September flew by in record time and fall is in full swing with the leaves changing color to remind us 2014 is coming to an end soon. But, before that happens, we have a few more months to go. October has many events which we are able to invite our families, friends and Masons to, to partake in and experience all the Nile Shrine has to offer.

First is our last parade of the season at Granite Falls on Saturday, October 4th. I wish to thank everyone who made the effort in all the communities which you participated in. Whether it was a Pote's call or not, you all represented the Shrine with dedication and respect, and came through with great efforts to put on a good show.

October 8 is the Nile's OPEN Stated meeting for Oktoberfest. A very popular band, Happy Hans', will provide the musical entertainment. Nile catering will provide authentic German food and seasonal beer.

October 10 starts the Nile's biggest fund raiser of the year, the Haunted House. Please check the dates of operation and sign up to volunteer or attend to make this a huge success.

October 11 is the Greeters' World Famous crab feed. Get your tickets now and invite friends to have a great dinner and support the Greeters' efforts. At the same time, the second night of the Haunted House will be in operation so, since you will already be at the Nile for the crab feed, you and your guest(s) can make an evening of it and attend the Haunted House that night as well! I remind you, a fundraiser is vital to the Shrine no matter when it is or what date it falls on. So let us all get the word out that we are here and there is fun for all.

Elections are just around the corner and positions are up for nominations. If you feel strongly for an office, you are encouraged to put your name in the hat and start getting the word out by visiting clubs and units. Each year the Oriental Guide position (unpaid) opens up as does the Recorder and Treasurer (salaried) positions. If you are an accountant or businessman, I strongly encourage you to run for these offices. If elected, Nile will sponsor you to attend the Imperial training sessions in Tampa, Florida to prepare you for the position you are elected to. As you all saw last year, even the Potentate's position is not a safe or “given” position. We at the Nile need strong leadership that will embrace the future and will not succumb to past policies and procedures that placed our temple in its current financial condition. We still have financial issues to overcome. Knowing what they are, and why funds were taken out of restrictive accounts in the past, cast a shadow within the operations of the Nile. This can never happen again now that it is out in the open. Your vote will send the message that we put people in office who will work for the best interest of the Nile, and not for themselves.

Now let us all come together and make the Nile a success. Our goal is to have a zero balance on the books and start out 2015 on a positive note. To get there, Nile needs your help.

Nile Shrine Greeters
32nd ANNUAL CRAB FEED

RAFFLE PLUS 50/50
Saturday, October 11th
Zem-Zem 6:00 pm
Dinner 7:00 pm
(Baked potato, Salad & Roll)
STILL ONLY $30 per person
For Tickets contact any Nile Greeter,
Earl Conom - 425-885-0502
Or Nile Office - 425-774-9611

PLAN TO ATTEND THE

Oktobefest
OPEN STATED MEETING
OCTOBER 8TH
Zem-Zem at 5pm, Dinner at 6pm, Meeting at 7pm

Entertainment by:
Happy Hans’ Music
The Name and Picture Say It All

Wear lederhosen at your own risk!
FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

HAUSSTED HOUSE

We need volunteers for the Haunted House. It is going to run the following dates:

FULL SCARE: October 10, 11
October 17, 18
October 23, 24, 25
October 30, 31, November 1

Not-Full-Scare: October 12, 19, 26

The Not-Full-Scare nights are Sundays and are for young children.

Thursdays - 7 pm to 10 pm
Fridays and Saturdays - 7 pm to 11 pm
Sundays - 5 pm to 7 pm.

We need people for the following jobs:

1. Ticket booth
2. Load and unload buses
3. Security
4. Parking
5. Driving the bus. This is Getsreets equipment but this is a large event and we want to help them cover it.

I know some people have told Haunted House folks that they will help. That is fine but it does not help us run the show. We need names and times so we can figure out what is covered or not as the case may be. So PLEASE call to help us get our lists together. Annie and I look forward to talking to you.

Larry and Annie Bronner 360 658-8304

SUPPLIES NEEDED

As we prepare for the 2014 Haunted House Fund raiser, we are in need of a few items that would help us create a better and scarier haunt this year. Donations of the following items would be appreciated. These items would be used in the Haunted House and would not be returned. All donations can be dropped off at the Directors Staff Carpen-
ter Shop by appointment. Item pick-up can also be arranged.

If you have any of the materials listed below, or if you have something not listed that you think may be of use, contact Peter Pawlicki at 206-303-7675 or bbunchiii@aol.com. Thank you for your considera-
tion and donations to support the Haunted House.

The following is a list of some needed items:

• Speakers (indoor and/or outdoor stereo)
• Amplifier
• Speaker wire
• DVD players
• Microphone
• LED/mini screen 24” and larger
• Outdoor Extension Cord/ multi outlets.
• Misc building supplies: 1X2, 1X3, 2X2, plywood, fiberglass insulation type foam sheeting various thicknesses
• Medical supplies, equipment
• Landscape fabric
• Theatrical Costumes
• Plexi Glass sheets, clear (1/8” thick) larger pieces preferred up to 4’X8’
• Curtains/Drapes (dark colors or shears)
• Car or Truck front end trim pieces (grill, Headlight, etc.)
• Picture Frames, Prefer ornate gold or carved wood designs 10X12 or larger
• Victorian furnishings and curios
• Wrought iron fencing or ornamental iron
• Old chain link fencing
• Miscellaneous (tents, gear, cots, ammo boxes, etc.)
• Theatrical/Stage lighting
• Brown or green tarps

THE CHIEF RABBAN
by Dave Brady Sr.

Our last parade of the year is Railroad Days on October 4th in Granite Falls. We would like to thank everyone who participated in all the parades this year. Without you we could not have shown the public what we are all about. Please attend the Crab Feed on Saturday, October 11th. It is always a great time and they do a fantastic job. Price is $30.00 per person. Call Earl Cornom for tickets.

Are you ready to be spooked? Tell all your friends and family that the Haunted House run at Nile.

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Edith Grambo, President, Pageantry Unit

DELINQUENT DUES

The following Nobles are Delinquent in paying their 2014 Niles membership dues. If you know any of these Nobles, please reach out to them and ask them to contact the Recorder to make arrangements.

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Director of Uniformed Units
by Jud Chapin
As Fall closes in on us and the leaves begin to flutter to the ground, we can look back on fond memories of a successful parade season. Railroad Days in Granite Falls is always a great parade to end the season. It begins with great fellowship and a breakfast at Damascus Lodge, the parade is short, well attended and fun. As Summer events have concluded we are now in preparation for the major fund raiser of the year, The Haunted House. For dates and times, see page 6. To all the Units and Clubs that have participated in this event since its inception, please be mindful that your continued help and support will be required, once again, to make this a success.
I look forward to seeing you at our October 8th Oktoberfest Open Stated Meeting.

Oriental Band
by Jim Hart
There is just one more parade this year, Granite Falls. We will all attend the Pancake feed put on by Damascus Masonic Lodge as they have extended the serving times to 11:30. The parade is at noon so the timing works out very well. Ordinarily, we are first in the parade, so our participation is over by 12:15 and making our way back to the Shriner’s Club. Park judiciously!
The band is undertaking a major change. We are converting our musettes to the single reed style. This means that the band will be far easier to play. We should be able to recruit more players not only from the band but from Nobles who are not currently band members. The need for different music is as yet, unknown. When we get a single reed musette up and running we will find out if we need to rework the music.

Sportsmen’s Club
by Bob Sluder
October 13th at 6:00 pm is the GRAND OPENING of our newly remodeled Club house down by the lake. Food and drinks will be provided. Everyone welcome. Check out the new bathroom, BB gun/air rifle/archery range, new furniture and paint. It has taken us a while, but we are proud of our accomplishments.
RSVP if you can, if you can’t, you are welcome anyway. Contact 206-235-7774, 360-863-3741 or bob@nwhouses.com
We are seeking new members. Consider joining us.

Men’s Golf Club
by Ned Daniels, President
As we approach the end of the Golf Club season, we can look back on several months of great golfing weather and many outstanding meals served at our meetings. In addition, we can continue to enjoy the ongoing improvements to our patio and facilities. The Golf Club Championship tournaments were held Wednesday, September 10th and Saturday, September 13th. Winners to be announced at the Club Banquet.
The last regular Golf Club Business meeting of the season was held Wednesday, September 24th. New officers for 2015 were elected and will be announced at the Banquet as well. Look for more details next month.
Enjoy the Nile Shrine Country Club at it’s finest. Become a member of the Men’s Golf Club. It’s never too late to join.

Ladies’ Golf Club
by Karin Inglertigh
Our golfing season is coming to an end but there are a few fun events still to come.
The 2014 Club Champion is Suzanne Young and Linda Shaw the runner-up. They played a close “back and forth” match that both enjoyed. The consolation winner for the 18 hole group was Kathi Hall with Jeri Gough the runner-up. Ann Karis is the 9 hole division winner for the 18 hole group. Ann Karis is the 9 hole division winner for the 18 hole group. Congratulations to you all.
The Club Championship party followed play. We toasted all the winners before a wonderful salad buffet lunch. Many of the ladies brought delicious salads to go along with meatballs and rolls. And, there was a great carrot cake decorated with a miniature golf cart to finish the festivities.
The September Monthly Medal winner was Jeri Gough with a net 64. Jeri also won low puts for the day with only 29 puts. Ann Karis came first in the 9 hole division.
At the September monthly meeting the nominating committee presented the slate of officers for 2015: Chairman, Karin Inglertigh Assistant Chairman, Kathi Hall Secretary, Peggy Hagerman Treasurer, Suzanne Young.
The vote will be taken at the October meeting. Minutes of the meeting are posted in the club room.
Mark your calendars -- October 14 is the Monthly Medal Tournament as well as the Consolation Tournament for non-winners. The Halloween Country Cross Shotgun gun will be held on October 28, followed by the Halloween Party.
I am sorry to report the death of Beverlee Zugar, a charter member of the 1969 Nile Ladies Division. Come and join either our 9 hole or 18 hole groups. Bring a friend! You can enter Tuesday competition or just play golf for fun. Call Elaine Cohn 206-367-7016 or Suzanne Young 206-363-6152 for more information.
Happy Halloween!

Kitap Peninsula Shrine Club
by Scott Sager, Secretary
KPSG (www.kitsapshriners.org) is back to work after a couple of weeks off. Our Stated meetings are the second Saturday of the month, Zem-Zem at 2pm. We will be meeting the rest of this year at McClouds Grillhouse, 2001 Perry Ave, Bremerton, www.McClouds-grillhouse.com. Call for directions at 360-692-6550.
Our Noble President Bob Lindkvist laid out the balance of our work for the fall. Nile Potentate Craig Jacobsen performed a COLD SANDS for new Noble Ed Pinedo. Welcome to Nile, Ed.
Nobles this is our work, finding and engaging good men like Ed. It is imperative for our fraternity that we find these men who are looking for the fun and fraternity that the Shrine offers. Then, it is equally important that once we have found these men, we as an organization deliver. By deliver, I mean that we must provide a meaningful experience in socializing or a place to gain leadership skills. These first few months are critical. We must get to know them, introduce them to the Shrine and provide them with meaningful activities.
We must take a good hard look at ourselves. Are we providing a relevant experience for these men? Amidst the responsibilities of work, family and life in general, how are we adding benefit and enhancing the lives of our members?
To wrap up, we at KPSG would like to thank the Olympic Peninsula Shrine Club for their invitation

NILE AT THE FAIR

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to participate in the Quilcene parade. We had a great
time and truly appreciate our fellow Nobles.

Northwest Shrine Club

Northwest Shrine Club will meet on October 7th at
Jeffyle and Hydes Restaurant on Orchard Street in
beautiful Bellingham. Zem-Zem at 6:00 p.m., dinner
at 7:00 p.m. with meeting to follow.

Please come and support your local Shrine Club YOU
MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!

Renton Shrine Club

Our last gathering was on Sylvia Mudd’s birthday. We
sang her a rousing rendition of “Happy Birthday.”

The RSC held a “SeptemberFest” (similar to an
Oktoberfest, but held in September) on September
6th at the Gerber Haus. The menu included grilled
bratwurst, German beer and homemade sauerkraut.

Their beautiful back yard provided a fun time for all
the members and guests.

Chief Rabban Dave Brady announced that the
Haunted House was such a success that it will provide
scare for 12 days this fall.

Our next meeting will be at 6 pm October 2nd at the
Plum Delicious Restaurant in Renton. Call President
Dick Gerber at 253-852-1172 for reservations.

West Seattle Shrine Club

We at WSSC would like to invite you all to our next
meeting on Tuesday, October 21st at Angelo’s Restau-
rant, 601 SW 153rd St., Burien. You may choose your
meal from a menu of fine pasta dishes and very nice
salads. Join us in an evening of fun and friendship.
Zem-Zem at 6:00 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm. Following
the dinner we will have a short business meeting. A
raffle follows the dinner. Please join us.

Remember guests are always welcome at WSSC.

October Highlights
October 13 - 7pm Stated Session
October 15 - noon Luncheon at Shrine Center honoring
candidates at the Supreme Queen’s visit. Tickets
$20. Please call Darla at 206.228.0775 or email her at
djslater@aol.com for information or tickets. Ceremo-
nial begins at 2 pm.

October 18 - 6 pm NW Evening Italian Dinner and
Auction (live and silent) at the Shrine Center.
Tickets are $20, please call Pr. Darla at 206.228.0775.

October 24 - noon Badoura Club hosts a Fall Lun-
cheon with a bazaar, bake sale and auction in the
Everett Masonic Center. Tickets $10. Contact Judy
Smith, PQ at 425.610.4780
Please join Noble David Brady and Lady Karen for Nile’s
Mexican Riviera Cruise
March 6th - 14th, 2015 out of San Diego.
Informational meetings will be held in the Nile Potentate’s Lounge on:
Thursday, October 2nd at 6:30 pm
Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00 pm
Each of these meetings will have door prizes and food available.
SEE YOU THERE!

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No musical skills required (you don’t have any)

Just a good time fun and spirits, and what we have to offer.

Regret it if you don’t come.

At 6:30 pm in the basement at Nile.

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My Dear Fellow Nobles, 

As we move into the beautiful Full season of the year, your Joint Boards and Senior Staff continue to be steadfast in finding new ways for our hospital system to become a leader in the new world of medicine. I would like to update you on the progress.

But first, I would like to thank you for my re-election as your CEO and President. I hope that you will continue your support and dedication to our continued support in our new directions of Shrine Child-Care. I again promise to represent you with honor and dignity in all that we do together. I believe that these next two years with each hospital continuing to be as efficient as possible, without sacrificing any “Clinical” child-care, that we will improve our goal of balancing the budget by 2016. When we “prudently” achieve a balanced budget, it will allow us to do our great Shrine care without relying on the “principal” of our endowment fund to pay hospital expenses. Also by doing it thoughtfully, we won’t put any of our “Hospitals” in logistical jeopardy. As I mentioned in the closing statements of my “President’s State of the Hospitals” report, “I would like your permission to serve you as your President as you pursue a “2 to 3 years” till our Tampa Session in 2016. This would allow me to continue to help direct this path of “Balancing the Budget” that we began in 2009 in San Antonio.

My other goal for these next 2 years is to finalize all of these new Partnerships, Affiliations and Changes in delivery models we have been establishing to take us secondarily, eventually, it would allow for an orderly transition from the outgoing Shrine System President to his successor. In a new direction, with the expansion of our philanthropy, we continue to increase our endowment fund from under $4.8 billion dollars in 2009 to over $5.8 Billion. We now also have total hospital assets over $10 billion. And during this same time span, we have been increasing the number of children in every category that we serve.

So where do we go from here? We are continuing to create new affiliations, partnerships and changes in delivery models to become more efficient and to also bring us additional children. These referrals will come to us by our new partners, who will consider Shriners the “Provider of Choice” in their disciplines. These partnerships will also give us better economies of scale and improve the utilization of our facilities.

Along that line, as was mentioned in Minneapolis, we have continued our dialogue with the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota to pursue a “National Partnership” with them. If this comes to pass, it will provide many future benefits for Shriners and Mayo.

• **Boston**

At our Boston hospital, our relationship with our partner Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) is continuing with a new expansion of roles for both organizations in our building. (Our hospital is located in downtown Boston. We are across the street from our partner MGH.) MGH is medically ranked alongside of Mayo in “excellence of care”. Most of their doctors are Harvard Doctors, one of the top medical schools.

• **Philadelphia**

Around 50 years ago, our Philadelphia Hospital began doing “outreach clinics” in Puerto Rico twice a year to determine if children in this American territory could benefit from being flown to Philadelphia for our expert orthopedic care. Through the years, many children have had a much better life due to these efforts and procedures. These efforts have now evolved to many “non-surgical” procedures being initiated right in your hospital. This has saved both cost and stress to the family to not have to make the long plane ride and be there for many days.

As we found with our new Ospatient Surgery medicine in Tijuana, where we are taking care to where the children live, it is much better for the family to not have to travel for such time and distance and is also less cost to the system. If we can do more of that type of care in San Juan rather than having to fly the child and mother to Philadelphia, it is far better for the family.

In a meeting on September 9 with the Governor of Puerto Rico, the Chairman of our Philadelphia Board of Governors Ray Goodwin, our Medical Advisory Committee Chairman Dr. Peter Diaz, and I explored possibilities with Governor Padilla to have a similar role in San Juan as we do in Tijuana. The Governor indicated that with his “Territory’s” medical budget, he may be able to help us put the pieces together. The plan would be to identify a few Puerto Rican “orthopedic surgeons” and train them at our Philadelphia hospital in our great Shrine Medical Care and procedures. We would then have them return to San Juan as “Shriners’ doctors” to do our great work at “their hospital” in our name.

As has been said before, our Shrine Care, is our great Shrine trained doctors, doing the mission...whether it is in our buildings or in an affiliate building where the children live. This same premise is working very well in Tijuana where three Mexican doctors were given “training and rotations” at our Los Angeles hospital for the purpose of learning and implementing our “Shrine Care” in Tijuana.

• **Tampa**

In Tampa, there is a new Dean at USF’s Medical School interested in expanding the role of his medical school with Shrine Hospitals/Tampa through our “Endowed Chair” at the school…new horizons are appearing. These are in the early stages of conversations and if continued to framework will bring added activity and patients to that facility.

• **August Leadership Seminars**

In August while the fraternal leadership was meeting at our fraternity’s Regional Association event, the hospital’s leadership was hard at work meeting in seminars in Tampa with those who run our 22 hospitals. This is our first seminar held for our Administrators. The 2-day seminar we gave to each of the 22, who are charged with the success of their specific hospital, was to 1) commend them for the success they had during these last two years in getting their budgets leaner and more efficient. And 2) to also reminded them that we will be starting this year’s process to continue to balance the budget in the next two years. But when it comes to Medical Care, that part we do for the children in the operating rooms, we will always find the additional money to do “our philanthropic mission”.

• A week later our “Research Advisory Board” (RAB) came to Tampa to review this year’s request for “Shrine sponsored” research grants. It is very interesting to hear these experts, who are each at the top of their field in the nation’s top Research Hospitals, analyze the various ideas that are being proposed for the betterment of humanity through “research” with Shrine money. They represent our children’s interest beautifully.

• On the third week, our 22 Chief of Staffs visited with our senior Tampa staff.

An entirely different level of discussion ensued. Nobles, we can take a lot pride in the great skills and expertise of our medical leaders. They do such beautiful work on our behalf to so many children. Every aspect of what they do was open for discussion, nothing is held back. This year, we asked our “Medical Advisory Board” (MAB) to meet at the same time and with our “Chief’s”. As with our RAB, the MAB are the top physicians at their respective hospitals who on their own time, come to us to help make our Shrine system better.

The discussions that took place between these two highly skilled groups of professionals were very thought-provoking and insightful into the abilities of our doctors. Thank God on behalf of our kids that we have these two groups.

• As a follow-up to our discussions in Minneapolis about Shriners helping injured veterans

In mid-July we did restate to Maryland’s Congressman Ruppersberger, Shriners’ Hospitals offer to lend a few of our doctors, when they are available, to help with the V.A.’s backlog of patients at America’s “Veterans Hospitals”. Some of our doctors are going to active duty military hospitals and helping injured military personnel alongside of the military physician. These military doctors are happy to be expanding their skill levels as they learn from our doctors.

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Previous minutes:
The minutes were not approved. There was a request from Noble James W. Hart, Jr. to make corrections in the minutes amended.

The amended portion of the minutes are in reference to the elimination of certain budget items. The request was to amend the verbiage and include the words in the following categories:

4201: Original “Eliminate Recorders Salary” amended to “Eliminate or drastically cut Recorders Salary”
4202: Original “Eliminate Treasurers Salary” amended to “Eliminate or drastically cut Treasurers Salary”
4203: Original “Eliminate Membership Salary” amended to “Eliminate or drastically cut membership Salary”
4210: Original “Payroll/L & I/Taxes for Office and Recorders, Treasurers would be zero” amended to “Eliminate or drastically cut Payroll/L & I Taxes for Office, Recorder, Treasurer”.
No request was made to change the balance of the motion.
4211: Original “Medical for Office would be eliminated” amended to “Eliminate or drastically cut medical for Office”

Petitions: None.

Black Camel List:
The Black Camel list was read and prayer given by Noble E. Jeffrey Craig, Nile Chaplain. He included the National Day of Mourning for the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the 13th year anniversary of this terrible event.

Treasurers Report:
The Treasurer, Ill. David E. Ramich gave his report to the Nobility. Reports were placed on the tables prior to the meeting and no inquiries were presented.
Nile Shrine General Account $9,987.00 Building & Grounds Account $1,454.00 DAD Fund $30,442.00

Unfinished Business:
A motion was made to use monies in the amount of $3,723.00 from the DAD Fund for payment on replacement of the HVAC System in the Gold Room due to a catastrophic failure of the system. It was moved/seconded/passed.

It was reported to the Nobility by the Recorder that 83 members still have not paid their 2014 dues. Contact has been made to those Nobles and response has been extremely slow.

Crown of Honor Awards: Noble Howard J Wise called the names of the Nobles who were awarded their Crown of Honor Medallions and congratulated by the Divan.

New Business: None presented.
Announcements:
Noble Larry Bromner spoke about a work party this Saturday to help assemble the Haunted Houses for this year’s event. He asked for volunteers to assist.
Roy Gorud announced the Greeters Crab Feed to be held on October 11, tickets are $30. Per person.
Noble Steve Duzey stood to announce he will be a candidate for the position of Oriental Guide in December. A letter was given to solidify his intent to run.
Noble David M. Brady, Sr. spoke about the Nile Cruise to the Mexican Riviera March 6-14, 2015. Informational programs and sign ups will be on October 2 and the last chance on November 2. This will be a strictly fun cruise and there are 30 persons already signed up.
Railroad Days Parade was announced for October 4, 6:00 to 11:00.

Potentate:
Wednesday October 8 will be an open meeting, ladies, friends invited. The entertainment will be an Oompa Band renowned in the Leavenworth area and the food will be in a German Octoberfest theme. The cost will be $15.00 per person. 5:00 Zem-Zem, 6:00 dinner 7:00 entertainment.
November's open meeting will be held on FRIDAY November 14. Ladies and friends invited for the Annual Turkey/Kash for Kids Raffle. Zem-Zem 5:00, Dinner 6:00, 7:00 entertainment.
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Respectfully submitted,
Richard D. Syson, Recorder
Dear fellow nobles,

Lady Cheryl and I are tremendously grateful and thankful for each of you and for your ongoing dedication to your fraternity and philanthropy. We also want to take more time to thank the members (and families) of Kem and Zuhrah Shriners and the Midwest Shrine Association for their countless efforts to make our annual Imperial Session, and for their endless support and many kindnesses over the past several months.

Please also know that we take on the responsibilities of Imperial Potentate and First Lady, we are very aware of and honored by your support, trust and faith in us. As Imperial Potentate, I will also be serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors for Shriners Hospitals for Children. Please be assured that both Cheryl and I and will do everything in our power to do what is best for both Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children. We are looking forward to working with everyone to strengthen and improve both our beloved fraternity and our incredible philanthropy.

This Imperial Year, we continue to emphasize the importance of strengthening and increasing membership, as well as the quality of our communications. We will also be encouraging everyone to share and show their pride in our organizations – and in what they stand for. As Shriners, we improve lives and make the world a better place. If we share our pride in that, consider the impact each one of us could have on both membership and patient numbers.

Starting the Year at a Fast Pace

As Imperial Potentate, my calendar is jammed with events, meetings and other activities. We’ve already begun to attend association meetings, temple celebrations and events in support of our health care system. While the traveling is extensive, it is also energizing as we meet and spend time with hard-working, committed fraternity members and hospital employees everywhere we go.

It was our great pleasure to attend the 62nd annual East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game in Baker City, Ore. Congratulations to Chairman Bill Quick of Al Kader Shriners and the host temples, Al Kader and Hillah, as well as participating temples El Korah, Masada and El Katif, for such an outstanding event.

These regional games are a tremendous opportunity to raise local awareness of both Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International, especially among young people, who are especially important to our future. Thank you for all your hard work.

Another important community event we were pleased to be able to attend was the golf tournament at Elm Ridge Country Club in Montreuil, a benefit for the Canada hospital’s capital campaign. Imperial Sir Jerry Gantti and I had the pleasure of speaking at the event, which raised more than $500,000 for the construction project. It was wonderful to see patients from our Canada hospital participating, and to help in the opportunity to thank the hard-working organizers and donors who helped make the event such a great success.

We also recently attended the 125th anniversary celebration of Tangier Shriners in Omaha, Neb. More than a century of success is certainly worth celebrating. The approximately 2,600 Tangier Shriners support our Chicago, Twin Cities and St. Louis hospitals. Over the years, Tangier Shriners have assisted more than 15,000 local children, giving countless volunteer hours and funds in that effort.

That is the work of one temple, and it is impressive. Multiply that by 200 – representing our nearly 200 temples full of volunteers working to make the world a better place and help kids have a chance to live their dreams, and the impact we make is clearly huge. As Shriners, we have much to be proud of – we need to share our pride, our experiences as Shriners, and our commitment to helping others with everyone we can. If we are willing to do that – to generate interest individually and across the country – I imagine what could happen to our membership numbers.

Serving and Caring for the Children

By now, you are familiar with one of the statements that guides me:

“One hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove...but the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child.”

When I have the opportunity to spend time with the children we serve, it is very special. While visiting the St. Louis hospital, I had the opportunity to interact with several patients, including Katie Ladlie, one of our new National Patient Ambassadors, while filming the welcome video for the SHC Open. Seeing the kids smiling and having a great day is why we are all part of Shriners International. The SHC Open will be held Oct. 13-19 in Las Vegas. It is one of our two signature events, and gets bigger and better every year, in part because of the hard work of more than 1,000 volunteers. Visit shrinershospitalsopen.com and see how you can help, or just come on out and enjoy the fun. If neither of those possibilities is feasible, remember to check it out on the Golf Channel.

As the Imperial Year progresses, we will continue to share reasons to be proud to be a Shriners and work to continue to seek ways to strengthen our organizations, and to successfully showcase the fraternity and the health care system, at both the local and national levels. A key to our success will be your commitment and participation in these efforts – it will take every one of us – working together – to make a substantial difference.

We look forward to working with you – and to hearing your ideas. Thank you for all you do for Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children. Yours in the Faith,

Dale W. Stauss
Imperial Potentate

MASONIC OUTREACH SERVICES
Understanding the Issues Facing Aging Seniors, Part III of III

The Senior’s Health Is Failing

Health can deteriorate over a period of time or a change in health can occur suddenly. Suddenly unexplainable changes in health like fatigue, memory loss, and changes in behavior could be early signs that the older individual is losing independence. This can be a result of a health issue or it might be a heart attack or a stroke or some other acute health issue.

Health that has deteriorated over a period of time will have a greater impact on the ability of an individual to maintain independence. Perhaps the senior to care for his or her own physical needs. This disability will then result in someone acting as a caregiver to assist in such things as dressing, bathing, toileting, ambulating, needing help with incontinence, preparing meals, answering the phone, paying bills, shopping, running errands and so on. This need for a caregiver usually requires making some major decisions for the remainder of the period in which the care is needed. As a general rule, chronic health failure over a period of time is not going to improve and will only get worse, resulting in a greater need for caregiving.

Acute changes in health can also lead to disability and the need for a caregiver. However, often the senior recovers and the disability disappears. On the other hand, sometimes the acute healthcare issue results in permanent disability and a permanent need for care.

A worsening of health for a senior – especially a senior with Alzheimer’s disease or other dementia – might be the result of a chronic health issue. If the senior is losing their independence simply because of a change in health, it might be a heart attack or a stroke or some other acute health issue.

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Families often wait too long before intervening to assist the senior to maintain independence. This is because it is becoming in denial or perhaps it is because they hope it will go away or perhaps it is for some other reason. As part of the planning process, all family members should plan for the contingency that their family member will eventually become completely dependent on others for basic living activities.

If you or someone you know needs assistance with any of the issues of aging, please contact Masonic Outreach Services.

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