give our Shrine kids a bit of fun from the Shriners ,and to give our drivers a much needed Thank YOU for your dedication.

To All the Nobles and Ladies of Moslem Shrine

Thank You

Frank Dougherty

Director of Childcare Moslem Shrine

HIGHLANDERS

By Roger Brown (TheMightyPiper)

The picture you see is of a Scots Dumpy chicken. In Scotland, the butcher arrives at your door and gives you two chickens you do not have to pay for. There are plenty of Scots Dumpy Chickens all over Scotland, and the citizens rebelled and demanded that the Scottish Parliament legislate that there is no good reason to have to buy chickens at the market, when there is, for every man woman and child, 57 chickens per person per week. On hearing the news chicken breeders became angry and said they would cut back on chicken production, and sell the current surplus to Norway.

And yes, hedgehogs in Scotland play bagpipes and

travel by riding on the backs of chickens. There are members of the band who have not been seen in years and their whereabouts are unknown. Those would be Rick Elston, Rick Parr, James "the mad Dutchman" Ter Haar, Ed Fox, Jim Quist, Mel Guthrie, Mike Jacobi and others whose



names I cannot remember because they have been gone for so long. They should either come back or relinquish their kilts with the MacMillan tartan since we will be wearing them again next year starting with St. Patrick's Day parades.

Actually, I did see Jim and Donna Quist recently and they are both looking great and Jim is donating one of his MacMillan Kilts back to the band! The band has been busy. While the weather was still warm in October, we had a family picnic where we whooped it up as only Highlanders could do as you can tell by this picture –



The kids especially enjoyed the chariot races. Well, for all you new candidates reading this, time to come see us at the Shrine on Tuesday nights.

Shrine Lancers

Todd Wyber (Piper T)



Merry Christmas to all Lancers and your families, What a great time of year. My kids absolutely love the Christmas season, we have about 6 trees set up at our house.

The Lancer X-Mas party is on December 15th, Friday night, at The Rhapsody in Southgate. Cocktails start at 6 and dinner is at 7pm.

Thank you to Cliff for organizing the party this year. Our next business meeting is on Jan. 8th at 7pm.

Speaking of Cliff, he recently received the prestigious award of being the 28th District Mason of the Year. This is a huge honor for Cliff and we are all very proud of him. Here is a little history about Cliff Wimmer and his accomplishments. He is a very active Shriner, Mason and Lion club member.

- 5 time President of the Park Shrine Club.
- 2 time President of the Downriver Scottish Rite Club.
- Past Monarch of the Al Marta Grotto.
- President of the Lincoln Park Lions Club since 2006.
- Cliff is putting together "Lions Park" in Lincoln Park for kids to play at and this was how he was recognized for the Mason of the Year award.
- Cliff is a 4th generation Mason. He was preceded by Frank Wimmer, George Wimmer, Clifford Wimmer Sr. and then our very own Cliff Wimmer Jr.

Please congratulate Cliff the next time you see him on his very impressive and well-deserved award and recognition. It is with a heavy heart that one of our own Lancers has recently passed away. David Evans was a Lancer for many year and was an active and good Shriner. For the Lancers in the unit now that have been in the unit for a long time, you all know the stories. May he rest in peace. Raffle news: We will once again be selling a drone for the upcoming Winter Sportsmens Raffle. I have already purchased the drone and the tickets are in the works to be printed. Please get some tickets before Christmas time and sell, sell and sell them to friends and family during the happy season.

I spoke with Joe S. the other day. He is LOVING his retirement. Obie is wishing he were in a warmer state, but he is still in Michigan. Frank S. is telling his brother Joe "I told your retirement was awesome". Dave B. is almost done with is car and ready for the 2018 parade season. We had our Fall Ceremonial in November. Matt P. drove his car on the carpet in the parade review and didn't even

leave a skid mark. It is fun to see some new faces in the unit. Again, welcome Bob, Joe and Ash. If you are interested in joining the unit, just call or email someone in the unit for more information. We currently have some cars waiting for new drivers.

There are two pictures in this

article. 1. from Cliff's award dinner where he and many other Lancers are seen in the picture. 2. The award Cliff received at the dinner.

Come to the Lancer room on the first Monday of each month and meet the guys. You will have the time of your life driving a Lancer car in the parades. Contact myself, Matt P. or Dave Talbot for information...become a Lancer today!

Until next time, keep your engines runnin.

Todd Wyber

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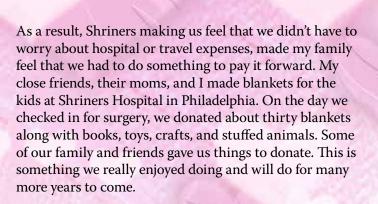




My Shriners Experience By Allyson Johnson

Shriners is not only a hospital, it is a gift. It is the best gift that has not only been given to my family, but to many other families. I have no words to describe my amazing experience at Shriners Hospital of Philadelphia. I am so thankful that I was able to be a patient at Shriners. I would not have been able to have the VBT procedure here in Michigan, so to have this opportunity was such a wonderful gift.

To start off, the nurses and doctors are just awesome! The nurses that I had were absolutely amazing and motivated me every day to try my very best. Even before my surgery in the pre-op room, the surgical staff all made me feel that everything was going to be okay. It was rough at first during my recovery, but without the staff I would probably have never left my bed. Also something that may sound a bit silly is that when I see the surgeons at Shriners, I feel like I'm seeing a celebrity. Dr. Hwang was absolutely amazing... indescribable as a matter of fact! He even checked up on me during my recovery in the hospital. He also reminded me that my recovery was not a race when I was feeling like I was behind.



In conclusion, our experience was indescribable and we can't thank Shriners enough for what they do. It is just absolutely extraordinary all of what they do for kids. They have given me a gift that will allow me to keep doing all the things I love. I will be able to return to dance and sports way stronger because of them. Thank you to all the staff, nurses, doctors, surgeons, and the Shriners themselves. My Great Grandfather, Donald Sword, was a Shriner for over forty years. He drove children to the Shriners Hospital in Tampa Florida for many years. He would be so happy to know that I had my surgery in a Shriners hospital. Shriners will always have a special place in my heart.



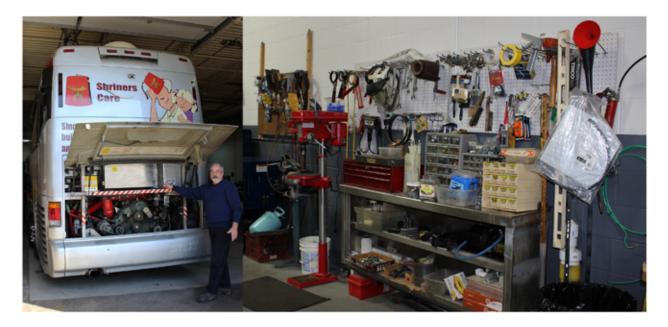
A common phrase heard around the Detroit Shrine Center is "We do it for the kids". Indeed, the most important and visible function of the Shrine organization is Child Care and one place where you will find some of the biggest hearts is at the Detroit Shriners Transportation Garage. Gary Thieman and Bob Final are men who are truly dedicated to the well-being of every child who steps into one of the Shriner transportation vehicles.

Gary, the Temple Garage Fleet Mechanic, has worked on the equipment in the transportation garage since 1976. He was working for a Shriner who owned Brooks Charters and Tours when he was introduced to the Shriners Child Care transportation garage. Detroit Shrine Child Care had one GMC bus that Gary would come by after work to help maintain. By 1985, the Shriners had purchased more vans and a coach and Gary's responsibilities grew as did his compassion for all children who are transported in a Child Care vehicle.

In 2011, Bob Final, a Shriner since 1987, came on the scene because he too, actively wanted to make a difference and help children. He's been in the Motor Corps Unit for almost 30 years, active in Child Care and he is 2nd V.P. of the Great Lakes Association of Shrine Motor Corps. As the Garage Manager, Bob keeps the building and the vehicles clean, prepping the vehicles for the next hospital trip and getting the proper paperwork to the drivers. He is there several days per week and starts his day early at 5am.

Currently the Detroit Shriners own 2 highway coaches and 5 Sprinter vans. One of the coaches is a Temple coach that is used to transport fraternity members to organization activities while the other vehicles are strictly used for Child Care transportation. A highway coach has a capacity of 28 passengers plus the driver while The Sprinter vans can carry 8 - 12 passengers; all vehicles can accommodate children who are bedridden.

Gary is responsible for maintaining the vehicles mechanically and typically logs 20 – 26 hours per week. When Bob is not available, he steps in and preps the vehicles for the next driver. And – when duty calls, he has a commercial driver's license so he can drive Shriners via coach to the hospital for annual events, business meetings and other Shriners Hospital for Children occasions. There are approximately 22 Shriners designated to transport children in the Child Care vehicles. It's important to note that being a driver is more than just toting a family to and from the hospital. Not only do they insure the safety and comfort of the children and their families during travel; they become a trusted friend. Children who must make many hospital trips typically get the same 2 or 3 drivers. They really get to know these men and ultimately see them as friends. Gary said that he's seen many drivers get a tear in their eye when talking about the children they transport. Speaking of drivers, Illustrious Sir Arthur Brdak began driving for Child Care back in 2008 and is still on the driving roster *and* a garage attendant when Bob is not available.



All the children transported by the Shriners have stories and for Gary and Bob, each story impacts these men. When asked if he had an incident that stuck out from the rest, Gary honestly couldn't think of just one story, but he did mention an account in which a young girl was born with one leg much shorter than the other. Her family was delivered the news that their daughter would never walk. Then the Shriners stepped in. "To see her going from a walker and crutches, and after a progression of surgeries, walking like nothing ever happened, is something", says Gary.

Bob's dad and uncle were Shriners yet when Bob was asked why he became a Shriner, he replied "I saw Shriners in parades and heard about the good things they did. I really wanted to be a part of that. I was always told that the Shriners were one of the best fraternities to join and I believe that. I think most people join this organization to help other people – do good things for them. All these years being a Shriner, I've met a ton of people: from factory workers to business owners to judges to military personnel. And we all do so many activities together and that includes caring for the children. It IS one of the best fraternities."

Though Gary is not a Shriner, his passion for what he does and what the Shriners do ignites a room. Says Gary, "You have to go and visit a Shriners Hospital for Children. The technology is amazing and the caring these doctors and nurses have just bubbles out of them. They've made it their life mission to take care of the children; they'll go out of their way."

He marvels at the resilience of the children he's seen through the years and his deep caring and excitement are palpable. "It makes my day when I can see one of these kids get the care they need," said Gary. He is also concerned with the dwindling number of drivers. Gary knows that times have changed and most families require two incomes plus there are heavier time constraints, but he worries that there will still be children who need Shriner help but not enough drivers to transport them. "I know that many fathers are busy working, taking care of their own families, driving their kids to their after school activities and such, but there is a real need to keep Child Care transportation strong. I really think that if one takes the time to visit a Shriners Hospital for Children, it will change their life."

Thinking about how to give back to your community? Talk to Gary and Bob – they have *just the thing* in mind.





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Mike Zelmanski

WOW! We are talking about the 4th Annual Winter Sportsman's Raffle! How time flies! It seems like we just finished our first Winter Raffle and here we are on our 4th.... The event will be held on Saturday, February 3rd at the Suburban Collection Showplace from 11:00 until 5:00 with the drawings starting at noon.

We will again occupy the same space as last year, the 140,000 sq. ft. on the East end of the hall. The look will be the same for the most part. We will be adding a few more vendors, and some additional bleacher seating to help with the anticipated crowd. In 2015 we had 3,700, in 2016 we had 6,000, in 2017 we had 7,000 so, I'm going to anticipate a modest increase and hoping for 7,500 people in attendance.

Last year's 50/50 paid out \$21,175 to the winner and I expect that to grow this year. Randy's booth sold 94 decks of cards and we are now hoping to break the century mark this year. We gave away over 234 firearms all day and had 2 dozen side raffles that also did well. The more people that attend, the better off the Units and Clubs also do.

We are marketing the usual way and the Suburban Collection Showplace is helping big time. SCS has us on their internal webpage that is emailed to their entire customer base, we are displayed on lobby monitors as a short PowerPoint presentation and our posters are displayed in 20 glass cases in lobbies, bathrooms, etc. across the complex. We have a 30' banner on the building that can be seen from I-96 and we are displayed on the electronic billboards that can be seen on i-96 and Grand River. SCS also shares our event on their Facebook page and postcard mailing to all their contact lists. Whew, I'm tired just trying to list all they do for us!

With the success of past events and a slightly larger crowd anticipated, I see a need for additional volunteer help at the event. Anyone over the age of 16 can enter and volunteer. Please contact the Shrine office if you haven't volunteered before and would like to give it a go. No heavy lifting, just a lot of fun. Call the office with questions at 248-569-2900 ext. 3. Volunteers must enter the parking gate by 9:30 for free parking.

So, let's go fill the room and show everyone that the Moslem Shriners know how to throw a great party! Please put the Sportsman's Raffle on your calendar and pass the word. Let's work together towards that common cause of Shriner/Mason/ Family Love.

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Lakeside Shrine Club



Hello Lakeside Shrine Club Members!

No, eyes are not deceiving you! This is our first publication in quite awhile. It is the goal of this publication to help keep informed

of meetings and events pertaining to our club. We need and value our members and participation as much as any club within the Shrine!

Fellow members, it is understood by most, that our club has 3 events a year and meetings in between on the 3rd Wednesday of each month to typically go over these events. It is a goal, by this time next year, to increase the participation of the meetings, the overall engagement of our events and to contribute donations to our Shrine Hospitals. Your help is needed. How can you help you ask? Publications of upcoming meetings and events will be placed within the Detroit Shriners Magazine as well as reminders on our Detroit Shriners Now group created on yahoo groups. Your presence at the meetings and events helps to shape the future of our club and the direction in which you would like to go. Membership dues need to be paid to keep up our operations administration and event plannings. So, if you haven't paid your \$10 fee, please do on your next meeting or event visit. Get involved by bringing your voice to what you would like our club to do.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, December 21st, 2017 at the Jefferson Masonic Lodge located at 22000 E Il Mile Road in Saint Clair Shores Michigan. We will be going over plans for the upcoming Sweetheart's Dinner for February 7th, 2018. Please make an attempt to be here. There usually are enough home baked goods to go

around! Hope to see you then!

Warmest regards,

Noble Rick Gaines Lakeside Shrine Club Secretary



December - Membership Corner

Hello Mighty Moslemites and Ladies All!

I AM, ARE YOU, COMMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP!?!

As I write this column on November 6th, 2017, I am happy to report the creation of 17 new Nobles through our Fall Ceremonial for Class Honoree, Past Illustrious Sir Jack Hansen Jr! To date, we have created 44 new Nobles this year. (This is the best we have done since 2012 at 37 new Nobles created!) These new Nobles are young and ambitious. Many stayed quite awhile with their Ladies to investigate the open unit rooms and discover their new Temple. I urge all Unit and Club directors to seek out these Nobles and invite them to their events or meetings and get them involved. It's what they joined for!

During our Ceremonial, there were 10 Candidate's Ladies in the Ladies Orientation Program! This program was designed to inform the new Nobles Ladies of our functions, hospitals and our fraternity as well as install a Fez to their Nobles. It is also designed to give them a deserved welcome to the most social group of Masonry! These Ladies were indeed charged and very proud to support and Fez their Nobles during the Fezzing Ceremony! Special thanks to, Lady Judy O' Brien and Lady Dawn Gaines and a special group of Lady Mentors for making this program possible!

Another addition to the Ceremonial was our very first inductees to our Moslem Temple Family Legacies! Each

of the Nobles with legacies that day received a framed certificate and a commemorative Legacy pin. In addition to their awards, plans are being drawn to include their photos onto the wall of our Nobles Lounge. We hope that this may encourage you to contact our Shrine Office to become part our Temple Legacy!

It is great to see that we are beginning to reduce the amount of members leaving and we are increasing the numbers of our Membership. This is not possible with out you being actively involved within the Temple, submitting your dues and referring new candidates. To refer a candidate, you need only sign into beashrinernow. com, click onto the I AM RU logo and follow the prompts to begin your referral! I would recommend your referral be someone you know well and someone you would

mentor through your lodge if needed. The beauty of the referral program is that you select whom you would like to see as a Shriner!



Happy Holidays to you all and Happy New Year!

Fraternally Yours,

Noble Rick Gaines Membership Committee Chairman GLSCUA 2nd Vice President

Reception Unit



HE SAYS IT IS THE ONLY WAY HE CAN KEEP THE JUNIOR DEACON RWAKE DURING LODGE,

By: George Staten

Greetings to all the members of the Reception Unit. I hope everybody is in good health and enjoying all the good weather we are having and also, keeping busy with all the Shrine Function.

As I said before, all of the functions that are put on by the Shrine are not only fundraisers, they are for your enjoyment and if you don't attend them, you are not getting your money's worth. (To all the Shrine members that don't belong to a Unit, join with us.)

We just had our Fall Ceremonial Saturday November 4th and took in (17) new Shriners.

We will be sending an invitation to each of them to join our Unit. I know we will get a few of them.

At our last meeting we had a report on our Charity Poker and our Wheel Barrow of Cheer fund raisers. One of our members, George Weaver, has volunteered to be in Charge of the Charity Poker. Any day now we will get our License for our Wheel Barrow of Cheer Raffle (on February 3rd) so we can get our Tickets.

As you know the Charity Poker and the Wheel Barrow of Cheer fund raisers are the ways that we make money for the Unit to help the Shrine and the Shrine Hospitals and for our subsidies.

Notice of our Unit Christmas party has been sent out. If you have not received it call George at 248-828-4151. The cutoff date for reservations is November 20th. It will be at the Master's restaurant at 1775 E. 13 mile Rd. in Madison Hts. We need a count and the food that you want. This is for all members and their wives.

As you should know by now to be eligible for our subsidies, at the discretion of the Director, paying your dues, attending a meeting at least once a quarter, attending at least (2) of the Shrine functions per year, contribute to the Wheel Barrow of Cheer and selling (5) of the Wheel Barrow of Cheer Raffle tickets, are the requirements.

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 27th 2017, come out to the meeting and meet our new members, join with us for snacks, refreshments, a 50/50 drawing, a door prize, and lots of Camaraderie.

If anybody wants a new Shrine Shirt, a Gray Unit Sport Jacket, Black Leather/Wool Jacket, RECEPTION on their FEZ, Shrine ties, Unit Name Tag, or a Maroon quilted jacket, Director- George can order them any time. All of these will be subsidized by the Unit.

Brothers, a motion was made to pay HALF OF THE FEE of any new Shriner that a member of the Reception Unit referred to join the Shrine as long as they be an Active member of our Unit for a year. Pick up a petition from the Shrine Office for your Masonic Lodge and the Shrine and see how many you can get to join for the next Ceremonial in the Spring.

At the last meeting, motion was made to not reimburse new member but to pay \$100.00 on his next year dues. We had possibly (8) new members joining from (1) Lodge and that would not affect them, but to hold up on their reimbursement for (4) months. This would cause some of them not to join, so motion was made to leave it as it was, at the Directors discretion. We still have gold and silver Shrine Fez pins, so sell them if you can. Call your director at 248-828-4151 and he will mail them to you.

Motion was made to purchase a box of Shrine Calendars and sell as many as we can. If you haven't purchased (1) or more yet, call George and he will mail them to you or pick them up at the meeting.

Dates to Remember:

Dec. 2nd – All Units Party. Get your reservation in. **Dec. 11th** – Shrine Business Meeting and Election. We will work.

Jan. 8th – Shrine Installation of Officers

QUOTABLES: I object to violence because, when it appears to do good, the good is only temporary, the evil it does is permanent. – Mohandas Gandhi



Single Occupancy - \$1000 / person

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Potentate's 2018 Trip To Washington DC June 15 - June 20, 2018 6 Days / 5 Nights

Early Booking Bonus:

Book by December 31, 2017 - Save \$50 PP Book by March 15, 2018 - Save \$25 PP

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Transportation

Per Person Pricing

- Lodging
- 10 meals -5 breakfasts and dinners each Guided tours







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We want to help you grow your membership by spreading the news on the great things you do! Please submit an article on a monthly basis to moslemite@rex-printing.com by the 13th of each month. Please keep the article including photos within a half page format

> Clubs and Units are the "Engine" of Detroit Shriners! Let us know what you are up to!

You're invited to the East-West Shrine Game®

As Shriners, this is our time to cheer, have fun and invite local football fans to join our team of Nobles! We are hosting a membership recruitment WATCH PARTY for one of the nation's top college all-star and NFL Draft recruitment games, the East-West Shrine Game benefiting Shriners Hospitals for Children[®]. Created by the Shriners in 1925, this classic football tradition is a one-of-a-kind legacy for our new members.



Saturday, January 20

TIME: 2:00pm

LOCATION: Moslem Shrine Temple 24350 Southfield Rd. Southfield, MI 48075

DETAILS:

Refreshments Available at 2pm. Game Begins at 3pm

Open to Shriners, Masons, and Non-Shriners All. This is a Family Event! Please bring your Families!

Tours of the Building will be available.

Please call 248-569-2900 Ex. 3 for Reservations.



Shrine Temple Taprooms



2017 has been a year of growth for the Motor City Shiners and of the Taprooms at other Shrine Temples. To date, our membership at Moslem Temple is in access of 175 Nobles and their Ladies, we have Associate Members from other Temples that do not yet have a Taproom at their own that are helping to carry our Club message during their travels. In addition, we have Honorary Members including a former President of the United States, a United States Congressman, a Senate Majority Floor Leader from Michigan, every member of the Imperial Divan and their Ladies – their Ladies were all presented with their Shinettes shirts at Imperial this year by Michelle Geske – and the list is growing.

If you look on the Imperial social media sites, you will often see Imperial Officers wearing our Club shirts and that vastly increases our recognition throughout Shrinedom and that is a benefit to not only the Motor City Shiners, but Moslem Temple as well. With 17 Taprooms in 9 states and 2 We will be having one more outing before the end of 2017. On <u>December 9th</u> at 12:00(ish) we will be gathering at The Griffin Claw located at 575 South Eton Street in Birmingham to send this year off – they have fantastic beer and a good food menu to choose from. If you can make it, we look forward to seeing you there and please, for those that have not already, RSVP back to me.

countries, we can now consider ourselves to be International and we are still growing!!

Our website, www.motorcityshiners.com is up and running and that has also increased the awareness of our Club globally as Shrine Temples as far away as Germany and Panama have inquired as to what we do and how we got started. Remember, the more we promote, the more successful we become.....

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Jeff Geske

Founder – Motor City Shiners

Lakeside Shrine Club

Invites all Nobles and their Ladies And Friends to the

Sweetheart Dinner

On

Wednesday, February 7th, 2017

At the

Jefferson Masonic Lodge located at 22000 11 Mile Rd. in St. Clair Shores

Doors open at 6pm, with Dinner served at 7pm. Cost is \$20 per person. Cash bar and Share the Wealth Raffle.

Please RVSP by February 2nd, 2017 For reservations and info, please contact:

Rick Gaines: (586)779-7449

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