

.FROM THE DESK OF THE RECORDER

Illustrious Sirs and Nobles all:

As we approach the summer months it's easy to forget about keeping in touch with our Lodges and Shrine and keep them informed of updates to our contact information.

In a concerted effort to improve communications Salaam Shriners use THREE different methods of sending information: our main **WebFez** database, **Constant Contact** for e-mails and **Calling Post** for phones and therefore all three must sync to be fully effective.

Not sure if you are up-to date with us? Take this simple test. If you received THIS message via the newsletter which is send via US mail...you have passed Test 1. If you received the June 23 Stated Session notice via e-mail...you aced Test 2. Now, if you received any recorded messages about "Bylaws" or "Name Change" on either your cell or home phone...you have passed the third and final test. How well did you do? Anything less than a perfect score means you should contact the Recorder's Office at 973-992-1111 and update that part of your that information. Please note: Verizon has curtailed their e-mail services so anyone with a verizon.net email has to now select a different email provider your email is automatically inaccurate in our system...so please call us immediately so we don't lose touch. We also would like your to have your LADY'S e-mail address as well so that they can be informed about special programs for our Ladies.

IN OTHER NEWS...

Shriner's International is winding down the update process and will soon begin to publish the Commemorative Directory, so please make your last-minute adjustments to be included in the book by calling the number you received on the postcard in the next two weeks.

FALL MASA is scheduled for Thursday, September 7 through Sunday, September 10th in Virginia Beach. Be part of the fun and contact Noble Larry Frolow at 973-271-9159 to reserve your room NOW! We have a limited number of rooms at the Country Inn and Suites available..Don't miss out! Reserve TODAY!

PERSONNEL CHANGES: If you call on Tuesdays or Thursdays don't forget to introduce yourself to our new Assistant to the Recorder Noble Harry Worstell at Ext. 12. Noble Harry has been a Shriner for years but did a lot of his work "in and about the apartments of the <Scottish Rite> Temple" Welcome Noble Harry!

Which segues to my final topic. The office assistant position and this publication has been handled by Noble Doug Dampman over the past several months. Doug is semi-retired and now lives in PA making the trek to Fairfield a hassle. On behalf of Salaam Shriners and myself, I would like to thank him for his hard work and diligence in our Shrine Office, working with me on various key projects and as Editor of this publication. Beginning August, I will resume as Editor of **Salaam Shrine News**. Please submit all information you wish to publish by the 13th of the month prior. (12th for those with triskaidekaphobia!)

Submissions should be done electronically if possible. with high-resolution photos and graphics. If you have any questions, please call me MWF at 973-992-1111 X11.

Until next time, stay safe and enjoy your summer with your families.

Yours in the Faith,

Noble Barry M. Gould
Recorder

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JULY 2017

COMING EVENTS

July 4 Independence Day

July 8 - 13 Imperial Session in
Daytona Beach

July 22 Foreigner Concert with Cheap
Trick & Jason Bonham's LED
Zeppelin Experience

July 28 Family Game Night

July 28-30 Mecca Shrine - Florence
Day Weekend

DO YOU HAVE AN EVENT TO PUBLICIZE?

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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

Greetings, Ill. Sirs and Nobles,

Expanded Board Day: We enjoyed a well-planned program in SHC – Philadelphia on Thursday, June 15. Mrs. Stephanie Byrwa, Public Relations Manager, and her staff arranged a group of great speakers.

Administrator Noble Ed Myers presented the State of the Hospital with outstanding numbers indicating far more procedures were done in the past few years while spending less. Seemingly impossible, but Philadelphia did it year after year.

Chief of Staff Dr. Scott Kozin presented his team of talented surgeons and their accomplishments. The leaders from Occupational Therapy, Music Therapy, and Motion Analysis Lab also showed us the long road to recovery following the surgeries and what they did to bring our patients back to real world.

Salaam Shriners were well represented on the Expanded Board Day as in the past. While Mrs. Byrwa showed that Salaam was the second busiest Shrine on patient transportation in 2016, Noble Chuck Willer's 960 trips will remain the record that no Shepherd will ever be able to come close.

Certification of Units & Clubs: In order for the Potentate to properly monitor the activities of all the units and clubs, the unit heads are required to submit their records of activities for the past 3 years, all financial records/treasurer's reports, and business plans for 2017. The unit heads were notified in March. It was published in April issue of Salaam Shrine News. And, in May, a formal letter for this purpose was mailed to all unit heads. They are urged to set up an interview with me before July 5th.

All units & club are required to be re-certified by the Potentate annually when he is installed. The officers are also required to be installed before they can assume their offices and be accountable. The units and clubs will be suspended if they do not comply before the deadline.

Membership Status: It is June already. Please double check to see if your dues, Imperial & hospital assessments are up to date. While all Nobles are welcome to attend all Shrine functions and meetings, only Nobles who have paid their 2017 dues and assessments can receive ballot books at Stated

Sessions and vote on Shrine business. Noble Joe M. Hummel, Chairman of Membership Committee, and his committee members will call to remind you if you are behind on the dues and assessments. When in doubt, please verify your membership status with Noble Recorder Barry Gould at (973) 922-1111 extension 11. God bless you and God bless Salaam Shriners.

Yours in the Faith,

Andrew A. Kuo, DDS

Potentate



LAKELAND SHRINE CLUB BUS TRIP

Doolan's in Spring Lake

President Gordon Fleming invites you to join the members of Lakeland Shrine Club on a trip to see "Nashville at the Shore" featuring Bill Turner of Bill Haley and the Comets plus Nashville vocalist Nanette Mason performing music and songs of Hank Williams, Johnny Cash, Willie Nelson, and Loretta Lynn plus comedian. on **Tuesday, August 22nd**. The bus will leave from 376 Hollywood Avenue in Fairfield at 10:00 AM and whisk you away to Doolan's. You'll enjoy a 1 hour open bar, soup, salad, and lunch. The bus will leave Spring Lake between 3:30 and 4:00 PM and have you back in Fairfield about 5:00 PM. All this for only **\$79 per person**. Call the office at 973-992-1111 for reservations.