

# SALADIN NEWS

Issue 3, 2018 - Summer Edition - Saladin Shriners - Grand Rapids, MI

## Shriners Hospitals in Grand Rapids

Telehealth now a reality for Shriners patients in West Michigan.

A long-term dream of Saladin Shriners was recently achieved when one of our Saladin patients was able to travel to a local hospital in Grand Rapids and participate in a check-up visit with their Shriners physician in Chicago via a televideo link. This achievement was the culmination of

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Above: Dr. Jeff Ackerman, a surgeon with Shriners Hospitals for Children - Chicago speaks with one of his patients remotely via a video link with Mary Freed Bed.

## **GLSA Session in Grand Rapids Sept 19-23**

Saladin prepares to host the 69th Annual Great Lakes Shrine Association Meeting in Grand Rapids.

There are currently 21 Shrine Temples in the Great Lakes Shrine Association and each year they rotate the location of their annual meeting to coincide with the home temple of the Associations presiding officer. For Saladin that means we get to host the session every 21 years or so. The last time we hosted the session was in 1998 when our own Ill. Sir Richard Higgins was the president of the association. We are honored to be hosting the session this September 19-23 as Shriners from those 21 Temples descend upon Grand Rapids to enjoy fellowship, competitions, meetings, and a great Shrine parade.

Ill. Sir Thomas Russell is currently serving as president of GLSA and is diligently working with a number of Saladin volunteers to make this year's meeting a success. Every Saladin Shriner is strongly encouraged to attend the session. There are several opportunities to get involved if you would like to help out. There are also many unique events and competitions going on during the session that will involve Nobles from all 21 Temples.

Anyone interested in volunteering with the Temple and assisting with the Great Lakes Shrine Association should contact the Potentate. A complete list of events is included inside this issue of the Saladin News.



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## From the Potentate...

Nobles,

What an incredible summer we've had! There have been so many amazingly great things happening in the Shrine, and it has been such a great experience to be able to share much of that with so many of you.

Since our last Saladin News, we've had a Stated Meeting/Pig Roast, two Happy Hours, the Moslem Potentate's Ball, the Saladin Potentate's Cruise on Lake Michigan, multiple parades, and the 144th Shriners International Imperial Session. It's definitely been a great (and busy) summer.

I had the honor of volunteering at the Mary Free Bed Adaptive Wheelchair Sports Camp this summer. Saladin was the primary sponsor of the camp again this year, and the

organizers of the event extended the volunteering invitation to me. I can't even begin to describe to you the passion that Mary Free Bed's people have for helping children. They catered to their campers' every need and provided a welcoming environment for all participants. I was able to spend most of the week in a wheelchair with my group (Group C - ages 5 to 14), and the relationships I was lucky enough to build with those kids are incredible. Not once did I hear anyone complain about an activity being too hard, or that they weren't able to participate in something because of a disability. Even in the pool area, I watched kids climb out of their wheelchairs and make their way to the end of the diving board where they would sit at the end, bounce the board (significantly more gracefully than I did), and propel themselves into the pool where they were met by volunteers to help them to the side. Most even asked to not be helped as they insisted they could get there themselves; and they did. My experience didn't stop there, though. I met a second grader named Alice (her name isn't really Alice... for privacy purposes, I've changed her name in this article) who lives in Michigan with her guardians after coming here on a medical visa. She was born on the Ivory Coast to a mother who lives



2018 Potentate Jonathan Duley at the Mary Free Bed Hospital Adaptive Sports Camp recently sponsored by the Saladin Shriners Children's Trust.

well below the poverty line and who could not access the medical help Alice needed. She sent Alice to the United States to get some help for her arms and legs that are massively deformed. Some would think she has clubfoot and club hand, but in reality, her struggles are much more significant than that. After multiple visits to doctors, they were told there wasn't much that can be done for Alice, so they tried to send her back to Africa. Unfortunately, her mother indicated that she did not want Alice to return. Through the work of her guardians, Alice was granted a student visa that is scheduled to last throughout her time as a student in Michigan (hopefully all the way through high school). After hearing Alice's story and spending a week with her in our group, I talked to her guardian about Shriners Hospitals for Children. She had no idea the care that is available. I gave her my card and asked her to talk it over with her husband and Alice as Alice's journey with us has the potential to be very long... and very fulfilling... for all of us.

I'm not sure yet what's going to happen with Alice as I gave her guardian my business card today (July 25th). I am hopeful, though, that they will reach out to us so we

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## Chief Rabban Is Planning For a Great Year in 2019

Fellow Nobles,

"Honor the Past, Embrace the Future"

The year is going by quickly and it is a great year! We have had many successful events with more on the calendar. Thanks to all of you who have helped make our First Friday Socials successful and so much fun. We continue to include our mini ceremonials at the socials and as a reminder, families are welcome. We also have added a money maker for the temple – pull tabs – what fun!

As we promised we are taking the Socials "on the road". Following the Blossom Parade in Benton Harbor/St. Joe, your Divan and Temple sponsored the "Afterglow" at the Berrien County Shrine. Look for more "on the road socials" perhaps at your Shrine. Let me know if you want to be on the schedule.

June was an eventful month for us. Hospital Day at the Chicago Children's Hospital on Sunday, the 3rd was a great experience as always. As an every-other-year event, it's great to learn of the innovations our incredible hospital staff showcase during the tours. For anyone who did not want to drive, we had a bus to transport them. Put this event on your schedule for 2020.

Illustrious Sir Jon Duley's "Lake Michigan Potentate's Cruise" on the Holland Princess was nicely attended by over 40 nobles and their ladies. The weather was beautiful, the dinner was outstanding and many asked if this was going to be an annual event. Let us know if you would join us if we made this an annual summer outing.

September 19th through the 23rd, Saladin will host the Great Lakes Shrine Association 69th annual convention, headquartered at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. Rooms are available if you want to stay overnight. Our own Past Potentate, Illustrious Sir Tom Russell, is the 2018 President of G.L.S.A. Sir Tom and Lady Marie and the G.L.S.A. are doing a tremendous job of coordinating this event and I encourage you to attend. Thanks to all the Nobles and Ladies who have volunteered to make this successful. This opportunity to host the G.L.S.A. only occurs every 21 years. There will be lots to entertain you - the Hospitality Rooms sponsored by Saladin and other temples, a pistol shooting event at Barracks 616, a golf outing (contact me to sign up now!) and even a business meeting. Our famous Shriners parade including The Flying Carpets, Pipers, Equestrian Clubs, Mini Cars and Motorcycle Clubs will take place on



Our 2018 Chief Rabban, Noble Harry Jones, and his lady Lyn

Saturday morning, the 22nd.

Last but not least, the planning is underway for next year. If you are interested in being on the potentate's staff, and/or have ideas for events, activities or anything for the good of Saladin for next year, let me know. Again, thanks to all the nobles who have participated in making this so successful.

God Bless You, Harry Jones, Chief Rabban 616.293.2588 harryjones@grar.com





## **Assistant Rabban Looking Forward to Summer of Fun**

Greetings Nobles,

When you read this we'll be about half way through summer, which means we have a big half of fun and fellowship left!

The 2018 Imperial Session is now history and we have a new Imperial Potentate, Imperial Sir Jim Cain and First Lady Patsy. Imperial Sir Jim will continue with the I Am R U membership campaign. Nobel's it is an imperative that we fully participate, we will have information at the monthly social and on line at https://www.beashrinernow.com I encourage every Noble to invite a guest to our social or to your clubs next event. As an added bonus there are cash awards for recruitment. I am going to make you visit the site to find out how.

How about that dinner cruise on the Holland Princess? I don't know what was better the great weather, being serenaded by our Illustrious Potentate or the Prime Rib. As some might have witnessed it was so good your Assistant Rabban went back for thirds! Your Divan is dedicated to providing first class events, most at

little or no cost to the Nobility. Participate and bring a guest you would want to see wearing a Fez!

If you received your fishing shirt and it isn't the exact color or material you ordered here is a brief explanation. We ordered the shirts from a small company; the owner had some medical issues, which delayed our ordered being started until late in the season. I made the decision to allow him to get the closest colors and shirt he could. I hope you like your shirt.

If you own a small business and would like to have a table in the GLSA market place, (Crown Plaza) 20 and 21 September 9-5. Cost is only \$50 for both days. Contact me for more details. 21 Temples from around the Great Lakes area will descend upon Grand Rapids for 4 days of fun and fellowship. Come and be a part of what is sure to be a great event that only occurs once every 21 years in Grand Rapids. For more information visit http://greatlakesshrineassociation. org/glsa2018.htm

Looking forward to a summer of fun,



Our Assistant Rabban, Noble Dale Kramer, and his lady Carol

fellowship and helping our children.

Dale Kramer Assistant Rabban 616-293-2441 kramerdale@yahoo.com

#### **Telehealth** from Page 1

five years of work building a relationship between Shriners Hospitals for Children and Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital in Grand Rapids, MI.

#### It Started with a Memo

In 2010, then Oriental Guide
Jonathan Clifford and Recorder Rick
Williams wrote a memorandum to
Imperial Sir Doug Maxwell who was
serving as Chairman of Shriners Hospitals for Children. Imp. Sir Maxwell
had put out a call trying to identify
partner institutions who could potentially provide remote services to
Shrine patients in their local communities. That letter prompted a meeting between Mary Free Bed's leadership and representatives of Shriners

Hospitals to discuss the potential for collaboration.

#### Shriners explores Telehealth

There have been a number of attempts over the years to develop a Shriners telehealth facility in Western Michigan, but none ever reached completion. Though telehealth techniques have been used with certain hospitals in the Shrine system, most notably in Houston and Galveston, Shriners Hospitals for Children had never pursued the matter in a systemic way. That began to change in 2016. A plan was put in place to develop a telehealth network across the Shriners system. Test sites were established and partnership agreements were developed with the aim of identifying remote sites where Shriners Care

could be delivered to our patients. Shriners Hospitals for Children - Chicago was added to the second round of hospitals slated for telehealth in 2017 and much of the ground work that had been laid between Mary Free Bed and Saladin Shriners was instrumental in having Grand Rapids receive one of the coveted telehealth sites.

#### Local site launches in 2018

A partnership agreement was completed in late 2017 and in June of 2018, Saladin patients began traveling to Mary Free Bed Hospital in Grand Rapids to participate in video check-ups with Surgeons in Chicago. We look forward to telling you more about this exciting opportunity for our Shrine and our patients.

#### **SALADIN LADIES CORNER...** OUR WEBSITE: SaladinShrineLadies2018

"LADIES... All Ladies are cordially invited to attend

First Friday Social – Aug 3

Great Lakes Shrine Association Meeting – Sept 19 - 23

(Crowne Plaza Hotel, Grand Rapids, MI)

#### Fall Ceremonial - Oct 13

Ladies Program: Presentation of our 2018-2019 Imperial First Ladies Fund Raiser and a report on Imperial Session

## Potentate's Ball – Nov 10 Stated Meeting & Elections – Dec 1 Annual Meeting – Jan 5, 2019

Thanks to the ladies who have attended our Saladin Shriner's social events this year. From the Valentine Dinner with the Trip Around the World theme to our monthly Friday Socials we have had a great time. Your Divan Ladies presented programs about our Imperial First Lady Anne Bergenske's "Love Grows Miracles" program, wine and cheese pairings and a tour of the Masonic Museum. Join us this fall. For the Ceremonials and Stated Meetings the Ladies are invited for Lunch with their Nobles prior to our program. Call me if you have any questions.

Lady Lyn (Harry Jones, Chief Rabban) 616-293-2313 lynjoneshome@gmail.com

Lady Carol (Dale Kramer, Assistant Rabban) Lady Amy (Jeff Gooder, High Priest & Profit) Lady Kathy (Patrick Rajewski, Oriental Guide)



## **Oriental Guide Completes First Hospital Driver Trip**

Greetings Nobles,

I did my first trip taking someone to the Chicago Shriners Children's Hospital. It was one of their initial trips to see if anything could be done to help her daughter. She had been told by the other doctors that there was nothing else that they could do and her daughter would just have to live with the pain.

They brought all the x-rays and other information with them and our doctors told her that she didn't have just one option but multiple options on what they could do to help her daughter. The mother was extremely surprised and happy, so now she has a plan of action and the next visits are scheduled.

She was very thankful for the help the Shriners are giving her daughter and is happy that she doesn't have to just live with the pain and loss of movement. From what she was saying and how happy she was that there was something that could be done I was very proud to be a Shriner and actually seeing someone get some help from the things that we do.

I am planning on going to the Paw Paw Harvest Festival so I'm hoping to see some of you there. I had a great time at the Traverse City Cherry Festival, made lots of balloons and got in the paper also, I heard. I had a great time at the Charlevoix Venetian Parade. We had several Divan members in the parade, along with the Merrymakers and Northwest Shrine Club.

Fraternally yours, Patrick Rajewski Oriental Guide



Our Oriental Guide and his lady Kathy have been busy so far in 2018. They hope to visit each Club at least once this year as well as making several unit parade functions this summer.



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## Saladin Childcare Report

From the Saladin Shriners Children's Trust

Dale Kramer, Trustee Jeff Gooder, Trustee Pat Rajewski, Trustee Gerry Kerbis, Childcare Chairman

## Saladin Transpo: 1900 hours and \$40K so far in 2018

January 1st to June 30th - Driver's Trip Summary

<u>Driver</u>	No. of	<u> Trips</u>	Mileage	Hours	<u>Club</u>
Babbitt, Jan	nes	3	1208	30.50	Grand Rapids
Culp, Doug	las	1	264	7.25	Cass
DeHaan, Ju	dy	1	435	28.00	Kalamazoo
DeHaan, Ro	obert	7	2238	82.75	Kalamazoo
Dorn, Roge	r	3	1029	31.50	Allegan/Ottawa
Eefsting, Gi	irbe	1	386	9.50	Grand Rapids
George, The	omas	5	2876	73.50	Muskegon
Grandy, Ke	ith	8	4811	113.00	Lakeland
Hartmann,	Dick	1	352	10.00	Allegan/Ottawa
Hively, Stan	ley	1	1298	50.25	Niles
Hutch, Geo	rge	6	4328	86.50	Muskegon
Ikerd, Davi	d A.	1	414	14.50	Kalamazoo
Kaffenberge	er, Jim	4	1772	47.00	Grand Rapids
Keyser, Joh	n	12	3781	128.00	Berrien
Keifer, Jame	es	2	798	19.75	Grand Rapids
Kilburn, Ro	bert	1	326	12.50	Berrien
Klump, Joh	n	9	2412	70.50	Kalamazoo
Meyer, Aug	ust	2	550	19.00	Berrien
Mundy, Ian		3	809	23.00	Cass
Murr, Doug	glas	2	677	21.50	Allegan/Ottawa

Driver	No. of T	Trips	Mileage	Hours	Club
Nelson, Ray		4	2903	57.50	Muskegon
Nostrant, G		7	4034	94.00	Lakeland/P.B.
Parsell, Lew	,	1	359	9.00	Allegan/Ottawa
Peek, James		4	1202	36.00	Kalamazoo
Rajewski, Pa		1	384	10.25	Northwest
Roose, Larr		2	1124	28.00	Lakeland
Schultz, Jan	,	2	1205	49.00	Muskegon
Schultz, The		19	12685	297.50	Muskegon
Siewert, Tho		1	290	10.50	Berrien
Smith, Roy	)111 <b>u</b> 0	3	452	12.50	Battle Creek
Thielman, L	e0	2	669	23.25	Kalamazoo
VanKamper		6	2413	60.00	Grand Rapids
VanSlyke, Ra		1	490	12.00	Muskegon
Walker, Wil	,	5	3415	112.00	Lakeland
Ward, Mark		3	1181	29.75	Grand Rapids
Waterman,		2	1230	28.50	Battle Creek
Williams, Ja		4	2834	99.00	Lakeland
Williams, Ju		3	814	21.25	Grand Rapids
Williams, R		1	19	1.00	Grand Rapids
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## Help Our Kids By Driving!

If you have recently retired or are looking for a great activity to provide Masonic service, please consider becoming a Volunteer Shrine Hospital Driver. We have driving teams throughout our jurisdiction and are always in need of Masons and Shriners who can help. Call Judy at (616) 942-1570 to volunteer.



#### Totals

# of Trips: 72 Total Miles: 33,556 Total Hours: 1869.50

#### **Driver Supported Trips**

Fuel:	\$ 4,234.02
Tolls:	\$ 916.60
Lodging:	\$ 644.87
Cab Fare:	\$ 270.50
Food:	\$ 3,115.72
Total:	\$ 9,181.71

#### Self Drive Trips

Fuel:	\$6,197.87
Tolls:	\$ 778.60
Food:	\$6,050.24
<u>Lodging:</u>	\$2,219.94
Total:	\$15,246.65

#### Additional Expenses

 Vehicle Maint:
 \$4,548.93

 Van Rentals:
 \$278.74

 Mileage-Club Van\$
 405.50

 Driver Recog
 \$967.94

 Vehicle Licenses
 \$168.49

 Conf. Travel
 \$163.69

 Van Insurance:
 \$8,629.06

 Total:
 \$15,161.35

## Shriners Hospitals Responds to Guatemala Disaster

One June 3, Shriners Hospitals for Children responded to the Fuego volcano eruption in Guatemala. The following comments were offered by Steven E. Wolf, M.D., Chief of Staff, Shriners' Hospital for Children — Galveston:

"Within 24 hours of the volcano eruption, Shriners Hospitals for Children sent an emergency medical "go team" of pediatric burn physicians and nurses to Guatemala to provide care to children with life-threatening burn injuries. This is an effort that has been deployed previously for other natural disasters as a response to our global commitment to children around the world.

Members of the Shriners International fraternity in Guatemala helped the team navigate various hospitals

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US Air Force Personnel, Local Galveston EMS, and Shriners Hospitals Staff rush a Burn Victim from military transport to a nearby ambulance for transport to Shriners Hospitals.

## Introducing the Shriners Hospitals for Children 2018-2019 National Patient Ambassadors

Every year, Shriners Hospitals for Children selects two National Patient Ambassadors to represent the health care system's patients. The new ambassadors are announced at our Imperial Session (annual convention). They spend the year sharing their stories of perseverance in the face of adversity, and the ways Shriners Hospitals for Children has made a dramatic, life-changing difference in their lives. Meet Lily and Riley, our two new National Patient Ambassadors:

#### Lily:

Lily, age 18, from Paducah, Kentucky, was born with fibular hemimelia, meaning she did not have a fibula, the outer thin bone that runs from the knee to the ankle, in her right leg. She underwent a Syme's amputation, which is an amputation done through the ankle joint that helps to preserve the heel pad, and she received her first prosthesis a few months later.

When Lily was 18 months old, she became a patient of Vishwas Talwalkar, M.D., pediatric orthopaedic surgeon at Shriners Hospitals for Children Medical Center — Lexington, in Kentucky. Over time, Lily has undergone five surgeries at the Lexington Shriners Medical Center to straighten her remaining right leg, and has received several prosthetic limbs.

Lily used to play soccer and dance, including performing in The Great Russian Nutcracker with the



Moscow Ballet. She completed two youth triathalons, served many times as a page in the Kentucky General Assembly, and was a member in the Paducah Symphony Youth Chorus. She continues to play piano, both as part of her studies at the University of Kentucky, and as an extracurricular activity.

Lily recently completed her freshman year at the University of Kentucky. She earned a scholarship to the University of Kentucky Lewis Honors College, for admission into the Honors Program. She is studying to be a nurse because of the care she has received at the Lexington Shriners Medical Center, with a minor in music.

"I hope to be a nurse at Shriners Hospitals for Children after graduating," said Lily. "It is my dream to help provide the same care I received all my life to others, as a way to show my gratitude for the Shriners health care system."

Lily has been a huge asset as a patient ambassador for the Lexington medical center, where she has volunteered for numerous patient events and played a prominent role at the dedication ceremony of the new facility on May 20, 2017. She also represented the Lexington medical center as a standard bearer at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in Las Vegas in 2016, and is now looking forward to becoming a National Patient Ambassador.

"I am so glad I get to be a National Patient Ambassador and talk to other patients and families who are going through the same things," said Lily. "Somewhere out there is at least one person who needs to hear what I have to say.

"Shriners Hospitals for Children has helped me to not see my leg as a handicap, and instead to look at it as a challenge. Because of the Lexington Shriners Medical Center, I wake up every morning thankful for two legs instead of regretting that I only have one."

#### **Riley:**

Riley, now age 17, was born with the genetic condition hereditary multiple exostoses (HME), which causes irregular bone growth. Exostoses are more commonly known as "bone spurs," which typically grow on the end of long bones



### Teamwork: Together Everyone Achieves More

Scott Kozin, M.D., chief of staff of Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Philadelphia, loves to tell the story of two, four, six, eight.

At 2 years old, Zion developed a serious infection that required his hands and feet to be amputated. At 4 years old, he received a kidney transplant; the donor was his mother, Pattie. Zion was taking anti-rejection drugs to keep his new kidney functioning. At age 6, Zion came to Shriners Hospitals for Children — Philadelphia for new prosthetic legs.

The evaluation of Zion's lower extremities prior to his receiving those first prosthetics from Shriners Hospitals was the impetus that led to his hand transplantation. The idea to give Zion hands was possible because he met the prerequisite of already being a transplant recipient and successfully taking immunosuppressant medications.



At 8 years old, Zion received the first bilateral pediatric hand transplantation at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia along with help from Penn Medicine, Gift of Life and hand surgeons from our Philadelphia hospital, Dr. Kozin and Dan Zlotolow, M.D. During the 11-hour procedure, four teams of physicians worked to transplant the hands from the donor to Zion. The procedure required boney fixation, artery and venous anastomosis along with nerve and tendon reconstruction. The surgery was successful.

"The collaboration between these institutions was necessary to assemble the team and organize the players to orchestrate such a complex and demanding procedure that had never been performed on a child," said Dr. Kozin.

#### **Becoming Independent**

Zion is now three years post-hand transplant surgery. Now 11 years old, he is a happy pre-teen and learning to be independent. He enjoys cooking and sports. "Zion is so comfortable living his normal life," said Pattie. "He enjoys playing laser tag with his friends, boxing, and is attending robotics camp this summer."

Zion continues to have occupational and physical therapy in his hometown. His mom couldn't be more happy with his progress. As Zion continues to grow and get taller, Pattie will bring him back to the Philadelphia Shriners Hospitals for Children



to be fitted for a new set of prosthetic legs. In the meantime, she is delighted that Zion is becoming more independent every day at home, at play, and at school.

#### More on our Physicians

Scott Kozin, M.D., is the chief of staff of Shriners Hospitals for Children — Philadelphia and is board certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery. He received an undergraduate degree in computer science from Duke University and earned a medical degree from Hahnemann University School of Medicine. Dr. Kozin completed his residencies in orthopaedic surgery at Albert Einstein Medical Center and Shriners Hospitals for Children — Philadelphia. He also completed a fellowship in hand and microvascular surgery at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Dan A. Zlotolow, M.D., is a board certified orthopaedic hand surgeon for Shriners Hospitals for Children — Philadelphia. He received an undergraduate degree with honors in biology from Haverford College and earned a medical degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine with early induction into the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society. Dr. Zlotolow completed his residency in orthopaedics at the Montefiore Medical Center in New York and hand fellowship at the Roosevelt Hospital in New York and the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas.





## PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP SALADIN SHRINERS

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## To The Potentate, Officers and Nobles of Saladin Shriners, Situated in the City of Grand Rapids, State of Michigan.

I, the undersigned, hereby declare th	nat I am a Master	Mason in		Lodge
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which meets the recognition standards of the Confer World Conference of Grand Lodges. Furthermore, l of Shriners International. I hereby make application promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation	rence of Grand Mast I have resided at my I to become a Noble	ers in North America, Incurrent address for not le of the Order and a memb	teramerican Masonic Const than 6 months, as requer of your temple. If gran	nfederation or the nired by the Bylaws nted membership, I
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If yes, what temple?		When?		
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during childhood and adolescence. In Riley's case, physicians discovered growths from nearly head to toe through a full body X-ray when he was 14 months old.

Shortly thereafter, he was seen by Alfred V. Hess, M.D., the director of hand surgery at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Tampa, and became a patient of the hospital. Over time, Dr. Hess and Shriners Hospitals for Children — Tampa's Chief of Staff Maureen Maciel, M.D., have performed more than a dozen surgeries to remove growths and lengthen bones in Riley's arms and legs.

Riley has been a very active patient ambassador for the Tampa Shriners Hospital for several years, and represented the hospital as a standard bearer at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in Las Vegas in 2017. "It was an amazing experience," Riley said. "I'm so thankful to have been chosen, and to have had the opportunity to meet patients from other hospitals. I'll always remember it."

Riley is very generous, and eager to help others. He mentors Theodore, another child with the same rare condition, which Riley describes as being "one of the best things that happened to me this year." Theodore's mom has said that meeting Riley and his family gave them hope.

Riley's father, Rick, and the rest of the family have actively supported a golf tournament organized by Rick's former employer. Since 2002, the C&W Charity Golf Classic has raised more than \$500,000 for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Riley's parents are thankful for the constant care provided by the Tampa Shriners Hospital staff. They have seen drastic improvements over the years, which has enabled the high school student to remain active in basketball and other physical activities.

"I will always have this condition, which has given me a new perspective on life," said Riley. "This disorder isn't a crutch; it isn't an excuse. It's a reminder of all the amazing people I have met."

View both ambassador's stories by visiting: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=onIgVF0B2OM







#### Potentate from Page 2

can begin the process of helping Alice get the help she needs.

Throughout this experience at camp, I thought of all the wonderful things Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children do for people. And through our partnership in telemedicine we've established with Mary Free Bed, we will be able to help even more kids reach their full potential.

With all of this in mind, we will celebrate our year as Shriners and Shriner Families at the 2018 Potentate's Ball which will be held on Saturday, November 10th, at the Grand Rapids Masonic Temple. You will get a formal invitation in the mail, but please know that this will be a night you do not want to miss. We have a special guest joining us that evening as we will be making a donation to our hospital system. I promise, it will be an incredible night! Please call Sara at the Saladin office to RSVP.

As always, if there is anything any of us can do for you, please don't hesitate to ask. We are always encouraged by your dedication to Saladin and to the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Sincerely, Jon



A Mary Free Bed Adaptive Sports Camp Participant displaying Saladin's sponsorship of this excellent program.

### 2018 Saladin Shriners Calendar

Friday Fellowship and Mini-Ceremonial - Aug 3
Friday Fellowship and Mini- Ceremonial - Sept 7
Stated Meeting - Sept 15
Great Lakes Shrine Association - Sept 19-23

(Crowne Plaza Hotel, Grand Rapids, MI)

Friday Fellowship and Mini- Ceremonial - Oct 5 Fall Ceremonial - Oct 13 Friday Fellowship and Mini- Ceremonial - Nov 2

Potentate's Ball - Nov 10

Stated Meeting & Elections - Dec 1
Friday Fellowship and Mini- Ceremonial - Dec 7
Annual Meeting & Installation - Jan 5

All events held at the Grand Rapids Masonic Temple unless otherwise noted.

Lunch will be served at noon before each Stated Meeting.

Fellowships with refreshments will follow every meeting.



## **Great Lakes Shrine Association**

September 19-23, 2018

Crown Plaza Hotel - 5700 East 28th St, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

(Events located at the Crown Plaza unless otherwise indicated. Some events require tickets. Please contact the Saladin office for information on how to purchase.)

#### THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 20th, 2018

Event	Location	Time
GLSA Registration	Crowne Plaza Lobby	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Market Place	Thornapple Room	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Business Session	Grand Centennial Room	9:00 am - 11:15 am
Men's Luncheon	Buffet at Crowne Plaza	11:15 am - 1:00 pm
Ladies Luncheon	Grand River Ballroom	11:30 am - 2:00 pm
Business Session	Grand Centennial Room	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Parade Marshall's Meeting	TBD	3:00 p.m.
Station Dinners for Divan	Various Rooms (Divan Only)	Cocktails 5:00 pm, Dinner 6:00 pm

#### FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 21st, 2018

2:00
pm

#### SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 22nd, 2018

Event	Location	Time
Parade Staging	Downtown Cascade	10:00 am
Parade Step Off		11:00 am
After Glow	Crowne Plaza Salon A-H	2:00 pm
Turtle Degree	Crowne Plaza Salon A-H	2:00 pm

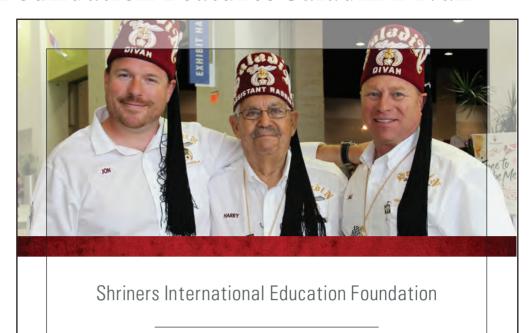
Saladin Shriners (Grand Rapids, MI) - Ainad Shriners (East St. Louis, IL) - Moslem Shriners (Southfield, MI)
Al Koran Shriners (Broadview Heights, OH) - Murat Shriners (Indianapolis, IN) - Aladdin Shriners (Grove City, OH)
Orak Shriners (Michigan City, IN) - Ansar Shriners (Springfield, IL) - Antioch Shriners (Dayton, OH) - Syrian Shriners (Cincinnati, OH)
Elf Kurafeh (Clio, MI) - Tadmor Shriners (Akron, OH) - Hadi Shriners (Evansville, IN) - Tebala Shriners (Rockford, IL)
Medinah Shriners (Addison, IL) - Tripoli Shriners (Milwaukee, WI) - Mizpah Shriners (Ft. Wayne, IN) - Zenobia Shriners (Perrysburg, OH)
Mocha Shriners (London, ONT) - Zorah Shriners (Terre Haute, IN) - Mohammed Shriners (Bartonville, IL)

## **Shrine Education Foundation Features Saladin Divan**

Materials recently distributed at the Imperial Session concerning the recently launched Shriners International Education Foundation included a very prominent photo featuring our Potentate (Ill. Sir Jon Duley), Chief Rabban (Harry Jones), and Assistant Rabban (Dale Kramer).

The Foundation is intended to support the educational seminars and efforts of Shriners International. Its formation allowed for some immediate savings for Shriners International in the conduct of these programs. Attendees of the Imperial Session were offered a one-time opportunity to become inaugural donors with a gift of \$100. More will be publicized about the Education Foundation in future issues of the Shriners International magazine.

We can't think of a more photogenic Divan in recent memory.



A Special Opportunity: Be an Inaugural Donor

Support the Shriners International Education Foundation with a gift of \$100 during the 2018 Imperial Session and be recognized as an inaugural donor.

Be among the first to support the efforts of the foundation to enhance,

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where the children were being treated and assisted in moving the children to a centralized hospital to await transportation to our burn center in Galveston, Texas.

Shriners Hospitals for Children worked closely with the United States Southern Command and other military commands, including the Army and Air Force, the Guatemalan military and embassy, the U.S. embassy, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, and the U.S. State Department to arrange medical visas and transportation to the United States.

Six children, accompanied by 5 guardians, left Guatemala early Thursday morning, arriving in Galveston this morning [June 7, 2018] at 4:40 a.m. CDT via U.S. military transport.

The six children were immediately admitted to our pediatric intensive care unit (ICU) with life-threatening burn injuries. A multidisciplinary team is providing all aspects of burn care, including surgery, treatment, rehabilitation and psychological support.

Due to patient confidentiality, we cannot share any more information regarding the children's ages, genders or their medical conditions. We will share more information as it becomes available and as soon as we are legally able to do so.

Shriners Hospitals for Children stands ready to help other Guatemalan children if needed. A second emergency medical team from our hospital in Boston is on stand-by to travel to Guatemala. Our other burn centers in Sacramento and Cincinnati are also on stand-by.

Shriners Hospitals for Children has established a dedicated phone number and website for those who wish to help the children from Guatemala: call toll-free 855-393-7447 or go to lovetotherescue.org/helpguatemala.

Since the 1960s, Shriners Hospitals for Children has contributed to most of the significant advancements in acute and reconstructive pediatric burn care. Our staff is world-renowned for their expertise in critical pediatric specialty care, particularly in techniques that may help save the life of a patient with severe burn injuries. Shriners Hospitals for Children is often sought out to respond to fires and natural disasters across the globe.

Since 1922, Shriners Hospitals for Children has treated more than 1.3 million children from more than 180 countries.

## From the Recorder...

2018 has been a big year for me personally and it is going to end up being a big year for Saladin as well. My lady Hannah graduated from medical school this past May and we made our way to Catalina Island in California where we spent the next two weeks getting married and honeymooning. It was a special time for both of us. Just something the two of us did on our own. It was hard enough finding the time in our two busy lives that we didn't want to ask other people to have to do the same. It was a wonderful ceremony and time away gave me a lot of time to think about the future.

Like I said in my opening, this year is going to be a big one for our Temple as well. In Daytona in July, our Potentate spoke in favor of legislation that Saladin brought before the delegates of Imperial Session. The legislation was adopted and we hope it will allow us to develop some new opportunities for our Temple and our Nobility over the next year.

Renewal in our lives or in our Craft, be it through a union like marriage or seeking a positive change to the way our fraternity operates, is something that needs to be a part of everything we do. If our Temple isn't moving forward and trying to change things for the better, then it is just stagnating. We live in such a dynamic time for our fraternity. The biggest error we can make at a time like this is doing nothing. I've never favored being that kind of person and our fraternity shouldn't either. I'm excited for what the remainder of the year will bring for Saladin.



My lady Hannah and I shortly after our wedding ceremony in Hamilton Cove on Catalina Island. We had a wonderful time on the Island. It is a special place with a rich history. Past Imperial Potentate and Saladin Potentate Lou B. Winsor vacationed there almost 120 years ago. Thank you for your kind wishes these past few months. We are very happy.

Year-To-I	Date
Beginning Count:	813
Ending Count:	810
Creations:	18
Affiliations:	0
Restorations:	1
Associations:	0
Demits:	2
Suspensions:	0
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Expulsions:	0
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Associate Drops	0
Change:	3
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2017	
Beginning Count:	885
Ending Count:	813
Creations:	16
Affiliations:	8
Restorations:	1
Associations:	1
Demits:	24
Suspensions:	4
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Expulsions:	0
Resigned:	0
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Beginning Count:	1,043
Ending Count:	948
Creations:	24
Affiliations:	4
Restorations:	6
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Demits:	42
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5 years ago

#### **Life Membership Certificates**

The Temple is bringing back Life Membership certificates for individuals who have reached this milestone of longevity and service. It has been almost 10 years since the Temple issues certificates and it has always been my desire to see each of our new life members recognized in this way.

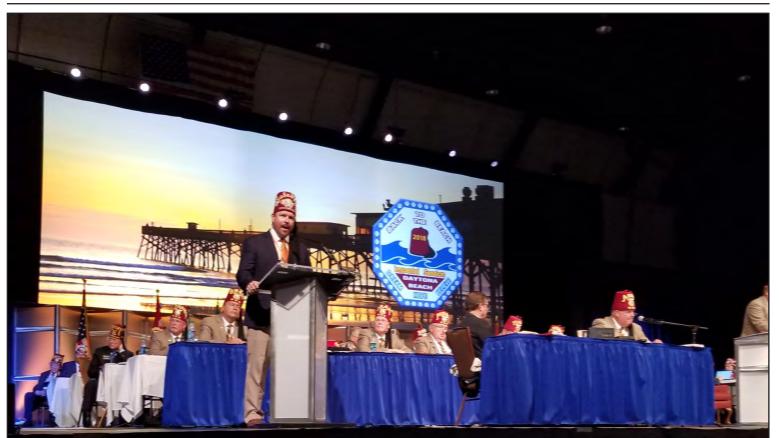
Life members who have achieved this milestone in the 2018 year will start receiving certificates by September. If you are a life member created under a prior Recorder and never received a life membership certificate, please contact the office and we will make sure you receive a certificate. Also, if your certificate has been lost or damaged over the years, we would be happy to replace it.

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Illustrious Sir Jon Duley addressing the delegates of the Imperial Session of Shriners International shortly before the affirmative vote of the delegates to approve Saladin's legislation.