

# Detroit Shriners Magazine



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Please volunteer at our upcoming  
Detroit Shrine Circus  
August 30th-September 3rd



**Volunteer Sign UP: Contact our Shrine Office 248-569-2900**

Thank you again to our entire Detroit Shrine Circus staff  
and to all of our volunteers and workers who give their time,  
talent, and expertise to make our Circus successful!





## ATTENTION MOSLEM SHRINERS

III. Sir Robert O'Brien, Potentate of Moslem Shriners  
has called for:

The Stated Meeting and a Special Election to fill the  
office of Oriental Guide for Moslem Shriners

To be held on Monday, September 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm  
at the Moslem Shrine Temple in Southfield, Michigan

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

So Ordered: Illustrious Sir Robert O'Brien, Potentate

Attested to: Robert W. Pate, PP, Recorder

### FROM CHIEF RABBAN

There are still quite a few  
members that have not yet  
paid their dues for 2018 /2019  
which remain at \$20.00.

If you have not, please submit  
your payment and I have your  
dues cards ready.



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Continuing to improve our magazine mailings we are  
requesting article deadlines for the first of each month.



Nobles All - Greetings

With the parade season now in full swing, Moslem Shriners recently participated in the Belleville and New Baltimore Parades. A GREAT showing for both parades, THANK YOU.

Potentate’s Trip

With temperatures hovering in the low to mid 90’s we began the whirlwind of exploring Washington DC and surrounding areas. In no particular order, we visited the following monuments, memorials and most importantly National Treasures.

US Capitol, the White House, Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial, and several War Memorials.

Arlington National Cemetery, including the Tomb of the Unknowns, and Kennedy Graves, as well as the Iwo Jima Memorial.

George Washington’s Mount Vernon Estate & Garden. Experience great American history at Mount Vernon.

George Washington Masonic National Memorial, House of the Temple, which serves as the headquarters of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction.

Many thanks to ALL who went and made the trip truly enjoyable and memorable.

Each month, I offer tidbits of information that can also be called *“Useless Information.com”* Nonetheless, here is this month’s offering.

Integrity –

The wonderful thing about character and integrity, which are intimately related, is that they are one of the few things in life that no one will ever be able to forcefully take away from you. Your choices are your own. Even if someone can take your life, they cannot force you to make a choice that you believe is wrong.

The actions below cannot be done at once, nor should they be. Each of them takes time to fully understand and apply towards your life. Learn about your own virtues and values, and how they correspond to your life and the world around you. Follow the steps below to improve yourself by building your character.

- Understand what character and Integrity are. The definitions of these words are often stretched or misrepresented. Learn what they truly mean:
- In this use, Character is the sum of qualities show up in a person or group, moral or ethical strength, and the description of a person’s attributes, traits and abilities. Character is who you are. It defines you and guides your actions, hopefully in a positive way.
- Integrity is steadfast adherence to a strict moral or ethical code, being unimpaired, sound, whole and undivided; completeness.
- Integrity can be summed up simply as doing the right thing for the right reason even when no one is watching.



Robert O’Brien  
Potentate

1. Choose a set of rules, morals, or principles that you believe will lead to a happy, satisfying, and righteous life, as well as a better world. You can subscribe to the ethics of a particular religion, or you can develop your own, based on your experiences.
2. Look at the choices you have made in your past, and observe how much you have or have not lived by those principles. Do not waste time feeling regretful or guilty. Remember that “...until a person can say deeply and honestly, I am what I am today because of the choices I made yesterday, that person cannot say, I choose otherwise.” -Stephen R. Covey.
3. Decide what you must change in your behavior to align your life more closely to what you believe.
4. Be conscious every day of the decisions you make, however big or small, and how close they bring you to being the person you really want to become.

Warnings

Beware of people who will try to convince you to give up on your character or integrity, saying that nobody’s perfect, and taunting you for being such an idealist. The fact that nobody’s perfect does not mean violating what you believe is right. It is good to learn from our mistakes, but we do not always need to make mistakes in order to learn. Remember that striving to be perfect and being perfect are two different ideas; the former is integrity, the latter is futility.

Your character is unique. It may not match with anybody else. So do not try for it. Build it based on your own aptitude and inner light within you. Self-assessment, self-evaluation, introspection etc. work well, but never get disheartened by petty failures and criticism revolving around failures. Stand firm on your convictions. You are bound to succeed.

Until we Meet Again.....

Bob O’Brien  
Potentate





# Detroit Shriners 2018 Summer Concert Series CD Sales Benefitting SHC

The Sign-Up Genius QR Codes below are Live, and we ask that you use these codes rather than emailing correspondence directly.



**Lynyrd Skynyrd**  
**8/10/18 - DTE**  
**40 volunteers**

**Breaking Benjamin &  
Five Finger Death Punch**  
**9/1/18 - DTE**  
**40 volunteers**



FROM HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET

By the time this article appears in the Detroit Shriners Magazine, the Imperial Session and Shrine Family Picnic will be over. If history is repeated in any way, I'm sure the convention was fruitful and the picnic fun for all that attended.

Next on the agenda is the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Sportsman's Raffle on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. This event is part of our one-two punch of Moslem Shrine fundraising. For the sake of our Nobility, it's imperative that we keep this important event going strong. It's time for the final ticket sales crunch! We need Nobles to continue to sell tickets right up to Raffle Day. We also have a constant need for volunteers of all kinds. Volunteering is easy and fun! Anyone with questions may contact myself directly or the Shrine office.

Let's not forget the Michigan State Fair & Shrine Circus will be held Labor Day weekend at the Suburban Collection Showcase in Novi. Illustrious Sir Craig Stigleman's team is always looking for volunteers to help with the event each day. This is another great way to stay involved and make new friends.

Changing gears .... My first 6 months on the Divan has proven to be very interesting. It's a whole different view of the ballgame from where I now sit. I've learned that even the smallest of decisions made by the Divan may have big effects on others. The Divan always strives to make our Temple a better and more fun place to be as well as financially stronger. May enlightenment of the Great Architect be with us always.

Mike Zelmanski  
High Priest and Prophet



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**Saturday**  
**August 11th, 2018**

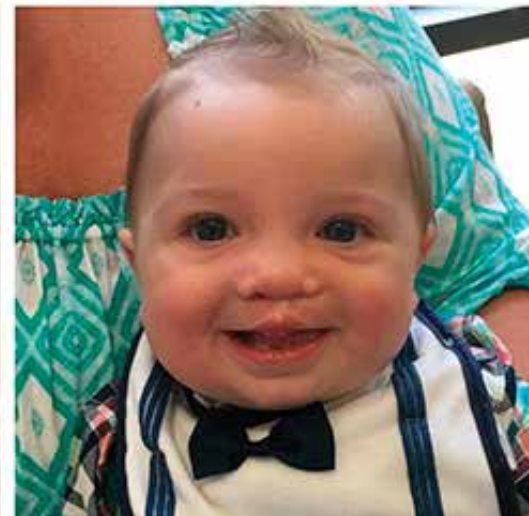
**Noon - 5:00PM**  
**Doors open at 11:00AM**





## A cleft journey: Doctors at Shriners Hospitals for Children Chicago repair Evan's cleft lip and nose

With happy tears, Evan's parents and grandparents welcomed the 5-month-old after surgeons at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Chicago closed the cleft, or opening, in his lips. It was their first chance to see Evan's new 'forever smile' and his mom, April, said it was "beautiful." This special post-surgery face time moment is one parents in the cleft lip and palate program never forget. "There also is a sadness that comes over you when your child loses their very first big smile, that you got used to for four months," April said. Fortunately it did not take Evan long to show off his new smile. "He was trying to smile that evening after surgery."



## SHRINER'S HANDMADE CUSTOM QUILT



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Drawing held

Dec 9, 2018

Child Care

Christmas Party

## DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

What an exciting time we had in Cincinnati at the Supreme Session. The Imperial Potentate, Gary Bergenske, was given two checks from the Daughters of the Nile Foundation and the Canadian Trust totaling \$1,953,842.00 for the Shriners Hospitals. At the conclusion of his remarks, Imperial Sir Gary presented the Daughters of the Nile members with the Imperial Potentate's Medallion for our continued hard work to benefit the children in the Shriners Hospitals. The entire auditorium was overwhelmed by his recognition. Since the DON Foundation's inception in 2009, our organization has given the Shriners Hospitals over 14 million dollars. Way to go. Ladies.

Mark your calendar for the visit of the Supreme Queen, Shirley Henley, on Thursday, September 6, 2018. Our Ceremonial will begin at 1:00 P.M. with the banquet to follow at 4:00 P.M. Queen Shirley is looking forward to meeting not only Ahmose Temple's hard working members but the Moslem Shriners who support the Cincinnati Hospital, where she resides.

Take time to read our messages in the Detroit Shriner's publication for updates about our activities.

Buzzing with Nile love,

Sheila McWilliams, Queen



# MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Hello Mighty Moslemites!

As I am writing this column, I can not help but recall the events fresh in memory from Imperial Session at Daytona Florida. Aside from having our hotel on the beautiful beach itself, Daytona lent itself with heaps of hospitality and an abundance of activities to be part of. There was plenty of business to be had among the Divan of all Temples around the world. That didn't stop our fun fraternity from offering unit competitions, Ladies outings, dinner outings, pub crawls, a HUGE parade and concert events! I can not dream of being at another fraternity that could possibly offer more!

I was very pleased to learn that our newly installed Imperial Potentate Jim Cain will still implement the 'I AM R U' program to continue our drive for new members and prospects. In the past, there were words to associate membership as "You", and "We" are responsible to make new members happen. What was missing was the network of our fraternity to make Non-Masons or Masons want to join. The missing piece was the word, "Together".

So how does "Together" work? Well, "You" can make the difference by getting involved and finding a new member. "We" in turn can help the process by offering our fraternal friendship and making our Temple fun and inviting for that member. In this way, "Together" we can make new members possible!

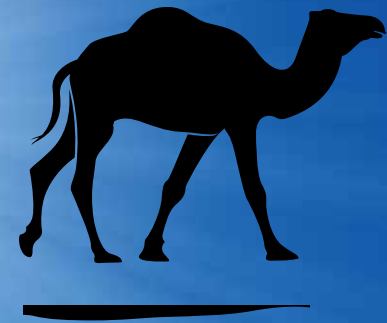
There are some upcoming events where a prospective Gentleman can see us in action. The Annual Shriner's Summer Sportsman's Raffle on August 11<sup>th</sup> and the Michigan State Fair on August 30<sup>th</sup> – September 3<sup>rd</sup> will be teaming with fun activities to entice men and their Ladies to inquire about the Shrine. Be sure to show them to the Membership Booths at these events! Looking forward to see y'all real soon!

Fraternally Yours, Noble Rick Gaines

Membership Committee Chairman

GLSCUA 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

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## The Black Camel

On behalf of the officers and members of Moslem Shriners, we express our sincere sympathy to the families and friends of these departed Nobles.

Jack Hansen Sr.

Jack Barr

Raymond Dzendzel

Bernard Fauber

Tommy Henderson

Donald Tipton



Chicago – 18

Erie – 0

Cincinnati - 0



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## Shriners Hospitals for Children Cincinnati

This is Max. Max's parents Becky and Hunter did not know prior to Max being born that he would have a cleft lip and palate. Becky said when he was born they were initially upset but that feeling changed quickly. The fear of not knowing how to care for a child born with this condition became overwhelming.

Becky said, "After we met with Dr. Pan the worry didn't go away but I felt relieved. You know when you meet people and you get a certain vibe or your gut feeling kicks in? I knew I could completely, 100% trust him with our child. During this process we've met A LOT of doctors and I place Dr. Pan at the top of the list. He is the most genuine and caring doctor that has been placed in our path. After meeting with him I knew that he cared about Max and our family. He gave me a sense of calm that I hadn't had since Max was born."

We're so glad that we could help Max and his parents!





# 2018 Daytona Imperial Convention



Congratulations to Moslem Shrines own Imperial Sir Larry Leib for being installed as Shriners International Imperial Captain of the Guard



Oak Ridge Boys concert William Golden was made a Shriner... He is a Master Mason with over 50 years in the Craft.



The Oak Ridge Boys brought some of the Shriner Hospitals for Children kids up on stage and sang Thank God for Kids.

Great times had by all!

Birthday Celebration for Michelle





# SHRINE LANCERS

Hello Lancers,

I hope all is well with you and your families. July has been a busy month. We did the Belleville parade and was the only unit in the straightest line going down the main street, it's a small street. We ran over many little fish flies in the New Baltimore parade. We saw some nice freighters in the Algonac parade and enjoyed the views of the river. We arrived and conquered the heat in the Wyandotte parade. We drove north to Yale and entertained the Yale natives with our speed and accuracy on the street. We arrived in Marine City and enjoyed a cold beverage at Kenric's house; thank you Kenric. And we hopefully sold many tickets at the Sportsmans raffle and had a lot of fun at the same time. As you can see, it's been a busy June, July and August.

Thank you to all who were able to show and parade at any of the above events. It is a busy time of year and, of course, work and family come first. Then comes the Shrine. It is always good to just get out and be with friends at these events.

Upcoming parade schedule: (SP = Shrine Parade and LP = Lancer Parade). See the Lancer emails for details on the times and locations for these parades or call a Lancer.

Sept. 9 (LP)- Richmond  
Sept 22 – GLSA Convention  
Sept. 30 (SP)- Clinton  
Nov. 23 (LP)- Grosse Pt.  
Dec. 1 (LP)- Lake Orion

Some may wonder what the history of our Lancer unit is, so here is a brief history of the Detroit Shrine Lancers.

## Background

We are affectionately know as *"Those crazy guys who drive those little cars"*. Our Motto is, *"We ride so children can walk"*. The Lancers are a motorized unit that drives miniature 1998 Plymouth Prowlers. Our Unit was chartered in 1967 with thirty-two members. Our name was taken from other Shrine Temple Units that already had mini cars. Our first car was a go-kart with a Mustang body. The Oldsmobile Corporation of General Motors furnished our next car body. In 1977, Ruthman Company made us twelve electric car chassis, which were converted to gasoline two years later. In 1998, the Unit changed to our current sporty Plymouth Prowler. Age is not a factor in our Unit. We have Lancers in their late 70's and early 80's, which are still very active within the Unit. Lancer size and is not a factor either. Our cars can handle Lancers over 300 plus pounds and we have members that large to prove it.

To all NEW and Experienced Shriners, here is your chance. If you have been looking for that one unit that you would like to belong to, look no further. 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 and make a decision that I know you won't regret. Come join one of the fastest growing units in Moslem and become a Lancer today!

Until next time, keep your engines runnin.

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(Piper T)- Highlancer





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