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# POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

"Having Fun—Helping Kids"

Greetings Nobles and Ladies. Yaarab Shrine is off and running towards having our best year ever. It is a great and busy time of the year as we prepare for the 77<sup>th</sup> Yaarab Shrine Circus and Fair. Please make plans to come to Jim R. Miller Park in Marietta and see the "all new" Yaarab Shrine Circus, Motorcycle Thrill Show, huge Midway, and of course the Shrine food court. The dates are May 17- 27 with 25 Circus performances.

The Circus is possible because of the tremendous work that you do to raise money through selling ads/sponsors, Super Passes, and collecting bucket money. Of course, we also have the Sportsmen's Raffle sales going on and the enthusiasm around having a brand new truck as a top prize is tremendous. Special thanks to the Circus Presales team, led by Jim Nelson, for being open and available to help any noble with questions.

If you are a Georgia Bulldog fan, you should be thrilled with the Circus Rewards this year. Red Shirts for Thousandaire and Personal Aide levels, a Red Jacket for the \$4,000 award, and a custom Citizens Watch for those reaching the \$7,500 level. All of these are available for pickup at the Business Office. While you are there, make sure you thank Heather, Mary, Beth, and Keith who spend everyday helping our nobles. They, along with your Divan, work hard to make sure our Shrine Center remains the best in the world.

Membership is our Top Priority! We worked with the Grand Lodge of Georgia to roll out the Masonic Membership Program this year, and we are having some excellent results. If you are not familiar with the program yet, it is a simple referral program that gives every Mason the chance to help educate men, that they believe would make good Masons, become interested in our fraternity. Be proud of who you are and let folks know about the greatest fraternity in the world. I encourage all nobles to support your Blue Lodge and encourage your fellow Masons to consider being a Shriner.

After our greatest Shrine Circus in history, we will be traveling to the following:

Helen, GA for our Summer Ceremonial in June  
Nashville, TN for Shriners International Imperial Session in July  
Pigeon Forge, TN for Southeastern Shrine Association in August  
Myrtle Beach, SC for South Atlantic Shrine Association in September  
Las Vegas, NV for a "Potentates Trip" in October  
Panama City Beach, Fl for "Fun at the Beach" in October

Make plans to join us at any or all these locations for fun and fellowship.

I love being Potentate of Yaarab Shrine! Linda and I have been overwhelmed by the positive comments and actions of you and your ladies. Please continue to "show up" and support Yaarab Shrine. Our kids at Shriners Hospitals for Children are depending on all of us.

**#YAARABSTRONG**

Yours in Faith,



Dennis Hewatt  
Potentate 2019



**Don't forget about the duck race in Helen. Ducks will be available at the business meeting for \$10.00 each. Checks payable to Yaarab Shrine.**



OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE  
Notice is hereby given of a stated meeting of Yaarab Temple,  
A.A.O.N.M.S.,  
400 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia  
For transaction of such business and ceremonial as may be regularly presented  
Activities Building On:  
Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.  
Social at 5:30 P.M.; Dinner at 6:00 P.M.

Attest:  
Kevin Weinz, Recorder

Dennis Hewatt, Potentate

# Yaarab's Annual Rainy Day

## "Cash" Giveaway

April 27, 2019 6:00pm

\$12,500 in Cash with a \$10,000 Grand Prize  
Every 25th ticket drawn wins a cash prize:

|                                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1st ticket-\$100                   | 200th ticket-\$100 |
| 25th ticket-\$100                  | 225th ticket-\$200 |
| 50th ticket-\$100                  | 250th ticket-\$200 |
| 75th ticket-\$100                  | 275th ticket-\$200 |
| 100th ticket-\$100                 | 300th ticket-\$200 |
| 125th ticket-\$100                 | 325th ticket-\$200 |
| 150th ticket-\$100                 | 350th ticket-\$300 |
| 175th ticket-\$100                 | 375th ticket-\$300 |
| 400th ticket- Grand Prize \$10,000 |                    |

**Where: Yaarab Shrine, 400 Ponce de Leon Ave., Atlanta GA**

Ticket Price \$100

Each Ticket Includes;

- Prime Rib dinner for two
  - Beverages included
  - Dancing & Live music
- **Chance to win Grand Prize of \$10,000**

**CONTACT: Robert Hampton 706-463-0411 FOR TICKETS**

Proceeds from ticket sales are for the benefit of the Yaarab Shrine- Not Tax Deductible

# Chaplain's Corner

By Dennis Bellamy

## The Gospel Napkin

Greetings nobles and ladies. I hope all is well. We have had a great year thus far. It has been filled with new events and adventure. Illustrious Sir Dennis and First Lady Linda, as well as, our Divan and ladies have made it a fun year. I know everyone is looking forward to our 77<sup>th</sup> Shrine Circus, Fair, Flea Market and Crafts Show coming up in May. This should be a great opportunity for everyone to promote this fantastic event. I always look forward to having fellowship with all of you; it is always an exciting time.

We have several days to celebrate in April and May; April 21<sup>st</sup> is Easter Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> is National Day of Prayer, May 12<sup>th</sup> is Mother's Day, May 18<sup>th</sup> is Armed Forces Day and May 27<sup>th</sup> is Memorial Day.

On Easter, of course, is the day we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. When our Lord ascended he said he will return to get His people. Who are His People? The believers, the ones who trust and called upon His name. He often times referred to us as the church. Jesus gave us plenty of statements and promises of His return. One is the Napkin; the Gospel of John tells us that the napkin, which was placed over the face of Jesus, was not just thrown aside like the grave clothes. The Bible takes an entire verse to tell us that the napkin was neatly folded and was placed at the head of that stony coffin. John 20 verses 1-7 Reads: The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him." Peter, therefore, went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together, and the other disciple did out run Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie. And the Napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. (Wrapped meaning rolled up or folded).

Is that important or significant? Yes! In the Hebrew tradition the folded napkin was placed on the table by the servant exactly how the master wanted it. The servant would remain out of sight until the master was finished eating. When the master was finished, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, his mouth, and clean his beard, and would wad up the napkin and toss it on the table. The servant would know then to clear the table. For in those days the wadded napkin meant, "I'm done". But, if the master got up from the table, folded his napkin and then laid it beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because . . . the folded napkin meant, "I'm coming back". And our Lord is coming back just be ready!

On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we recognize the Annual National Day Of Prayer. It is held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman.

On May 12<sup>th</sup> we will be honoring our mothers on Mothers Day. We can't say enough about our mothers, a mother's love is more than our comprehension, and we all should continue lifting up all mothers in prayer. I'm reminded of a poem Titled:

### **God Bless Our Mothers:**

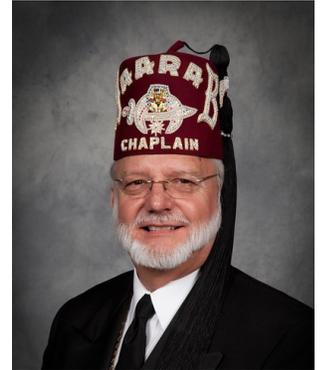
**God Bless our mothers, All Mothers everywhere,  
They go the second mile with tender loving care.  
God bless our mothers, Whose work just never ends,  
Mothers, you're the greatest, So much on you depends.  
God bless our mothers, Every one so dear,  
Theirs is the Christlike love, That brings Heaven very near.  
God bless our mothers, Sometimes they have it rough.  
We honor them but once a year, Which isn't half enough!  
God bless our mothers, Strengthen them each day,  
Lord, we realize we owe them a debt we can never repay.**

On this Memorial Day, remember those who served before. Remember those who are no more. Remember those who serve today. Remember them as we eat and play. Remember our protectors who are not home today. Remember them all on Memorial Day.

Nobles and ladies, please remember on Sundays; May 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, we will have Worship Service at 11:00 a.m. in the Big Top. Everyone please attend. We will be finished by 11:45 a.m. in time to get to your work stations.

May God's Blessings Be Upon You!

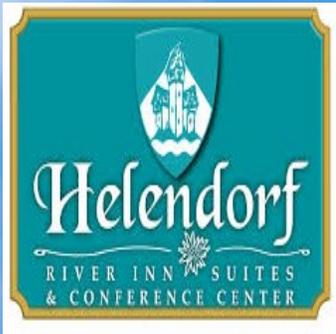
Rev. Dennis E. Bellamy



# YAARAB SHRINE

## Summer Ceremonial

### JUNE 6th thru 9th ~ Helen, Georgia



#### Thursday - June 6

- \* Helendorf River Inn ~ Ceremonial Headquarters
- \* Registration for poker run and duck race ~ 3pm - 6pm
- \* Yaarab Concessions and Hospitality room ~ open 3pm - 6 & 8pm - 11

#### Friday - June 7

- \* SHC Golf tournament ~ check in 9am - shotgun start 10am
- \* Potentate's Escort Bike Run ~ 9:30am
- \* Poker Run and Duck Race registration ~ 2pm - 5pm
- \* Golf cart poker run ~ 5pm
- \* Fun with the Candidates ~ 6pm
- \* LUAU PARTY ~ 6pm - 11pm
- "Remember When Theatre" Dinner, Dancing, Music and Fun

#### Saturday - June 8

- \* Directors Staff Ceremonial ~ "Remember When Theatre" - 8am
- \* Ladies Brunch ~ Helendorf ~ 10am
- \* Fezzing Ceremony ~ 11:30am
- \* Candidates Lunch ~ 12 noon
- \* Parade line up 1pm, step off 2pm
- \* Hospitality and Concessions open after parade till 6pm
- \* Charity Duck Race ~ 5pm Hospitality 8pm - 11pm
- \* Music on the Helen Square ~ 8pm - 11pm

#### † Sunday - June 9

- Worship Service - Helendorf ~ 10am - 11am
- Rev. Dennis Bellamy presiding
- Check-Out ~ Drive Safely
- Thanks for coming and making **#YAARABSTRONG**



# ***YAARAB'S CEREMONIAL POKER RUN***



***Friday, June 7, 2019 at 5pm  
Helen, Ga***



The POKER RUN will begin at 5pm at the *Helendorf Hotel* and end at the *Remember When Theatre* at 6:30pm where there will be a Luau.

The cost will be \$25.00 per hand. Each player will receive 1 T-shirt.

Clubs, Units, Businesses, or Individuals

Anyone interested in being a sponsor for \$100.00 will have their name on the back of the T-shirt and receive 2 T-shirts. Clubs and Units that sponsor the 2 T-shirts will be given to the president of the Club or Unit.

Please have Sponsor checks made payable to *Yaarab Shrine* and sent to Jeff Phillips 8345 Little Mill Road, Cumming GA 30041.

The Deadline for the POKER RUN sponsorships will be May 25, 2019.

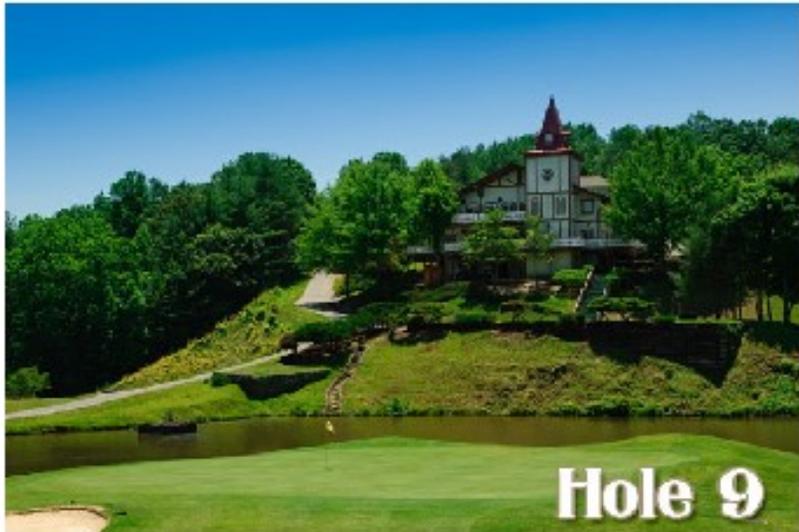
Any questions please contact Jeff Phillips [phillipsjp@comcast.net](mailto:phillipsjp@comcast.net) or call him at 770-560-9565.

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE**



**Shriners Hospitals  
for Children™**

# Innsbruck Golf Club



**Location:**  
Innsbruck Golf Club  
664 Bahn Innsbruck  
Helen, GA 30545  
(706) 878-2100  
Shotgun start at 10:00 a.m.

**Entry Fee/s:**

- \$80 per player
- Hole Sponsor \$400 per team
  - Four Playing Spots
  - Green Fee, Carts & Range Balls
  - Sign
- Tournament Sponsorship \$150 per sign
- Mulligans \$5
- 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Shootout \$20
- Awards will be long drive in circle on Par 3
- Food will be sold on the course by Alpine Shrine Club

**Registration:**

Please return registration with payment to  
Attention Tournament Director

Atlanta Yaarab Shrine  
400 Ponce de Leon Ave NE  
Atlanta, GA. 30308

**Sponsorships:**

Yaarab 2019 Golf tournaments are seeking Corporate Sponsorships

**PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION BELOW**

Foursome: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLAYER LIST**

Player: \_\_\_\_\_

Player: \_\_\_\_\_

Player: \_\_\_\_\_

Player: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT**

Hole Sponsor Payment (\$400): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament Sponsorship (\$150 per hole): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

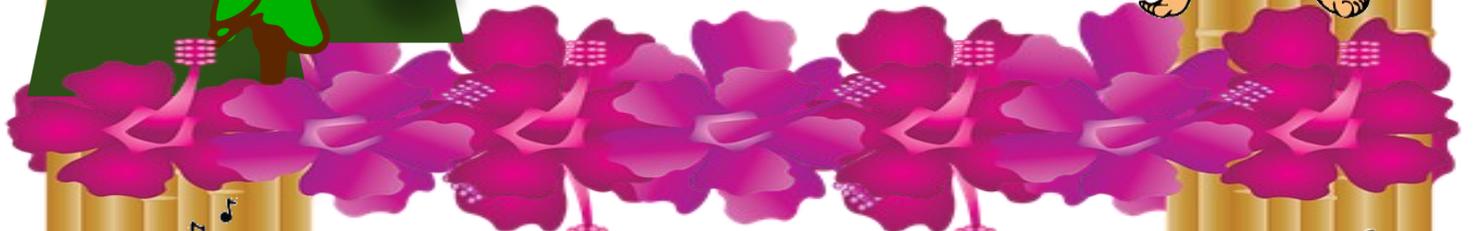
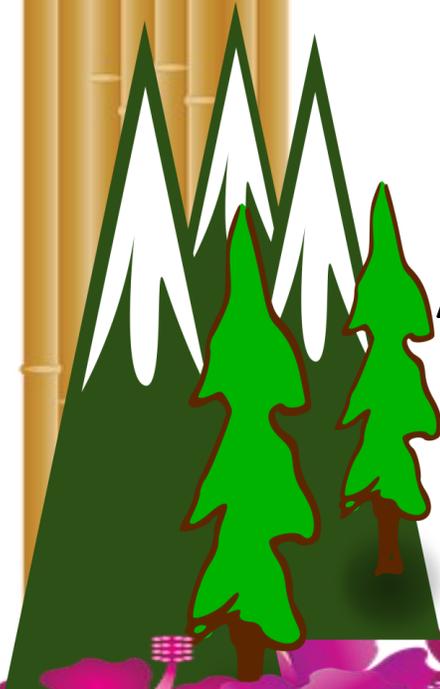
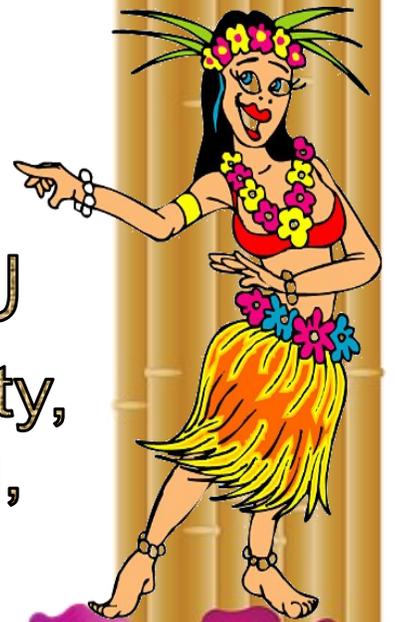
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YAARAB SHRINE  
ALOHA

from Helen  
ALPINE - LUAU

Dinner, hospitality,  
music, dancing,  
FUN



Friday - June 7th  
6pm - 11pm

"Remember When Theatre"  
115 Escowee Drive  
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## Potentate's Escort

Beautiful **Helen Georgia**

For the **Billy Pruitt Memorial Ride!**

**June 7th - Lineup 9:30 AM.**

**Train will roll out at 10:00 AM. Will be dropping in for some Camaraderie and great food at the **Wagon Wheel Restaurant.****

**All motorcycles, four wheelers, 3 wheelers, Dune buggies, Sports Cars, Show Cars, Old Timers, Heck if you can drive it, **Bring IT!****

**Room for All!**



### GREENVILLE HOSPITAL TOUR

by Harold Brooks

Nobles, ladies from our Potentate Dennis Hewatt and the rest of the Divan, "Thank-You" and a great big "Hug" from them all. Myself, I can never thank all the people, Clubs, Units, and At Large members who stepped forward, and made this a success. Special thanks to the Widows & Widowers Club for their turn out, and some ladies from the Daughters of the Nile. There were 160 people from Yaarab Shrine who registered. No wonder we are: #YAARABSTRONG.

The opening presentation and all the Shrine Centers making their donations, was very good to see. The Shriners Hospitals for Children money in many multiple ways. One way is through the donations taken in by the many Shrine Centers in the United States. At last, always comes the best. Potentate Dennis Hewatt presented Yaarab's donation check of \$125,000.00, as seen in the above photo. He was given a big #YAARABSTRONG "YELL" plus large applause from the large group who was present.

Motor Corps President Glenn Harris and Warren Shore had the train there. They gave rides to the kids. The Directors Staff had the old Model "T" on display. All the kids that rode went away with big smiles on their faces. After lunch, the WALK OF LOVE was started. I understood that everything went well with the people who participated in the walk. Great day and great visit.

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## March 2019 Business Meeting



Executive Officer of Georgia Demolay Marc Bohn (c) with Illustrrious Sir Dennis Hewatt (l) presents: 30 year Demolay Service Award to Stephen Cain. Stephen will forward 30 year Demolay Service Award to Michael Cain; and 40 year Demolay Service Award to Richard (R.C.) Cain.



Illustrrious Sir Dennis Hewatt presented 50 Year Shrine Certificates and Pins to Robert E. Elliott and John Woody. Pictured (l/r): Robert E. Elliott (Henry County Shrine Club) and John Woody (South Fulton Shrine Club).



Illustrrious Sir Dennis Hewatt presented Robert L. Rhodes a plaque honoring him as the Class Honoree for the March Ceremonial. Congratulations to a well deserving noble. Pictured (l/r): Illustrrious Sir Dennis Hewatt and Robert L. Rhodes.



Illustrrious Sir Dennis Hewatt presented Roger Bennett with a fez honoring him as Emeritus Ritualistic Director for 10 years of service to Yaarab Shrine. Pictured: (l/r): Roger Bennett and Illustrrious Sir Dennis Hewatt.



Chief Rabban Bruce Ridley (r) presents Johnny Carswell (Gwinnett Shrine Club) with a new watch for reaching the level of \$7500.00 monies collected for the 2019 Shrine Circus.

Chief Rabban Bruce Ridley (r) presents members of West Georgia Shrine Club J.W. Spinks (c) and J.J. Jeffares (l) with their charter which they never received when their Club was chartered.



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**JOHNNY ROCKETT'S**

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**ROYAL HANNEFORD CIRCUS**  
 FROM 1690 TO THE PRESENT

MANEGE MEDIA



## 2019 CIRCUS PARKING REQUEST

Please complete form and return on or before **April 19, 2019** to allow adequate time to assign spaces prior to the Circus move in. Completed requests may be returned to the YAARAB Temple Main Office or faxed to 404-875-0319.

Spaces are limited - get your request in early!!!!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TEMPLE#: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT/CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE#: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL#: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE ONE: TRAILER or RV

SIZE (length x width): \_\_\_\_\_

POWER NEEDED: 30 amp \_\_\_\_\_ or 50 amp \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF INSURANCE CARRIER: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*NOTE: You must sign up at the LOG CABIN for "NEXT DAY" trailer pump out.\*\***  
The first 2 pumpouts are free

**Kevin Weinz: PH# 678-413-3425 or Fax# 404-875-0319 Email: yaarabnoble@gmail.com**



On a recent visit to Alee Shrine in Savannah, Yaarab Divan took a tour, hosted by Alee Potentate Micha Donaldson, of Solomon's Lodge# 1, the first lodge hall founded in Georgia.



Membership  
Ralph O. Dennis



At the 2019 Spring Ceremonial we created 18 new nobles. The class was not as big as we had hoped for but that just means we need a monster class in Helen. Our Summer Ceremonials are usually the biggest. Can we shoot for 100? I believe we can reach that number.

As of this writing, we still have 447 nobles that are delinquent. That is down from 740 in January. We still have a way to go. Wouldn't it be nice to have all nobles paid before September? We can do this. Your Membership Liaison will be in touch with your clubs/units to render assistance. Our total membership is up 11 from the end of last year. We need to keep this growth because we know we will lose some to withdrawals and the Black Camel.

Our Ladies Orientation was a resounding success. The attendance was small, but the group was energetic. The First Lady and the ladies of the Divan were awesome in their presentations and we thank them.

The Recruiter of the Year program is still in place—who will it be? Are you on the list? The list will be published after each Ceremonial— **Remember-** 4 = shirt, 6 = shirt plus jacket, 8 = all the preceding plus an additional 2500 Crown of Honor points, 10 = all the above and 2020 dues paid.

| First Line Signer    | Temple Number | Spring | Summer | Fall | Winter | Total |
|----------------------|---------------|--------|--------|------|--------|-------|
| Frazier, Andy        | 41007         | 3      |        |      |        | 3     |
| Ayers, Richard       | 41013         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Hammock, Brandon     | 41018         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Smith, Tony          | 40796         | 2      |        |      |        | 2     |
| Blount, Gene         | 35036         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Turner, Aubrey Dean  | 34207         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Holt, Thomas         | 37846         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Davidson, Dennis     | 39962         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Ellis, Marvin, Sr.   | 40955         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Sanders, Russell     | 41061         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Waddell, Walter, Jr. | 38753         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Chastain, George     | 23900         | 1      |        |      |        | 1     |
| Hicks, Chip          | 40428         | 2      |        |      |        | 2     |

## TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO

By Jerry “Jug Haid” Rogers

Putting this article together is always a lot of enjoyment for me. I’ve always had a great interest in history, but when it’s something that I care a great deal about I can spend hours reading on the subject. My good friend and Brother Tim Adair recently brought to my attention a web site that I actually spent several days just reading different articles. The site is titled [gahistoricnewspapers.galileo.usg.edu](http://gahistoricnewspapers.galileo.usg.edu) and is one of the best sites I’ve ever been on for information pertaining to just about everything that happened in our area over the last 100 plus years. It is amazing to me that during this era, how much publicity the shrine received and everything we did was found news worthy. The following is composed of excerpts from different news paper articles in and around Atlanta. We’ll call this article “ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO”.

The Shrine was unstoppable in the early 1900s. Membership grew rapidly, and the geographical range of Temples widened. Between 1900 and 1918, eight new Temples were created in Canada. and one each in Honolulu, Mexico City and the Republic of Panama. During this same period, there was growing member support for establishing an official Shrine charity. Most Temples had individual philanthropies and sometimes the Shrine as an organization gave aid. But neither the individual projects nor the special one-time contributions satisfied the membership, who wanted to do more. In 1919, Freeland Kendrick (Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia) was the Imperial Potentate elect for the 363,744 Shrine Masons of North America. He had long been searching for a cause for the thriving group to support. In a visit to Atlanta, Past Potentate Forrest Adair conducted a tour of the new Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children. Five years earlier Noble Adair, as Commander in Chief of the Scottish Rite’s Atlanta Consistory, had been the virtual founder of the new specialized hospital. After his visit, Ill. Sir Kendrick became aware of the overwhelming needs of crippled children in North America. At the June 1919 Imperial Session, Kendrick proposed establishing “The Mystic Shrine Mason Peace Memorial for Friendless, Orphaned and Crippled Children.” His resolution never came to a vote. As Imperial Potentate in 1919 and 1920, he traveled more than 150,000 miles, visiting a majority of the 146 Temples and campaigning for an official Shrine philanthropy. The climax came at the June 1920 Imperial Session in Portland, Oregon. Kendrick changed his resolution to one establishing the “Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children,” to be supported by a \$2 yearly assessment from each Shrine Mason. Despite the generally supportive attitude among the assembled Shriners, many held reservations about creating a permanent, open-ended financial commitment. The *de facto* voice of the dissenters was Past Imperial Potentate, William Bromwell Melish (Syrian Shrine, Cincinnati), who had instituted long-absent fiscal controls and piloted the Imperial Counsel out of insolvency in the early nineties. Imperial Sir Melish spent fifteen minutes detailing his objections to the proposal, and seemed to turn the tide against the plan, but Noble Forrest Adair (Yaarab Shrine, Atlanta) rose from his seat near the front of the audience and put an end to the nobles’ reluctance with his now-famous “Bubbles” speech. Noble Adair spoke thus:

“I rise, unlike my friend, Past Imperial Potentate Melish, without reluctance, but with enthusiasm. I was lying in bed yesterday morning, about four o’clock in the Multnomah Hotel, and some poor fellow who had strayed away from the rest of the band - and he was a magnificent performer - stood down there under the window for twenty-five minutes playing “I am only blowing bubbles.” Do you catch it? And after a while, when I dropped back into a peaceful sleep, I dreamed of a little crippled children’s hospital, run by the Scottish Rite Fraternity, in Atlanta, Georgia, which has been visited by a number of the members of this Imperial Council, and I thought of the wandering minstrel of the early morning, and I wondered if there were not a deep significance in the tune that he was playing for Shriners, “I am only blowing bubbles.” My Brother Melish says that it places upon us responsibility. No, no, it does not. This resolution merely recognizes the fact that we appreciate that the responsibility is upon us, and while we have spent money for songs, and spent money for bands, – and they mean so much to us let us keep it up, – you cannot put your finger on a thing that I know of that has been done for humanity that can be credited to the Shrine as an organization. If this is established, these little rules and regulations that Brother Melish is so afraid of will be taken care of by a competent committee. I apprehend we will not want to restrict it to the crippled children of Shriners. We don’t. The first prerequisite with us is that the child’s trouble may be corrected or improved. The second prerequisite is that they shall be financially unable to pay. You could not get your child in that hospital if you would pay a thousand dollars a week, because you would be depriving some little pauper child of a bed. I want to see this thing started. For God’s sake, let us lay aside the soap and water and stop blowing bubbles and get down to brass tacks. If there is anything in the resolution that has formerly been passed that precludes it, let’s reconsider it and do away with the other one. Let’s blow all the dust aside. Let’s get rid of all the technical objections. And if there is a Shriner in North America, after he sees the first crippled child has been treated, for their condition, objects to having paid the two dollars, I will give him a cheque back for it myself.” The room erupted with applause, and it was clear that Noble Adair’s monologue had touched the hearts of those assembled. Fellow Yaarab Noble, Robert Colding stood and echoed Noble Adair’s sentiments, as did others. The resolution passed with unanimous consent and as they say, the rest is history. And the wandering minstrel; none other than Yaarab’s own Sam ”Bubbles” Black on the accordion.

## Reagan's Story

Six-year-old Reagan and her family are from a suburb of Cincinnati, so it was an adventure for parents Erin and Ryan to pile everyone into the car for an end-of-summer camping trip near Columbus, Ohio.

After a dinner of hot dogs and s'mores cooked over a campfire, the happy crew played nearby before heading to their tents for the night. Twilight made it difficult to see the metal fire ring around the smoldering hot coals and Reagan fell on the embers, receiving second and third-degree burns to the back of both legs.



Ryan rushed Reagan to the nearest local hospital. "It all happened in a flash," he recalled of the event. Once treated, the nurse asked where they would like to take Reagan for continuing care. Erin immediately requested Shriners Hospitals for Children—Cincinnati; she had a friend whose daughter had been treated for a coffee scald and knew it was the best destination for pediatric burns. They had an appointment two days later.

"We had never experienced anything like Reagan's accident," Erin said. "I never knew how horrible burns were; how even the simple act of cleaning the wound causes excruciating pain. We are so grateful for what Shriners did for us."

The kindness and superior care they experienced at Cincinnati Shriners Hospital stayed with them months after Reagan's wounds had healed, so during the holidays Erin, a middle school teacher, asked her students for hospital donations rather than gifts for her. They did not disappoint. Ryan delivered a large cart filled with games, books and craft items for other patients to enjoy. "It isn't nearly enough to say thank you for all the wonderful work Shriners Hospitals do," Erin said, "not only for our daughter Reagan, but for so many families across the country."

*If you know a child who could benefit from our services,  
share our information:*

[www.shrinershospitalcincinnati.org](http://www.shrinershospitalcincinnati.org)

or call

**855-206-2096**

to make an appointment; no referral is needed.

Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Cincinnati is one of only four freestanding hospitals in the country dedicated to the treatment of pediatric burns and specializing in plastic and reconstructive surgery. Our physicians' experience and expertise in pediatric burn treatment, cleft lip and palate, complex wound and skin conditions, and plastic and reconstructive surgery makes Shriners Hospitals for Children - Cincinnati a first choice for care.



### Shriners Play a Big Role in Referrals

When it comes to finding medical help for children, Shriners are now more important than ever. Members of the fraternity have always played a critical role in helping families in their communities get connected with Shriners Hospitals for Children - Cincinnati, and now it has become even easier with a website and referral cards.

#### Website

Shriners Hospitals for Children - Cincinnati continues to make referring a patient and obtaining an appointment for care easier than ever through the website:

[www.shrinershospitalcincinnati.org](http://www.shrinershospitalcincinnati.org)

#### Follow us on Facebook:

 <https://www.facebook.com/Shriners-HospitalCincinnati>



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## 2019 PRIZES



\$1000 PRIZE



\$2500 PRIZE



\$4000 PRIZE



\$5000 GOLD AIDE



\$7500 PRIZE



\$10000 PLATINUM AIDE



### 2019 MONEY TURN IN:

The Circus Presales Office is **OPEN** at YAARAB Shrine Center from 3:00 p.m. til 6:30 p.m. on the **First Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of each month** to coincide with the normal monthly meeting nights of clubs and units at the Shrine Center.

**10:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. for the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays and Thursdays of the month** that are not regular meeting nights of the clubs and units at the Shrine Center. These are the **ONLY** days that this group will be in attendance. So, please mark these days of the week to arrange to bring in your collections.

**IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE SCHEDULE, THE CIRCUS OFFICE WILL BE OPEN ON BUSINESS MEETING NIGHTS AND OTHER WEEKDAY EVENTS AT THE REQUEST OF THE POTENTATE.**

### CIRCUS PRESALES OFFICE AT JIM R. MILLER PARK HOURS OF OPERATION

The office will open for business at JIM R. MILLER PARK on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon until 5:00 p.m. During the Circus the Presales office will be open daily per the following schedule:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday: 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Sunday's: 12:00 Noon until 5:00 p.m.

Monday May 27<sup>th</sup>: 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. (LAST DAY OF CIRCUS)

When you turn in anything to the Circus office, please be sure and get a copy of your receipt that you will be asked to sign showing \$ amount, shrine member #, and unit/club.

# YAARAB SHRINE BRICK PROGRAM

## ORDERING FORM

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Temple #:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone #:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Unit/Club:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Information to appear on brick:

3 lines, up to 20 characters per line, spaces count as a character as do periods, commas, etc.

**Bricks are \$100 each**

**Line 1:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Line 2:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Line 3:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emblem:**                      **Shrine** \_\_\_\_\_  
   **Masonic** \_\_\_\_\_  
   **None** \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Information:

**Cash:**     **Check:**

**Credit Card:**  
**AMEX:**     **VISA:**     **M/C:**

**Credit Card #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Exp Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name on card:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Samples already in place:



# Road Runner Banquet

Captions by Sam Black, Photos by Thom "Squeaky" Ledford



(Left): "Road Runners" and guests in attendance at the "Road Runner" Banquet.

(Right): Yaarab Shrine nobles who are "Road Runners" in attendance at the recent "Yaarab Road Runner Banquet" where they were honored for their selfless trips to our Shriners Hospitals for Children. Road Runners are volunteer drivers from Yaarab Shrine who help ensure our patients are able to keep their medical appointments, by providing transportation to and from the hospital. The service is free of charge to the families, but the Road Runners say they are paid with smiles from the children and their families. When asked why they volunteer so much of their time, Road Runners say that when they look at what the children and families are going through, they are happy to drive any distance to help as they can. Congratulate nobles on jobs "well done".



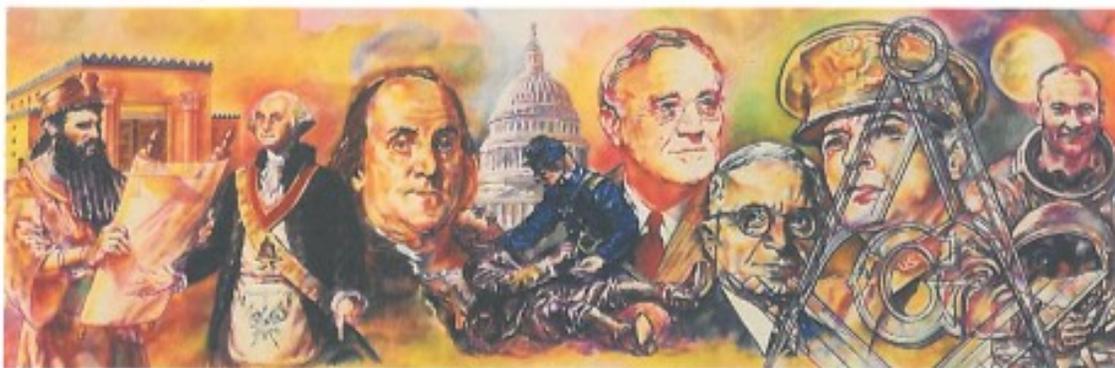
(Left:) These "Road Runner" ladies often accompany their nobles on trips to the Shriners Hospitals for Children (Pictured l/r): Laura Oliver, Jean Stillman, Faye Dennis, Linda Wise, Alice Anderson, Cindy McCaslin, and Kay Cox.

(Right): "Road Runners" receiving special awards at the 2019 Road Runner Banquet.

Pictured with award – Front Row (l/r): Bobby Savage (Overall Greatest Number of Road Runner Trips (320); Gordon Tatum (Shriners Hospitals for Children Rome Club Trip Coordinator (40 trips in one year); Bill Wise (Shriners Hospitals for Children Transportation Chairman); Wayne Shelnett ( Greatest number of Road Runner Trips to Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati); Rome Shrine Club member, Assistant Hospital Chairman Tony Warren accepts Shriners Hospitals for Children award for Jerry Collins for Rome Transportation Coordinator; and Bob Anderson, Shriners Hospitals for Children Air Transportation Chairman.

Back Row (l/r): Treasurer Robert Hampton, High Priest & Prophet Tom Holt, Chief Rabban Bruce Ridley, Potentate Dennis Hewatt, Assistant Rabban Dennis Davidson, Oriental Guide Jeff Ferguson, and Recorder Kevin Weinz.





## **The Freemasons**

To many, Freemasonry has been a great mystery. You may have seen a Masonic ring with a square and compasses on your grandfather's hand or possibly another family member. You may remember your Dad or Uncle going to meetings in a building with those same symbols on the front. It is our greatest hope that these mailings shall bring you to light as to the meanings and purpose of the Masonic Lodge and Freemasonry.

## **Today's Brethren**

The transition from operative craftsmen of freemasonry to the speculative Masonic Brethren of today came into being in the last several hundred years. Community leaders and good men of other trades were drawn to the Masonic lodges to share fellowship with like-minded individuals. In time men of other trades far outnumbered their operative Masonic Brethren. The lodge system transformed into today's Grand Lodge system. Lodges welcome members from any lodge that is recognized by their respective Grand Lodge to visit and fellowship. Masons from the world refer to each other as Brothers or Brethren. There is always a welcome handshake shared among those who are Masonic Brothers.

Lodges today in Georgia meet once or twice a month to discuss lodge business such as fundraisers for the Lodge or Masonic Children's Home. They may have community projects such as building a wheelchair ramp for a neighbor in need or a toy drive during Christmas time to help local families during the holiday season. Meetings generally follow a good meal. It is an opportunity for the Brethren to catch up on fellowship. Freemasonry is a fraternity where a man has the opportunity to grow philosophically into a better man.

Your family members have surely found themselves among other Masons who they have grown to care about as family. Men from all walks of life who are bound by their belief in a greater being and their obligations to live good lives and be of service to the fellow man in times of need.

In your next mailing you may be surprised to see who in the past was a Freemason and how this great country was molded by Freemasons' hands.

## Meet Your Yaarab Public Relations Team Marketing and Communications

By John Law

This year I have been asked to serve as Public Relations Chairman; now referred to by Imperial as Marketing and Communications. I am also serving as Imperial Marketing and Communications for Region 12 - a new frontier to learn and grow. Ralph Dennis has taken the reins for membership and brings fresh ideas with him.

We will have three components to Yaarab Public Relations, 1) internal Yaarab marketing/communications, 2) external marketing/communications and 3) government / community relations. And so, who is the Public Relations team?

**Internal communications:** One of my personal focuses will be to use Emma email promoting Yaarab events and activities. Also, we would like to help clubs and units promote events by making email and social media available to them. You can send me your information at [lawjohnr@gmail.com].

A primary contribution to internal communications is Basharat Editor Sam Black. The Basharat is one of the best out there and was recognized in 2018 with the Dromedary award from Imperial competition.

Perry Gibbs will be on point for the web and social media. If you have not noticed; when an Emma announcement comes out, it is reposted on Facebook and Facebook posts are put out in Emma. Again; this helps you to get work out about your club/unit events and activities.

**External Public Relations:** Jason McDonald will promote community engagement. This will require direct engagement of those that are not Shriners, media relations and public affairs. Jason has some great ideas for his role.

**Government Relations:** Ambassador Roger Wise represents Yaarab with Georgia State Government community-at-large relations. Roger was instrumental in getting support of our hospitals with Georgia Peach care for kids and represents Shriners at the polio conference/s. Roger does a great job of getting the Shriners Hospitals for Children message out.

### Reminders:

- If you are not receiving regular emails on events at Yaarab please send me yours to lawjohnr@gmail.com
- Visit our web site at [www.yaarabshrine.net]. Password B@sharat to enter the members section.
- Join us on Facebook

## 2019 Basharat Deadline Dates

**MAY 15, 2019**

**JUNE AND JULY ISSUE**

**JULY 15, 2019**

**AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER ISSUE**

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2019**

**OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER ISSUE**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2019**

**DECEMBER AND JANUARY ISSUE**

**[basharat@yaarabshrine.org](mailto:basharat@yaarabshrine.org)**



**YAARAB**

# 8th ANNUAL Sportsmen's RAFFLE

**Saturday July 27, 2019**

**Noon to 5:00 p.m.**

**TICKETS \$20.00 ea.**  
**6 for \$100.00**

REFRESHMENTS ALL-DAY - FREE FOOD 11-2 PM - DOORS OPEN AT 10:00 AM  
Ticket Sales cutoff 11:30 AM, 7/27/19 • Must be 16 years of age to be admitted to party.

# 100 Sportsmen's ITEMS

plus

**Ten - \$1,000 Cash Prizes**

**Each ticket has 110 chances to win.**  
SEE BACK FOR PRIZE LIST

**For Tickets Call:**  
**404-872-5818 ext 300**

## Grand Prize #110\*



#110 Safes Micro Pro Safe



2019 GMC Canyon, 4WD, SL, Extended Cab



#112 S&W Micro Two Tone Bone Field



#100 Remington 770 Super Mag Game 12ga



#107 Tikka T3X 30.06 770 B&B



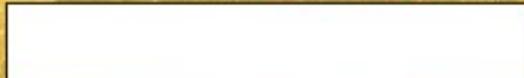
#103 Sig P365 Micro Bone Field

## Special Prize #50\*



2019 Textron Altaerra 300

\*Not shown - in gift card



## NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Drawing at YAARAB Shrine  
400 Ponce de Leon Ave Atlanta, GA

Net proceeds from this raffle are for the benefit of Yaarah Shrines operating fund and are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

With the exception of prizes #50 and #110, winners will receive a certificate for the value of the prize won and may use for any benefit at any Bass Pro Shops or [www.BassPro.com](http://www.BassPro.com). Prizes may not be redeemed at the Bass Pro Shops in Lawrenceville, GA, (5500 Sugarloaf Parkway, Lawrenceville, GA 30043).

[www.shrinesportsraffle.com](http://www.shrinesportsraffle.com)



**\*Additional Side Raffles  
at Drawing  
AFRICA TRIP, 50/50 Drawing  
Duck Raffle, 3 Games,  
Silent Auction**



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## ONLINE BOOKING

If you wish to reserve a room online, we have created a dedicated booking website for your group. You can also copy and paste the below link into your internet search bar:

<https://book.passkey.com/go/gmyaa19>

## CALL-IN BOOKING

You and your guests can also call New York-New York Room Reservations at (800) 815-4365 or (702) 740-6969 to reserve your rooms over the phone. Please be ready to provide the reservations agent with:

- Block Code: **GMYAA19**
- Arrival Date
- Departure Date

Please note the cutoff date for reservations is Sunday, September 1, 2019 at 11:00 PM Pacific time. Your first night's rate + tax is all that is required for your deposit when you call to make your reservation.

- **Recommend attendees book their airfare early for best rates**
- **Dinner & Show PKG Details to be announced**
- **Hospitality Room**
- **Tickets available for Shrine Golf Tournament**

RSVP: Ralph Scharle

470-585-8919

[appljak@att.net](mailto:appljak@att.net)

or Beth Nuss 404-872-5818

# April 2019

| Sun          | Mon  | Tue | Wed                          | Thu                                      | Fri               | Sat                               |
|--------------|--|-----|------------------------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
|              | 1<br>First Lady's Golf<br>Tournament<br>10AM | 2   | 3                            | 4<br>Charity Daylight<br>Lodge #754 10AM | 5                 | 6                                 |
| 7            | 8  | 9   | 10                           | 11                                       | 12                | 13                                |
| 14           | 15   | 16  | 17                           | 18                                       | 19<br>Good Friday | 20<br>Easter Party 9AM            |
| 21<br>Easter | 22   | 23  | 24<br>100 Club Lunch<br>11AM | 25                                       | 26                | 27<br>Rainy Day Give-<br>away 6PM |
| 28           | 29<br>Membership Spe-<br>cialist 6PM         | 30  |                              |  |                   |                                   |

# May 2019

| Sun                            | Mon                            | Tue                            | Wed | Thu                                      | Fri | Sat |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|--|-----|-----|
|                                |                                |                                | 1   | 2<br>Charity Daylight<br>Lodge #754 10AM | 3   | 4   |
| 5                              | 6<br>Chairman Meet-<br>ing 3PM | 7                              | 8   | 9  | 10  | 11  |
|                                | <-----Circus Setup----->       |                                |     |  |     |     |
| 12<br>Mother's Day             | 13                             | 14                             | 15  | 16                                       | 17  | 18  |
| <-----Circus Setup----->       |                                | <-----77th Shrine Circus-----> |     |  |     |     |
| 19                             | 20                             | 21                             | 22  | 23                                       | 24  | 25  |
| <-----77th Shrine Circus-----> |                                |                                |     |  |     |     |
| 26                             | 27<br>Memorial Day             | 28                             | 29  | 30                                       | 31  |     |
| <-----77th Shrine Circus-----> |                                |                                |     |  |     |     |

# June 2019

| Sun   | Mon | Tue | Wed   | Thu   | Fri | Sat   |
|---|-----|-----|---|---|-----|---|
|   |     |     |   |   |     | 1   |
| 2   | 3   | 4   | 5<br>Business Meeting<br>Social 5:30PM<br>Dinner 6 PM | 6<br>Charity Daylight<br>Lodge #754 10AM<br>←-----Summer Ceremonial Helen, GA-----→ | 7   | 8   |
| 9<br>Summer Ceremonial<br>Helen, GA               | 10  | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  |
| 16<br>Father's Day                                | 17  | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22  |
| 23  | 24  | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29<br>Imperial Regis-<br>tration Nashville,<br>TN |
| 30<br>Imperial Regis-<br>tration Nashville,<br>TN |     |     |   |   |     |   |



## BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR AN EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA



SATURDAY APRIL 20TH - STARTS AT 9 a.m. HUNT STARTS AT 11:00 a.m.

YAARAB SHRINE ACTIVITIES BUILDING



Games, Prizes, Pictures with the Easter Bunny  
WORLD'S LARGEST EASTER EGG HUNT



All children are welcome!

Lunch and Refreshments  
will be served

For information contact  
Howell Bradford at  
404-512-4849



# Joining Yaarab at Upcoming Out of Town Events?

The following housing information is provided for your convenience!

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**June 6 - 8**

Summer Ceremonial – Helen, Georgia  
Coordinate housing through your Club or Unit



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**July 1 - 4**

Imperial Session – Nashville, Tennessee

Millennium Maxwell House  
2025 Rosa L. Parks Blvd., Nashville, Tenn 37228  
Contact: Ashley Suter 1-800-457-4460  
\$ 172.00 per night



# Joining Yaarab at Upcoming Out of Town Events?

The following housing information is provided for your convenience!

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**August 16 - 18** South Eastern Shrine Association (SESA) - Pigeon Forge, TN  
Music Road Resort, 303 Henderson Chapel Rd. 37863

Reservations: 800-429-7700 **Cut-off July 17th**  
Music Road Resort: Suites \$152/day  
Music Road Resort Inn: Std \$124/day



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**Sept 19 - 21** South Atlantic Shrine Association (SASA) –Myrtle Beach, SC  
Crown Reef Resort, 2918 S. Ocean Blvd.  
Reservations: 843-626-8077

THREE NIGHT STAY MINIMUM  
(THURS./FRI./SAT.)

\$ 405.00 + tax = TOTAL  
Oceanfront Standard Room

\$ 422.62 + tax = TOTAL  
Oceanfront Queen or King



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**Oct 10 - 12**

Fall Outing - Panama City Beach, FL  
Day's Inn - 12818 Front Beach Road  
850-233-3333

Be sure to ask for Yaarab Shriners blocked rooms  
No on-line reservations



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Number of rooms are limited for each venue  
**You should reserve rooms ASAP**

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**Date: April 13, 2019**  
**Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.**  
**Kickstand Startup at 10:30 a.m.**



**Starts and Ends at**  
**Northeast Georgia Motorsports**  
**3340 Hwy. 53, Hoschton, GA 30548**

**All Proceeds Go To**  
**Shriners Hospital for Children**

**All Registered Riders Will Receive an Event T-Shirt**

# ELVIS PARTY

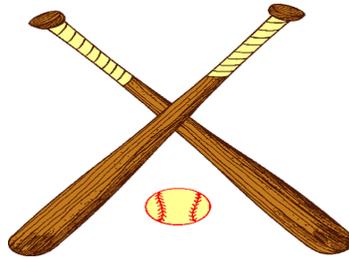
Photos by Pat Weinz



# Rome Shrine Ladies

**1<sup>st</sup> Annual Baseball for the Shriners Hospitals for  
Children Tournament**

**Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup>**



**Team Fee: \$150, \$100 if you register before 4/7/19  
(And Pay at the Plate)**

**Please call 706-676-7613 or email  
[romeshrineladies@gmail.com](mailto:romeshrineladies@gmail.com) to register or with any  
questions.**

**Proceeds to Benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children**



**Shriners Hospitals  
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**Partnered with Rome Baseball League  
Behind the Levee in Rome, GA**



Members of Fayette Shrine Club pledge \$ 55,555.55  
for the 2019 Shrine Circus.

# A True Shrine Story

By Anthony N. (Tony) Warren

March 15, 1927. When little J. T. Glisson came into this world, both legs had club feet and other deformities. Other than that, he was a normal and healthy child in every way.

During the next few months, J. T.'s family took him to every facility, but all the doctors could do was to advise, "Just get him a wheelchair". There was no known technology to correct such a deformity at that time.

Noble Talmage Dupree Of Morocco Temple, a citrus grower from Citra, Florida, attended the St. Louis convention in 1921 and returned home enthusiastic about the new program. Six years later when the first hospitals were coming on line, he overheard a local physician talking about a severely disabled child that he had recently delivered to a family in the backwoods of Florida. Mr. Dupree contacted JT's parents and asked them for permission to apply for treatment. JT's father took him to Jacksonville for the initial consultation and examination with the orthopedist. Some people in Florida, including his own doctor, said it was impossible to take a baby two states away and attempt to correct a deformity that God has chosen to give him. But by the grace of God, his parents were determined.

St. Louis and Greenville each entered a bid for a Shriners Hospital, but when Mr. W. W. Burgess, a wealthy entrepreneur from the Duke family, contributed \$350,000 to start the Greenville Hospital, the fate of the Greenville Hospital was sealed. It is interesting to note that Mr. Burgess was not even a Mason, but he was obviously deeply touched by our philanthropy.

With five-month-old JT in his mother's arms, the Florida Shriners put them on a train to Greenville. They had never traveled alone before, but it must have been particularly difficult for JT's mother because she knew that she would have to leave him there for at least six months. Because of the depression and the family finances, she also knew that she would not be able to visit him. She had to literally leave her baby in the hands of strangers, but she too had obviously been moved by the generosity, sincerity, kindness, and brotherly love that she must have felt in her dealings with the Shriners. When they arrived in Greenville, they found themselves in the mist of the hospitals grand opening celebration. JT was admitted at the opening ceremonies as the first patient at the Greenville Shriners Hospitals for Children on September 1, 1927.

Many trips were ahead and the cynics kept saying that JT would never walk again and that it was cruel to send a little baby off to be experimented with, but JT's family put their faith in the Shriners Hospital.

Eleven months later, on July 23, 1928, JT's parents received a letter from the Greenville Hospital where Miss Byrd Boehringer, Chief Nurse worked, stating that JT was doing fine and he was ready to go home for a while and that JT was walking a little. To JT's family, this must have been like a letter sent straight from God. Remember that at that time he would have been just a year and a half old and remember that just a year ago the specialist in Florida had told them that JT's condition was incurable and that he would remain handicapped for the rest of his life.

In his book, "The Creek" Mr. Glisson writes, "When I was three, mama came to Greenville for one of my regular trips home. When she walked into the station, she was astounded to see me running across the waiting room to greet her. It was a great moment in her life, child could not only walk but could run. My parent's faith was well-founded."

Little JT would be back and forth to Greenville Hospital for periods of 3 to 6 months at a time until he was nine years old. At that time, he had been at the hospital more than at home. JT's mother traveled with him until he was five years old. As JT got older, the railroad would put a tag on him and the conductor would oversee him. The Travelers Aid Society would assist JT in switching trains and feeding him. Can you imagine planning for thousands of children in like circumstances? Thank God for our Road Runners.

Mr. Glisson remembers one trip to the Greenville Hospital when he was assigned a seat next to a lady who introduced herself as the wife of a man employed by the Hershey Company. She handed him a big sack of Mr. Goodbar chocolate bars. By the time he arrived in Greenville, he was covered in chocolate from head to toe. Just before another trip, JT fell from a gym bar and splintered his arm. The diagnosing physician in Florida told the family that the arm would be stiff for the rest of his life. JT's father took him back to the Greenville Hospital.

In 1935, JT was eight years old. On May 31 of that year Dr. White wrote the Glisson's and I quote "Dear Ms. Glisson, we have just gone over JT and are delighted with the way he is getting along. His feet are just as we would like them to be and we feel that we do not need to worry about the recurrence of the old deformity. We will be looking forward to re-examining him again in three years but would like to hear from you as to how he gets along in one year. His elbow has come along quite all right and there is practically no deformity present. If anything unusual develops or you have any questions to ask about him please do not hesitate to write. From now on he may wear straight laced shoes."

It was no coincidence that Dr. J. Warren White was chosen as the first chief surgeon. He was the best. Shriners made up their minds going into this philanthropy that nothing but the best would ever do for our children and I'm proud to say that it has remained that way. Under Dr. White's supervision the Shriners Hospitals for Children in Greenville quickly became known worldwide as the leader and innovator for the treatment of handicapped children.

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While prominent doctors in Florida were telling the family that JT would remain handicapped for the rest of his life, Dr. White was researching and finding new and better ways of treating children with a disability. He was already developing bone stretching processes, clubfoot treatments, and bone grafting techniques unique to the medical field. JT gave himself the nickname "Exhibit A" because doctors from all over the world came to see this miracle. Even at the age of 50, a group of doctors from Argentina gained an audience with him to study how he has progressed.

Mr. Glisson remembers many people telling him that at least the deformity would keep him out of military service. He was rejected 18 times. On his 19<sup>th</sup> attempt, JT now 17 years old had a slight compromise with the truth. When he was asked, "Have you had any previous physical impairments?" He always answered, "club feet" and the interview was over, but this time he answered, "Slight impairment of the left foot, now corrected". The physician looked at the scars on his feet and found out what had happened. The examining physician turned out to be a Shriner and JT ended up spending 20 months in Air Force during World War II.

**Writers note:** *The last time I saw brother Glisson was in 2004. He was 77 years old and has been married to his wife Pat for 54 years. He is the father of five children and three grandchildren.*

*There have been over 1.3 million stories such as this one treated in our hospital system. All of which have individual and personal stories. You may ask what Mr. Glisson now thinks of his experience with us Shriners and the Greenville Hospital. The last letter Mr. Glisson sent me stated, "if I wanted to show an alien from some distant planet an example of the true love and benevolence of the human race, I would take them to the Greenville Shriners Hospital. I would point out that this is the result of a dedicated staff and the thousands of Shriners that contribute their labor, and alms with no desire for thanks or glory".*

*In 2002, Mr. Glisson was present at the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of the Shriners Hospitals for Children - Greenville.*

*Because you are a Shriner you are a blessing to a disabled or burned child every day. Thank God for you, the Shrine, and all the little JT's of the world.*

## Smyrna Shrine Club Relinquishes Charter

By Sam Black

In 1986, then Potentate William L. Carter focused on growing membership, as well as, adding new clubs and units in Yaarab Shrine. Special appreciation was extended to then Oriental Guide Ruben Kennemore, who gave of his time and expertise in starting the new Smyrna Club.

On February 12, 1986, a group of nobles gathered for a "Charter Membership Dinner" to celebrate the presentation of their charter as Smyrna Shrine Club. The presentation was made by Illustrious Sir William L. Carter to Club President Charles A. Parris. In return, President Parris presented charter membership cards to the Illustrious Sir, the members of the Yaarab Divan, as well as, all the nobles present.

The following nobles served as Officers for 1986: President, Charles A. Parris; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Fred W. Brack; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Daniel N. Fawbush; Treasurer, Charles A. James; and Secretary, F. Duke Roberts.

On February 4, 2019, the members of Smyrna Shrine Club voted and sadly chose to relinquish their charter due to a small number of members. In closing, the members chose to also close their treasury and make a charitable contribution of \$16,205.08 to the 2019 Yaarab Shrine Hospital Crusade. Good luck and best future wishes to current members; Frank Everett, Wallace Reid, Harvey Paisley, Marshall Patton, and Carl Schmoock. Thanks to your years of service in Smyrna Shrine Club.



Smyrna Shrine Club members relinquishes club Charter and club funds totaling \$16,000.00 to Illustrious Potentate Dennis Hewatt and Yaarab's Divan. Pictured (l/r): Treasurer Robert Hampton, High Priest & Prophet Tom Holt, Chief Rabban Bruce Ridley, Frank Everett (holding club charter), Wallace Reid, Illustrious Sir Dennis Hewatt (holding a cell photo of long time member, Harvey Paisley), Marshall Patton, Assistant Rabban Dennis Davidson, Oriental Guide Jeff Ferguson, and Recorder Kevin Weinz.

Illustrious Sir Dennis Hewatt holds cell phone photo of long time Smyrna member, Harvey Pasley.



# News Release

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Tim Mason, Chairman Board of Governors

## Cincinnati Shriners Hospital enters MOU with Dayton Children's Move a part of trend toward more outpatient treatment

(CINCINNATI, Ohio; March 13, 2019) – **Shriners Hospitals for Children–Cincinnati** has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Dayton Children's Hospital to explore relocation to the Dayton, Ohio pediatric hospital. Once binding legal documents are complete, Cincinnati Shriners would lease and occupy separate space on the Dayton campus, remaining a distinct hospital within a hospital. It is estimated that a final move could occur within the next 16 months. The pediatric specialty hospital, which provides care for burns as well as cleft lip and palate and plastic and reconstructive surgery, celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2018.

Cincinnati Shriners Hospital Administrator Mark Shugarman said, "These changes are necessary to ensure that our hospital can continue to provide the finest pediatric specialty care for the next 50 years. Current healthcare trends require us to adjust our delivery model to more accurately reflect today's environment."

Over the past decades, there has been a decline in the severity and number of pediatric burns in the U.S., especially those requiring a lengthy hospital stay. This is due in large part to education and prevention efforts, many of which have been spearheaded by the Shriners Hospital system. This move will enable Cincinnati Shriners Hospital to deliver all its specialty services more efficiently, purchasing certain services from the Dayton hospital.

"Trends in healthcare have shifted toward more outpatient care," said Shugarman. "Today, approximately 85 percent of pediatric medical procedures are performed in an outpatient setting, including burn care. The new location will allow Shriners Hospitals for Children to maintain its southwest Ohio presence with a surgical facility designed to meet and exceed today's medical standards for its exceptional care."

Cincinnati Shriners Hospital first opened in 1968 as the Shriners Burns Institute, a part of Cincinnati General Hospital, now called University of Cincinnati Medical Center. It is one of four Shriners Hospitals specializing in pediatric burn treatment and has become the gold standard for childhood burn care as well as research on breakthroughs like engineered skin to replace grafting.

In 1992, the hospital moved into its current location at 3229 Burnet Avenue, expanding to include services including cleft lip and palate, specialty wound treatment and plastic and reconstructive surgery. The hospital has always treated patients regardless of a family's ability to pay, drawing from more than 26 states across the U.S. as well as countries around the world.

A timeline for the move has not yet been fully determined, but it is hoped that patients will be seen at the new location by summer of 2020. Until that time, both new and existing patients will continue to be cared for at the Burnet Avenue location.

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*Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati provides services for burns and pediatric plastic surgery, including cleft lip and palate, abnormal breast development in boys and girls, hemangioma, congenital hairy nevus, hand malformations, ear deformities, complex wound and skin disorders, and trauma and reconstructive conditions. Shriners Hospital for Children - Cincinnati is verified by the American Burn Association and the American College of Surgeons and is recognized as a Cleft Lip and Palate Team by the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association and Cleft Palate Foundation. The hospital is fully accredited by the Joint Commission. All services are provided regardless of a family's ability to pay. For more information visit [shrinershospitalcincinnati.org](http://shrinershospitalcincinnati.org)*

# News from Yaarab Units

## Arab Guard By Ralph O. Dennis

The Arab Guard has been busy, but not in a very visible way. We had a weekend at Bass Pro Shops. Many of our members, with their ladies, attended the Leadership Banquet. We had several members attend the Roadrunner Banquet. By the time you read this, we will have participated in the Spring Ceremonial and had nobles attend the Wall of Fame Celebration.

Along with all the activities that we are going to, we also are working for the Circus. Buckets are out, raffle tickets being sold, and preparations are being made to man the two Coke trailers at the entrance of the arena. Needless to say, we are busy.

Our thoughts and prayers go out for Gene and Linda Shirley in the loss of Gene's son. May God comfort them.

## Charity Daylight Lodge By Lee English

Are you having trouble driving to lodge meetings at nighttime; having trouble walking up stairs to a lodge room; having trouble making it to meetings because of jobs or other things happening with family? Are you on a budget, yet dues keep going up and making it harder and harder to pay? Charity Daylight Lodge can help with these things.

We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month, downstairs in the Gene Bracewell Auditorium at Yaarab Shrine, 400 Ponce de Leon Avenue at 10:30 a.m. You can park and walk in the side door, and the lodge room is right there on the right with no steps. We have comfortable seating, and have coffee and doughnuts before the meeting. There is usually a guest speaker at each meeting. After the meetings, we all stay for lunch and fellowship. Our meetings are both informative and enlightening. Membership dues are low, and if you are interested, talk to one of us, and we will get you some information.

Compare and you might want to have dual membership or even demit. Either way, we would love to have you visit and be part of the only lodge anywhere that meets at a Shrine Center. We would love to see you there.

## Golf Association By Marshall Smith

It's that time of year again; time to bring out the golf clubs, dust them off, and get ready for some fun and fellowship.

Our first golf outing of 2019, was on March 14<sup>th</sup>, and if that was any indication, we are in for a good year. We played at West Pines golf course in Douglasville. The weather was good and we had 12 players to share in golf and fellowship. Our winners were announced at the next Golf Association meeting on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Speaking of April, let's not forget our Spring Golf outing which will take place at Chestatee Golf Club on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. At this point, it is too early to book tee times, but they should be between 9:30

a.m. and 10:30 a.m. each day. For those of you who may want to stay overnight, we will be staying at the Super 8 by Wyndham, just off Ga. 400 in Dawsonville. There are some rooms blocked for a limited time under Yaarab Golf Association. Our contact is BP Patel at (706) 216-6801. We will have a hospitality room open each day after golf. We can gather to have some refreshments, and share our latest golf stories.

Just a reminder, the Yaarab Golf Association outings are open to everyone. You do not have to be a member or a Shriner. We have an outing on the second Thursday of each month, March thru October. In addition, we have a spring and fall, two day outing and a final tournament in November. We ask that you put the word out in all your clubs and units, as well as, Lodge members, friends and neighbors.

Don't forget we are gearing up for our new and even better Shrine Circus and Sportsmen's Raffle.

Our next regular meeting of the Golf Association will be Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. I look forward to seeing you there.

## Southeastern Association Shrine Motor Corps By Harold Brooks

The new S.A.S.M.C. President, Luke Baker, convened the Mid-Winter Convention, February 28<sup>th</sup> through March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019, at the Days Inn of Panama City Beach, Florida. Some of our members began arriving on Thursday, with most arriving on Friday. We had over 60 members present for the meeting.

A group of members when to Hunt's Seafood Restaurant and enjoyed a snack of fresh raw oysters, afterward we went back to the hotel for a great supper of fried fish prepared by Past President Richard Burke and his crew of helpers. This was some of the best fish you could eat. Later in the evening, we were entertained by Richard playing his guitar as we enjoyed a sing along of songs from the past. Friday morning, all Past Presidents enjoyed a breakfast together and discussed the state of the association and it's on goings. Everyone was pleased with the events of last year and look forward to the coming year.

The business meeting started at 10:00 a.m. The invocation was given along with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The president called for the secretary and treasurer reports to be read and they were approved. We then discussed a few changes for the Southeastern convention in August 2020 at Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. After S.E.S.A. have their meeting in March in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, the changes will be announced. There will only be a few changes. There is still a parade schedule set and no changes are planned for it.

Gentlemen, start making plans to attend and compete on any of the three courses. Remember, this is one of our best events at the Southeastern Convention. I plan on bringing a group of dune buggies this year.

Anyone who has questions about the Southeastern, please get in touch with me, Harold Brooks (404)205-0917. If I don't have an answer, I will do what is necessary to get one for you. Looking forward to helping you to better understand how our competition works.

# News from Yaarab Units (cont'd)

## Southeastern Shrine Association By Harold Brooks

The Southeastern Shrine Association held the Mid-Winter meeting in Gatlingburg, Tennessee. We arrived at the Glenstone Resort Lodge on Friday evening. They had a hospitality room set up for the new people checking in for the meeting Saturday morning. We enjoyed a lot of fellowship with a number of people we knew from other Shrine Centers. The meeting was started at 10:00 a.m. by the president, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and invocation. The president welcomed everyone in attendance and then turned the meeting over to the first vice president, who is also the Inspector General for the upcoming Southeastern Convention. It will be held August 16-18, 2019 in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The hotel will still be at the Music Row Hotel and Resort.

At the meeting, some of the issues we had last year were discussed. They were aware of them and have solved some of them already. The parade date and time permit has already been issued. The only thing they have not settled is they have two routes for parades, and they are looking into seeing which one will best fit the Southeastern needs.

There were a few Potentates present; two Imperial Officers, and a candidate running for the Shriners Hospitals for Children Board of Trus-

tees, that Chuck Pittman now is serving on. He was there reporting on the state of our hospitals and asked for everyone attending the Imperial Session in July who could vote for him please come and do so. Imperial Officer Richard Burke gave a report on what's happening at our Shriners Hospitals for Children. The Shriners Hospitals for Children - Cincinnati will be moving to Dayton, Ohio. They also discussed the East-West Shrine football game and mentioned some changes we will see in the next few years. NASCAR was the next subject discussed. David Ragan's car was given to him by all of the sponsors for the car to do what he wanted to with it. He wanted to have Barrett-Jackson auction the car to the highest bidder. They wanted \$100,000 or \$125,000. The car sold for \$300,000 with all proceeds going to Shriners Hospitals for Children. We are also getting involved with College World Series Baseball, and College Basketball.

Before closing, it was mentioned that the registered number of nobles in attendance, for last year's convention in Pigeon Forge, we had 310 nobles registered with their wives totaling 620 people. Plus a number they could account for was off about 40 to 50 who did not register. They also announced that the Mid-Winter for 2020 would be at the same place, but the dates will be March 5-8, 2020. They said that this year was the largest crowd at a Mid-Winter, since 2009, and the same for the Southeastern.

# News from Yaarab Clubs

## Cherokee Shrine Club By Don Meyer P.P.

Our February meeting was well attended. There were 16 nobles and 12 ladies for dinner, which was delicious, as always. You nobles who do not attend are really missing out.

High Priest & Prophet Tom Holt, brought us the Potentate's message, and gave us a good presentation on the upcoming Circus, and how the Grand Lodge and Yaarab Shrine are partnering to increase membership in our fraternity. Nobles, we all can and need to do more to increase our numbers. To that end, Cherokee Shrine Club brought in one new member this meeting. His name is Walker Walraven. Please show up at a meeting and give him a good Cherokee Shrine Club welcome. Another great meeting for the Shrine Club and we will have a better one next month if YOU are there.

Some upcoming events are the "Cherokee Cruisers Car Club" car show on May 25<sup>th</sup>. The Club will be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs that day to raise money for Shriners

Hospitals for Children. We will need some help nobles. I know the Circus is that week also, but this is important too. HELP! Check with your Club President Scotty Pack to see when and where you are needed. We also have the County Fair coming up, so stay tuned.

If you haven't heard, Past President Raymond Rollins was named the "First Citizen of Cherokee County", an award for all his accomplishments as President of the Cherokee County Fair association, Commander of American Legion Post 45, as well as, collecting more than \$100,000 for Shriners Hospitals for Children. These are just some of his many accomplishments. What a Noble Raymond is. Let's "RAISE THE ROOF" for Ray!

Saturday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March, Hickory Flat Masonic Lodge #205 and Cherokee Shrine Club hosted an appreciation luncheon. It was for the different groups that supported our very successful "Spoke and Wheel" Toy ride this past year. All appendant bodies of the Masonic Fraternity were involved in one way or another.

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# News from Yaarab Clubs (cont'd)

There were three groups outside of our Fraternity that were highly instrumental in us having a very successful event. They were the "Poboys Car Club" led by Keith Cline, the "Custom Riders" Motorcycle Club led by Greg Hartman who runs Hartman Motorcycle in Canton, and Rod Cox of the Canton Moose Club. With the hard work of all these different groups of compassionate people we were able to deliver toys to twelve (12) elementary schools in Cherokee County this past Christmas. Amen!

We also had a young man ask about Masonry. How do I become a Member? He found out. This turned out to be another successful afternoon.

Ladies night was March 7 at Provino's Italian Restaurant in Canton. I am sure the weather kept some folks at home, but 14 hungry people showed up and had some good food and fellowship.

Cherokee Club is saddened by the loss of Scott Adams, who worked hard every year boiling peanuts at the Circus. Scott you will be missed.

## Fayette Shrine Club By Ronny Duncan Jr.

The Fayette Shrine Club began 2019 strong with the instruction of new nobles to the club, preparations for the Potentate's Reception, and Super Bowl Party, kicking off the 2019 Circus fundraiser, Sportsmen's Raffle and other social events for the Club.

During our January meeting, we added five new nobles to the club: Mark Smith, Al Marques, Tom Whitehead, Wayne Franklin, and Johnny Smith. They immediately began bucketing for the Circus fundraiser. We are excited to have them as part of our Club.

On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Club hosted a reception for, Illustrious Sir Dennis Hewatt and his Lady Linda, along with the entire Divan in attendance. The Shrine ladies did a wonderful job decorating the Club and preparing the food. After their visit, the Club gathered to watch the Super Bowl. It was a great time to enjoy some great fellowship.

As the club moves through March and into April, we have many activities on the horizon. Fayette Shrine Club will finish off March with a "Social Dinner" at Franks Old Mill. As April approaches, the Club will begin to pick up the pace in preparation for the Circus. Like all the units and clubs, we take great pride in our responsibility and work hard to make the Circus a great time for the kids and families. Ken Bobbitt is the Club's "ramrod" for scheduling shifts at the gate.

Looking ahead, Fayette Shrine Club will be in force at the Summer Social in Helen. We are always looking for opportunities to expose the good work done by the Shriners in our community.



Divan visits  
Fayette club

## Northeast Dekalb Shrine Club By Sam Black

The major focus at the time of this writing is the upcoming 77<sup>th</sup> Yaarab Shrine Circus and Fair for 2019 to be held at the newly renovated Jim R. Miller Park, May 17 – May 27, 2019. Please see any club Officer for new Circus SUPERPASS tickets, ad forms, and sponsor forms. Please make sure that you turn in your monies, as soon as, you possibly can. The Northeast Dekalb Club has pledged \$3,500 and with all of our member's help, we can get the job done. All nobles, be sure to send in your Mama-Daddy money, not only, to get your Crown of Honor points, but help the club achieve 100% participation in this program. If any Northeast Dekalb Club member wants to go and work the Circus, please feel free to do so, as extra help is needed in all areas. At the time of this writing, Sam Black has again achieved the "Thousandaire" goal. Hopefully, we will have more to follow.

Happy May Birthday Greetings are extended to Gordon Fox (11).

Let's remember our service men and women who are in HARM'S way to protect our freedom. We pray for their safety and return home soon.

## Rome Shrine Club By Paul Brownlow

The nobles of Rome Shrine Club are hard at work at various fundraising activities.

We have several events coming up in March. On the March 21<sup>st</sup>, the Rome Shrine ladies held a fundraising event at Fuddrucker's restaurant in Rome. A portion of the sales for that night will be donated by Fuddrucker's. On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Rome Shrine Club, hosted it's Annual Easter Egg Hunt for special needs children at Coosa High School. We look forward to this event every year and take great pride and honor in serving our community in this way. On Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> we held a Coon Hunt fundraiser in Chatsworth, Ga. Our regular monthly meeting was held on March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Clubhouse. Wow, that's just in March!

We have many more events planned for spring and summer, and we are especially looking forward to April 13<sup>th</sup> when we will host our Annual Rome Shrine Club family picnic and Easter Egg Hunt. On May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> is when the Shrine ladies will host a Baseball Tournament (see flyer in this issue).

It's a busy spring, but we're grateful for every opportunity. Stay tuned nobles, there's more news to come! And as always, thank you for what you do for the kids!

# News from Yaarab Clubs (cont'd)

## Sweetwater Shrine Club By Mike Scheib

The Yaarab Shrine Circus is almost here. Nobles are out on the streets collecting, clubs are selling Sportsmen's Raffle tickets at Bass Pro Shops and everyone is getting things ready for move in at Jim R. Miller Park. Sweetwater Shrine Club President Marshall Smith has some great ideas for the Club trailer that is used for the camp area at the Circus. The Club will begin renovation of the interior in the near future.

But before we get to the Circus, it has already been a busy year for Sweetwater Shrine Club. It all started February 9<sup>th</sup> with the Valentine's Party held in the ballroom at the Yaarab Shrine Center. This was followed by Sweetwater Shrine Club hosting the Yaarab Divan and their ladies on February 16<sup>th</sup> for our annual Potentate's Reception. Then the very next day the Yaarab Culinary Crew cooked hamburgers and hotdogs for nobles to enjoy at the Daytona Race party. While the nobles were watching the #11 Joe Gibbs racing Toyota of Denny Hamlin take the checkered flag, the ladies were enjoying the First Lady's tea in the Yaarab Shrine Center ballroom.

March 6<sup>th</sup> was the quarterly Business Meeting for Yaarab Shrine. With the size of the crowd expected to attend, the decision was made to hold the meeting in the Yaarab Shrine Activities Building. This also provided the opportunity to show off the new audio and video equipment that had been installed.

Looking forward, April 20<sup>th</sup> is the annual Easter Party and April 27<sup>th</sup> is the Annual Rainy Day Giveaway. Then bring on the Circus.

## Tri-County Shrine Club By Ralph M. Scharle Sr.

TRI COUNTY SHRINE CLUB 2019 #YAARABSTRONG has had a very busy and fun first quarter in 2019.

We started with our installation of Officers for 2019 and the fun has not stopped since, the photos above only touch on the good times we have had so far! Three great meet-

ings, three great Shriners Hospitals for Children fundraisers set for 2019, and three great dinner parties show the enthusiasm this young Club has as YAARAB SHRINERS! Join us on Facebook to keep up with all our activities and fundraisers in 2019!



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Golf carts WILL BE available for rent in Helen on an advance rental request.

All rentals will be made by the individual with Action Specialty Carts.

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Deadline for cart rental is May 15, 2019

YAARAB is not responsible for any golf carts.

# News from Yaarab's Ladies Auxiliaries

## Daughters of the Nile El Tehran Temple No. 122 By Beth Wheeler, PQ

April is the beginning of a new year in El Tehran Temple No. 122. Pr Barbara Loner was crowned Queen on March 31, 2019 at Chamblee Sardis Masonic Center. Pr Hope Harrison-Bettis was elected Pr. Badoura (better known as the new "kid" on the block). Congratulations to all the Officers elected and appointed for the insuing year and wishing you a great year. Other elected Officers are: Pr Royal, Pr Sandy Hemby; Pr Tirzah, Pr Suzannne Bruce – also our Ways and Means Chairman (It is our duty to give her our help and support this year); Pr Recorder, PQ Mary Thompson; and Pr Banker, Pr Susie Bott.



It's always an honor and we appreciate the appearance of the Potentate, Divan, and their wives, from Yaarab Shrine Center at our Installation of Officers. Thanks for being there and for your support.

Queen Barbara and several members are preparing to attend Supreme Session in Reno, Nevada, in June 2019. At this time, Supreme Princess Royal Dale Obernolte will be crowned Supreme Queen. Love the colors that she selected – red, white, and blue.

Our now Junior Past Queen Jan Blalock attended her Supreme Queen Shirley Henley's Homecoming in February at Cincinnati, Ohio and was accompanied by Pr Sheri Crowe. The Farewell Gathering and the March meal were good and most thoughtful to combine both as the last "action" as Queen. Thanks for a great year, Jan. You worked hard and it paid off – seven new members. In case some of you do not know, the outgoing Queen is responsible for the March meal.

Reminder – Sewing happens the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month in the Flying Fez Room, Yaarab Shrine Center, at 10:00 a.m. For fun and fellowship – please come and help. Shriners Hospitals for Children - Greenville and Cincinnati will appreciate this and so will we.

SHRINERS – THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO  
"WORK TOGETHER FOR THE CHILDREN"

## The Gwinn-etts By Elaine Stone

The Gwinnett ladies are hoping for a good turnout on April 6th for our Gwinnett Shrine Club's first "Annual 4 x 4 Show" and "Cornhole Tournament" where we will be assisting with concessions. It will be held at Gwinnett County Fairgrounds in Lawrenceville from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a Shriners Hospitals for Children fundraiser, with this being hopefully the first of many to come, and we're sure it

will be a wonderful event for a great cause.

We want to give a shout-out to Stephanie Jackson and her team at S&J Homes for their matching contribution of \$420.00 for our recent painting fundraiser. The fundraiser and matching contribution has been sent to Yaarab Shrine for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The Easter party is just around the corner. Noble Howell Bradford and Lady Dawn Chisholm work hard all year acquiring stuffed animals and toys and items for gift bags, as well as, many other chores too numerous to mention, to insure that each year's party is better than the year before. The Gwinn-etts enjoy helping out; just seeing the delight in the children's eyes is a reward unto itself.

Congratulations to Diola Salazar and Bill Kitchens for their wedding on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. They served last year as Presidents of our Club and did an outstanding job. We wish them many happy years of wedded bliss.

We're looking forward to the upcoming Circus and praying for good weather. Here's hoping we've had enough rain this winter that the whole month of May can be rain free! We're told we will be doing Turkey Legs this year at the Circus, so y'all come by and have one. Next coming up is Helen and the Gwinnett Club will be staying at the Baymont Inn where there will be an ongoing party. Saturday evening always includes a band and everyone is welcome.

The Gwinn-etts have had their share of sickness this year and one I'd like to mention in particular is our President Leigh Smith. She was hospitalized briefly and continues to recuperate. Please keep her in your prayers for complete healing. Also, please pray for the President of our great country and those who are in Harm's Way defending us.

## Karinats By Jane Johnston

There are so many good and fun things coming up for all of us at the Shrine Center.

The first of March, we gave a baby shower to Candace Corbett, (we think that is the first one ever given for a Karinats). She and husband, John Brown, had a baby girl on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

The First Lady's tea was beautiful and well attended. It was good to see so many beautiful ladies that came out and supported our First Lady Linda. Our nobles enjoyed their time watching the race while the ladies were enjoying the tea.

We all enjoyed the Elvis concert, what a fun time! The tables were decorated so cute and of course, all the 50's and 60's dress brought back a lot of memories!

The Karinats sponsored a hole in the First Lady Linda's golf tournament. Several of our ladies were there to help. It was a fun day and we are glad to support First Lady Linda's Shrine Center project.

We hope there will be a good turnout for the "Easter Egg Hunt and Party". Grab your children, grandchildren and neighbors and come on down to the Shrine Center as it is always a fun day, even for the adults.

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# News from Yaarab's Ladies Auxiliaries (cont'd)

Come one, come all to the 77<sup>th</sup> Yaarab Shrine Circus, May 17<sup>th</sup> – May 27<sup>th</sup>! The Karinats will be helping the Arab Guard in the Coke trailer on the right side entrance to the Big Top. The Arab Guard trailer sells hotdogs, hamburgers, cotton candy, popcorn, roasted and boiled peanuts and sodas. Get all the good stuff before you go in and enjoy the ALL new Shrine Circus, under the Big Top and outside on the Midway.

Several of our members and/or their nobles have had some hard times the past few weeks. We will pray for them and ALL of our members and nobles.

We meet every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month in the Imperial Room at the Yaarab Shrine Center. Social hour is from 6-7 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. The Arab Guard meets in the Arab Guard room the same time we do. We would love for you and your noble to come and join us. If you need information, please call our President, Barbara Pitts, 678-493-2545.

*"Tough times never last, but tough people do". Dr. Robert Schuller.*

## Motorettes By Wanda Taylor

The Motorettes March meeting was well attended. During this time our Circus pictures were taken. We were wearing our new berry Motorette shirts. It should be easy to find us in the crowd, as it is a bright, beautiful color. We are now able to order Motorette jackets. If interested, contact Jeane or Harlyn Lund. The jackets are very nice. First Lady Linda Hewatt and Motorette/Recorder Lady Pat Weintz attended our meeting. We were glad to have them visit. During this time, we discussed the upcoming events and how we could help. Also, we are always trying to come up with new and different fundraisers. The First Lady's golf tournament is scheduled for April 1 and the Motorettes sponsored a hole for \$125.00.

On March 9, Yaarab members attended Shriners Hospitals for Children-Greenville. Thanks to Shirley Harris and Sherry Wright for representing the Motorettes. On May 30, the Motor Corps and Motorettes plan another trip to the Shriners Hospitals for Children- Greenville, and we are expecting a big turnout.

Congratulations to Nadine and Andy Frazier on the birth of their precious daughter, Eve Louise, born on February 20. It is my understanding that Eve has already been to a parade.

Also, Betty and Dennis Kerwin have welcomed a precious granddaughter, Isla McKenzie Kerwin, to their family. We are excited for the families.

Get well prayers go out to the following nobles and ladies who have been under the weather: Danny Huggins is home after surgery; Dennis Kerwin is getting over pneumonia; Betty Kerwin is having foot surgery on her achilles; Jeane Lund had surgery to insert a pacemaker; Bob Gittings had gallbladder surgery; Wanda Taylor is seeing a neurosurgeon for pain management due to back and leg pain and she is also scheduled for an ablation; David Hicks is scheduled for an epidural for his back pain; and continued pray-

ers go out to Dalis Rust.

Happy Birthday Wishes to: Shane Burton (4/5); Doug Blevins (4/8); Wanda Dean (4/10); Terry Bruckner (4/20); Betty Kerwin (4/26); Dona Huggins (5/3); Michelle Goins (5/12); Joan Waters (5/12); Perry Gibbs (5/13); Carolyn Pattillo (5/19); and Valerie Withers (5/22).

Congratulations on your wedding anniversaries: Ashleigh and Danny Plunkett (4/5); Betty and Dennis Kerwin (4/17); Sandi and Rudy Lumpkin (5/21); and Becky and Perry Gibbs (5/25).

## Paulding County Shrine Ladies By Amber Guy

Our ladies have been working like crazy this year! We just had our first pasta dinner at our Clubhouse and it was a great success! We have many more projects in the works! A huge "thank you" to our nobles for standing with us and supporting us with our fundraisers! We cannot be more proud and excited for the things to come to our nobles at Paulding County Shrine Club. Pretty soon, the Yaarab Shrine Circus will be here and we are excited to be a part of one of the best Circuses around. Our ladies still have some shirts printed with the message "This Lady Loves Her Shriner". So if you're interested, please contact us. New color coming soon!

## Rome Shrine Ladies By Peggy Sims

We welcome new member Lisa Godfrey, Anthony Godfrey's lady. She joined at our March meeting. We look forward to working with Lisa to help raise money for Shriners Hospitals for Children. There will be a call meeting April 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the many fundraisers we have planned for April and May. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. We need your help.

Our First Annual Baseball Tournament will be May 4 and 5. We will be charging \$150 to enter and it is pay at the plate as you play games. See flyer. If you have questions about potential teams please send them to President Amanda Middleton (706)676-7613 or email to [romeshrine-ladies@gmail.com](mailto:romeshrine-ladies@gmail.com). Proceeds will go to Shriners Hospitals for Children.

We have really been busy so far this year. We had raffles for a massage gift certificate and a date night package. We will be doing a raffle in March for a \$50 VISA gift card.

We had "Support your Shriners Hospitals for Children" night at Chili's, Shane's Rib Shack, and Fuddrucker's. We received a percentage of sales. We plan to continue monthly raffles and a night out at different restaurants each month. Come and support the Rome Shrine ladies and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

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# News from Yaarab's Ladies Auxiliaries (cont'd)

We are doing Belks Charity Sale again this year. The sale is May 4, from 6:00 - 10:00 a.m. Tickets are \$5.00 each and we will receive the \$5.00 for each ticket. Proceeds will go to Shriners Hospitals for Children. For more information, please call Peggy Sims at (706)506-1389.

We also will be conducting a Facebook auction this year at the Rome Shrine Club Telethon in August. This will replace the auction we do each year at the Telethon. We will need many items donated.

There was a good crowd from Rome that went to Shriners Hospitals for Children - Greenville on March 8. It was a good trip. If you haven't visited the hospital yet, please make every effort to go next time. It is so rewarding.

Kelli Dover, Shane's lady; Donnie Penney, Debbie's noble; and Rick Collins, Diane's noble have all been in the hospital. Larry Fricks was in the hospital with back problems. Bobby Sims, Peggy's noble had knee replacement on March 19. Please pray for all these members.

Happy Birthday to Glenda Voyles, April 4; Amanda Middleton, April 15; Susan Cagle, May 2; and Jean Fields, May 31.

## Widows and Widowers By Judy Campbell

Everyone is ready to finally see Spring arrive. Nineteen members of our Club enjoyed the "Open

House" at Shriners Hospitals for Children - Greenville. Several, including me, had never been to visit. It was truly a heartwarming experience. I observed a sign there that was very meaningfully worded "doing the right thing for all the right reasons". This makes every effort worthwhile.

We have been very busy so far this year; attended Election Day, First Lady's Breakfast at Tiffany's, Circus Kickoff, some attended the Leadership Banquet, Valentine's party and Elvis night. Makes me happy for everyone to be involved, and doing what we all love, making **#YAARABSTRONG**.

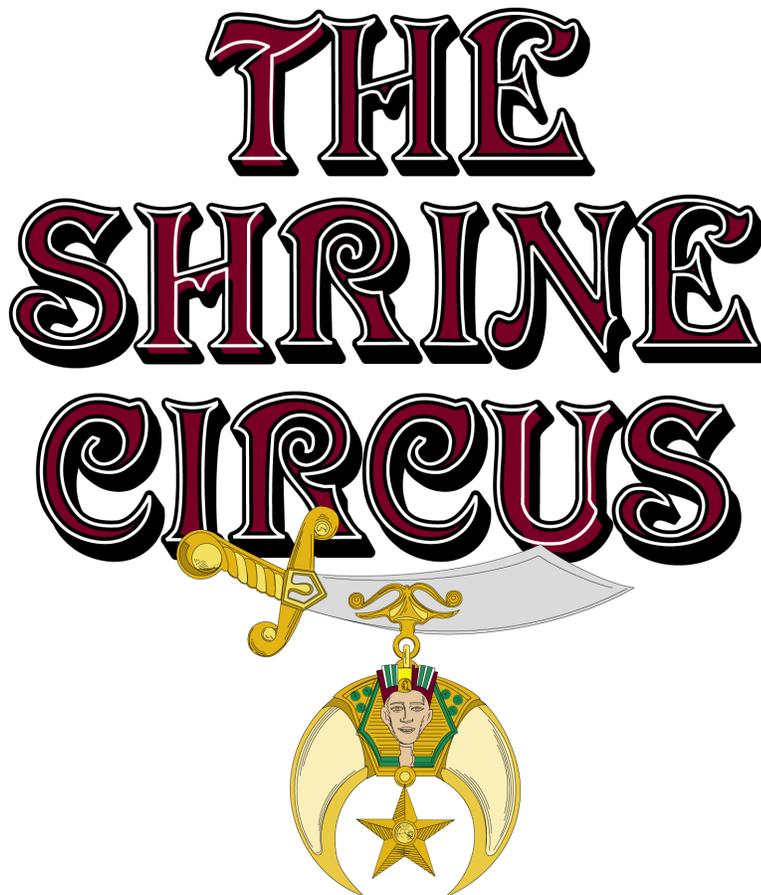
We are pleased to welcome Dottie Denham to our membership. We are happy to have you Dottie.

As I write this article, we are making plans for an overnight trip to Harrah's in Murphy, NC. We will be leaving on April 2. Just adding a little fun and fellowship!

We are very open to new members. Requirement: widow of a noble in good standing at Yaarab, or a noble who is a widower, and you wish to visit with us. Please call me if you have questions.

Our next meeting will be April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Shrine Center, in our room. It will start at 11:00 a.m. with lunch being served.

Please solicit for Sponsors or anyway to support our Yaarab Shrine Circus. Also, keep the Shriners Hospitals for Children Crusade in mind, and do what you can with donations, in honor of, or in memory of someone.



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# FROM THE SHRINE OFFICE

## Recorders Report for January 2019

|                              | Regular<br>Membership | Associate<br>Membership | Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Membership, January 1 2019   | 3105                  | 41                      | 3146  |
| Created/Added                | -                     | -                       | -     |
| Affiliated                   | 2                     | -                       | 2     |
| Restored                     | 9                     | -                       | 9     |
| Demitted/Dropped             | -                     | -                       | -     |
| Suspended                    | -                     | -                       | -     |
| Deaths                       | (6)                   | -                       | (6)   |
| Net change                   | 5                     | -                       | 5     |
| Membership, January 31, 2019 | 3110                  | 41                      | 3151  |

## Recorders Report for February 2019

|                               | Regular<br>Membership | Associate<br>Membership | Total |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Membership, February 1 2019   | 3110                  | 41                      | 3151  |
| Created/Added                 | -                     | 4                       | -     |
| Affiliated                    | -                     | -                       | -     |
| Restored                      | 5                     | -                       | 5     |
| Demitted/Dropped              | -                     | (4)                     | -     |
| Suspended                     | -                     | -                       | -     |
| Deaths                        | (8)                   | -                       | (8)   |
| Net change                    | (3)                   | -                       | (3)   |
| Membership, February 28, 2019 | 3107                  | 41                      | 3148  |

## Recently Known Deaths

|       |  |       |  |
|-------|--|-------|--|
| 29327 | Phillip L. Edwards<br>Tucker, Georgia<br>February 27, 1921 – December 10, 2018<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Nov. 20, 1976      | 37863 | Damon L. Warden<br>Kennesaw, Georgia<br>December 6, 1940 – January 7, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on June 12, 1999      |
| 23060 | Robert R. Perry<br>Atlanta, Georgia<br>October 16, 1923 – December 12, 2018<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on May 9, 1951           | 29438 | James H. Wages<br>Commerce, Georgia<br>August 26, 1930 – January 12, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on June 15, 1977       |
| 34040 | James N. Scruggs<br>Summerville, Georgia<br>August 22, 1934 – December 23, 2018<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on June 18, 1988     | 19828 | Steve M. Canada<br>Gainesville, Georgia<br>September 1, 1937 – January 22, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on June 17, 1964 |
| 18067 | G. L. Burel<br>Gainesville, Georgia<br>October 24, 1934 – January 3, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Aug. 14, 1960           | 32485 | Johnny D. Edwards<br>Summerville, Georgia<br>January 7, 1941 – January 29, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 8, 1984  |
| 18198 | William Kincade, Jr.<br>Locust Grove, Georgia<br>October 21, 1928 – January 4, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 14, 1960 | 38589 | D. Scott Adams<br>Ball Ground, Georgia<br>March 25, 1971 – February 15, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Oct. 20, 2001    |
| 38498 | Jerry O. Weaver, M.D.<br>Cedartown, Georgia<br>June 1, 1940 – January 5, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on June 9, 2001        | 24250 | Dewey J. Almon, Jr.<br>Jackson, Georgia<br>June 17, 1935 – February 16, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 9, 1970     |
| 34187 | William R. Rickman<br>Rome, Georgia<br>July 7, 1939 – January 7, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 10, 1988               | 23769 | Roy I. Tallent<br>Atlanta, Georgia<br>May 17, 1925 – February 17, 2019<br>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 10, 1969          |

## Recently Known Deaths

|       |  |       |  |
|-------|--|-------|--|
| 22069 | <p>Jerry A. Landers, Sr.<br/>Austell, Georgia<br/>March 24, 1936 – February 21, 2019<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 13, 1967</p> | 28812 | <p>Charles R. Ansley<br/>Cornelia, Georgia<br/>June 24, 1948 – October 7, 2018<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on June 9, 1976</p>          |
| 29136 | <p>Ellis E. Flournoy<br/>LaGrange, Georgia<br/>May 25, 1927 – February 22, 2019<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 8, 1976</p>       | 26212 | <p>Willie N. Fesmire<br/>Snellville, Georgia<br/>September 20, 1932 – July 28, 2018<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 13, 1972</p>    |
| 37007 | <p>C. Hoyt Worthington<br/>Cedartown, Georgia<br/>April 26, 1926 – February 25, 2019<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Sep. 30, 1995</p> | 24450 | <p>Ellis E. Flournoy<br/>LaGrange, Georgia<br/>April 2, 1944 – November 18, 2018<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 9, 1970</p>        |
| 36217 | <p>Douglas P. Rogers<br/>Rome, Georgia<br/>October 29, 1956 – February 6, 2019<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 10, 1994</p>       | 35592 | <p>Dickey E. Sorrells<br/>Ball Ground, Georgia<br/>November 30, 1946 – August 29, 2018<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on June 12, 1993</p> |
| 22658 | <p>Russell L. Stairs<br/>Vero Beach, Florida<br/>June 25, 1920 – November 6, 2013<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on May 9, 1951</p>      | 23474 | <p>Benjamin M. Jacobson<br/>Atlanta, Georgia<br/>June 16, 1935 – May 5, 2018<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Sep. 19, 1969</p>           |
| 40792 | <p>Ernest E. Pierce<br/>Covington, Georgia<br/>August 1, 1970 – June 30, 2018<br/>Created at Yaarab Shrine on Dec. 9, 2015</p>         |       |  |



# The Black Camel



# FROM THE SHRINE OFFICE

## November/December Hospital Trip Report

| Driver               | Temple # | Greenville, SC | Cincinnati, OH |
|----------------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| Billy Deal           | 37511    | 1              | 1              |
| Jonathan Fitzpatrick | 41057    |                | 1              |
| Ron Avery            | 33910    | 1              |                |
| Bruce Landsverk      | 40690    | 3              | 1              |
| Tim Bettis           | 40897    | 2              |                |
| Wayne Shelnut        | 36234    | 2              | 1              |
| Wendell Boss         | 30838    | 1              | 1              |
| Bob Dean             | 35068    | 2              |                |
| Marvin Ellis         | 40955    | 2              | 2              |
| Harry Fuller         | 32494    | 1              |                |
| Carl Jackson         | 29560    | 2              |                |
| Gordon Tatum         | 30023    | 6              |                |
| Larry Wood           | 32404    | 1              |                |
| Malcolm Haraway      | 30260    | 1              |                |
| Gene Blount          | 35036    | 1              |                |
| Herman Johnson       | 29541    | 1              |                |
| Joe LaMonthe         | 40997    | 2              |                |
| Bobby Savage         | 35108    | 1              |                |
| Bob Stillman         | 37045    | 2              | 2              |
| Mike Young           | 35828    | 1              | 1              |
| Jerry Watkins        | 23381    | 1              |                |
| Bill Wise            | 28143    | 2              |                |
| Chris Quarles        | 38681    | 1              |                |
| Marvin Ellis         | 40955    | 1              | 1              |
| Scott Jeffares       | 40888    | 1              |                |
| Jeff Phillips        | 40488    | 1              |                |
| Warren Shore         | 25052    | 1              |                |
| Billy Wages          | 37221    | 1              |                |
| Jim Warren           | 32575    | 1              |                |
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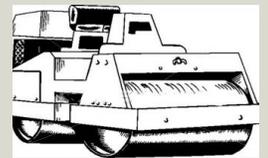
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