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Happy Anniversary!

Oriental Shriners would like to congratulate these Nobles who reached five-year anniversaries of their creation in 2014:



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Our Transportation Chairman Malcolm Ogden is having a problem now and then finding a driver to take a child in our van to the Springfield Hospital. He has a number of drivers at the present time but occasionally it's difficult to get one on a particular date. It's a good opportunity to see the hospital if you have never been there. Give Malcolm a call and see if you can help him out. His number is 747-4327.

THE POTENTATE'S Message

A Combined Farewell from the Dotentate and First Lady



We want to thank everyone for sharing with me their most precious commodity. " $\rm T\,I\,M\,E$ "

Thank You for the *time* you have given to this organization.

As many first Ladies will tell you how generous the Nobles and their ladies are in sharing their favorite dishes, be it brownies, meatballs, salads, etc. The food was plentiful and delicious. Food is always appreciated an a very important part of our events, what ever they may be.

The Ladies of the Cambridge Shrine Club (MJ Root, Sylvia Wilson, and Sally Lebowich) gave their *time* to me willingly. They helped me stuff gift bags for last years installation. Sylvia Wilson from the Cambridge Shrine club gave her *time* to me, when she created all of the center pieces for the Potentate's Ball. All of the Divan ladies (and others) gave me their *time*, at the Century House, as we filled gift bags, set the center pieces, and filled gift glasses.

The 1st Annual Basket Auction, was the greatest show of *time* given to the Oriental Shriners. It was obvious how much time everyone put into their prepared baskets. We had 85 baskets! On the basket auction eve, over 10 nobles and ladies showed up giving their *time* to set up everything necessary to ensure the success of our event. Lady SueAnn Nicholson prepared all of the food for that day. That amount of *time* is unmeasurable.

Imperial Session, came and went without a hitch, due to the work and *time* our Housing Chairman, John Garhartt and his Lady Andrea put forth in preparing for the week in Minneapolis. Our Personal Aide, Tom Nicholson and his Lady SueAnn, made sure our hospitality room was filled with fun, food, and friendship. The thoughtfulness and *time* they dedicated was greatly appreciated by all who attended.

Parades and Picnics, were so much fun. Those who participated regularly, have not been overlooked for the *time* they spent in organizing, and hauling the rocking chair patrol, the Indy cars, and the twirling fez. Noble Harold Goodsell, and Lady Gerry, Noble Gaylord Hawley, Keystone Kops, and Clowns, your *time* and effort was greatly appreciated.

The Circus is the biggest, and likely the most *time* consuming fund raiser of the Oriental Shriners. Noble Barry Trasacco and his Lady Linda, spend almost the entire year planning with Walker Brother's Circus. The phone calls, donation pickups, creating the circus book, coloring books, tickets, posters, traveling, insurance, dumpsters, locations sites. Is there anyway possible to measure the amount of *time* consumed by the tasks listed?

Sportsman raffle, was so exciting. We have to express our gratitude to Smitty's Sporting Goods in Schaghticoke. They were very accommodating, in helping us to create a list of over 50 prizes. The ticket sellers were enthusiastic and put a great deal of their *time* into the success of this event. Wendell Beadnell sold over one-third of all tickets sold. Wendell, thank you for your *time*.

I would like to thank our First Ceremonial Master, Noble Paul Kahain and his Lady Cindy, Second Ceremonial Master, Rick Sauer and his Lady Bev, and Asst. Rabban Robert Harris and his Lady Jacque, for the *time* they invested in preparations, for the Potentate's Ball and Fall Ceremonial. Great Job on the hospitality rooms.

Last but not least, the Holiday Party. This year has been so much fun for Tim and I. I can't help think of the expression, "It takes a Village to raise a Child" and applying it as follows "It takes the Temple to support the Potentate." Thanks to everyone as-

ANNUAL MEETING

AND Installation of Officers

Sat., January 10, 2015 1:00 pm at the Oriental Shrine Center

You will need your 2015 Dues Card for admission.

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Oriental Shriners will be held at the Oriental Shrine Center, 75 Water Plant Rd., Lansingburgh (North Troy), on Saturday, January 10, 2015, at which time annual reports will be presented, installation of appointed and elected officers for the year and such other business transacted that may properly come before the meeting.

> TIMOTHY V. GROGAN Illustrious Potentate

Attested by: THOMAS NICHOLSON Recorder

Notice to All Club & Unit Secretaries

As the year winds down, it is time to fill out reports so our Recorder can send his final report to Imperial. If you haven't received the forms yet, you will be getting them soon.

Also, be sure to send a list of your 2015 officers to the Oriental News office, 51 Collins Ave., Troy, 12180. Or you can email them to: prout-printers@yahoo.com. We publish a "Who's Who" list of all club and unit officers for your reference. Please do this as soon as possible, it helps to make our temple duties much easier.

Recorder Tom Nicholson and the editorial staff wish everyone a very happy holiday season.

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BYRON MOAK, PP, Historian

— Answers to November 2014 Questions —

 The Fall 2014 Ceremonial was held at the Holiday Inn in Lake George on Oct. 31-Nov. 1. Fall Ceremonials were held:

a.) November 5-7, 2004, at Fort William Henry Resort in Lake George.

b.) November 25-26, 1994, at the Holiday Inn-Turf, in Albany.

c.) November 9-11, 1984, at the Georgian Motel in Lake George.

d.) October 5-6, 1974, at the Lake Placid Club.

2) The 2014 Fall Meeting of the New York-Ontario Shrine Association was held at the Ramada Inn in Geneva, NY. On October 1-3, 2004, the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel & Conference Center in Niagara Falls, Ontario, was the site of the Fall Meeting of NYOSA.

 Two recent Potentates of Oriental who have served as officers of the NYOSA are III. Craig Cashman and III. John Garhartt.

4) Oriental Shriners had an Imperial Session held in its jurisdiction in July, 1903. The Broadway Theater in Saratoga Springs was the site of the 29th Imperial Session. Oriental was chartered in 1877.

December 2014 Questions

— Answers in next Issue —

 At the Cold Sands Election of Officers and Holiday Party at the Lansingburgh Masonic Hall on December 11, 2004, who were the newly elected Divan for 2005?

2) Between the election of Officers for Oriental on December 11, 2004, and the Installation on January 22, 2005, where did Oriental Shriners participate in a parade??

3) Of the first eleven Imperial Sessions from 1876-1885, what two cities were the sites of these events?

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Sarałoga County Shrine Club HAROLD GOODSELL, Secretary

The November meeting of Saratoga Shrine Club was held at the Saratoga Holiday Inn on Monday, November 10th. P.P. Byron Moak gave the invocation, followed by the Shriners Pledge to the Flag. The meeting came to order with President Mike LaPointe presiding. He introduced his Lady Kristen, the club officers and their ladies.

Sickness and Distress and Happiness: P.P. Jim Flatt is recuperating from knee replacement surgery. P.P. Lew and Lady Carol Slocum need to remembered; Carol is undergoing chemotherapy again. P.P. Dick Gibbons has been in the hospital, thoughts are going out to him as well.

Secretary's Report: was received by all and a motion was made by Noble Gaylord Hawley to accept the report, seconded by P.P. Byron Moak; all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: was given by P.P. Dan Murray which found a balance of \$3,017.27 after expenses. A motion was made by P.P. Howard Waller and P.P. Bill Fink to accept the report, all were in favor, both reports will be placed on file.

Old Business: President Mike LaPointe thanked the Potentate for sending out appreciation thank yous to the sponsors of the Bass Tournament – will mean a lot when next year's sponsors are needed. P.P. Tom Nicholson reported that 140 pies were sold and delivered. Special thanks went out to Lady Linda Trasacco who sold the most pies this year. A card was received from Oriental Shrine thanking the club for the \$500 donation at the Fall Ceremonial. Noble Barry Trasacco spoke of the speaker that was supposed to present talk on diabetes.

New Business: Noble Frank Finch spoke on getting a speaker for our next meeting. All veterans were acknowledged with a round of applause as we approach Veterans Day. The nightly raffle took place and the winners were: Ladies Gerry Goodsell, Kris LaPointe, Annalore Lehr, P.P. Dan Murray and Noble Frank Finch. The wait staff was introduced with a round of applause.

The next dinner/meeting will be on December 8th, it will be our Christmas meeting with a money tree available for the Shrine Hospital. The menu choices will be: bourbon barbecue grilled chicken, baked ham with pineapple glaze and bowtie pasta with Mediterranean vegetables, garden salad, rolls, butter, desert and beverage included. All reservations with meal choices are due to Dan Murrary by Wednesday, December 3rd. 885-4358 or dmurray13@nycap.rr.com.

Chief Rabban Tom Abraham spoke of some of the highlights of his upcoming year as Potentate. January 10th will be the Installation. On February 1st we will have the Super Bowl party. February 14th is the Saranac Lake Parade and March 28th is the Potentate's Ball at the Marriott Courtyard. A raffle drawing will take place after January and a 2nd Annual Basket Party in the Fall. The Shrine Imperial Session will be July 5th-9th at the Westin

Wear Your Shrine Pin . . . Always!

Potentate's Ball March 28, 2015

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Look for the full announcement with with meal selections in the January Oriental News!

Houston Downtown. P.P. Byron Moak spoke of the Basket of Cheer raffle with tickets at \$5.00; drawing will be at the Oriental Shrine Christmas Party on December 13th. He has petitions available for Cold Sands and he has CDs available of the Poster Children that will be on the Shriners' float at the New Year's Day Parade.

Mark your calendar!

Noble Russ Lehr spoke of the "Fezzie" that he introduced and sold raffle tickets for. He presented \$400 to the Potentate for the Shriner's Hospital.

III. Tim Grogan was presented, who introduced Lady Shelly and the Divan that was present. He and Noble Gaylord spoke of the upcoming Holiday Parade in South Glens Falls on November 13th. The Transportation Van and the go-carts will be there. All Shriners are urged to attend; wear your fez.

The Christmas Party on December 13th was discussed. It will also be a Stated Meeting with Election of Officers. The Potentate thanked the Divan for attending meetings with him and he thanked everyone for the experience he and Lady Shelly have had serving Oriental Shriners.

With no other business on hand, P.P. Byron Moak gave the benediction.

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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE ------(Continued from page 3)

sociated with the Oriental Shriners, every minute of your *time*, and dedication was truly appreciated.

Best Wishes to Chief Rabban Tom Abraham and his Lady Leslie. We enjoyed the company of Tom and Leslie this past year. We traveled with them extensively, and got to know them well. Good luck to them in the coming year.

Enjoy 2015 with Tom Abraham as Potentate and his Lady Leslie.

> Yours in the Faith, III. TIM GROGAN, Potentate and Lady Shelly

Attention . . . All Nobles, Ladies & Friends

We would sincerely welcome your attending the 2015 Installation of Officers on Saturday, January 10 following the required Stated Meeting at 1:00 at the Oriental Shrine Center in Lansingburgh, NY.

This is a public ceremony and sharing in the cultural Middle Eastern meal that will follow.

Hoping to see all of you there. Potentate-elect Thomas Abraham & Lady Leslie





# **Oriental Shriners**



Game Day—February 1, 2015 4 PM—End of game Food, beverages, door prizes, and good company! Join us at the Shrine Center 75 Water Plant Road, Troy, NY Need more information? Call Tom Abraham (518) 642-9404



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## **Meet Our 2014-15 National Patient Ambassadors**

Joe Dertinger of Waconia, Minn., and Katie Ladlie of Troy, Mo., have been selected as the health care system's national patient ambassadors for 2014- 2015. The announcement was made after the premiere of their video, "Born to Inspire" during the July 2014 Imperial Session of Shriners International in Minneapolis.

Every year, Shriners Hospitals for Children<sup>®</sup> chooses two national patient ambassadors to represent the thousands of children who receive care at the health care system every year. The Ambassadors share their stories to inspire others and raise awareness of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

#### Joe: A Champion Skier

Joe was born with an unusual condition that involved all four of his extremities. He had a short tibia and no fibula on his right leg, and only three toes on his right foot. His left ankle has an unusual "ball and socket" type of joint. He was also born with only two fingers and a thumb on each hand, and the fingers on the right hand were webbed together.

At our Twin Cities hospital, Joe was initially seen by an orthopaedic surgeon and a hand specialist, who recommended surgeries to separate the fingers on his right hand and amputation of the right foot so that a prosthesis would fit better. Over time, Joe received physical and occupational therapy at Shriners Hospitals for Children, combined with lots of encouragement. That, and having a twin sister to keep up with, helped Joe continue to make progress.

Joe, now 18, has been involved in adaptive skiing for many years. In the last two seasons at the national competition in Park City, Utah, Joe has won the Men's Junior National overall Alpine Skiing title. He is currently training for the Giant Slalom World Cup and the 2018 winter Paralympic games, which will be held in South Korea.

While Joe is passionate about his sport, he also wants to give back and help others with similar conditions and has enrolled in Century College's Prosthetics Technology program; he is set to start in the fall of 2014.

#### Katie: An inspiration to Others

Relatively quickly after her birth, Katie was diagnosed as having a vascular malformation, a very



rare condition. She has been a patient at our St. Louis hospital since she was 2 years old.

Katie struggled with severe knee pain and other difficulties for years. By the time she was 12 years old, her knee had deteriorated to the point that her physicians gave her two options, knee fusion or amputation above the knee. Young Katie bravely determined to have the amputation as this would free her from the pain and from the anchor that held her back, which is how she viewed her leg.

Shortly after the surgery, Katie was introduced to adaptive sports, which was a turning point. She became very active and is no longer sitting on the sidelines in pain. And then she discovered public speaking, and became a patient ambassador for our St. Louis hospital.

Katie, now 16, hopes to be able to give back and inspire others through her new role as a national patient ambassador.

We know that both Katie and Joe will do exactly that in the coming months.

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| FRANK ROOT            | Treasurer      |
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# **Glens Falls Shrine Club**

Monthly meetings on the 4th Thursday of the month except January, June, July, August, November & December. January, June & December dates are variable and will be advised.

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## **ORIENTAL SHRINE DATES**

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| Jan. 10 (Sat.)       | . ANNUAL MEETING & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS – Shrine Center, 1:00    |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jan. 12 (Mon.)       | Saratoga County Shrine Club – Holiday Inn, 6:00                      |
| Jan. 26 (Mon.)       | Troy Area Shrine Club – Shrine Center, 6:00                          |
| Feb. 1 (Sun.)        | SUPER BOWL XLIX PARTY – Shrine Center, 4:00                          |
| Feb. 14 (Sat.)       | SARANAC LAKE WINTER CARNIVAL PARADE – details to come                |
| Mar. 27-29 (FriSun.) | . POTENTATE'S BALL WEEKEND – Courtyard by Marriott, Saratoga Springs |
| Apr. 16-19 (FriSun.) | . NYOSA SPRING MEETING – Four Points Sheraton, Niagara Falls, Canada |

All Unit Fund Raising Activities MUST Receive Written Permission from the Potentate – Disclaimers, etc. – Don't Forget!

# Annual Meeting & Installation of Officers Saturday, January 10, 2015 at 1:00 pm at the Oriental Shrine Center

You will need your 2015 dues card for admission.