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## Editor's Note

By Noble Allan Cantor



its publication was used as the vehicle to provide the written notice of meetings that the law dictated had to be in writing and mailed and the Temple did not have the funds to pay for the multi-mailings individual written notices of the meetings would legally require.

Unfortunately, it took a great deal of angst and heavy lifting to get the Nobles of Khartum and leadership sufficiently organized and functioning to accomplish the task.

But thanks to the response of the Nobles who agreed to become Supporters and the hard work of Noble Doug McKechnie who solicited the advertising, the Khronicle has been produced.

I regret that it is not in "living colour" but the budget would not accommodate. Perhaps next time if we have more Supporters and more advertisers we can restore the publication to colour again.

Bringing out this issue of the Khartum Khronicle has been a very difficult journey for me.

It began with great uncertainty as the troubled financial position of Khartum meant that unless the Khronicle was literally self-supporting, it would not be published.

At the same time, it was impressed upon me how important to the functioning of Khartum the Khronicle was, since

Once again, I thank all my "reporters" for providing the copy.

If you are looking for an article about your Unit or Club and do not find it, speak to your President. Every Unit and Club was invited, in some cases several times, to submit an article. All article submitted have been printed. If you would like to see your Unit or Club activities reported on these pages, have a reporter for your Unit or Club appointed and as long as he is sufficiently literate in the 21st Century, that is can handle e-mail and write in

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## From the Desk of the Potentate

By **Illustrious Sir Jack Hildebrand**  
Potentate / CEO Khartum Shrine



**G**reetings again Nobles and Ladies of Khartum Shriners:

As the saying goes "Where does the time go when one is having fun"? I can say that for the most part this year has been a fun memorable one for me and Lady Lynne. There were some challenging times this year as your Potentate, things that I wish did not happen but life is too short to remember the negative things. We have to think on the positive, fun times. That being said where does one start to reminisce on what has happened this past year and who does one thank.

First of all, I would like to thank everyone who had the confidence in me last year and elected me to serve as your Potentate for Khartum Shriners this year. I was, and still am, very humbled to have been chosen to take on this position but with the help of God and the support of the Nobility and especially my dear loving and patient wife Lynne, I could not have done this job. I had to spend 3 to 5 days in Winnipeg while she stayed in Seven Sisters Falls trying to take care of our home, and for most of the time with a leg that had a knee brace on. But for all the Shrine functions we attended in Khartum Land, at Imperial and

Summer MSA, she was there beside me with her smiling face. I knowing she was in pain, but her response was, "it is for our Children." While having the knee-brace on and in a wheelchair at many functions, I would like to thank the many Divan Ladies and Nobles who assisted Lady Lynne around the different cities.

There are many Nobles and Ladies that I would like to thank on behalf of all the Nobility of Khartum Shriners. For all those Nobles who agreed to take on the various chairman positions in the various committees – Thank You. Special thanks go out to our Calendar Chair, Noble Hamish Barrit and his volunteers. Hamish, you have put out an excellent calendar, different units & clubs participated in pictures and sponsoring stories of our patients. We reduced the number of calendars printed but we never sold out. We tried! But we made a profit.

To our Circus Chairman, Noble Kevin (Bobo) Davis, Thank You. From the first day when I asked you to take on that position until the last day of the last performance, you gave of yourself 110%. I know you lived, breathed, and slept Circus. We both did. We travelled many miles together throughout Khartum Land with some of the excellent group of people you had volunteering for the circus to try and make it a success. We had great people like Noble Gerry Zoppa from the Selkirk Shrine Club who got over \$4,000.00 in sponsorships and advertisements for the Selkirk Circus. If we had more Nobles for the Winnipeg Circus getting sponsorships or ads for the program it would have been different. For those Clubs in Thompson, Dryden and Thunder Bay areas, you did great especially in the First Nations Communities where

we took the circus. In those communities they came out and supported it. Even though the accommodations were no Five Star, we made it do. We travelled many miles promoting Khartum, Shriners International and Shriners Hospital for Children to areas where they have never seen a circus in person but maybe only on TV. Just to bring the smiles to children and even grandparents faces, all makes it worth it. I know plans are being made for how Khartum undertakes the Circus in the future, but to make it succeed we need the support of all the Nobility not just in word but in action. A circus is not a one or two man show.

Another big "thank you" has to go out to Noble Lorne and Lady Shirley Gregorash for all the many countless hours they have put into arranging manpower for our circuses, Red River Ex and selling our major Raffle tickets at the various venues even when they are in Canmore, Alberta helping out one of the sick children or at their trailer in Portage la Prairie. Words cannot express our deepest gratitude to you both for what you have done for Khartum and our children.

To Noble Mark Fenny and the Nobles of our Pipes & Drums Unit who stepped up and volunteered to cut the grass around the Shrine Centre all summer, thank you, thank you and thank you.

To the members of our Khartum Ladies Auxiliary who have spent many hours at their different events raising money for the Khartum Shrine Patient Transportation Fund and the Winnipeg Children's Rehab Centre, thank you.

To the members of Daughters of the Nile, Sphinx Temple #116 for the support you are giving to our Shriners Hospital for Children-Canada in Montreal, thank you.

To Illustrious Sir Jack Hooper and Lady Elfrieda McLean, who have spent many years as Khartum's Recorder and Circus Secretary, we thank you and wish you both continued good health and a happy retirement.

To the Editor of the Khartum Khronicle, Noble Allan Cantor, thank you again for volunteering to try and put out an excellent magazine for the Nobility. Yes we need more ads for the Khronicle and more Nobles to help in sponsorship in the printing but it will come. The many Units and Clubs will support with articles for their magazine but it takes time.

There, I know are more people I should thank on Khartum's behalf but I am sorry if I have forgotten you. Whatever you are doing to help Khartum Shriners out we thank you.

Now what has been going on with Khartum Shriners

this past year, besides the Circus? Khartum Shriners participated in many of our community parades such as in Lac du Bonnet, Brandon, Dauphin, Morden, Selkirk, Winnipeg Beach, Pinawa, Stonewall, La Salle, La Riviere, Gimili and in many other community parades that our different Shrine Clubs are in. For all the Nobles that have taken time off from going to their summer cottages to attend the parades, we thank you. Your representatives to the Imperial Session attended this year's event in sunny, very hot Tampa Florida. We watched the different Shrine Centres in the July 4th Shrine Parade. For the marching units that were in the parade most of them were on trailers with their younger Nobles marching & playing alongside them. In speaking to them after they informed me that even though they could not march anymore they still wanted to be active in the Shrine promoting what we are all about hopefully getting younger people to join and it is working for them. Khartum marching units this is a possibility for you not to give up. Our Oriental Band participates in parades on a float still performing their music that is the "Sweetest This Side of Mecca". Give it a thought or even create an altogether musical unit.

At the Imperial Session it was mentioned that our Shriners Hospitals are doing great with regards to third party pay and operations and the Patient Transportation Funds at our Shrine Centres are doing good as well, but the Nobility should start to think about their own Shrine

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Centres and their operations. They cannot operate on just what the dues bring in. They have to have fundraising events to keep their Centres alive and running because if the Shrine Centres close most of the time the Nobility in those areas do not rejoin another Shrine Centre but quit altogether. Nobles we have to look after our own Shrine Centre.

At the Summer MSA that was held in Marquette, Michigan, this past August, even though we were few in numbers we made Khartum proud. We had our SBI Van & Trailer, the Ruff Riders Unit and our Khartum Kowboys with three of their own horses showing what we are all about.

This past August, I along with Illustrious Sir Andrew Skene and his son went to Sioux Lookout to volunteer as judges for the 2nd Annual Sioux Lookout Shrine Club's Fundraising Golf Tournament. This year the Nobles had an increase in participants and brought more awareness about the Shriners to their community. Here is a resurrected Club bring new life into the community. For years the Nobles travelled to Dryden for their meetings but now they have started up the old club and are bring in new younger members. Our Fezzes go off to you all in Sioux Lookout, Ontario. Thank you for the invite to allow me to participate in your event and good luck in your future endeavours to promote Khartum Shriners, Shriners International and Shriners Hospital for Children.

Just to let everyone know, changes are coming to the Khartum Shriners Centre in the near future that will, after completion, save us money. These changes include the upgrading of our telephone system, changing in our lighting, in the building and outside, to more energy efficient lights. Also, changes are being made to the wiring of our computer system which when completed will give us a hi-speed modem. With this upgrade we will have the capability to project our meetings to areas such as in Thompson, Dauphin, and Brandon and even

in Dryden & Thunder Bay. Clubs in those areas will be able to take part in our Stated Meetings and have a say rather than drive many hours now to attend the Stated Meetings. With this system in place we would be able to rent out our facility to more groups that need that service.

And for those that have not heard, Khartum's By-laws were approved by Imperial this August. From now on, the elections of officers will take place at the December Stated Meeting rather than at the January Meeting. With this change the newly elected Potentate can have time to pick his appointed officers prior to the Installation Night in January.

So from now on there will not be a November meeting that will have the Parade to Glory. It will all take place at the December Stated Meeting, this year being Thursday December 1st, 2016. I have asked that our By-laws be made available to all the Nobility on our website for viewing at their convenience or a copy can be obtained from the Recorder.

That all being said and I know that I have missed some important items to make you all aware as to what is happening in Khartum but I am sorry for that. Shortly our Units & Clubs will be getting together to have their annual meetings and Christmas Parties and with the Christmas Season coming upon us all, Lady Lynne and I would like to wish everyone a safe and healthy festive season with your families and we hope to see you all in the coming year. May God continue to bless Khartum Shriners, Shriners International and Shriners Hospital for Children. Till we meet again: "Happy to Meet, Sorry to Part, Happy to Meet Again."

"Es Selamu Aleikum"

Illustrious Sir Jack Hildebrand  
Potentate/CEO of Khartum Shriners

## Chaplains Corner

By Noble Norm Pohl, Chaplain

### Hope

In all likelihood we will be celebrating New Year 2017 less than 60 days from the time you receive this copy of your 2016 fall Khronicle. As we look forward to that New Year, we do so with renewed hope that it will be a great year for Khartum.

It would be fair to say the past year was not a banner year for Khartum. We saw a decline in our membership due

to the activity of what we refer to as the black camel. In spite of the effort and hard work of dedicated Nobles, the approved plans for our annual fundraisings did not achieve the hoped for goals.

The happenings in the life of Khartum for the year 2016 bring to mind an 1886 painting by George Frederick Watts entitled Hope. It is a picture painted in drab browns and grays on a blue background. In this picture "HOPE", is depicted as a young woman, sitting on a globe, blindfolded and clutching a wooden lyre with only one string left intact. She sits in a hunched position with her head leaning towards the instrument, perhaps so she can hear the faint music which she can make with the sole remaining string.

Hope is hardly a descriptive adjective that one would use to describe this picture, yet it is a picture that has been the inspiration for numerous lectures and inspirational talks emphasising HOPE. For example, in 1990 then Senator Barack Obama listened to a sermon given by his minister relating to this painting. "Take that one string you have left and have the audacity to hope," as the basic message. Later Barack Obama selected the words, "The Audacity of Hope." for the title for his second book.

Hope is one of the virtues, central to Freemasons and Shriners. It is the belief that we hold during difficult circumstances that things will get better. It responds to the aspirations which the Great Architect of the Universe has placed in our heart. It sustains and gives us courage to revive our goals and inspires us to move forward for a more successful tomorrow, a more successful year.

Hope for Khartum moving forward is not based on some wishful thinking, but on a committed effort by our 2016 Potentate Illustrious Sir Jack Hildebrand and Chief Rabban Noble Chibu Uson. On Saturday October 15th more than two dozen Nobles joined our Potentate and the Chief Rabban to study and adopt a strategic plan presented by facilitator Noble Jimm Simon. The implementation of this plan will increase recognition and support of our great philanthropy, our Shriner's hospitals. It will provide quality programs and services for our members and our families. In our commitment to this strategic plan we will communicate the goals, programs and accomplishments of Khartum to our community around us. This is one powerful response: revitalize Khartum's work.

There are a host of Nobles that are dedicating endless hours of their talent to the work of Khartum. Space and time will allow only a few to be mentioned for this publication.

There was a time, in 2015, when it appeared that for a lack of an editor there would be no more Khronicle. Noble Allan Cantor volunteered to take on this daunting task, and here it is for the benefit of every Noble. What causes a brother Shriner to take on these thankless jobs?

In addition to his responsibilities for his business enterprise and Masonic duties Khartum's High Priest and Prophet for 2016, Noble Doug McKechnie, managed to organize the solicitation of advertisers, to make this publication possible at no cost to the Shrine. Surly that is an indication of a Noble figuratively listening to the music coming from what may at first glance appear to be becoming from a Harp in less than perfect condition.

More than 60 Ladies and Nobles responded to the call with financial support for the revival of the Khronicle.

Noble Lorne Gregorash, S. B. I. Chairman Emeritus,

has made us aware of a major potential fund raising possibility. Through his connections, we will, in 2017, have an opportunity to participate in the transportation of visitors from the Red River Ex's parking lot to the entrance of the Ex's entertainment.

Our Hospital Chairman, Illustrious Sir Don Thomson, P.P. has a lapel pin for each New Nobles that sates, "I'M AN OWNER" "SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN." Yes, Nobles we share in the ownership of an institution that gives New Hope to children that come into our care.

The clarion call to every Shriner for the coming year is: come, lets band together to work as proud owners of Shriners Hospitals for Children. Let's be inspired with Hope that together we will make 2017 a Happy New Year in the advancement for the good work of our fraternity. It is hope that encourages hard work, risks and meaning. It is that deep feeling that lets us know that there is more to be achieved for the good of all.

And as Tiny Tim proclaimed, "God Bless Us Every One."



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## Es Selamu Aleikum



# Khartoum Flag Patrol

By Noble George Einarson



### FLAG PATROL COLOUR PARTY

*Left to right, Nobles Peter Campbell, George Einarson, Captain Wayne Hudson, President Carl Hrechka, Wilf Blommaert, Rob Arms, Jun Magseno.*

Hello all you Nobles in Khartum Kountry. The Patrol has had a very active and successful spring and summer. We have attended circuses in Winnipeg, Selkirk and Portage la Prairie. It's always exciting to kick-off the spec with the Pipes and Drums adding the magic of music. It also helps us keep in step. At this time the Patrol would like to salute one of our own: namely our Chief of Staff Noble George Kuch who has done an outstanding job in coordinating all of the Circus specs and community parades. Thank you Noble George for your dedication and organizational skills. Yes, sometime we, as Nobles, are not the easiest "Fezes" to coral and to happily get into place. Noble George: Keep smiling!

Our Color Party stepped off smartly on parades at Transcona, Winnipeg Beach, La Riviere, Pinawa, Lac du Bonnet, Gimli, Stonewall and Morden. There's no better way to show our colors, Fezes and friendly outlook to fellow Manitobans of all ages.

It's so important that our main goal is to provide more support for our children through our Shrine philanthropy and the participation of our communities.

One such example of this is the Annual Teddy Bears Picnic. Last May the Children's Hospital Research Foundation and the Teddy Bear Picnic Committee held a celebration to herald the 30th Anniversary of the Picnic. The Khartum Patrol and Pipes and Drums were honored for their 30th continual attendance at the Teddy Bears Picnic. Over the years the Shrine has been front and center at the Picnic, one of the high lights of the entertainment segment of the celebrations at Assiniboine Park. Congratulations Patrol and Pipes and Drums!!

As we approach the fall months, our Nobles are preparing for a very special celebration where we honor our LADIES! So on Friday December 9th, 2016 we will gather at Shrine House to enjoy a wonderful meal, wine, gifts and surprises. In addition to the Oriental Band and Fife and Drums, Nobles from The Provost Corp, our Potentate and Lady plus the Ladies from the Shine office will be invited. Our very own Patroller Chief of Staff Noble George Kuch is the major organizer and will have everything in fine order. What better way to begin our Christmas celebrations with our Ladies and many happy dedicated Nobles of Khartum.

The Patrol - Grey Cup tickets @ \$2.00 each are now available and sales are going very well. We are also awaiting the Shrine Christmas Cakes under the guidance of Noble Wilf Blommaert. And of course the Cruise Tickets are available.

I mentioned earlier that it is important to support our communities throughout Manitoba and Northwest Ontario. And as a result at the Gimli Parade our Shrine Patrol Color Party was featured on the front page of the Inter-Lake Enterprise along with several Viking groups. This paper is distributed throughout the Inter-Lake area and very well read.

Another special event is our Annual Ceremonial on Friday and Saturday October 14th and 15th, 2016. Our flags Nobles and Ladies will be on hand to celebrate and honor Illustrious Sir Garry Saunders and his Lady. Some of the events include a "Loon Brunch, Pirates at the Beach party and Illustrious Sir Jack Hildebrand and Lady Lynne's "Diamonds Are Forever" Potentate's Ball. There are lots of things to do and great fun for everyone. Let's all try to attend!

Soon we all will be celebrating Christmas and enjoying the holidays with family and friends. From the Patrol Nobles and our Ladies, we wish you peace, happiness and the Great Architect's blessing over the coming year! The CBC Network television program The "Rick Mercer Report" was on hand for the Morden Corn and Apple Festival.

The host of the program Rick Mercer was on hand to do interviews with some Nobles of Khartum. He talked with our Chief of staff, Noble George Kuch, and several Nobles of the Brandon Motor Patrol. Rick wanted to drive one of the cars but was restricted, due to insurance rules. However, they let him sit in one of the cars and parked two others in front and back of his vehicle. And they had two yards spacing so he really did drive but the course was very short.



Everyone had a lot of fun and his show was telecast in October featuring our very own Nobles. You can't beat this publicity for Khartum as shown across Canada! Thanks George.

More than 60 "Pioneer" Nobles gathered on Sept. 17th at Shrine House for a special luncheon honoring our senior members of Khartum.

The Patrol had 9 Nobles on hand including several honorary members and Noble Keith Duncan of the Provost a regular Flag carrier along with Noble Jack Goods received their 50-year certificate from the Imperial Potentate in Tampa as presented by Illus. Sir Jack Hildebrand.

Well done Nobles it looks like you joined the Shrine at 12 years of age. Your both looking great. Congratulations!

Yours in the Faith

# ***Khartum Komediains***

By Thor Weidenbacher

**A**s we head into the holiday season, the Komediains are proud to recognize the accomplishments of one of our members who became President of the International Shrine Clown Association this past year. Congratulations Noble Cliff Hartmier!



Noble Cliff Hartmier started his Masonic career in the Winnipeg Chapter Order of DeMolay, where an annual event was to participate in the annual Shrine Circus Parade as clowns. Later on, he joined Freemasonry in 1985 here in Winnipeg. Being a military man, Cliff joined the Canadian Forces in 1985 and moved around a few times. However, Winnipeg was his roots and home. Noble Hartmier joined Khartum Shriners in 2002

prior to heading overseas on a United Nations Golan Heights tour for 6 months in Israel. Upon his return, he received the official initiation into Shrinedom.

Prior to heading in Afghanistan in January 2006, Cliff applied for membership with the Komediains even though he lived in Shilo at the time. He became more active with the Komediains in 2008 when he was released from the military on a full time basis at which time and moved back to Winnipeg with his lady Deanna. Cliff was the President of the Khartum Komediains in 2010 and during his year, decided to travel to Toronto for the Imperial. The following year, he traveled to the 2011 Imperial in Denver to participate with the events sponsored by

the International Shrine Clown Association (ISCA). In February, 2012, Cliff travelled to Billings, Montana, for the his first ISCA Mid-Winter Annual Conventions. Cliff then travelled to his third Imperial in Charlotte, North Carolina, in 2012. With a suggestion from another Noble, Cliff was encouraged to consider allowing his name to stand for the position of 3rd Vice President of the ISCA. Huntsville, Alabama, was Cliff's 2nd mid-winter convention for ISCA and also where he was successfully elected to the office of 3rd Vice President. Since then, Cliff has been to the next four Imperials, with the last one being in Tampa.

As an elected officer, he is required to attend a spring and fall board meeting generally somewhere in the USA. The meetings have been in St Louis, Tampa, Minneapolis and Chicago, while the mid-winter conventions have been held in Wichita, Kansas, and Sioux City, Iowa.

During the convention in Sioux City this past February, Noble Hartmier was installed as the 53rd President of the International Shrine Clown Association, with Khartum's Potentate Jack Hildebrand and his lady Lynn in attendance. Noble Hartmier is the 3rd Canadian to hold this office. The other two Nobles were from the Rameses Shrine in Toronto and the Al Azhar Shrine in Calgary.

By the time this articles makes it to print, Cliff will have travelled to Richmond, Virginia, for the fall board meeting. Then again back to Richmond in February 2017 for the mid-winter annual convention and to pass the torch to the current 1st Vice President. This year, Noble Hartmier has travelled to the Northeast Clown Institute Convention in Plymouth, Maine, in January. The annual World Clown Association convention will be in Orlando, Florida, in March. The annual Clowns of American International Convention will be in Las Vegas, Nevada, in April, 2017.

Cliff is loving the adventure!

# ***Khartum Kowboys***

By Noble Wayne Kramble



*Jim & Wayne in Marquette, MI*

**T**he Khartum Kowboys' Captain Doug Collins, and 1st Lieutenant John Baptista were re-elected for 2017 as were the rest of our executive. We've had a great year attending local parades in Manitoba, and at the Mid-West Shrine Convention in Marquette MI. Now we are relaxing for the fall and winter with trail rides, our annual

brunch, and casual visits with our members. For some added enjoyment, Doug has taught his horse Frisco to pull a cart.



*Jim, Wayne & Doug at the Chickendaze Parade in Oakbank*



*Captain Doug & Frisco*

## Upcoming Events

(All events will be held at the Shrine House, 1155 Wilkes Ave., unless otherwise advised)

<p><b>Khartum Children's Xmas Party</b> November 20, 2016 ..... 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Sports Car Grey Cup Party</b> November 27, 2016 ..... 4:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Easter Egg Hunt</b> April 15, 2017..... 1:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Circle of Friends Brunch</b> April 22, 2017..... 10:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>Honoured Ladies Lunch</b> April 29, 2017</p>
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## Notices of Shine Events

<p><b>Khartum Shrine Installation</b> January 14, 2017 <i>(For more particulars, please call the office)</i></p>	<p><b>MSA Winter Session - Bloomington, MN</b> February 9th - 11th, 2017 <i>(For more particulars, please call the office)</i></p>
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## Notice of Meetings

(All meetings will be held at the Shrine House, 1155 Wilkes Ave., unless otherwise advised)

<p><b>Unit Council Meeting</b> November 1, 2016 ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Divan Meeting</b> November 29, 2016 ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Stated Meeting - Elections &amp; Parade to Glory*</b> December 1, 2016</p>	<p><b>Divan Meeting</b> January 10, 2017 ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Stated Meeting*</b> January 12, 2017 ..... 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Stated Meeting*</b> February 23, 2017 ..... 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Stated Meeting*</b> June 29, 2017 ..... 7:30 p.m.</p>
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\*The Stated Meeting on December 1, 2016, will be a dinner meeting: the bar will open for cocktails at 5:30 P.M.; Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. with a meal consisting of Chicken Pot Pie/coleslaw & dessert for \$10.00/per person and there will be a door prize. Please RSVP for this event, to the office, 204 925 1430, by Wednesday, November 30th NOON. The Meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

\*Dress Code for Stated Meetings is Unit Dress/Business Suit/ or Tux, and everyone will have to have his dues card for the current year to be admitted.

## **Khartum Provost Corps**

By Noble Norm Rimmer

This year the Khartum Provost Corps is celebrating 60 years of service to Khartum Temple. A committee of three Nobles; Bud Curran, Dennis Coyne & Fred Ashmore looked into forming the Provost Corps. As a result, eight Nobles formed the Unit in 1956. The following officers were elected: Secretary-Treasurer Noble L. Bud Figgins, Captain Noble Bill Curran, Lieutenants Blair Dowling and Art Lightfoot. The membership at that time was established at twenty-five.

The name of the unit was established as the Khartum Temple Provost Corps. Between 1959 and 1963 the first By-Laws of the Unit were passed, the official Provost Corps crest was established and the official dress uniform of blue blazer and gray slacks was passed.

The Provost Corps curling team won the first Khartum Temple Curling Bonsel.

Since that time, we have changed our dress uniform to the present brown blazer and brown pants with yellow stripe. Also a summer dress was adopted of white shirt with the brown pants.

The main duty of the Provost Corps, in addition to acting

on the Potentate's instructions and requests, is to ensure a proper image is portrayed to the public. As well, other duties include providing security at all functions of the Temple such as the Shrine Circus, Ceremonial, Potentate's Ball and marshalling at parades where Temple Units attend.

We have been busy with the three circuses, Selkirk, Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg each with two shows. The various parades have kept us on our toes, with four parades on the same day. We had to divide the Unit up so that we could cover all of them. Again we would like to thank all the Units and bands for your cooperation at the circuses and parades; it certainly makes our job easier.

The Provost Corps is still looking for any Noble not yet a member of a Unit or Club and maybe interested in joining our Unit. Please come out to one of our meetings to see what we are all about. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. We are here to have fun and help our kids, building for their future.

We wish all our shut-ins the best and hope they each have a speedy recovery. We extend our condolences to those who have lost a loved one recently.

## **Ritualistic Unit**

By Noble Tim McIsaac, President

The Ritualistic Unit is busy preparing for the most important time of the year—that being the annual Ceremonial to be held on Friday October 16th at Shrine House. Come out and support your fellow nobles as they provide our candidates with their very first experience which we are confident will leave a positive and lasting impression and result in the cultivation of a new group of dedicated members who will have long and distinguished tenures in our order working to help our young beneficiaries.

The Ritualistic Unit has undertaken an initiative to build comradery through ongoing opportunities to engage in activities to promote fellowship. To this end a fun night was organized in mid June which saw our members attend an evening of horse racing at the Assiniboia Race Track. The evening was well attended by our nobles and their ladies. Also in attendance were some members of the Oriental Band which was invited to join us.

The Ritualistic Unit took the opportunity to sponsor one of the races. The race was named after the Unit and members had their picture taken with the winning horse and its owner.



*The Nobles from the Unit, pictured are, from the left, Nobles Tim McIsaac, President, John Hill, Bob James, Norm Pohl and Allan Cantor.*

And here is the horse.



Discussions are ongoing within the Unit to plan future team building events such as attending the Ceremonial

of another temple and volunteering as a group to provide a few hours of service to one of many organizations in our community which are always in need of assistance in carrying out their service to our community.

It should be noted here that a bi-product of these initiative is the visibility they provide for Khartoum Shrine. For as we all are aware, given the many challenges we face, we can never have too much free and positive publicity.

Finally, the Ritualistic Unit would like to congratulate Noble Tim McIsaac on his recent installation as Associate Supreme Guardian of Job's Daughters International. Noble Tim is the first Manitoban to serve in this capacity in the nearly one hundred year history of JDI.

## Skooters

By Noble Lorne Britton, Vice President

**S**kooters had a quiet year overall therefore this report is short.

Skooters started the year off on May 28th with a wine and cheese social afternoon hosted by Noble Don Graham and Lady Eleanor. A fine time was had in the Graham's backyard sampling various cheeses and wines (Noble Don makes a superior wine!). Many, many thanks to Noble Don and Lady Eleanor.

Due to an overlap in dates for a number of parades, the Skooters were only able to participate in 3 parades this summer. On July 16th we rode to Selkirk for their parade and rode back via River Road. This is always a scenic and enjoyable ride. This year we met our Ladies at a roadside park just north of Larders Golf Club and had a picnic

lunch organized and catered by Noble Don Graham and Lady Eleanor. Thanks again to the Grahams and also to all who participated.

On August 1st we attended the Icelandic Festival Parade in Gimli and the usual great oasis at the Canadian Legion. Always a good time and thanks again to the Legion.

On August 27th we trailered to the Morden Corn and Apple Festival which is always the largest and longest parade of the year.

As an end to the summer, on September 11th, we rode in the Safe Ride from the Legislature to Polo Park and over to the Pony Coral. This short quick ride is usually attended by Vintage Cars and Skooters, the Lieutenant-Governor and representatives of the Provincial Government and City Police Patrol Officers.

On behalf of our Skooter Family we wish everyone a safe winter

## Vintage Cars Unit

By Noble Clare Takeuchi

**N**obles and Ladies of Vintage Car Unit, by the time you receive this issue of the Khronicle it will be the end of the year 2016.

Congratulation to our President Noble Barry Homenick for his appointment as Ambassador Shriner by Tampa Shrinedom.

Two of our members Noble Ed Tinkler and Noble Clare Takeuchi were presented their 25-year pin at the September, 15th, Stated Meeting by Our Potentate, Illustrious Sir Jack Hildebrand. Thank you Noble Barry for reminding the Potentate that our pins were long overdue.

Our parades will be over for another year and new executives elected at our annual final dinner meeting on November 15th. Our Ladies Night is being planned by our Captain Noble Gerry Zoppa.

Our Captain Gerry Zoppa and Lady Anna also hosted our annual B.B.Q. at their residence. Thank you very

much for your hospitality, as fun was had by 31 members and their Ladies.

A great big thank you to Noble Gerry Zoppa, Captain, and the Lieutenants of our Unit to arrange the events during parade season. Noble Gerry and the Lieutenants undertook the responsibility of organizing the members at nine parades. Noble Gerry reports that we had a great turn out of cars at the parades and were able to satisfy the Potentate and the Divan at these events. Thank you to Noble Paul Romas and Lady Cathie for having the oasis at the Lac Du Bonnet Parade.

Anything I have missed can be corrected by our members by attending our monthly meetings. Please partake in our fund raisers as this is how we help our cause: the Shrine Hospitals for Cripple Children.

Vintage Cars Christmas Cake Chairman will be Noble Ed Tinkler and Noble Gerry Zoppa is the Calendar Chairman. Nobles please support our chairman for these two fund raising events. Thank you again for a great job Noble Ed & Noble Gerry.

Our gentlemen's dinner and election will be on Nov.15th. Please support our new elected officers for 2017, as our Vintage Car Membership support has decreased to a point where some tough decisions have to be made by

the new executive for the Unit. I hope our new executive members will be announced in our next issue of the Khronicle to be issued in the spring if the Khronicle is financially supported by the Khartum Shriners. As a member of Vintage Car Unit, doesn't it seem strange to you as you read the Khronicle that the same 6 or 7 members of the unit are doing all the work. If you are a member of our Unit, we would like to have your attendance at the meetings and partake in our Unit welfare and functions. This is the only way this Unit is going to survive. Do you want this unit to survive, or be like the automobiles of yesteryears: DeSoto, Nash, Studebaker, Kaiser <GONE>!

We at the Vintage Car Unit are looking for new Shrine Members who have automobiles that are 25 years or older or a special interest in model cars to join our Unit. We give Khartum Shrine miles and miles of support for the Shriner children that require our assistance. Call one of our executives or the Shrine House for the phone number of Noble Barry Homenick.

To all our Vintage Car Nobles, Ladies and Family, and also to those that are ill and unable to partake in our events, please have a pleasant Yuletide Holiday, and may the New Year, 2017, bring you and your loved ones joy, health and happiness from my Lady Starr and myself, Clare Takeuchi, and our family.

## Hospital Report

By Nobel Don Thomson, Hospital Chair



**G**reetings Nobles and Ladies; Khartum Shriner's Patient Transportation portfolio has been very busy for the first three quarters of 2016. To the end of September, Khartum Shriners have sponsored 194 patient visits (12 new patients). Of these 77 (40%) are from NW Ontario, 89 (46%) are from Winnipeg and surrounding area and the remaining 28 (13%) are from the rural Manitoba Shrine Clubs.

Khartum patients have had 121 visits to the Twin Cities Hospital, 60 visits to the Canadian Hospital, 8 visits to the Boston hospital and 4 visits to the Chicago Hospital and one visit to the Philadelphia Hospital. Costs to the end of September are about \$167,700.00.

The breakdown of these visits to the end of September is: Winnipeg/Montreal - 33 (5 new); Winnipeg/Minneapolis - 48 (2 New); Winnipeg/Chicago - 4; Winnipeg /Boston 3; Brandon SC/Minneapolis 5; Selkirk Shrine Club/Minneapolis - 7; Interlake SC/Minneapolis 1; Interlake

SC/Montreal 1; Pembina Valley SC/Montreal - 4; Pembina Valley SC/Boston - 5; Pembina Valley/Minneapolis 2; Dauphin SC/Minneapolis 1; Swan River/Montreal 2 (1 New); Thunder Bay/Minneapolis -57 (3 new); Thunder Bay /Montreal 8; Fort Frances/Montreal 1; Dryden/Montreal 1 and Lake of the Woods/Montreal - 10. These statistics include the 2 patients from Thunder Bay with long stays; 1 in Montreal from July 10 to September 24 and one in Minneapolis from July 21 to August 19, 2016.

Noble Gino Berretta is the Chairman of the Board of Governors for Shriners Hospital for Children Canada. Gino who was a star in the CFL with the Montreal Alouettes and Ottawa Rough Riders recently passed on some advice to Canada's Paralympics, some of whom are past and present Shrine patients. "Believe in yourself, tell yourself, 'I can do this!' You have to know you're going to give it your absolute best, for the fans, your teammates, your coaches, and the sport you love."

Noble Berretta played the game with "humility, devotion and determination," traits that have served him well on the field and continue to serve him well, as owner of J.E. Hanger, a Montreal company that is a leader in the sales of orthopedic prosthetic and surgical appliances.

Noble Berretta started to work at J.E. Hanger during his playing days with the Alouettes. Knee injuries were

prevalent at the time, and he asked himself: "How can we protect athletes from this type of injury?" He invented a knee brace in the 1970s that was patented and ended up being worn by professional and amateur athletes alike, including Bob Gainey and Larry Robinson of the Montreal Canadiens, as well as Canadian Olympic skier Steve Podborski, and by Dan Marino, quarterback for the Miami Dolphins. These days, Noble Berretta works closely with patients of the Canada Shriners Hospital to develop new orthotics and appliances to make their lives a little easier.

"Working with Shriners Hospitals for Children has been a highlight of my life and very gratifying," says Gino "I have accomplished what I really wanted to accomplish - helping athletes, and now helping kids."

**Dr. Vedant Kulkarni, gets the "Sage Award".** One in three children with cerebral palsy is at risk for hip development problems. A regular schedule of examinations and x-rays – a hip surveillance program – can preserve a child's function and greatly reduce pain. HipScreen promotes early detection by guiding users through the surveillance process with educational materials and assessment tools.

The American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine honored HipScreen with its Fred P. Sage Award on September 24, 2016 at its annual meeting in Hollywood, Florida. The Sage award recognizes outstanding clinical research and educational material presented in an electronic format.

Dr. Vedant Kulkarni, who led the development of HipScreen, accepted the Sage award. Dr. Kulkarni is devoted to treating children with all types of pediatric orthopaedic conditions and injuries. He has a special interest in neuromuscular disorders such as cerebral palsy and is part of the Cerebral Palsy Center of Excellence at the Northern California Shriners Hospital, where he worked with the program director Dr. Jon R. Davids to develop HipScreen.

The Academy also honored Dr. Kulkarni with the Mac Keith Press Promising Career Award for his scientific presentation validating the accuracy of HipScreen's X-ray assessment tool. "Hip surveillance has a long track record of success in Europe and Australia where centralized medicine has allowed for close study of the population of children with cerebral palsy. The application of these proven hip surveillance programs in a global medical context will require innovation," says Dr. Kulkarni.

"By 2020, it is estimated that 70 percent of the world's population will have smartphone access and that 90 percent of the globe will have access to high-speed data networks. The development of this app utilized this growing technologic trend to educate and empower

providers and families to understand and implement hip surveillance guidelines," Dr. Kulkarni adds.

HipScreen gives providers and their families a resource to better understand and utilize hip surveillance guidelines for children with cerebral palsy. Its features include:

- Embedded educational material on evidence for hip surveillance, radiologic and clinical evaluation and clinical protocols for effective surveillance;
- Evidence-based guidelines on frequency of clinical exam and X-rays;
- An easy-to-use tool for measuring -rays on your devices, while maintaining patient privacy

**The Pediatric Simulation Centre, located on the second floor of Shriners Hospitals for Children - Canada is now open.**

His name is José. He's a dummy, literally. José is the mannequin or, more accurately, the high-fidelity, junior-patient simulator that mimics a wide range of conditions, from a healthy, talking child to an unresponsive, critical patient with no vital signs. The patient simulator is just one of many training tools to be found in the newly opened Pediatric Simulation Centre located on the second floor of Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada. It is changing the way health professionals are trained and will ultimately enhance quality of care and patient safety. The Centre delivers high-fidelity, realistic simulations for surgical, medical, nursing, respiratory therapy and for allied health practitioners. It offers a safe, realistic environment, allowing health professionals and students to increase their knowledge, hone their skills, and practice teamwork in the context of realistic patient scenarios. The Pediatric Simulation Centre at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada is the only such center in the Shriners' network of 22 locations.

"Modern medical education requires novel teaching modalities. Medical simulation has become an integral part of any modern health care curriculum," says Reggie Hamdy, M.D., chief of staff, Shriners Hospital for Children – Canada. "Our goal is to promote excellence in pediatric health care in a family-centered environment by using medical simulation to improve the knowledge, skills, and behavior of health professionals and establish a culture of continuous professional development. Our intent is to become no less than a nationally and internationally recognized center of excellence in pediatric medical simulation."

As a Shriner and medical student, Michael P.H. Stanley wrote a figurative children's story to describe the warm and dutiful care patients at Shriners Hospitals for Children receive. His friend, Samantha Silva, illustrated

the work in watercolors, and together they have shared the children's book called Love to the Rescue - A book of hope and healing, for patients, their families and patrons of Shriners Hospitals for Children for their enjoyment and relief. Michael and Sam hope you enjoy the work, share it with your loved ones and consider contributing it in whatever way you can to ensuring that Shriners Hospitals

remain one of the greatest medical philanthropies.

Nobles this is what it is all about, Shriners helping children have a better quality of life. Thank you for all you do for Our Shrine and Our Children.

## Brandon & District Shrine Club

By Noble Rod March

We hope everyone enjoyed the summer. The Fall season is upon us and with it the return to regular meetings.

The Ladies will be organizing a Family Christmas Party at the Club for members, children and Friends of the Shrine. Check the monthly bulletin for details.

Although Brandon did not stage a Shrine Circus this year, our Nobles were still busy with the Brandon Shrine Circus Daddy Program. Club President Noble Brian McLaren and Noble Ross Mann organized the sales team and our Nobles performed their duties in fine fashion. From early reports the funds raised will meet all expectations. Final results will be tallied by year's end.

That's it for now. See you at the meetings on the fourth Wednesday.

President Noble Brian McLaren represented Shriners at the Decoration Day Memorial Ceremony in June and laid a wreath on behalf of all Shriners.



Original Members 1966

Cal Szakacs Walter Barr Rube Wheeler Jack Donovan W.A. Wilton Ted Higgins  
Frank Woodmass Glen Lawson Bud Higgins Humphrey Davies Harry Clark Ted Duffield  
Not Shown: Keith Dangerfield Mike Dudar An Egilsson Conrad Fitz-Gerald Hank Rungay

The Brandon Car Patrol Unit once again had a very busy parade season representing Khartum Temple and keeping the Shrine objectives front and centre at numerous parades in Westman. This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the Brandon Car Patrol. Noble Don Johnston and his team arranged for a special celebration in September to mark the occasion. The Potentate, III. Sir Jack Hildebrand, and his Lady Lynn and visiting Nobles and Friends of the Shrine enjoyed an evening of fine food, memories and entertainment. Check out the photos following this report and see how many Nobles you recognize!

## BRANDON CAR PATROL

Celebrating 50 Years



Current Members 2016

Bill Cumming Terry Metcalf Mark Griffith Rick Kenderdine Derek Kindrat  
Ross Mann Drew Mills Bob Dennis Brian McLaren Garth Cumming  
Don Johnston George Ayerst Bart Hawkins Grant McMullan Jack McLeod  
Missing: Jack Roscoe, Wes Beatty

We like to recognize milestones and at this time we send extra special congratulations to Noble Charlie Duguid and Lady Pat and Noble Bob Dennis and Lady Loraine who celebrated 60th Wedding Anniversaries – both on September 29! We wish you all the best and many more.

Nobles Bill Cumming and Drew Mills organized a very successful Fall Supper at the Club in October. Many thanks to all the Nobles and Ladies who worked tirelessly on this annual event. Your efforts on behalf of the Club are extremely gratifying.

## Past Masters Club

By Nobel Villarico (Rico) Villarin



On behalf of the officers and members of the Khartum Temple Past Masters Club, peace and greetings to everyone. We hope that you had a great and a very enjoyable summer.

Congratulations to Noble Stan Barclay who has been installed as the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Manitoba. Likewise, to Noble Norm Pohl who was also invested as an Honorary Grand Master of Manitoba. Both Brethren are members of this club and we are very proud of them.

The Khartum Temple Past Masters Club is having a meeting on Monday, November 28 at Perkin's Restaurant, 123 Vermillion Road (along Fermor Ave., Trans-Canada Highway). Supper is at 5:30 PM followed by a meeting. We are also having an election of Executive Officer that day. If you are interested in attending, kindly inform our Brother Secretary/Treasurer, Noble Brian Monkman either by email (monkman1@mymts.net) or call (204) 265-9315 so necessary arrangement with the restaurant can be made.

For those who are interested to join, we'll have an application forms ready for you.

## Khartum Ladies Auxiliary 1925 - 2016

By Lady Hope Rosenbaum, President

I must say it has been a busy year so far and doesn't seem like it will be letting up in the near future.

We have successfully moved over to Shrine House for our monthly meetings. We have been welcomed royally by the Potentate and his Divan and hope that the relationship will continue for many years to come. This is not to say that we will be severing our relationship with the Children's Rehabilitation Centre; we merely have a new home for our meetings. Our donations to the Building Fund, Shrine Patient Transportation Fund (in the sum of \$8,000.00 - \$10,000.00 annually) and the Children's Rehabilitation Centre (which is at their request) will continue.

Myself, and the ladies of the Auxiliary have been busy since our May meeting representing the Khartum Ladies Auxiliary at as many Masonic Family functions as possible. I personally have attended the installations for Grand Lodge, Daughters of the Nile and Job's Daughters and have represented our organization at the Winnipeg, Portage and Brandon Circuses.

Our fundraising seems to be right on track. A huge job to say the least, our Raffle Tickets are doing extremely well, thanks to the organizational and mathematical skills of June Krochenski and Bonnie Davies and all of the wonderful Auxiliary members who have sat at the numerous venues (Chamois and Sobeys) and sold the Raffle Tickets to the kind people of Winnipeg. We only print 5,000.00 tickets, so if any Nobles have not had the opportunity to purchase their tickets please hurry as the draw will occur on November 7, 2016.

We have also had an extremely successful **Spaghetti Night** which was well attended by all branches of the Masonic Family and we would like to express our appreciation for all the support.

We also have a **Ukrainian Night** planned for October 23, 2016 with tickets at the cost of \$20.00 each. The meal will consist of Perogies, Kolbasa, Ham, Coleslaw and desert.

We will once again, be selling Morden's Chocolates for the Christmas Season, so please contact one of our ladies to purchase your very "low calorie" treats.

We thank the Nobles of Khartum for all of their support and hope that our fund raising efforts aid in their efforts to provide a better physical life for the Shrine children that we all support and must never forget that they are the only reason why we do what we do.

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# Lakehead Shrine Club

By Noble Bob Vogt

## KIDS HELPING KIDS.

In early June 2016, Nobles Grant Poulin (Club Secretary) Bob Willet (1st Vice President) and Richard Bauch (2nd Vice President) attended a monumental presentation at Kingsway Park Elementary School here in Thunder Bay, Ontario.

The purpose of their visit was to meet with school teacher, Gen Veltri, and her class, known as the "Harbour Youth Services Kindness Club" to receive their latest contribution to the Lakehead Shrine Club's 'pop tab' initiative.

The Kindness Club, since 2011, with Ms. Veltri's guidance, has been collecting aluminum 'Pop Can Tabs' for The Lakehead Shrine Club. The sales of the "tabs" raises money to purchase prosthetic devices and wheelchairs for the children that attend the Shriners Hospitals both here in Canada and the United States.

The enthusiasm of the class to get behind this project is very evident by the numbers of tabs collected since the program's inception. (Shown in the box)

2011 - 62,000	2014 - 322,424
2012 - 105,922	2015 - 817,966
2013 - 124,597	2016 - 227,630

**Grand Total = 1,660,539**

Pictured below are Nobles chatting with the group, instructing them on how with their help, they are benefitting other children less fortunate than themselves, and thanking them, graciously, for their heartfelt effort and devotion to the cause.



The Group (shown above) thanked the Shiners for the opportunity to partner with their program, and on this very special project. Ms. Veltri also stated on behalf of the school and Harbour Youth Services, "Kids helping Kids is a wonderful thing to be a part of." The Lakehead Shrine Club offers an invitation to other schools in the area to participate in this worthwhile project. If any schools are interested in the challenge please contact: Noble Art Stephenson. (807)9391437 or e-mail: [gart@tbaytel.net](mailto:gart@tbaytel.net)



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# Sphinx Temple No. 116, Daughters of the Nile

By Queen Lindsay Lorteau

Sphinx Temple No. 116 had a busy summer as always. We began with celebrating our 60th Anniversary with a lovely afternoon at the Khartum Shrine Centre. Our Charter Member, Pr. Nell Macauley, was able to join us as we celebrated 60 years of fun, fellowship and philanthropy for our Temple. Queen Lindsey and Past Queen Audrey Hill were thrilled to participate in the May seminar held at Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada in Montreal! How wonderful to meet and hear from the talented and dedicated physicians and staff at our Hospital as they continue the research and treatment to care for our kids.

During the 100th Supreme Session in Indianapolis, we congratulated the following members who were appointed by the Supreme Queen: PSQ Nancelyn Ross, Supreme Temple Parliamentarian; Member – Jurisprudence Committee; PQ Elfrieda McLean, Supreme Goodwill Ambassador - Central Area; PQ Marilyn Kowaluk, Supreme Temple Canadian Flag Escort; PQ Marcy Saunders, Supreme Temple Banner Escort; Pr. Melody Terin, Vice-Chairman of the Supreme Insurance Committee.

While at Supreme Session, we heard about the total giving from Daughters of the Nile for the 2015-16 year: the Canadian Foundation sent \$242,378.47 to Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada and the American Foundation sent \$1,730,655 to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Combined with over \$1 Million in soft goods such as quilts, toys, batteries, books, pajamas, etc., that totals approximately \$3 Million given to Shriners Hospitals for Children by Daughters of the Nile last year! Congratulations on helping so many kids, ladies!

In July, several of our members travelled to Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada in Montreal where Supreme Queen Cathy Carol Rose presented the \$5 Million on behalf of Daughters of the Nile. What a treat to be a part of this momentous occasion! The children we met were so sweet and the little girls couldn't wait to try on the crowns worn by Supreme Queen Cathy Carol and Queen Lindsey! In August, we welcomed Supreme Queen Cathy Carol to Winnipeg when the Temple Officers all conducted a beautiful portrayal of the Ceremony of Initiation as we welcomed our newest Princess, Pat Scott, to our Temple.

Sphinx Temple No. 116 is pleased to welcome our two Masonic youth groups who will visit us this fall; Bethel 9, Job's Daughters International and Winnipeg Chapter,

DeMolay International. Both will be giving presentations to our ladies at the October and November Stated Sessions.

This summer, we were pleased to congratulate Pr. Heather's Noble, Tim McIsaac, as he was installed as the Associate Supreme Guardian of Job's Daughters International and our own Queen Lindsey was installed as Supreme 5th Messenger at the Supreme Session in Grand Rapids, MI. We look forward to the ongoing collaboration with our Masonic Youth.

As we geared up for fall activities again, we held a successful Spaghetti Fest fundraiser in September. Our next two fundraisers are a Diva Night on January 21, 2017 and a Tea House on February 11, 2017. If anyone is interested in information about either event, please contact our Pr. Recorder, Carol Hadley, at sphinxrecorder116@gmail.com and she can connect you with the appropriate person. Successful fundraisers such as these enable our Temple to continue to operate as well as facilitate our donations to the Canadian Foundation in support of Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada.

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# Lake of the Woods Shrine Club

By Noble Mark Nadeau



We have been busy trying to get the Santa picture venue set, and are hoping for a successful turnout this year to sit and get a picture with the jolly guy.

I would like to congratulate a new noble, Stanley Arbuckle, and welcome him to our club. Stan has been helping out at the fish fry for several years and finally we got him to sign an application to join us. As we all know we need fresh new blood in our units and clubs in order to get us moving forward into the future.

From all the members of the Lake of The Woods Shrine Club, have a safe and very enjoyable Christmas season.

Remember to make someone feel special every day.

This year's fish fry was a success. Thanks goes out to Noble Ross Sillery and Lady Laurene for hosting this event. I would like to thank all the many volunteers for giving their valuable time for such an important money making event.

Many thanks to the casting for children boys that raised more than \$9000 for the children transportation fund. These young men went out of their way to make sure that the Kenora Bass International Bass Tournament and our much needed fund was a success.

## Donor Relations

By Noble Kelly Eldridge

### Preparing for necessary discussions

Money and end-of-life discussions are difficult topics for most people. Discussing them as they relate to each other increases the discomfort of the conversation for many people to a level they would rather avoid. For some, these two topics may even be considered an absolute taboo for a number of reasons including culture and upbringing. It's no surprise that talking about estate planning, wills, bequests, powers of attorney, health care directives, long-term care, funeral wishes, and so on, is a topic that is often avoided. This can even be the case when the necessity of dealing with end-of-life issues becomes unavoidable. Let's examine some of the common stumbling blocks faced in planning for death including how to get the conversation started, topics for consideration, and tips on how to make the conversation easier and productive.

#### It's always the right time to have this talk...

Given the discomfort that people have regarding money and death, it's wise to follow a few guidelines to ensure the talk gets off to a good start, a productive and loving conclusion.

1. As you might imagine, the discussion can go a lot smoother when there are no looming health issues, home care issues or financial crises in the wings. Since life can change unexpectedly, the "talk" should be given a reasonably high priority on your to-do list.

2. Choose a time when stress is minimal. For example, if Thanksgiving is a typical family flashpoint, avoid that holiday. Summer might be a great time when everyone is relaxing at the cottage after dinner.

3. Make sure everyone knows what's on the agenda, and why, so that they can prepare themselves for a matter-of-fact discussion.

4. Meeting in person is likely much more appropriate than email or telephone. If long distance is a must, a video-based instant messaging system like Skype would be better than voice only (and much, much better than text only). Visual and audio contact is important to gauge the reaction and emotional temperature.

5. Remember that the individual whose estate is being planned has the right to make their own decisions. And there are lots of decisions to be made. Take your time and go slowly. Unanswered questions can be left for a follow-up meeting.

6. Designate a recorder for the meeting. There are many 'soft' details that need to be captured and having a written record could resolve disputes down the road.

7. Don't be afraid to invite expert help, such as a lawyer, accountant, financial planner, executor or mental health professional. Professionals can provide some coaching ahead of time and can give you access to information as well as strategies that can make the discussions go more easily.

#### Your discussion checklist...

You've set the stage for "the talk" and everyone has agreed to join in the discussion on estate planning. Once

the participants get past the dreaded “death” word, the conversation can evolve naturally to discuss many of the topics that must be addressed. Now what? What exactly needs to be covered? Here’s a starting checklist to keep the conversation on track.

### **Will**

Where is the will located, and what are the highlights of the distribution of assets and liabilities?

### **Executor**

Who is the executor and what financial arrangement is in place to compensate the executor?

### **Bequests**

You may want to leave specific assets, like a cottage or business, to certain beneficiaries while treating all of them fairly. Or, you may want to make a sizeable gift to charity upon your death. These are likely spelled out in your will, but your family should be aware of them and your reasons for the bequests. It’s also an opportunity for heirs to identify specific items they’d like to be bequeathed, so that they could be included in the will. Often household items have significant meaning to one child, but mean nothing to the others. Identifying them now is a way to avoid conflict later.

### **Help in the Home**

A large proportion of the elderly will need help in the home at some point, even if it is just while they are recuperating from an illness. While family members have historically been the first line of defense, the potential need for home care – nurse’s aides, cleaners or even companions – must be thought through and considered by all participants.

### **Nursing Home Care**

There are substantial differences across Canada in terms of the kinds of care available, the costs borne by individuals for assistance, residency requirements, and waiting times. Nursing homes can be necessary to provide care when an individual cannot care for him or herself safely at home and/or the family cannot provide appropriate care. Like help at home, these costs need to be planned for.

### **Tax Planning**

The tax implications on death are complex, and best discussed with an Advisor. Your Advisor can help you minimize and defer tax and other costs arising on your death and allow for a smooth and timely transfer of assets to your beneficiaries.

### **Health Care Directives**

In other countries, this might be known as a ‘living will’. It is a document that appoints someone to make decisions about your health or personal care should you become incapacitated.

### **Power of Attorney**

A power of attorney is a document that authorizes someone to act on your behalf in a number of matters ranging from signing cheques, purchasing, selling or dealing with investments; collecting rents, profits or commissions; managing, buying or selling real estate, conducting business operations (but not health care). A power of attorney terminates upon your death, unlike a will which provides for the handling and distribution of your estate after your death. Both a will and a power of attorney are needed.

### **Funeral Wishes**

An entire range of options exists on this subject – from prepaying and preplanning the entire funeral, to simple wishes for cremation with no ceremony. If you have specific thoughts about how you’d like to be remembered, now is the time to bring them up and share them with your loved ones.

*Your estate wishes are too important to leave to chance. Speak to your family, financial planning and tax advisors about creating your estate plan.*

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Editor’s Note: A Rotary Member of District 5550 of Rotary International developed an excellent outline on this subject called “Just in Case”. It provides an additional and valuable directive and planning tool for this issue. A member of Rotary could help you to this publication.



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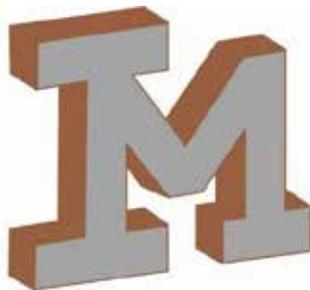
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# Polio Child

A Book by Carol Rankimore

Carol Rankimore was a patient, as a child, at the Shrine Hospital for Children in Winnipeg, and the Potentate requested that the following article should be included in the Khartum Khronicle.

- Polio Child by Carol Rankimore
- Published by Friesen Press

During the 1940s and 50s, Canadian families lived in a state of panic, trying to shield their children from being infected by the often-deadly and very widespread disease – poliomyelitis. No one knew how it was transmitted; no one knew why a child was infected. Journey with Carol Rankmore as she tells her story from polio survivor to the previously unknown condition now called Post-Polio Syndrome. Her sensitive memories of childhood coupled with wry humour and historical background make this book a must-read memoir that has major implications for ageing polio survivors today.

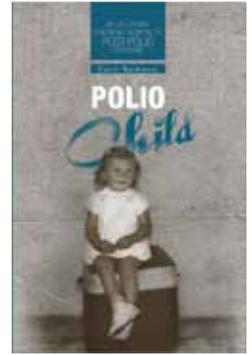
Carol was hospitalized for months at a time for each of six corrective surgeries at the newly-opened Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Winnipeg. In these

days before Medicare, Carol was fortunate that this state-of-the-art hospital offered free medical support to families in financial need. Carol takes us through a frightening and lonely childhood into an adulthood thought to be ‘cured’ of the deadly disease and its after-effects. But had the experience coloured her adult life? Her marriage and her career? Or had the after-effects of the polio experience helped her? Her last challenge was the diagnosis of Post-Polio Syndrome.

Despite her medical trials, Carol’s memoir is one of hope. With frank insights into the challenges of PPS, this book offers the possibility of managing it successfully through careful exercise, a determination to never give up and a positive attitude. *Polio Child* will prove an invaluable resource for those living with – or care-giving for someone with – Post-Polio Syndrome or other disabilities.

*Polio Child* will be available for sale (\$17.99) at the McNally Robinson Bookstore – Grant Park Mall.

There are copies of *Polio Child* available for sale at the Khartum Shriners front desk.



## “Safe Cruising on Sunday Night”

Annually, a number of Shriners organize what they call “Safe Cruise Night” when Shriners mainly from the Vintage Car and Skooters Units organize a parade to promote safe driving.

Noble Ross Holt is the originator of the venture. As reported in the Winnipeg Free Press back in 2008, Noble Ross “is normally a mild-mannered and fun-loving guy, but in the summer of 2005 he was mad. Steaming mad. The longtime Shriner and member of the Khartum Sports Car Unit was upset that an innocent woman, Linda Rudnicki, 39, had recently died after her car was hit by another vehicle that was street-racing down Portage Avenue on a Sunday night. Never one to sit back and watch, Holt took matters into his own hands.

His first step was to reach out to his neighbor and friend, Jack Ewatski, who at the time was the chief of the Winnipeg Police Service.

‘I wasn’t sure what we needed to do.’ recalls Holt. ‘But I knew something had to be done to promote safe cruising in Winnipeg.’ Thanks to that initial meeting and continued dedication to a topic he feels is just as relevant today as it was the evening Rudnicki lost her life’. On a selected Sunday evening, along with fellow Shriners, a group of local cruisers with strong support from several levels of government, organize an annual Safe Cruise parade.”

This year’s parade took place on September the 11th. It formed up at the Legislative Building and with police escort, Shriners from the Skooters Unit, the Vintage Car Unit, Sports Car Unit and others proceeded down to Portage Avenue, then went west on Portage to Polo Park, circled around the Clarian Hotel and headed east on Portage Avenue to Maryland over the Maryland bridge and finished at the Pony Coral at the Grant Park Shopping Centre.

This year’s parade was the 12th Annual Safe Cruise parade to promote the idea that the streets of Winnipeg should be safe for “Safe Cruising.”



Here is a picture of the lead units.

Editor’s Note: Your Editor received quite a number of interesting photographs. Unfortunately, they were unaccompanied by any copy so I could not publish them. Next time, perhaps the organizers, being mindful of the exigencies of the 21st Century and its reliance on electronic format to produce print copy, will produce an electronic version of the material I received suitable for publishing, assuming, of course, we have a Khronicle in the fall of 2017.

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# Excerpts from the 2016 Khartum Ceremonial



The Oriental Guide, Noble Allan Cantor and the High Priest and Profit, Noble Larry Cherrett, await the approach of the First Ceremonial Master and the candidates.



The Potentate has instructed the Oriental Guide to conduct the Candidates around the hall, with the assistance of the First Ceremonial Master, Noble Doug McKechnie, who is following the Oriental Guide, followed by the Candidates. They parade around the Alchemist, Noble Ross Johnston.



There has been an alarm and the Oriental Guide has challenged the First Ceremonial Master to explain the alarm.



The Oriental Guide leads the First Ceremonial Master and the Candidates beside the Director of the Choir, marching to the tempo of "The Marching Song", which in the absence of the Organist the Oriental Guide has had to humm.



The Potentate, Noble Bob James (centre) is seated between the Chief Rabban, Noble Ian Dark, on the left and the Assistant Rabban, Noble David Lerner, on the right, who preside over the Ceremonial events.

Eight Candidates were successfully inducted into Khartum Shrine.

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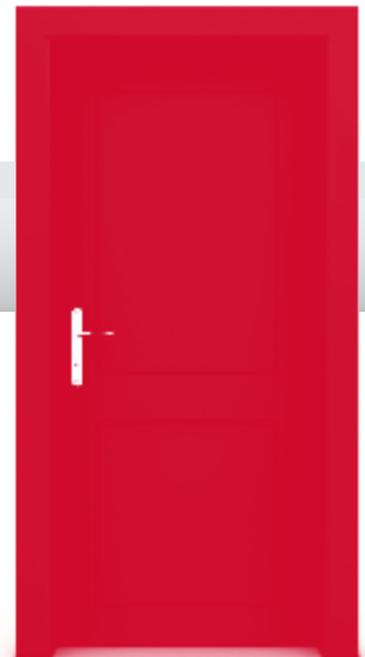
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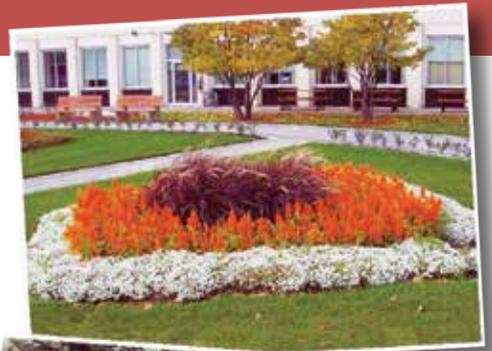
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