

# Moslah News

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## Potentate's Column

*HFD, TSA, concerts & celebrations - the fun continues!*



Harold H. Benefield  
Potentate

When I accepted the honor and responsibility of becoming the 101st Potentate of Moslah, I was excited and confident that working with the Board of Directors(Divan) and the great hard working Nobles and their ladies, nothing could stop Moslah from being the leading Temple in all Shrinedom and our community. I thought the hardest part of being Potentate would be keeping almost 2,000

members and their ladies happy, but the hardest part is the visit of the black camel (loss of members of our Shrine family). In one week, we lost two members of our family that were essential to the success of our organization. Kay Davis, First Lady of the Entertainment Committee, the wife of Paul Davis, Entertainment Chairman and Shrine Chaplin passed away. Kay and Paul worked many years keeping almost all shrine events organized and Moslah fed and watered. They worked tirelessly with little recognition. They lead by example and are part of the hard working Nobles and their Ladies who have made Moslah so resilient.

John Ashcraft, Worshipful Master of Mansfield Lodge #331, new member of Moslah and the Gun Club, a community leader, Shrine Ambassador passed away. Losing any member of our family hurts but loosing someone so close that have done

so much and someone who is the lifeblood of our future (new members) is almost unbearable. We must continue to celebrate their lives, what they have done and what they would've done. We will dedicate ourselves to make Moslah the best it can be and support our hospital kids to make them proud.

Special thanks to Richard Luke, Sunshine Chairman for keeping us informed of our Moslah family's health and needs.

April was a busy month for the Divan and most units have started practice for TSA competition. The **Patrol** had a very successful first annual Sporting Clay Shoot. The Divan entered a team and worked hard to win the last place trophy but none was awarded (hint for next year). The **Motor Corp** had a family outing in Perrin, Texas with Treasurer Gerald Ledbetter and I attending with our Ladies. Potentates Aid, Kenny Beck and his Lady Ellen did all the cooking. There was great fellowship, games and food.

The Car-Vettes and two Motor Corp members participated in the Metal of Honor parade in Gainesville Texas. The Divan members Phil Trew, Jeff Barcafar and I drove Corvettes with Gerald Ledbetter as the motorcycle escort. Moe Rahmeh and my Lady, Mabel, took pictures and kept the spectators safe from the Divan running over them. The Car-Vettes participate in several parades each year. A Shriner wearing the fez in parades gives us more visibility in the community than any other activity.

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# Potentate

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To increase Shrine awareness we will rebuild the large 'Band' trailer and larger 'Clown' trolley. Both of these will be available for all units and associations to use in parades. The funds to rebuild this equipment will not come from Hospital or Shrine operating accounts.

The storefront and street corners were successful in showing the fez and collecting money for our Hospitals. Thanks to all of the Nobles, Ladies, Hospital Fund Drive Chairman--Jeff Ingram, Trace Brooks, Committee Members, Assistant Rabban Jeff Barcafar, Divan, Past Potentates and Divan ladies for a job well done. With the loss of several Wal-Mart's, the new corporate stores are a blessing and probably our future.

The Band put on a free professional concert that was attended by the Divan and their ladies. If you have not been to a concert, I encourage you to go. You will be in for a big treat. If you missed their performance, plan on attending their Christmas concert.

This article is written before the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Galveston Hospital Celebration with 3 days of interacting with Doctors, Nurses, past and current patients. There will be a Ceremonial and our new members joining at that time will be obligated by the Imperial Potentate.

May is hectic with many members preparing for TSA, but please join us for several Shrine activities. The Shrine Business meeting will include the Ladies with another great Program. Bingo returns for May, giving you a membership opportunity to bring family members or Lodge brothers and show them some Shrine Family fun.

The Memorial Service is the most heartfelt event we do for the families of Shriners we have lost during the past year. Join us for this memorable event.

Fundraising does not slow down in May. Chief Rabban, Phil Trew will have flower deliveries for Mother's Day. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Food Truck Festival that raises money for our Shrine Hospitals is organized by Assistant Rabban, Jeff Barcafar and Chairman Cody Cox. They have doubled the size of this event adding sponsors, kid activities, bands and crafts.

Ask someone to be a Shriner this month.

Harold H. Benefield  
Potentate 2016

## In Memoriam

John R. Ashcraft  
Wilton N. Hammond  
Samuel F. Hunt, III  
Bobby M. Mitchell  
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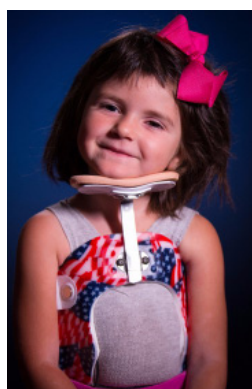
It is important to always remember that it was the vision, compassion and generosity of nobles like each of us that created Shriners Hospitals for Children®. This amazing, unique health care system that has changed the lives of countless children and families, and has grown from one single hospital to a global presence, is our responsibility.

I want to again thank you for the opportunity to serve you, and our staff, patients and families as president and chairman of our philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children. It is an honor and privilege, and something that we approach with hope, resolve, dedication and a deep sense of responsibility. Our goal is simple and clear – to do the best we can every day for every patient and family who comes to us for help. Accomplishing that goal is complex and requires an ongoing, consistent commitment, and the cooperation of everyone who is part of Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International.



It has always been a goal of mine to ensure that every noble knows that they are a part-owner of Shriners Hospitals for Children. And that means every noble is responsible for the life-changing work that happens in our hospitals, medical centers and clinics every day. As nobles, we are responsible for the child who was told they would never walk, but does, and for the child who participates in sports for the first time, and for the one who speaks clearly for the first time. These amazing accomplishments are ours to celebrate, right along with the patients, families and medical staff.

As members of Shriners International, we should be very proud of what we have established, and of what happens in our hospitals, each and every day. We have done far more than change the lives of 1.2 million children. We have changed the lives of entire families, giving them hope, knowledge and understanding. And actually, we really can't put a definitive number on how many people we have helped. In addition to caring for patients in our 22 locations, we conduct hundreds of outreach clinics, our medical staff shares its knowledge through countless seminars and conferences, and our researchers have made discoveries that have impacted treatment protocols worldwide.



As proud as each of us should be of those accomplishments, we can't rest on that. We need to do more, and we can. We know that every year, thousands of children are born with or contract the conditions we treat. We need to reach more of these children and give them the level of care, compassion, hope and healing that only Shriners Hospitals can provide.

Every noble can help reach out to families to increase our patient numbers.

Earlier this year, detailed, specific information on implementing screening programs for potential patients, including policies and processes, was provided to temple potentates and recorders. These clinics are easy to conduct, and can make a significant impact on our numbers. We strongly encourage each of you to discuss this with your fellow nobles and with your temple leadership, and make this effort. Assisting with screening clinics is an excellent way for Shriners to be actively involved in their philanthropy and in helping reach more children and families. Also, whenever possible, we need to

be introducing ourselves, and our organizations, to school nurses, day care centers, and social service and assistance offices. I'm sure you can think of even more opportunities and possibilities.

Of course, we are also using every medium available to raise awareness of Shriners Hospitals for Children, which, indirectly, can also lead to increasing patient numbers. We are continuing our ad campaigns that feature patients sharing their enthusiasm and gratitude for Shriners Hospitals, and we have again been featured on a story line of the iconic television program *General Hospital*, and on *Who Wants to be a Millionaire* during their charity week event. Also, beginning in April, we will be running digital display ads on Medscape that will encourage physicians to visit our website, and hopefully that will also strengthen referrals. I hope that every time you see one of our ads or other media items, you are reminded of how special and important Shriners Hospitals for Children is, and are proud to belong to an organization that changes lives and gives families around the world hope for the future. One parent said it simply, and best: "You wrap us in hope – and hope is everything."





As we work toward increased awareness, we need to do more to promote the expertise and knowledge available at Shriners Hospitals. We need to do all we can to ensure that potential referring physicians, families, and even donors, know we offer the latest treatments, and that children who come to us will benefit from innovative and complete approaches to care. We need to be promoting the fact that we have expert physicians, clinicians and therapists who will do all they can to help a child. You can assist in this effort by distributing the available materials, including the copies of *Leaders in Care* (our corporate health care magazine) that your temple receives every quarter.



That commitment to excellence and to using the best, cutting-edge technology is why we are installing EOS imaging systems in many of our locations. The EOS system uses up to 89 percent less radiation than traditional X-rays, while generating high quality three-dimensional views of patients' bone structures. The ability to obtain the images needed while reducing radiation exposure is especially important, as many of our patients will require many X-rays over the course of their care. The EOS Imaging System is the only 3-D system capable of scanning patients in a weight-bearing standing or sitting position, which enhances the ability to determine the best course of treatment.

Fifteen of our locations have been approved for EOS capabilities; our Canada, Greenville, Philadelphia, Portland and Salt Lake City locations have systems in place, and systems are in the process of installation at our Boston, Spokane and Twin Cities locations.

We are also committed to operating our health care system efficiently. That is why we are rebuilding both the Lexington and Los Angeles structures as medical centers focused primarily on outpatient services, while working with community partners for needed inpatient care and other items.

On Dec. 1, 2015, the final steel beam was placed on the new Shriners Hospitals for Children Medical Center — Lexington. The new \$48 million building will be a state-of-the-art ambulatory care center located on the University of Kentucky's HealthCare campus. The new medical center will better meet the needs of our patients receiving orthopaedic care on an outpatient basis. Construction is expected to be completed in the spring of 2017. Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder is overseeing this project.



The groundbreaking ceremony for the new Los Angeles Medical Center was held on May 27, 2015, and the topping out ceremony took place in late January. The new \$77 million, 75,000-square-foot, three-story, state-of-the-art medical center, scheduled to open in the summer of 2017, will be located in Pasadena and will replace our aging Los Angeles Shriners Hospital. The new medical center will offer treatment for a full range of pediatric orthopaedic conditions, cleft lip and palate, reconstructive and plastic surgeries, and other services, with inpatient care provided at Huntington Memorial Hospital. The two hospitals will work together in a shared services partnership, which will greatly benefit the children in this region. Deputy Imperial Potentate Chris Smith is overseeing this project.

We are implementing a new telehealth effort. This program will reduce transportation costs for the temples and time away from home for patients and families, while increasing our ability to care for patients who live significant distances from our 22 locations. Our Salt Lake City and Philadelphia locations were selected as our tele-orthopaedic pilots, while Galveston was selected to pilot this program for our burn hospitals. Ultimately, this program also has the potential to increase our patient numbers, as we will be able to connect with more patients outside the reach of our hospitals.

Many other programs and initiatives are underway, including new technologies for orthotics and prosthetics and strengthening our ability to track and analyze outcomes. We are also working to fill vacant positions at the hospitals, and have recently filled three chief of staff and several staff physician positions.

While all of these efforts are important, what is most important is that everyone connected to Shriners Hospitals – every staff member, volunteer and noble – know they are valued and needed in order to fulfill the mission and vision of our philanthropy.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International.

Yours in the faith,

*Dale W. Stauss*

Dale W. Stauss  
President and Chairman of the Board of Trustees

# Hospital Fund Drive

I want to personally say thanks to all Moslah Nobles, ladies, friends and family for the hard work and dedication collecting for store fronts and street corners on April 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>

Great job working the Spec's Liquor Stores for the first time ever. We appreciate those in our community that support the Shriners Hospitals for Children and our organization. Hopefully this will start a beneficial relationship for both organizations as we have fun and help kids at our hospitals.

See you at the Food Truck Festival and Fall Street Corners next in October.

Yours in the Faith,

Jeff Barcafar-Asst Rabban



## Food Truck Festival

May and Spring are in full blast which means it is Food Truck Festival time May 21 and 22 at our Masonic Temple!!! **New for 2016**

- Local bands and the Moslah band performances on the front steps of our beautiful Masonic Temple.
- Bounce house and kids games on the front lawn
- Expanded area for seating and covered seating areas in the shade. Expanded signage on Henderson and Lancaster posted well before the event noting we are OPEN to the public
- Shrine Hospital patient visits

**We need volunteers** for crowd control, gate entry, building management and other duties. Please contact Cody Cox or Jeff Barcafar to volunteer at 817-335-9469. No doubt you will have fun helping our kids.

Please go to Facebook and Twitter and share our event.

Jeff Barcafar-Asst. Rabban





# 2ND ANNUAL MOSLAH FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**

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Harold Baker  
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Jesse Benavides  
John Bennett  
Albert Bernard  
Stanley Booten  
Randall Bowden  
Cecil Briscoe  
Dennie Brown  
Ben Byrd  
Thomas Carr  
Richard Carroll  
Louis Chapman  
Curtis Chastain  
Tracy Clark  
Allen Roy Coffman  
Randall Collins  
Darrel Conn  
James Creviston  
Tracey Cryer  
Larry Cummings  
Guy Cummings  
Jack Daugherty  
Robert Defebbo  
Wayne Dixon  
Corbin Douthitt  
Willie Eastwood  
Michael Evans  
Kyle Fairchild

Toby Flores  
Joseph Fox  
Robert Franklin  
G Funk  
Larry Garrett  
Richard Gary  
John Gause  
Robert Gehrels  
Chad Gilley  
T Ernie Gislason  
Jimmy Godsey  
Julio Gonzalez  
Henry Hackbusch  
James Hawkins  
Roy Hill  
Daniel Hill  
Benny Hilliard  
Tracey Hilton  
George Hilton  
Michael Holder  
Thomas Holmes  
Charles Howard  
Jonathan Hughes  
L Donald Hunt  
David Hutson  
Richard Jackson  
Patrick James  
Brett Johnson  
James Jones  
Stephen Jones  
Arlie Judd  
Jack Kell  
Tom Kelly  
Keith Kidwill

Larry Kilgore  
Wallace Kille  
Brett King  
James Laney  
Clyde Lewis  
Michael Magee  
Charles Manning  
Lewis Marchbanks  
George Marchelos  
Charles Marek  
Dewey Markum  
Barney McCasland  
Charles McManus  
Chad McMinn  
Gerald Measles  
Robert Meeker  
Gary Merritt  
James Montandon  
Rickey Montey  
Donnie Moore  
Randall Moore  
Wallace Mulkey  
Jimmie Muller  
John Myers  
Arthur Norton  
Randal Opperman  
Robert Oran  
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Billy Page  
Jack Perkey  
JOSEPH PILAND  
Jack Pope  
Wayne Pricer  
Raymond Purcell

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Roland Rhine  
David Richardson  
M Layton Rigg  
Jimmy Risky  
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Bobby Yates  
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# Car-Vettes

The Car-Vettes had the great honor to participate in the Medal of Honor parade in Gainesville on April 9. There were 15 recipients of our nation's highest military honor in attendance. We had 10 cars and the honor of Ill. Sir Harold Benefield leading the way flanked by Chief Rabban Phil Trew and Asst. Rabban Jeff Barcarfar. Bringing up the rear was Treasurer Gerald Ledbetter on his beautiful Harley. HPP Moe Rahmeh joined the ladies watching the parade. Thanks to all of them for coming even though they didn't wear yellow shirts. If you have never attended this event, you are really missing out on an exciting and emotional experience.

We have had another successful IHOP collections and are preparing for the store front and street corner April 15 and 16. We are also planning on trying to increase membership by helping man the recruiting table during the food truck event on May 21 and 22.

We all welcome our newest members Roger and Jan McDonald. Welcome Welcome Welcome! We are very excited about y'all joining us!

If you would like to have some fun and test drive one of the little yellow cars, contact our President Mike Pool at 817-229-6407 or Colonel Cecil LeMond at 817-247-0246. You might just fit one perfectly. The Car-Vettes are a family oriented and fun unit.

— Jerry Knott



Above: Illustrious Sir Harold Benefield & Phil Trew, Chief Divan, other Car-Vettes.

Below: Illustrious Sir Harold Benefield.



# Golf

Over 30 people from the Golf Unit started April by having a great time at our Spring Fling at the Arlington Elks Lodge.

At our April Golf Unit Meeting we initiated Alan Leder and Illustrious Sir Jim Spalding into our Unit.

We had a well-attended play day at Lake Arlington Golf Course on the second Saturday of April.

We supported the HFD by helping work the Sam's store in Mansfield on the 15th, and we worked the street corners on the 16th.

Several of our members competed in the TSGA tournament in Wichita Falls on April 21st and 22nd.

We plan to support the Mothers' Day flower deliveries, and the Food Truck Festival in May, and as always we will be having our monthly play days. We welcome all Shriners and their friends to join us. If you want on our distribution list, contact Tom Smith at 817-965-4221.

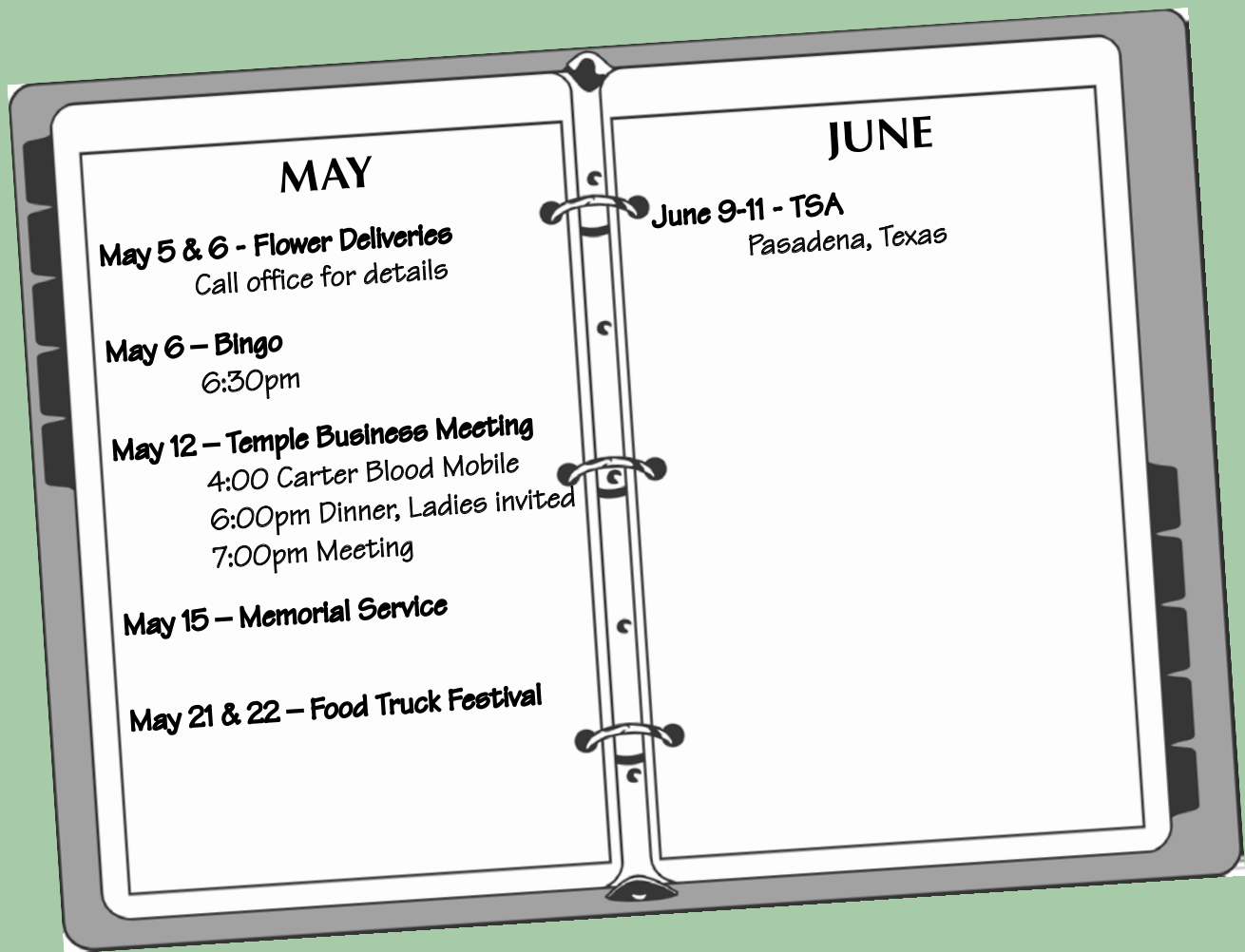
— Joe Williams, President



# *Medal of Honor Parade*

## *Gainesville, Texas*





**If you know a Noble or  
Lady who is sick or shut-in,  
please contact the Shrine  
Office at 817-335-9469.**

**The Ladies Without Shriners will meet each Wednesday at Old  
South Pancake House , University Dr. at 11:00 a.m. for games.  
Stop by to have fun and meet everyone.**