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# SPRING INTO THE CIRCUS!





James E. Stolze Jr. Imperial Potentate 2023-2024

Past Imperial Potentate 2015-2016 Chairman of the Board of Trustees Shriners Hospital for Children

#### Elected Divan & Board of Directors

Shaun Ruether	Potentate
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Mitch Weinsting, P.P. Don Taylor, P.P.

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Kenneth E. Myles1992	
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Douglas E. Maxwell1996	
Albert Faulstich	
Gale F. Bennington2004	
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Merle R. Truckenmiller2006	
Lester "Al" Greene	
Frank "Pancho" Windler2009	
James C. Brandenburg2011	
Andrew Metzger2012	
Patrick Hensley2013	
Dennis Kelley2014	
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Lenny Martin2016	
Dean Isbell2017	
Kyle McEvoy2018	
Don Taylor2019	
Russell Georgen	
Joe Shivley2021	
Mitch Weinsting2022	
Robby Dirkers2023	

#### **Director General**

Dean Isbell, P.P... .2017

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Douglas E. Maxwell	1996
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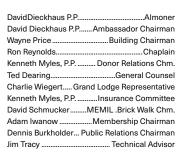
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#### Moolah Shrine Circus

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#### 2024 Moolah Shrine Potentate Shaun Ruether

Greeting Nobles and Ladies!

What an exciting and busy start to the new year! With so many Installations and Presentations, it is hard to address all of the thanks I need to give, but I'll try! I appreciated the great hospitality given by all, and I enjoyed the fun and fellowship we shared. Thank you all so much for the gifts, and for the honor of being at your respected events.

Our calendar is a busy one. My priority this year has been to give everyone something to do, in order to keep you interested in enjoying time with our Shrine family. While I don't expect everyone to attend all of our events, I will continue to mix it up! Keep your eyes peeled for the Moolah Message every Tuesday for all the amazing upcoming events. If you are not on that list, please call the office to be added. Your lady is also welcome to subscribe to keep her informed.

Membership, membership, membership. We have our Ceremonial on May 4th. We would love for you to not only attend, but for you to bring a candidate in. C2A is April 27th. As we get closer to this date, we will inform you of time and place.

Please note that this year, I am honoring Nobles and ladies who have served our country. You may scan the QR Code, which will bring you to a brief questionnaire detailing your service, so we may share it with the nobility. We will also feature you in a future Camel's Tales.

Again, thank you for your trust in me to serve as your Potentate. We asked, and you answered. We sent out a survey, asking what events you like, and any ideas you'd like to see come

Illustrious Sir Shaun Ruether



#### Why We Don't Give Up By: Ron Reynolds

If you want to be a righteous woman or man of God, then you have to learn how to be resilient. That means when you stumble, you get back up.

A lot of factors beyond your control can cause you to fail. But if you get back up, who knows what positive things might happen?

History books are filled with stories of people who failed again and again, but they did not give up until they succeeded.

General George Washington lost two-thirds of all the battles he fought against the British in the American Revolution. He kept retreating because he didn't have the manpower to take on the British army. But he didn't give up! He eventually won the war, became the first president of the United States, and is considered the father of the country.

Napoleon dominated continental Europe as Emperor of France. But earlier in his life he graduated 42nd in a class of 43. He wasn't the smartest student, but he is regarded as a military genius, and his methods are still studied in many schools.

Albert Einstein, one of the greatest scientists of all time, didn't say a single word until he was almost five years old. He did so poorly in school that, at age 16, he failed to pass the entrance exam for the Swiss Polytechnic School. Still, he went on to reinvent science and math.

Babe Ruth, one of the best baseball players ever, hit 714 home runs in his career, a record that stood for almost 40 years. But he also struck out 1,330 times. For years, Ruth held the records both for most home runs and for the most strikeouts.

I don't hold up any of these men as examples of godly living. But they accomplished much in the eyes of the world because they didn't give up. Imagine what God can do with righteous women and men who keep moving forward and working for whatever God has called them to.

"So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up" (Galatians 6:9).

Keep going, and don't let your failure be final. You never know what God can do through you!



We do not lose the ones we love they only go before, Where there is everlasting life. Where sorrow is no more. And there the soul will always live and peace is everywhere. We do not lose the ones we love, God takes them in his care.

#### **December/January**

Sam W Bornhauser Lewis L Bounds Neil J Conner John B Goodenough Jr. Luverne G Huber John D Nickel Jr. Harold E Smith II Bob R Stubblefield Oliver E Wade Sr. Ronald D Woods P.P.

# 2024 CIRCUS UPDATE



Ron Reynolds: Circus Director Jack Melton: Circus Chairman (314) 732-2121 (314) 605-5845

The circus is coming soon. March 21 to 24, 2024. Ads kits are out and it is time to get as many ads and sponsors as we can.

Tickets and Child coupons are also out, so let's get to selling tickets and passing out child coupons.

Your unit Ticket Chairman should have the tickets. Please make sure you turn in all monies and or unsold tickets through your ticket chairman.

We expect another great circus and thanks to all that you do, we will have one.

Make sure you sign up to volunteer for the circus.

314-732-2121 or rdreynolds6@charter.net.





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# September 14, 2024

# How Macho is your Unit, Club, or Committee?

-Collect \$ by any means necessary, from 1/1/24-8/30/24

-Delegate a representative to perform a Macho skit on the night of the event

-Trophies awarded for Most Money Collected and Most Macho

#### **Ambassadors**

Chairman: PP David Dieckhaus custom636@gmail.com

Co-Chairman: Wally Bowman wallygloriab@gmail.com

Treasurer: Don Wander dandmat3119@sbcglobal.net

Our March Ambassador luncheon is on March 8th, and the next one is on April 12th. Social hour begins at II:00 A.M. with a short business meeting and lunch for \$15.00. Volunteers for the restaurant search committee can contact Sir David Dieckhaus.

The Potentales' Presentation Ball is on March 2nd. The theme is Enchantment Under The Seas. The cost of this enjoyable event is \$65 per person. Please RSVP to the office.

Motown Revue returns to Moolah on March 9th in the Ballroom. Doors open at 6 P.M. with the Motown Revue starting at 7:30 P.M. Tickets are \$30 per person, or a table of 10 for \$250.

March 10th is the 5K FUN RUN at the Family Arena in St. Charles. To register and for details, contact Greg Heins.

YOMO will sponsor a Meat Shoot on March 10th at the VFW Post 4223 in Lemay. Shooting begins at 12:30 P.M.

The 55th St Patrick's Day Parade will be held on March 16th in downtown St. Louis. Plan on walking in the parade with your unit or club. Send an application to Wayne Price. After the parade, join the Potentate and his Lady Stephanie for an after-glow at Moolah.

The "BIG" event (our circus) is from March 21st through the 24th. Please plan to volunteer to help. It takes many Nobles to make our circus successful! There will be several new acts to excite and thrill the crowd. Sell! Sell!

Mark your calendar for the Potentate's trip. Illustrious Sir Shawn Ruether and Lady Stephanie promise you to see Las Vegas as you have never seen it



before! The dates of the trip are from June 2nd through the 6th.

Congratulations to Noble Dennis Burkholder, Moolah's Shriner of the Year for 2023! Dennis is a Bridgeton Lodge #80 member and joined Moolah in 1999. He is a member of several Moolah units and has been an Ambassador for years. He is a Masonic Public Relations Committee member, Chairman of Moolah's Public Relations Committee, and serves on the Imperial Shrine Marketing & Communications Committee. He has earned a medallion with five rubies and a diamond. "Job Well Done"!

Happy Birthday to all Ambassadors celebrating a birthday in March or April.

April Fools: In 2015, a major company tweeted introducing left-handed toilet paper for Southpaws. Stores received hundreds of requests for the product. Were you one of those customers?

# **Air Patrol**

Director: Randy Schmidt 314-308-1721

**President: Gary Julius** 

1st Vice President: Mike Sieben

2nd Vice President: Kurt Wulff

Secretary: Robert Sudholt

Treasurer: Richard C. Prine

Spring is near and we are posed for better weather after a cold winter with ice storms to not forget. We have new officers, congratulations!

Our group is busy planning for events coming up, see the flyers and join us for some special fun. Motown night is soon. If you like "the Motown sound" this an event to attend. Want to help us with the event? Contact one of our officers or unit members and join in the fun.

Come on up to the Hangar and hear what is going on firsthand while rekindling some friendships and make some new ones. It is easy to find; go to the 3rd floor and go straight thru the ballroom and then let your nose led you to the smell of the fresh popcorn! Tim is doing the meals. Yes meals.... no pizza or fast-food fried chicken with this unit.

We are a fun group and welcome visitors. Come join us.

Mark your calendars (dates may change consult air patrol web site) – Any questions? Contact our director, he really does answer his phone!

- March 2nd: Potentates Ball, Enchantment Under the Sea
- March 9th: Motown at Moolah, by Air Patrol
- March 10th: Race to the Big Top 5k/fun run
- March 15th Stated Meeting
- March 21st-24th: Moolah Circus, Family Arena
- April 17th: Stated Meeting
- April 28th: Sunday Fun Day

"Both optimists and pessimists contribute to our society. The optimist invents the airplane and the pessimist the parachute."

- Gil Stern



### **Arab Patrol**

Captain: Scott Haenel 314-677-5434

President: Dan Hancock 314-724-9657

1st Vice Pres./Sec: Dennis Shell 636-288-6078

2nd Vice President: Jeff Wheeler 314-546-5510

Treasurer: Tim McCraw 314-894-8775

As all of Moolah welcomes in a New Year, 2024, the Arab Patrol has been busy making plans, with a new President, Dan Hancock, at the helm and all of the Military Officers returning for another year. The start of our "Parade Season" being on the horizon, Captain Scott Haenel and his Lieutenants have been busy reviewing potential marching events while keeping this year's competition at the CSSA in mind. With the highly desirable "Traveling Trophy" up for grabs, it's currently in our possession, what better tribute to our current Potentate, Shaun Reuther, he, himself, a proud Member of the Arab Patrol, than for us to come home victoriously and to retire this edition of the "Traveling Trophy" and add it to our trophy case permanently. It's never too late to come and join in the fun as we are always looking for new Members, Shriners who are willing to come and join us and who are willing to march, side by side, with us. Now, is a good time, if not, the best time for any fence setters to come and to explore what Arab Patrol is all about, upon inspection, you will not a find a prouder Unit in all of Shrinedom. A Unit that offers a long history of loyalty, tradition and camaraderie. A Unit that is well supported by our Ladies. A Unit that is the best dressed in all of Shrinedom. A Unit that is "Outstanding" in it's representation of Moolah. A Unit that any Shriner should be and would be proud to be part of. Again, if you have ever thought about joining us, now, is the time to do so. Get involved, start marching with us, practicing with us as we participate in several parades leading up to the CSSA

in Topeka, Kansas. Give Captain Scott Haenel a call/text at 314-677-5435, or if you wish, shoot him an E-Mail at scotthaenel@yahoo.com. Not only will he have you marching before you know it, enjoying every minute of it, but, later in August after the CSSA competition has concluded, you will also be a "Proud Member" of the group who permanently retires the "Traveling Trophy" for Moolah.

#### Chanters

Director: David Larkin 636-734-7718

President: Carl Apollo, Jr. 314-809-5518

Vice President: David Sir 314-280-7865

Secretary, Conductor: Jim Gesell 636-352-5146

Treasurer: Barry Spitzer 314-239-8179

The Chanters are pleased to announce the installation of our new officers for 2024. The ceremony took place in our Unit Room on Monday, February 5. We were honored to have Illustrious Sir Shaun Ruether, his Lady Stephanie, and 11 other members of the Divan in attendance. We were also pleased to have several of our Ladies of passed Chanters attend the ceremony. We served dinner and performed for the Divan, the Ladies of our active members, and our Chanter widow Ladies.

We had a very busy Christmas Season singing several times at the Feztival of Trees and at both the Brunch with Santa and the Patient Christmas Party on December 9 and 10, respectively. We also visited our members who are in health care facilities again this year to perform our Christmas music for them and the other residents.

The Chanters are now preparing for our trip to attend and perform at the 2024 Imperial Session in Reno, Nevada. We hope many other Chanter Units will attend our competition, and all Chanters will be invited to be part of the Sunday Worship Service on June 30. We are also looking for other venues for sign-outs.

If you like to sing, please join us. We meet every Monday at 7:00 pm in our Unit Room at the Shrine to rehearse (the first Monday of each month being the business meeting). We hope to see you there!

#### Clowns

Director: Steve Kern (Knucklehead)

President: Tony Mueller (Mike Dud)

1st Vic. President: Chris Johnson (Stiks)

2nd Vic. President: Dale Kling (Zig-Zig)

Treasurer: John Tremblay (Shabba-Dabba)

What a great showing by our unit for our 8th annual Trivia Nite. It was really great watching everyone pitch in and help that night, especially those who quickly filled in spots where we needed help. Lots of compliments from our crowd once again and they especially enjoyed the movie scene round. Thanks to all those special people and to Kim Frederick for spearheading that round. By the way we had to hose down and pry apart two of our actors after the Ghost scene. Can't wait to see what will happen next year with that group. Thanks to all our ladies who put in a lot of time days before, that morning and especially that evening. Their support of our unit has always been outstanding and once again a lot of comments about their work that night from our crowd.

Congratulations to John (Barley) Frederick for being our new Outer Guard and to Steve (Cecil) Kahre for being appointed to the Divan as Marshall. Our unit is well represented on the Divan and these two members just added to the quality of our organization. I guess we can't pick on them anymore.

Yeah right!



#### **UNIT & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

We participated in the Night to Shine event which is the special needs prom night and had a blast. We were smiling all night watching these children being treated like Kings and Queens. Plus, they dance better than most of us.

As we get ready for the circus the temple is hosting a 5k run on Sunday, March 10th at the Family Arena. This is a new event to get everybody fired up about the upcoming circus. Also, we will be participating in the St. Pats parade downtown like we did last year on March 16.

Our own John (Merlin) Dolan recently lost in his attempt to win the America's Got Talent show losing out to the guy who wears a skintight costume and gets in a box. I know some of you are on Facebook with him and already knew this.

Just sold my homing pigeon on eBay for the 22nd time.



## Daniel Boone Shrine Club

President: Mike Heuer 314-814-3367

We meet on the "Last Thursday" of the month in the large banquet room at JJ's Restaurant in O'Fallon. Mark your calendar for March 28th and April 25th, 2024. They have an extensive menu, and their food is always great, and reasonably priced. Arrive around 5:30 for dinner, and at 7:00 the guys will have a meeting and our Ladies will play Bunco. As always – BRING



YOUR LADY. This is a fun night for everyone!

We are a friendly group of Shriners and Ladies, and we hope you will try us. You don't have to be a member, and we won't pressure you to join. Just bring your Lady and come on out and join us for a fun night.

For more information about our activities, call President Mike at 314-814-3367. We would love to have you and your Lady join us!

# Guides

President: Bob Wesling 314-280-4568

We BBQ for several events a year, we help at the Circus & FEZtival of Trees, and we attend every activity at Moolah. The Guides meet on the 4th Monday of the month in the Guides room on the 3rd floor at Moolah, so come around 6:00 for some great good and we'll have our meeting around 7:00. Since this is our meeting night it's guys only. We have great fellowship, great food, and this is where you'll find out about all our activities.

We also have a Friday night social every couple of months where you and your Lady are invited to join the FUN. We would appreciate it if you would give us a try!

If you would like more information about the Guides, what we do, and our activities - give President Bob a call at 314-280-4568.

## Hospital Reception Committee

Director: Jim Gesell 636-352-5146

President: David Sir 314-482-8602

1st Vice President: Todd Aiken 314-749-4550

2nd Vice President: Jim Peck 636-578-7527

Secretary: Zack Rodgers 573-614-2015

Treasurer: Kevin Davis 314-482-8602

Because many of us Shriners volunteer at the front desk, family members frequently see us when they arrive at our hospital for care—a Shriner wearing a Fez. Because we also manage the Toy Box, and each child receives a toy that guarantees they will leave with a smile and a happy memory of their visit, we are usually the last people a child sees before they go.

On February 8, we conducted a pancake breakfast at the Hospital for staff, patients, and their families. We served over 100 and were led by our new BBQ Chairman, Mark Buehler. A big 'Thank You' to Bob Berry, our BBQ Chairman since .... I guess forever! In addition, we are preparing a BBQ on July 27 for the Hospital's Limb-Lengthening Reunion and on September 6 for Potosi YMCA's Hand Camp.

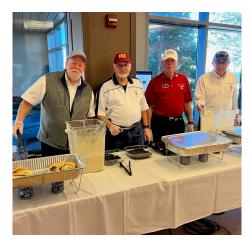
The check from the 15th Annual Racquet Ruckus for 2023 for over \$50,000 was presented at the December Stated Meeting. This money will used to provide our patients items that they need but which are not covered in the hospital budget, items like braces, custom helmets to protect infant skulls, replacements for broken or outdated equipment, supplies, our annual Hand Camp, and much more. Another huge 'Thank You' to Bob Berry for conducting this event.

The Hospital Reception Committee has numerous experienced members who would be happy to provide a

#### **UNIT & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a tour for your Unit, Ladies, kids or grandkids, and guests (especially prospective Shriners). You could hold your regular monthly business meeting at the hospital and have a tour, or you could have a Ladies Night for your Unit at the hospital and have a tour and dinner. All Shriners and their Ladies should visit the hospital to see for themselves the good we do and the great hospital they help support. If your Unit is interested, please contact one of our members.

Join us to serve both the Shrine and our patients! Come to our business meeting every second Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Shrine Committee Room. See you there!



# **Hot Rod BBQers**

Director: Dennis Burkholder 314-570-1904

President: Charles Alexander 314-487-7550

Vice President: Keith Schilb 636-236-7436

Secretary: Jim Gesell 636-352-5146

Treasurer: Tom Nelson 314-221-1948

Moolah Shrine Illustrious Potentate for 2024 Shaun Ruether, a member of Hot Rod BBQers, deserves congratulations! Having you in our Unit makes us proud.

The Hot Rod BBQers will participate in

the Saturday, March 16, St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown St. Louis. We will be parading our Muscle Cars and BBQ grill (aka the Beast). We may also be parading our Flying Carpet. This vehicle is built on a 25 hp zero-turn mower, which we are seriously considering selling. If you are interested in purchasing the zero-turn Flying Carpet, please contact any of our officers listed above.

Come BBQ with us if you like! Eat with us if you're craving BBQ! Come along if you have a muscle car or would like to operate our Flying Carpet! Every month on the first Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., we get together. Our unit room is located next to the office, in the southwest corner of the shrine. We can't wait to see you!

#### Little Dixie Shrine Club

President: Brad Hagen

1st Vice President: Danny George

2nd Vice President: Brian Pursifull

Last year's LDSC Annual Auction and the Horse Barrel Race (sponsored by JCircleK) generated over \$40,000 for our Shriner Hospitals. LDSC officers are diligently working to plan upcoming fundraisers to surpass last year's success.

Throughout 2023, LDSC membership grew significantly, and it is expected to continue. Our brotherhood has a variety of membership options. Most lodges and appellant bodies want to expand their fellowship. Being a Shriner has many benefits, such as helping others and having fun. We don't require you to 'ASK1 2B1'. We, as nobles, actively promote ourselves and our organization.

If you're in the Mexico, Missouri area, feel free to attend our meetings held on the 4th Wednesday of each month and bring your friends. Our renowned culinary staff will prepare an abundance of flavorful cuisine for our surprise guests.

Moolah Potentate Shaun Ruether shared his "Back to the Core in '24" goals with the distinguished nobles of LDSC at the Lowry Ranch Annual Breakfast.

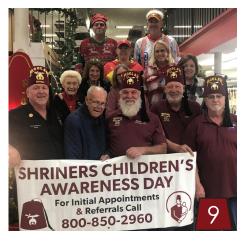
## **Mid-MO Shrine**



## Club

"The Mid-MO Shrine Club hosted a Shriners Children's Awareness Day in Montgomery City on December 8th at Montgomery Hardware & Home Center. It was a wonderful event paired with the towns Hometown Christmas! The Hardware store offered, pictures with Santa, face painting for kids, Shriner clowns, free food and live music. A huge thank you to Jim and Paula Mills for hosting this awareness event and all of the coordination included to provide this outreach opportunity for children. Henry Prior, Mid-MO President, is in the middle holding the banner. A huge thank you to the Shriner clowns, Sarah Leassner for face painting and Steve Sales for being Santa."

## **Motor Patrol**



## **Motor Patrol**

Captain: Pat McEvoy 314-566-1246

President: Rich Viner 314-562-7705

1st Vice President: Marsh Lukens

2nd Vice President: Wayne Allred

Secretary: Dave Zika

Treasurer: Don Gabel

Congratulations the Illustrious Sir Shaun Ruether & 1st Lady Stephanie. He is the 135th Potentate of Moolah.They have a lot of fun events planned for this year.

The Motor Patrol has 2 new units the drift trikes & minibikes up and running. We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 pm for food, 7 pm meeting. We are located on the 2nd floor. We also have on the 4th Monday of each month a social (ladies welcome) and practice in the parking lot. If you have a Harley, Corvette, Antique car, Jeep, drift trike or a minibike we would like you join us for some fun. This year we have several social events and parades planned. Join us for some Fun and Brotherhood.

# **Swing Dance**

Director: Wally Bowman 314-484-6915

President: Dennis Martin 636-293-3348

Vice President: Gary Fanger 636-447-2361

Secretary: Gene Burnett 636-219-7221

Treasurer: Charlie Haas 314-575-5020

#### We Dance So Kids Can Walk

We are looking for new members. No dues; join a very active unit that helps the kids. Visit www.mssdc.org for more information.

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You do not have to be a member of the Swing Dance Unit to attend. We provide a cash bar at all of our dances, so please no outside drinks. You are welcome to bring your own snacks. Admission is \$10. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Band plays from 7 to 10.30 pm. We do not care how you dance, just come and have a good time.

March 1. Fanfare is a four member band playing a wide variety of music from Pop, Motown, R&B, Rock Classics and Big Band

March 8. Crossfire plays music from Swing, Pop, Funk, Motown, R&B, Rock and Roll.

March 15. Scott and Karl are a two person band who are well know in the Saint Louis area. They play Swing, Blues, Rat Pack, Elvis, Pop, Motown and Rock and Roll.

March 22. No dance. Attend the Circus

March 29. No dance. Good Friday.

April 5. Charlie Mann is a fivemember band playing swing, pop, 80's, Country, Rock and Roll, classic golden oldies, and today's hits.

April 12. Larry Gwaltney Band. They are a 5 person band playing R&B, Motown, Blues, Swing, and Funk.

April 19. Trilogy is a seven-member band playing swing and Motown. Pop, Disco, Country, Classic Rock, Funk, Golden Oldies, and today's hits.

April 26. Scott and Karl are a twoperson band well-known in the Saint Louis area. They play Swing, Blues, Rat Pack, Elvis, Pop, Motown, and Rock and Roll.

# TCAA

President: Dennis Martin

1st Vice President: Wally Bowman

2nd Vice President: John Anderson

Secretary/Treasurer: Jim Gesell

TCAA wishes Jim Fritz, our President for 2023, a fond farewell. Fritz led TCAA brilliantly the entire year, growing our membership and organizing the matching-funds contribution of \$50,000 to the transportation fund. He also supplied food for most of our gatherings. Fritz, I appreciate your leadership!

Our new President for 2024, Dennis Martin, has our congratulations. We elected John Anderson as our second vice president and Wally Bowman as our first vice president at our meeting on January 23. We wish you luck leading us to another amazing year, 2024. Bob Sudholt, our newest Director, and a representative of the Air Patrol Unit is also welcomed with great pleasure. We are grateful to our Clown Unit representatives, Sherry Clark of Alexander Realty in St. Peters, MO, Jayson "Fireplug" Schroer, Gary "Duffer" Fanger, and Jim "Fritz," for their 442-toy donation to TCAA. Sherry gave Shriners Hospital the proceeds from her toy drive, and Jayson put on a clown show for her Christmas party. We thank Bob Wesling, Buckles, Knucklehead, and the other Shriners for making this possible.

In 2023, TCAA contributed \$50,000 to the Transportation Fund and spent \$16,196.66 on toys for our patients in the clinic and hospital. 8,818 patients (PTP patients, patients with younger siblings, and patients undergoing physical therapy) attended the outpatient clinic in 2017. Toy Fund supporter First Lady Pam Schroeder gave \$1,000, and in 2023, the TCAA received half of her "Calling of the Hogs" fundraiser proceeds. You two have my sincere gratitude! These presents will guarantee that toys will be bought for many more months to come.

Section 501(C)(3) designates TCAA as a nonprofit organization. TCAA maintains stocks and bonds for unforeseen medical needs. Being a 501(c)three, our charitable contributions are restricted to

#### **UNIT & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

St. Louis Children's Hospital, other 501(c) three organizations, or patient assistance programs like the Toy and Transportation Funds. TCAA preserves gifts and bequests like our local hospital's piggy bank until an unforeseen circumstance or unmet need occurs. St. Louis Shriners Hospital cannot retain donations, unlike TCAA. Assume that St. Louis Hospital has all its requirements met. In these cases, the funds are transferred to the Shrine endowment at year's end to support other healthcare facilities (the St. Louis Hospital returns hundreds of thousands of dollars annually). This is suitable if the donor requests an unrestricted donation, in which case TCAA takes accountability. Regarding donation or allocation, the hospital cannot respect donor preferences.

To become a TCAA Director, you must first ask your unit to nominate and elect you to the position. For every unit, a maximum of three delegates are permitted. Every month on the fourth Tuesday, we meet in our second-floor unit room at 6:30 p.m. I'm hoping to see you there!



#### **Temple Club**

President: Ann Dane

Vice President: Debbie Schmucker

Secretary: Kathy Myers

Treasurer: Kathy Kelley

We will be celebrating Temple Club's 108th Birthday at the March 13th meeting. Be sure to join us so we may honor our "Most Seasoned Lady or Ladies" with a special plant.

This coming March 21–24, let's continue to support the Shrine Circus.

We'll be providing an update on the January survey results.

We will have a speaker this month, Katie Harris. Her guide dog, Moxie, was a finalist for the 2023 Hero Dog Award in the Service and Guide Dog category. Katie's father was the Moolah Clown "Dot".

Our menu will be Chicken Cordon Bleu, roasted vegetable kabobs, Valenti's salad, and birthday cake.

We will be meeting again on April 10th, as Spring has sprung full force. Food and personal goods will be gathered for Circle of Concern. In addition, Jeannie Smith is pleased to accept your payment and make necessary purchases. A speaker on the state of the scoliosis lab will be giving us an update.

Our menu will be Applewood Smoked Turkey, roasted zucchini, squash, and tomato medley, Valenti's salad, and fresh baked cobbler.

#### YOMO

President: Rob Hynes

1st Vice President: David Box

2nd Vice President: Randy Green

Secretary: Mike Morton

Treasurer: Dennis Huey

Captain: Stan Zurosky

yomomoolah@gmail.com

From all of us at YOMO, we hope everyone is getting through these cold days! Hoping it gets warmer soon.

Have parading season coming back around. February 10th the Mardis Gras parade kicked off our season. The next big parade will be March 16th St. Patrick's Day parade followed up by the after-party chili dog bar back at the Sheiks. Don't forget the Circus is taking place the 21st through the 24th, another chance to see your beloved little yellow cars!

Meat Shoots are still happening at the VFW Post 4223 at 215 Military Rd in

Lemay, MO! Our next one is scheduled for March 10th at 12:30 pm. Have some fun with us and spread the word. All are welcome. Besides raising money for insurance, Mini Patrol is also a Fun and Fellowship event!

There are 3 events this month: YOMO Scrapbooking Event on April 27th, Lady's Luncheon on May 18th, and Summer Patient Party on June 15th.

The first Delorean rolled off the production line on January 21, 1981. There were only around 9,000 Deloreans made before production was halted in 1983. Only 16 right hand drives and 3 gold plated cars were ever produced.

Captain Zurosky had our annual Driver's Meeting on Wednesday, January 3rd. Rules, dues, insurance, safety, etc. were discussed. If you missed the meeting, contact Captain Zurosky to fulfill this requirement. This spring is parade season, so get your karts ready.

See you on the streets!

As a reminder, we meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the YOMO room. If you can't meet in person, we also have a virtual option through ZOOM. Please check your emails for updates. Also, if you are on Facebook, please connect with Moolah YOMO as well.

If you need to pay your YOMO/Mini Patrol dues please contact Mike Morton via email (mmorton@pioneerathletics. com) or phone (314-583-3609). He is at the meetings and other functions and can collect them at any time.

Year of the Gnome in 2024!





# PEDIATRIC SPECIALTY CARE



#### Orthopedics

- Clubfoot
- Cerebral palsy
- Prosthetics/orthotics
- Scoliosis/spine conditions
- Upper and lower
   extremity conditions
- Sports medicine/fractures

#### **Burn Care**

- Scar revisions
- Skin conditions
- Plastic surgery

Spinal Cord Injury and spine disorders

**Craniofacial Conditions** 

Shriners Children's

Physical/Occupational/ Speech Therapies

Learn more about all of our care specialties and request an appointment at shrinerschildrens.org.



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#### Shriners Children's Wins 15 Patient Satisfaction/Clinical Quality Awards

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nce again, Shriners Children's has been recognized as one of healthcare's standout organizations for its achievements in patient experience, employee experience, safety and quality.

Press Ganey honored Shriners Children's with a record number of awards for 2023 – 15 in total, one more than in 2022 and more than the system has ever received. The awards recognize and honor data-driven advancements in healthcare.

"Year after year, we are recognized by Press Ganey, and I believe that consistency comes from a genuine culture of caring," said Bill Munley, administrator for the Shriners Children's Southeast market.

"I agree that our quality comes from the culture we have," said Fran Farley, M.D., chief medical officer of Shriners Children's. "Our mission of caring for children – patients who often present the most complex and challenging conditions – attracts the kind of doctors, nurses and therapists who want to pay attention to all the details and provide the very best care."

Press Ganey is a healthcare consultant that works with more than 41,000 healthcare facilities. As part of its mission, Press Ganey conducts nationwide surveys of patients, physicians and other provider employees to assess their experience, satisfaction and engagement. The organization also compares the clinical quality performance of the hospitals and clinics it works with. It is these surveys and measures that the awards are based on.

Nine Shriners Children's locations won a Guardian of Excellence Award<sup>®</sup>, meaning that those providers' scores on patient experience, physician and employee engagement, and clinical quality place them in the top 5% of providers across the country.

In addition, five Shriners Children's locations received a Pinnacle of Excellence Award<sup>®</sup>, which recognizes topperforming healthcare organizations for achieving and maintaining consistently high levels of excellence for three or more consecutive years in patient experience and employee/ physician engagement; or, two or more consecutive years in clinical quality performance.

#### Shriners Children's 2023 Press Ganey Awards

- Shriners Children's Boston :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Medical Pratice
- Shriners Hospitals of Children Canada :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Inpatient Pediatric
  - Pinnacle of Excellence-Patient Experience, Inpatient Pediatric

- Shriners Children's Chicago :
  - Pinnacle of Excellence-Patient Experience, Inpatient Pediatric
- Shriners Children's Ohio :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Medical Pratice
  - Pinnacle of Excellence-Patient Experience, Ambulatory Surgery
- Shriners Children's Greenville :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Medical Pratice
  - Pinnacle of Excellence-Patient Experience, Inpatient Pediatric
  - Pinnacle of Excellence-Patient Experience, Ambulatory Surgery
- Shriners Children's Hawaii :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Inpatient Pratice
- Shriners Children's Lexington :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Medical Pratice
- Shriners Children's Philadelphia :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Inpatient Pratice
- Shriners Children's Portland :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Inpatient Pediatric
  - Pinnacle of Excellence-Patient Experience, Inpatient Pediatric
- Shriners Children's St. Louis :
  - Guardian of Excellence- Patient Experience, Inpatient Pediatric

Article provided by Shriners Children's St. Louis



# **MILITARY VETERANS!**



MEETINGS ON THE 4TH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH @ 7:00PM (1900 HRS) IN ROOM ON MAIN FLOOR ACROSS FROM THE GIFT SHOP Jimmie Sanders USAF 21 years of service Senior Master Sergeant



Art Bardmass Navy 1983-1987

Aviation Support Equipment Technician and served aboard the aircraft carrier USS Forrestal (CV-59).



# MOOLAH'S Noblemen Degree Team

We are forming a degree team to assist Lodges who need help with the Master Mason Degree. Today many lodges struggle to put on degrees, with our own degree we can support the blue Lodge and promote the Shrine

We practice the first and third Sundays at Noble Lodge, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m

Come out and join us even if you don't know a part, there will be plenty of nonspeaking parts.



Nobles and Ladies, We'd be honored to recognize your service. Please scan the QR Code for a brief questionnaire, so we may learn more about your service 15

# St Patrick's Dav Saturday March 16th

The 55th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on Saturday, March 16, 2024, at 12:00 PM in downtown

St. Louis. The parade always takes place "rain or shine." It began at 20th and Market streets, and proceed east to its conclusion at Broadway and Clark streets.

If you are interested in having a float/unit in this year's parade, fill out the unit application form link (click on this ad) and a copy will be sent to Wayne Price so he will know which units will be attending.



Past Potentate Dennis Kelly Sr., was given his 50 year pin at Meridian Lodge #2 last night. In addition, his grandson received his first degree. Three Generations. Dennis Sr. Dennis Jr. and James Flynn

# Saturday, March 16th

Join Illustrious Sir Shaun Ruether and First lady Stephanie along with your circus paraders for a parade afterglow

# Moolah's EGGstravaganza!

Saturday, March 30th, from 11:00 - 1:00

> Moolah Shrine Center **Oasis and Gazebo**



Let's have a lawn party! Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Egg-themed Scavenger/Party Games Bike Raffles/ Goodie Bag for the Kiddos

> and The Easter Bunny!

Saturday, March 16th - Moolah Oasis Immediately Following the Parade Children 10 and under are free! Adults: \$5.00 **Reservations are Required** Please RSVP by March 27th by calling 314-878-6301



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# **Rob Boland**

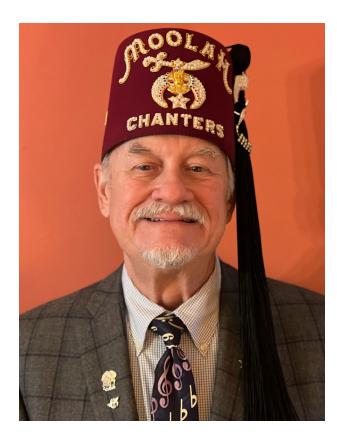
Our Shriner of the Month for March is Noble Rob Boland. Rob was raised at Noble Lodge in 2015 and joined Moolah the same year. He is a member of the Arab Patrol and in 2019 served as President. He became the Arab Patrol Lieutenant in 2020.

Noble Boland has been a Potentate Aide for several years and this year became the assistant Chief Aide.

His dedication to the Shrine and our hospitals has made a difference every day. Active in the community in many events including events for veterans and first responders.

The Public Relations Committee is honored to have Noble Rob Boland as our Shriner of the Month for March.





# **Barry Spitzer**

Shriner of the Month for April is Noble Barry Spitzer.

Barry was raised as a Master Mason in May 1995, at Olive Branch Lodge #576 just blocks away from the original Moolah Temple on Lindell.

He joined Moolah in 2003, and joined the Chanters. He became President of the Moolah Chanter in 2007 and has keep busy with the unit with trips to Imperial, Central States and many events including our Shrine Circus. All of which the Chanters have won First Place. This award wining unit is the oldest chanter unit in Shrinedom.

Noble Barry has served as President a second time with the Chanters in 2017. He is currently the Worshipful Master of Pride of the West this year, the only daylight lodge in St Louis.

The Public Relation Committee is proud to have Noble Barry Spitzer as our Shriner of the Month for April.

# **Patrick McEvoy** Captain of the Guard



Patrick McEvoy was born and raised in St. Louis County and has lived and raised a family in St. Charles, Missouri for the past 24 years with his wife Amy. He obtained a Bachelor of Science, Masters of Administration, and a Specialist in Ed Leadership. He has retired after a 30 year career in education, 26 years as a building Principal at two different high schools in St. Louis County. Amy attained both a Bachelors and Masters degree in Art and currently is in her 26th year of teaching at MRH High School. Both have raised two children, Kierigan, (Senior) Western Kentucky University, Chinese and International Affairs major and Army ROTC Cadet and Killian (Junior) Southeast Missouri State, Cybersecurity major, both graduates of Francis Howell Central HS.

Patrick and Amy have been actively involved in Moolah Shrine for decades. Patrick was raised at Mizpah Lodge in Florissant, Missouri, 1991. He entered the Scottish Rite and Moolah in 1991 joining the Motor Patrol unit and participating in that parade unit ever since. He has served as President of the Motor Patrol multiple years, held several military ranks, currently serving as Captain of Moolah Motor Patrol. Patrick is a past member of the Order of Quetzalcoatl, serves on the Moolah Circus Committee working with advertising, ticket distribution, and corporate sponsors, and has been a Potentate's Aid since 2018. He has been selected Shriner of the Month (May 2023) and currently serves as a Moolah Ambassador. Amy has assisted the Motor Patrol and Moolah in multiple capacities even before their marriage in 1999. Patrick's brother Kyle. Moolah Potentate 2018, and father James McEvoy, Motor Patrol Captain Emeritus, both helped make Moolah, a McEvoy Family Affair. Patrick and Amy have enjoyed the countless friends, trips/events, parades, circuses and all the work completed to better the fraternity and supporting the hospital for children, and served as Potentate.

# Adam Iwanow Membership Liaison



Adam Iwanow was born West Bloomfield, Michigan – in the Greater Detroit Area. He moved to St. Louis, Missouri in 2009 to attend Lindenwood University on academic and athletic scholarship. Upon graduation, Adam attended the University of Missouri School of Law where he earned his Juris Doctor. Adam is a Senior Advisor in Contract Compliance and Risk Management for The Boeing Company. In 2017, he married his wife Chelsea who has been around the Masonic Family her entire life and served Missouri Rainbow as Grand Worthy Advisor in 2012. Chelsea is passionate about teaching and youth development and is a Lead Teacher at Primrose School of O'fallon – Winghaven. Together, they have two amazing daughters, Emersyn (4) and Savannah (1).

Adam is a proud member of Moolah Shrine and is a passionate advocate of the Shriners Children's Hospital network and the exceptional life-changing care it provides. Adam is an active member of several units, clubs and committees, including the Ceremonial Cast, Arab Patrol, Guides and the Moolah Shrine Circus Committee. He also proudly serves as the Chairman of the Membership Committee.

Adam began his Masonic journey as a member of Kirkwood Chapter, Order of DeMolay in 2010. He served Kirkwood Chapter as Master Councilor and went on to serve Missouri DeMolay as a Jurisdictional Officer. Through DeMolay, Adam is a holder of the degree of Chevalier, as well as an Active DeMolay Legion of Honor. Adam also serves DeMolay International as a Class 3 • Deputy Member of the DeMolay International Supreme Council and as a member of the Appeals & Grievances Committee. He is also a recipient of the Grand Cross of Color from the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

Adam is a Past Master of Crestwood Anchor Lodge No. 443, having served as Worshipful Master in 2021. He has further served the Grand Lodge of Missouri in various capacities and on several Committees, but currently serves as Grand Pursuivant. Adam also serves as Chairman of the St. Louis – Grand Master's Consecration Breakfast Committee.

Adam is an active York Rite and Scottish Rite Mason and is a member of the Scottish Rite Valley of St. Louis, where he has been honored with the 32 Knight Commander of the Court of Honor (KCCH).

# James Brandenburg Assistant Director General



Assistant Director General Jim Brandenburg greatly appreciates his appointment by Illustrious Sir Shaun Ruether. Jim appointed Illustrious Sir Dean Isbell as Outer Guard in 2011, who later appointed our current Potentate as Outer Guard.

Jim is an attorney with offices in Clayton. He is principal of Brandenburg Law Offices.

Jim grew up in Webster Groves and Kirkwood where he attended public schools. In the summer before his junior year in high school, his family moved to Springfield, Missouri, where he graduated from high school.

After graduating from college, Jim enlisted in the Marine Corps. He received basic training at Parris Island, South Carolina, and specialty training at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. He served in the Marine Corps Reserve for 6 years.

After Jim's father died, his mother married Gerald Clem, who was a Mason and Shriner. Because of the encouragement of his stepfather, Jim became a member of Trinity Lodge in south St. Louis. He served as Worshipful Master of Trinity Lodge in 1985-1986, which after a number of mergers is now Spirit of St. Louis Lodge.

Jim has been a Moolah Shriner since 1981. He is a life member and past president of the Drum & Bugle Corps and a past president and member of the Ceremonial Cast. He was appointed as Outer Guard by Illustrious Sir John Smith. While a member of the Divan, he served as Chairman of the Hospital Paper Drive, Lunch with Santa, Circus Kick-off and the Moolah Shrine Circus. He was Potentate of Moolah Temple in 2011.

Jim and Louise were married in 1983. Louise grew up in St. Louis County and graduated from Parkway North High School. She worked for many years as a speech therapist and is now retired.

Jim and Louise have 4 adult children, James in Illinois, Kathryn in Alabama, William in Idaho and John in Georgia. They have 8 grandchildren and may end up with a few more.





Illustrious Sir Shaun Ruether & First Lady Shephanie invite you to honor your special lady at their



Sunday May 12th, 2024 10 am - 1 pm

\$25 per adult/ \$15 per child ages 6-12/ Free per child 5 & under Please call the office to RSVP (314) 878-6301

# **HOSPITAL NEWS**

#### Shriners Children's Earns a Four-Star Rating From Charity Navigator

A hriners Children's, one of the largest pediatric sub-specialty healthcare systems in the world, is proud to announce that its strong financial health and ongoing accountability and transparency has earned a Four-Star Rating from Charity Navigator.

This rating designates Shriners Children's as an official "Give with Confidence" charity, indicating that the healthcare system is using its donations effectively, based on Charity Navigator's criteria. Charity Navigator is America's largest and most-utilized independent charity evaluator. Since 2001, the organization has been an unbiased and trusted source of information for more than 11 million donors annually.

Since opening its first hospital in 1922, Shriners Children's has made it their mission to improve the lives of children, regardless of the families' ability to pay or insurance status. Over the last century, Shriners Children's has treated more than 1.5 million children from over 170 countries. Today, their locations in the United States, Canada and Mexico, along with outreach clinics held all over the world, provide innovative care for children with a range of **orthopedic issues**, **burn injuries**, **craniofacial conditions**, **spine conditions**, **spinal cord injuries**, **colorectal and gastrointestinal conditions**, and **sports medicine** needs.

"We are delighted to provide Shriners Children's with third-party accreditation that validates their operational excellence," said Michael Thatcher, president and CEO of Charity Navigator. "The Four-Star Rating is the highest possible rating an organization can achieve. We are eager to see the good work that Shriners Children's is able to accomplish in the years ahead."

Charity Navigator analyzes nonprofit performance based on four key indicators, referred to as beacons. Currently, nonprofits can earn scores for the Impact & Results, Accountability & Finance, Culture & Community, and Leadership & Adaptability beacons. Two objectives drive their approach to rating charities: helping donors and celebrating the work of charities.

"We are proud to receive another Four-Star rating from Charity Navigator," said Stuart Sullivan, chief philanthropy officer for Shriners Children's. "This distinction is further validation that our supporters can trust Shriners Children's commitment to good governance and financial health, and feel empowered knowing they are making an impactful difference in the lives of children around the world."

Shriners Children's rating and other information about charitable giving are available free of charge on charitynavigator.org.

Contact: Ashley Ozols-Thomas, Shriners Children's, 813-499-4273 or aozols@shrinenet.org.

Article provided by Shriners Children's St. Louis

Have you purchased a brick to be placed in the

# Moolah Brick Walk of Fame

Purchase a brick in honor of yourself or your loved one. Or as a Memorial to a family member or close acquaintance.

A 4"x8" brick with up to 3 lines of inscription (18 characters per line) is only \$100.00

Maybe you would like a miniature brick like the 4"x8" one placed in the Moolah Walk of Fame for only \$250.00

OR, if you want more lines of information on the brick, you can purchase an 8"x8" brick and get up to 6 lines on it for \$500.00

Indicate which brick you would like to purchase:

O 4"x8" Brick (up to 3 lines of inscription)	. \$ 100.00
O 4"x8" Brick with a small duplicate for your desk	. \$ 250.00

O 8"x8" Brick (up to 6 lines of inscription) ..... \$ 500.00

Maximum number of characters per line is 18 including spaces and special characters. One character per box. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**—Moolah or the brick company cannot be liable for misspellings especially when it cannot be

read.

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Please send or take this form and your payment to the Moolah Shrine office. You may pay by check (made payable						
to MOOLAH SHRINE) or Credit Card.						
Credit Card Info:						
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Security Code (on back of card):	Your billing Zip Code:					
Your Name:	Telephone Number:					
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City/State/Zip:						

# **MEETING SCHEDULES**

STATED MEETINGS

		STATED MEETIN	IGS				
January 17th							
February 21st June 19th		October 16th	Stated Meeting Reminders: Dress in business casual, Dues Cards are required, dinner is served at 5:30pm and meetings begin at				
March 20th	July 17th	November 20th	7:00pm, along with balloting	on all new petitions for memberships.			
April 17th	August 21st	December 18th (election)					
		UNITS & COMMI	TTEES				
Name		Date & Time	Location	Contact			
Air Patrol		2nd Mon.		Byron Smymiotis 314-494-6464			
Arab Patrol		1st Mon. Drill Practice 4th Mon.	Scott Haenel 314-677-54				
Band		Every Wed.		Jack Scherrer 314-644-5362			
HOTROD BBQer's		1st Wed. 6:00pm	Unit Room	Dennis Burkholder 314-570-1904			
Chanters		1st Mon. 7:00pm & Rehearsals all other Mon. 7:00pm	Unit Room	David Larkin 636-734-7718			
Clowns		3rd Mon.		Steve Kern 314-614-8634			
DeMolay		3rd Wed. 6:30pm		Mike Lodholz 314-910-9374			
Directors Staff		1st Mon.		Fred Zurfluh, IV 314-910-3950			
Drum Corps		2nd & 4th Tues. Rehearsals 2nd and 4th Tues.		Mike Brooks 314-591-6060			
Gateway 500		Business Meeting 2nd Tues.		Dave Hope 314-406-0744			
Guides		Last Monday		Rick Mayer 314-603-2106			
Hospital Reception	n Comm.	2nd Wednesday 7:00pm	Unit Room	Jim Gesell 636-352-5146			
Legion of Honor		4th Tues.		Gale Going 314-703-0548			
Motor Patrol		2nd Mon.		Patrick McEvoy 314-568-1246			
Mounted Lancers		2nd Wed.	Ranch	Allen Coggins 314-602-7454			
Operational Suppo	ort Unit	2nd Mon.	Behind the Ballroom	Mike Reese 314-229-3682			
Seniors		1st Mon. & 3rd Mon. Business	Guides Room	Bob Daniels 636-675-4590			
Sportsmen Unit		3rd Mon. 6:30pm	Sheik's Club	Brett Grimm 314-606-4622			
Swing Dance Unit		1st Mon. 6:30pm		Wally Bowman 314-498-6915			
TCAA		4th Tues. 6:30pm	Unit Room	Jim Gesell 636-352-5146			
Unique Motors		2nd & 4th Mon.		Ken Wright 636-288-1130			
ҮОМО		2nd Wed.		Lenny Martin PP 314-795-6561			
		CLUBS					
Name		Date & Time	Location	Contact			
Cape SC		4th Wed. 6:00pm	Shriner's Hall 57001 Old Cape Road East Jackson, MO 63755	Billy Thorne 573-275-3010			
Capital SC		2nd Tues. 6:30pm	Capital SC	Corey Dawson 573-301-8670			
Daniel Boone SC		Last Thurs. 6:00pm	JJ's Restaurant	Mike Heuer 314-814-3367			
Ecmo SC		1st Fri. 7:30pm	ECMO SC	Billie Inman 314-541-8134			
Joachim SC		4th Wed. 7:00pm	Weber's Front Row	Randell Green 314-566-0252			
Little Dixie SC		4th Wed.	L.D. Shrine Park	Rennie Davis 573-473-6817			
Mid-Mo SC		3rd Mon.	607 S. Sturgeon	Bryan Jonas 573-239-1795			
Nemo SC		3rd Thurs. 6:00pm	Call for Location	Aaron Ruhl 573-231-2718			
Ozark SC		2nd Mon.	411 Springfield Rd. Owensville, MO	John Behrens Jr. 636-234-7690			
Semo SC		1st Fri. 6:30pm	Semo SC	Matthew Hodges 573-619-1795			
Three Rivers SC		3rd Thurs. 6:30pm	Three Rivers SC	Aaron Morris 573-686-2668			
Tiger SC		Last Mon. 7pm	2815 N Stadium Blvd Columbia, MO 65202	Gene Karney 573-999-5934			
		APPENDANT BO	DIES				
Name		Date & Time	Location	Contact			
Daughters of the N	lile	1st Wed.	Noble Lodge #684	Marie Preble 314-578-1671			
Ladies Oriental Shri	ine of North America	3rd Mon.	Noble Lodge #684	Marcia Jacobi 314-541-3393			

Noble Lodge #684 Temple Club

1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:00pm 2nd Wed.

Moolah Temple Oasis

Tom Cupples 636-685-5555 23 Cheri Viner 314-420-2385





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Shriners Children's St. Louis is in need of **"ON CALL"** Van Drivers and Riders to pick up patients and bring them to/ from the hospital. The normal

day starts in the Morning and ends in the early afternoon Monday thru Friday.

We have regular drivers, but when they are not available, we need drivers and riders to "fill in" on an as needed basis. Drivers must be Shriners, but Ladies of Shriners can be Riders.

If you would like to meet some of our patients and see what we do at Shriners, please contact the Van Chairman Bob Sudholt at **314-2059662**, or email **robertsudholt@yahoo. com** 

# **Imagine your next event at Moolah!**



Come on in and book your next event with us! If you would like to take a look at our rooms feel free to stop by 9:00a-4:30p Monday-Friday.

#### The below rates are only for 2023.

Moolah Unit/Club/Committee Events: Ballroom: \$750 Oasis: \$450 \$500 security deposit (refunded if no damages are found) Member Benefits for Moolah Shriners & Immediate Family:

Ballroom: \$1,000 Oasis: \$550 \$500 security deposit (refunded if no damages are found)

Non-Shriner & General Public Events: Ballroom: \$2,000 Oasis: \$1,100 \$500 security deposit (refunded if no damages are found)

Booking: Moolah Office 314.878.6301

Exclusive Caterers:

El Agave 636-248-2306 Orlando's Catering 314.638.6660

Russo Catering 314.427.4955

Valenti's Catering 314.691.7958 The Christy 314.352.4800 Concetta's Catering 636.946.2468 the of our caterers. If you do not need catering

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Associated	0	
Demits	0	
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# MOOLAH<sup>®</sup> SHRINE CALENDAR

#### March

- **01** Swing Dance presents Fanfare**02** Potentate's Ball
- 02 Potentate's Ball03 Moolah's Noblem
- 03 Moolah's Noblemen Degree Team08 Ambassadors Meeting & Swing Dance
- 09 Fabulous Motown Revue
- **10** Race to the Big Top 5k, 5k Afterglow & Daughters of the Nile Installation
- **11** Ceremonial Cast Luncheon
- **13** Temple Club
- 15 Swing Dance presents Scott and Karl
- **16** St. Patrick's After Parade and Party
- 17 Moolah's Noblemen Degree Team
- 20 Stated Meeting
- <sup>21</sup>/<sub>24</sub> Moolah Shrine Circus
- 22 No Swing Dance
- 29 Temple Closed and No Swing Dance
- **30** EGGStravaganza

#### May

03 Swing Dance presents Backstreet Cruisers 04 Spring Ceremonial 05 Sunday Funday & Moolah's Noblemen Degree Team 08 **Temple Club** 10 Ambassadors Meeting & Swing Dance 12 Mother's Day Brunch 15 **Stated Meeting** 17 Swing Dance presents Crossfire <sup>18</sup>/<sub>19</sub> Weekend Warrior 18 **YOMO Ladies Event** 19 Moolah's Noblemen Degree Team 24 No Swing Dance 27 **Temple Closed** 31 Swing Dance presents Charlie Mann

#### April

	- Akin
05	Swing Dance presents Charlie Mann Band
07	LOS Installation & Moolah's Noblemen Degree Team
08	Ceremonial Cast Luncheon
10	Temple Club
12	Ambassadors Meeting & Swing Dance
17	Stated Meeting
19	Swing Dance presents Trilogy
21	Moolah's Noblemen Degree Team
22	Ceremonial Cast Rehearsal
26	Swing Dance presents Scott and Karl
26/27	YOMO Scapbooking for Shriners
29	Ceremonial Cast Rehearsal
	June
01	Q Golf Tournament
02	Moolah's Noblemen Degree Team
<sup>02</sup> / <sub>06</sub>	Potentate's Trip
07	Swing Dance presents Larry Gwaltney Band
<sup>08</sup> / <sub>09</sub>	Clown Unit Mooseburger Clown Training
12	Temple Club
14	Ambassadors Meeting & Swing Dance
15	Shriners Summer Bash
16	Fathers Day Back Yard BBQ & Moolah's Noblemen Degre
19	Stated Meeting

- 21 Swing Dance presents Trilogy
- 22 YOMO Picnic
- 23 Sunday Funday
- 28 Swing Dance presents Garden Party
- <sup>29</sup>/<sub>30</sub> Imperial Session