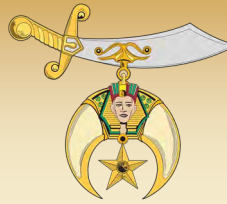


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Nov/21 — JAN/22

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## From the Desk of the Potentate

By Illustrious Sir Denis Lorteau

Greetings Nobles and ladies, As the cooler months approach, the holiday season is arriving and 2021 is coming to an end. Lady Lindsey and I want to say thank you to the Nobility, the 2021 Divan and their partners, the Khartum Shriners family and the office staff for their support this year. Together we forged some memories of goodwill, made some changes and encouraged communication over the Zoom platform as COVID-19 dictated the path we had to take. Although this pandemic has left its mark on humanity, it made us realize that there is truly a different way of doing things. As the health restrictions eased for fully vaccinated individuals, Khartum Shrine Centre was able to open its doors to 50%

of its capacity, enabling our Units as well as some groups and organizations to hold in person gatherings which will help bring some revenue to the building.

The three month pilot project of a progressive 50/50 raffle came to an end on September 1, bringing in revenue of \$1,625. The winners of the three draws were: Larry Seel (July 1), Lori Cumming (August 1) and Romeo Nakoolak (September 1). Congratulations to these winners and thank you for your continued support. See this issue for information regarding the next Holiday 50/50 Raffle, being drawn on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In mid-August, Lady Lindsey and I travelled to Sioux Lookout, ON for the culmination of their virtual golf tournament. We had a lot of fun that weekend. It was great to visit with the Nobles and ladies of their Club and we appreciate all the courtesies extended to us. I had the pleasure of presenting certificates of



appreciation to their sponsors and it was great to see the community support for their Club's endeavours.

On August 29 the Khartum Komedians and Khartum Drifters hosted our first outdoor barbecue of the year for our members and friends. Although it was delayed from June, we had fun promoting Shrine Awareness in our community. Fun and fellowship was had by those in attendance.

In September we held our first hybrid Stated Meeting since Janu-

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*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*

September 29, 2021.....6898.....Lawrence Irwin

*Es Selamu Aleikum*

## Election Regulations

**As per the Bylaws of Shriners International  
July 8, 2021**

**§ 325.4 When Elected.** Each temple must elect its officers and representatives at its annual meeting in January unless its by-laws allow the election to occur at the temple's stated meeting in December.

*Amend. 1987*

**§ 325.6 Time of Election.** Nominations must commence not later than 9:00 p.m. and when that hour arrives all other business must cease and none may be transacted until the election is concluded.

*Amend. 1972*

### **§ 325.11 Election Regulations.**

(a) **Electioneering.** A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a résumé consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.

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(c) **Violation.** For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

(d) **Notice.** At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

*Amend. 2011*

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**Saturday, December 4, 2021  
Time: 1:30 pm**

Location: Via Zoom or  
If MB Health Regulations allow,  
Khartum Shrine Centre  
1155 Wilkes Ave  
Winnipeg, Manitoba

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**Agenda:**  
**Parade to Glory @ 1 pm**  
**Elections**  
**Nominations of Officers**  
**for 2022**  
**Reports & Other Business**

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*Illus Sir Denis Lorteau,*  
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*Illus Sir Doug McKechnie P.P.,*  
Recorder

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## Brandon & District Shrine Club

*By Noble Rod March*

We hope everyone had an enjoyable summer despite all the COVID-19 protocols and restrictions. Fear not – things are improving and soon we will be back together with in-person meetings.

Obviously, with no Club meetings or Shrine functions it has been a “quiet” time for Nobles and their Ladies. However, during this shutdown, the Club has undergone major renovations. Club President Noble Grant McMullan and his management team have done a tremendous job in completing the work. With the closure and sale of the Brandon Masonic Temple Building Ltd., it became necessary for the three Masonic Lodges and Concordant Bodies to secure a

new meeting place.

The Brandon Shrine Club decided to renovate the Unit Room to accommodate a Lodge Room and to add storage space for regalia, etc. Many Nobles volunteered to complete the work, including Nobles Alvin Taft, Drew Mills, Brian McLaren, Mark Griffith, Derek Kindrat, Bill Cumming, Bart Hawkins, Bob Dennis and Don Johnston. President Noble Grant McMullan performed a yeoman’s job completing all the electrical upgrades and installations. Many thanks and congratulation to all for their tremendous efforts in this major renovation and addition to the Club!

The Club is very fortunate and

grateful for the generous donation from the Brandon Masonic Temple Building Ltd. to complete the Lodge Room and the installation of a new heating and air conditioning system. Our Ladies of the Brandon District Shrine Club generously donated the cost of the carpet and the installation for the Lodge Room. All in all, a fantastic effort by everyone involved in this successful endeavour. Thanks to you, the Club is in a position to remain viable for years to come.

Circus Daddy Chairman Noble Brian McLaren and his sales team of Nobles completed a successful campaign in spite of the COVID-19 restrictions. All proceeds will go to the Shriners Hospitals for Children Transportation Fund. We thank all the Nobles for their faithful efforts in keeping this campaign going. Well done!

In conjunction with Cancer Care Manitoba the Club has decided to install two winter plug-in parking spots for the Masonic Cancer Care vans due to the closure of the C. C. M. Brandon office.

We send out a cherry hello and a sunny smile to any who are sick or shut-in.

Let’s all take care and remain optimistic that we will get past this terrible pandemic situation very soon and return to our Shrine activities.

Wishing all the Nobles and Ladies of Khartum Shriners a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Nobles and Ladies of the Brandon and District Shrine Club - Cheers!

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## Khartum Komedians

By Noble Kevin "Bobo" Davis, Past President with editing by Noble Murray "Tag" Botterill

Well, it has been a busy time over the summer for the Unit. Many of our nobles have spent so much time at their cottages that they have sold their homes in Winnipeg and bought new BMW's at wholesale prices. Just joking.

The Unit helped host two BBQ's with the Drifters over the summer as fundraisers for that unit. It was a pleasure working with them. They will be invited to our annual Al Romani dinner in December so they can enjoy some much needed comedy, fellowship and fun.

The Unit is also working with Noble Davis on the **"Roast the Pote night"**. This will be a fun night where we get to **"ROAST"** our Potentate with good humour and some active participation from the audience – more "Fun in 2021". Tickets will be out soon and you will not want to miss this fun evening. The ticket will be for a light meal - the entertainment will be free. I hear we even have the world famous Tuktoyaktuk Drummers from Hawaii coming in to show their drum line that

evening. This performance is a must see. We have a special Master of Ceremonies imported at huge expense for that evening. This world famous MC will do amazing magic tricks and clown around with the Komedians.

We recently did the Trunk or Treat on October 9<sup>th</sup>. The fire truck was front and centre with two ghostly inflatables driving and waving to the crowds of kids. The Circus VW was down south and could not get a Covid test to come back for this special event.

Well, that is it for events. On to what we do best for each Khronicle issue - we tell you about one of our Nobles who does an awesome job making kids smile. Today, we want you to meet Noble Robert "POP TOP" Gardner. Noble Robert Joined Khartum in 1986 and the Komedians in 1989. For 32 years "POP TOP" has been a whiteface clown. Bob was a member of Assiniboine Lodge before joining Millennium #182. As a Funeral Director, Robert worked shifts. His career did not allow Robert the opportunity to serve

as an officer of our Unit. However, Robert with great humility and dignity looked after the Black Camel duties of the Unit. Robert designed a special Komedian condolence card. He sent our special condolence cards to not only Unit members who were visited by the Black Camel but to every other Unit when one of their members was visited by the Black Camel.

As a Funeral Director, Robert worked with Leatherdale Gardiner Funeral Home and now with Bardal Funeral Centre. When his is not clowning or helping a family through the most trying time of their life, Robert is outdoors: fishing, bow hunting, or black powder rifle hunting. His favourite memory of circus: being the first in the VW and enjoying being the last out of the VW. WHY? In Robert's words, "cause I always had the comfortable seat and I was closest to the side window vent in the event of those mystery smells that sometimes come from the VW." He loves being a clown and loved circus and "POP TOP" can honestly call himself a "Shrine Circus Clown".



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## POTE'S OASIS

**Second Fridays, 7 pm**

**November 12**  
*"Shot Out" to our  
Veterans*

**December 10**  
*Lady Lindsey's Mixology;  
See you in the RFL!*

**Nobles**

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**Fourth Fridays, 7 pm**

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## Membership Team

*By Noble Kevin Davis, Chairman*

Greetings from your Membership Team. Well, it is October and this means it's Ceremonial time again. Yes that's right, we need you to go forth and find some new Nobles to cross the Hot Sands and join in the fun of Khartum.

Yes, you may not be in Lodge but we have sent a letter out through the Grand Lodge to all our Brother Masons telling them who we are; those Nobles who wear the red fez and have fun while supporting a great cause.

To date we have 12 Nobles who went through the "Cold Sands" last October and this spring along with 1 candidate for sure this year. So we will have at least 13 at the Ceremonial on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October to see the Arch Ceremony and be fezzed or re-fezzed by our Ritualistic team and Divan.

Are you thinking of Membership? Here are the facts:

513 Nobles within Khartum, 10 Nobles have yet to pay their dues for 2020 & 2021 and 27 have yet to pay for 2021! Are you reading this!? If you are reading this and have not paid your dues, why not? Just because we are not open and doing parades or events at Khartum we still have bills to pay and your dues help with that. **Those 10 Nobles who have not paid their 2020 & 2021 dues will be SUSPENDED in December!** Remember why you joined!

By now you would have received your notice for 2022. They are \$182.70. Out of that, almost \$50.00 goes to the HQ in Tampa for "Per Capita" and "Hospital Assessment", so we are left with \$132.70 to pay for heat, hydro, wages and up keep on the building. If you can pay in advance please do, if you cannot, give the office a call any Tuesday or Thursday 204-925-1430 and setup a payment plan of \$50.00 a month for 4 months!

Yes that is a bit more than what your dues are but the

extra money goes onto your account for 2023 and you're ahead of the game then.

Ok, so we need you to go back to Lodge once our Grand Lodge gives the ok, talk with your Lodge Secretary and Worshipful Master. Ask them to invite the Khartum Membership team in to give a short 15 minute talk and video presentation to your Lodge on joining the Shrine. Our Membership team would appreciate the help. Or if you know of someone who wants to join now, get them to go to

[beashrinernow.com](http://beashrinernow.com)

and put in their information. Our team will get that info and contact them, send them out info and maybe they will be wearing the fez next year with you by their side.

Take care be well stay safe

*WTF.*

*Your Membership Team*

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**December 11, 2021**

**Khartum Shrine Centre**

**7:00 pm \*\*\* \$10.00 \*\*\* Open to All**

Hello fellow Nobles and Ladies of Khartum! So since we have been in shutdown for the past 19 months, we really have not had a chance to laugh. I know you may have giggled a little belly laugh but we really have not let loose. Well mark your calendars on December 11, here @ Khartum Shrine Centre @ 7pm, we hope you show up and enjoy an evening that has been in the making forever! ROAST THE POTE! Yep he has gone too far and it's time to poke, prod and sizzle the Ills. Sir.

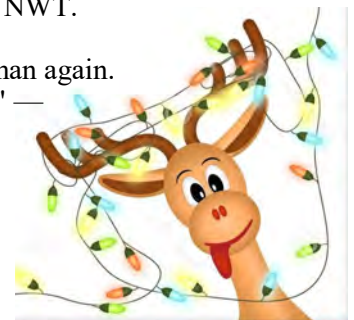
The dress code for the evening is whatever you want to wear; come in your PJ's, maybe a swim suit with flip-flops or a hunting vest with a duck call attached. The story goes, our Potentate has been picking on our Oriental Guide Noble Darrell Rostek and his beloved sidekick the Outer Guard Noble Kevin Davis, and it is now payback time.

Take a look below as to what may happen.

- Special never before seen Master of Ceremonies will amaze you with magic and a cool calm you will ooh and ahh over!
- We will be telling the Ills. Sirs life story from stork dropping to now!
- Unrehearsed skits provided by the Komediens with participation from the audience.
- Our very own Elected Divan doing the Khartum Emergency Broadcast System — a must see!
- Flown in directly from Tuktoyaktuk, the world renowned Air Drummers of the NWT.

This event will cost you \$10.00 for the chance to bust a gut and make you feel human again. Well that is it in a nutshell, come join us as it is "FIRST COME, FIRST SEATED" — let's end this year of 2021 with just a bit more fun.

Hope to see you there  
Nobles Rostek & Davis  
OG & OG  
Khartum Shrine





## ... From the Desk of the Potentate Cont'd

ary/2020 with great success. This endeavour couldn't be done without the expertise of Noble Bob James. Thanks to the Khartum Drifters and Khartum Komediens for providing the lunch that day.

On October 9 we held our drive through Trunk or Treat. This was a first for Khartum Shriners. We had 9 decorated vehicles and Halloween displays. Thank you to the Khartum Komediens, the Ritualistic unit, the Ruff Riders and all the individual Nobles and ladies for their donations, their displays and assistance that day. We handed out approximately 70 treat bags to children who came from all over the city and included a few of our own Shrine patients. It was a great turnout and all had fun, realizing \$240 for the Patient Transportation Fund.

On October 22, we held our raffle draw for the 1937 Nash. The draw was held in the Red Fez Lounge as there were about 30 people in attendance. Congratulations to Robert Claydon who won the car.

The weekend of October 22/23 Khartum held its Fall Ceremonial weekend, the first in person one since 2019. Fun Night was truly a lot of fun, hosted by Noble Greg Ward and Lady Liz. The Fall Ceremonial was in honour of the late Illustrious Sir Brian Terin. Noble Bill Gilchrist lead us through the day and we enjoyed a top notch performance by the Ritualistic Unit of the Ceremonial and Arch production. Thank you to all the Units and Nobles who participated that day so that we could

welcome new Nobles and their families to Khartum. The Potentate's Ball that evening was hosted by Noble Klaus Knorz and Lady Tara Drew. It was wonderful to see everyone gather again at a formal event as well as hearing the sounds of the Khartum Pipes & Drums. Thank you to the Sioux Lookout Shrine Club for their donations to the Patient Transportation Fund and Lady Lindsey's project that evening. Capping the evening off were the words and images provided by Bryce Foster who recently graduated from being a Shrine patient out of Thunder Bay. He and his parents shared their story with us and truly touched the hearts of all in attendance.

The Strategic Planning committee, under the leadership of Noble Murray Botterill, has continued to meet throughout the year and I look forward to their continued efforts to keep Khartum moving forward. Some of these plans have included minor renovations to the building. Nobles Darrell Rostek, Kevin Davis, Bob James and Ills Sir Doug McKechnie have been working tirelessly to do much of this work you can visibly see throughout the building. Thank you to the 2021 'wrecking crew' for all your hard work.

There is a new Cigar Club that has formed at Khartum, awaiting final approval of its bylaws from Imperial. Stay tuned for more information about this new Club.

During the pandemic, communication and connecting with each other has needed to be a conscious effort, more than

ever. Our team of people who keep us connected with each other and with the general public has had an uphill climb, whether that is the office staff, the webmaster, the social media team or the Khartum Khronicle editor. Kudos to all of you for your efforts this year while gathering in person has been limited. Congratulations to Noble Ken Galaschuk and Christie McKechnie for receiving an Honourable Mention in the Imperial Dromedary Awards for the Facebook category as well as Lady Lindsey Lorteau for receiving an Honourable Mention in the Imperial Dromedary Awards for the Newsletters/Newspapers category.

As we close out the 2021 year, I want to express my gratitude to the Khartum Nobility who have permitted me to serve as your Potentate this year. I have lead Khartum Shrine through this year to the best of my ability and I thank you for this honour. Please continue to support the 2022 Divan as they take over the reins of leadership for Khartum Shrine. Lady Lindsey and I look forward to being able to gather with several units over the holidays. All the best of the holidays to you and your families. Stay safe and healthy,

*Yours in the Faith,*

*Illus. Sir Denis*



## Potentate's Lady

By Lady Lindsey Lorteau

It has been an interesting year serving Khartum Shrine alongside Illustrious Sir Denis this year, to say the least. I cannot thank everyone enough for the courtesies that have been extended to both of us. While there have not been as many in person events as any of us would have liked, the Nobles and ladies of Khartum have continued to connect in different ways.

Thank you to all those who have attended our virtual events on Friday evenings. These events have helped to connect us across our vast jurisdiction and beyond. Thanks for putting up with all my ideas to keep you entertained at home, whether it be a scavenger hunt or Bingo. One of my favourite parts of this has been the connection we've made with a Cuban family of Abou Saad Shriners. Noble Yosvaldi and his family have connected with our Nobles and ladies regularly over Zoom events this year.

Thank you to all those who have donated to my First Lady's project, iPads to facilitate a research project at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada in the field of Arthrogryposis multiplex congenita (AMC) and build a database. Thanks to all who participated in the virtual Walk for Love towards this. It was a successful project and the staff at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada and Imperial were impressed with our first time efforts. We're going to have one more event in support of my project and that is the Mixology event on December 10th. Come out to

the Red Fez Lounge or attend virtually — the choice is yours!

Recently, we have been able to attend some in person events. It has been surreal to gather with people again and wonderful all at the same time. The Ceremonial weekend was one of these events that felt so 'normal' again! Thank you to Lady Shirley Gilchrist who hosted the Ladies lunch that weekend and for asking me to speak about Shriners Hospitals

for Children – Canada.

The Trunk or Treat event was fabulous! We had no idea how many kids would come and I was pleased to see about 70 there. The kids wore costumes and were able to walk around and see the displays. They seemed to love banging the gongs of the Ritualistic Unit! I look forward to next year!

*Lady Lindsey*

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## Petition for Membership

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## Khartum Hospital Report

*By Illustrious Sir Don Thomson, Hospital Chair*



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Khartum's patient transportation portfolio is getting busy, visits are starting to pick up as more and more families are making appointments at Shriners. For the most part our patients utilize Shriners Hospital for Children Canada and Shriners Children's Twin Cities; however we did send 1 patient to Shriners Hospital for Children Philadelphia earlier this year.

As of the end of September Khartum has added 7 new patients to our portfolio, arranged for 75 patient visits to the hospitals (SHC Canada 49, TC 25 Phi 1) and had 17 Telehealth visits. The normal visits are 1 day however with patients going to SHC Canada we have had some long term stays of 10-14 days as well as one stay of 9 weeks. As of September 30, Khartum Patient Transportation has paid about \$58,000.00 for transportation, meals and accommodation. In addition we have had savings of about \$48,000.00 for flights by using the Aeroplan/Air Canada and West Jet vouchers. We are very fortunate that the West Jet schedules now allow us to utilize their flights.

Further to our patient's transportation since COVID hit last year, Karnak Shriners Greeters Unit has not been transporting the patients from the Airport to the Hotel or Hospital, I have been advised that they are going to resume that service shortly. Taxi fares from the airport to the hotel cost us \$41.00 each way. The hospital had 2 vans to transport children between the hotels and appointment locations be it the hospitals, orthopedic clinic or returning them to the airport. One van was donated to the hos-

pital by Philae Shriners about 4 years ago the other was owned and operated by Karnak Shriners. Both of these vans have reached the end of their life and had started to cost large amounts for repairs. The Karnak Van was parked and not used this year while the hospital van was replaced with a new van donated by Mocha Shriners. Karnak is now in the midst of replacing their van but is reaching out for donations from Temples who have patients that utilize this van. Each Temple who donates will be recognized with their Shrine Center's name prominently displayed on the van. Khartum Shriner's patients are major users of these vehicles. With the benefit we receive from Karnak in transporting our patients in Montreal a motion was made and approved at the September Stated meeting to donate \$5000.00 to Karnak Shriners Patient Transportation Van to assist in the purchase of a new van.

The Board of Governors and associated committee meetings continue to be held virtually, although some of the board members living in close proximity to Montreal are attending in person. COVID protocols are firmly in place within the hospital, this is even more important considering that the 4<sup>th</sup> wave and the variant is affecting a young at risk population (the 0-12 are not vaccinated). Everyone is screened and tested prior to being admitted, due to these stringent protocols our hospital remains COVID free.

Earlier this month, Shriners Hospitals for Children enacted a policy requiring everyone in our organization to get fully vac-

inated against COVID-19. This requirement aligns our healthcare system with mandates already implemented by public health authorities in many states where we have facilities, standards set by other healthcare organizations around the United States and Canada. Most of all, it is an extension of our mission: To improve the lives of children. On September 7, Quebec Premier François Legault announced a mandatory vaccination policy for all healthcare workers in both the public and private sector, which includes Shriners Hospital for Children Canada. Workers that are not adequately vaccinated by October 15, 2021, will be suspended without pay. This obligation applies to all workers in the healthcare system that have a direct *or* indirect contact with patients. This includes workers that are not themselves directly in contact with patients, but who share common spaces such as cafeterias, elevators, etc., with healthcare workers who are in contact with patients. In other words, mandatory vaccination not only applies to the traditional healthcare professionals such as doctors, nurses, patient attendants, etc., but also to the administrative workers of the same establishment, such as human resources personnel, security agents, etc. The vaccine rate of hospital employees is at about 98%. Prior to the Quebec government decree that all healthcare workers have to be vaccinated hospital had a rate of 3.8% declining to be vaccinated, since the new decree the majority of the remaining staff are getting vaccinated.

As of the end of August the Shriners Hospital for Children Canada has

had 4399 **Cont'd on pg 12 . . .**

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Patient Referrals, 16206 Outpatient Encounters, 814 surgeries not including the 30 surgeries that were cancelled. The trend of increased Day Surgery Encounters and reduced Inpatient discharges continues fueled by the greater number of sports medicine cases as well as improved technologies allowing for a more rapid recovery. Altogether there have been 814 surgeries to date, and we are averaging between 85 and 100 surgeries a month depending on complexity and duration of the surgeries. To optimize holistic patient care, our interdisciplinary team has been working on optimizing the pre-operative process. The streamlined approach is providing efficient, supporting and medically complete care to our patients who are undergoing surgery.

Last Fall, as part of patient-centered initiatives within the Shriners Hospitals network, Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada implemented a new tool called PROMIS (Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information Systems) within two outpatient clinics and will continue to expand the implementation to other patient populations throughout 2021. The development of this publicly available tool which was first developed for adults and then children was funded by the National Institutes of Health. It is currently available in 40 languages. PROMIS is a child-friendly questionnaire that children can fill in on a tablet in clinic prior to their appointment. This allows them to share how they feel, and this can help front line staff and clinicians to bring issues forward that the child might not have been able to verbalize. In addition, all the data collected can be used to support

clinical research. We are proud to report the successful administration of PROMIS questionnaires in our Outpatient Clinic for all core providers. August's overall completion rate was 93.07%, well above the 85% threshold set by Home Office. Our Rehabilitation Department is next to go live with PROMIS and is expected to occur at the end of September.

The Patient Care Services team is pleased to present a success story of helping to meet the direct needs of parents of our amazing patients. A while back, a parent of one of our children living with osteogenesis imperfecta (OI) had asked our Manager of Social Services 'what would happen to my children if something happened while in their vehicle and a good Samaritan or first responder did not know about their brittle bone diagnosis?' It was a fear that she felt intensely, and it kept her up at night. The idea came to mind to create something that would indicate to others that there was an individual with OI in the car and to take special precautions, when possible, in mobilizing them. The idea was brought to the OI clinicians and clinical manager. After speaking to Transport Canada, local police station and fire fighters, it was deemed most appropriate to have a sticker put on the window or back windshield for first responders to see if they were to be called to intervene following a road accident. A member of the Staff Development team designed initial templates. The text options were sent to a group of 6 parents who have children with OI, as well as clinicians and the OI committee to best capture the message that we wanted conveyed. We wanted to have a

bold and clear message, while empowering the individual with OI. These are now being distributed directly to Patient's families living with OI.

SHC Canada is actively pursuing the setup of Outreach Clinics and Touch Points (local contact points) across Canada as part of the international strategy. At present we are concentrating on the agreements/partnerships that are already in motion or close to be completed before engaging in new agreements. The process is very time-consuming so the committee is focused on those we have already started before thinking of new ones. I would like to add Winnipeg is included in the short-term scope of things. We simply need to complete pending agreements before starting new ones as it is very time consuming, and our resources are limited.

This week the Shriners Salt Lake City location transitioned to a clinic model. This means that patients now receive surgical, inpatient and infusion therapy services just one mile down the road at Intermountain Primary Children's Hospital. Shriners Hospital surgeons will still perform all necessary surgeries at the new location. This is much the same as happened with the transition from the Shriners Hospital for Children Twin Cities to the new Shriners Children's Twin Cities in Woodbury MN, however there the surgeons operate at Gillett Children's. This transition gives the children more access to resources and allows our Salt Lake City facility to expand and enhance its specialty services to better meet community needs.

On September 10<sup>th</sup> Shriners Children's Twin Cities held their "Official Masonic **Cont'd on pg 13 . . .**



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Cornerstone Laying Ceremony” by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, with the Chairman of the board of Trustees Imperial Sir Jerry Gantt in attendance as well as nobles and ladies from many Shrine Centers that use this facility. This was an important and sacred ceremony for all Masons and Shriners, particularly because this building is used for the Philanthropy; Shriners Children’s. During the ceremony the stone was checked using ancient tools to ensure it was straight and level and was consecrated with corn, wine and oil which are symbols of prosperity, health, and peace. Later that evening the Annual Gala Ball “Imagine, Believe, Achieve Shriners Children’s Twin Cities Gala was held and raised over \$277,000.00. In addition, there were 3 Patient Ambassador kids Alec, Gabby and Parker in attendance who told their stories as Shrine Patients.

By the time this report goes to print the 2021 FedEx Shriners Open PGA Golf Classic at TPC Summerlin Golf Club in Las Vegas NV will have wrapped up. This year 21 patients were again chosen to represent their hospital as standard bearers during the final two rounds the **Shriners Children’s Open** on October 9 & 10. In their role as standard bearers, patients will carry the score cards of the PGA Tour players during the final rounds, as an exclusive, “inside the ropes” experience. Patients will have the opportunity to interact and engage with the professionals and show the players how the Shriners Children’s Open experience is more than just a tournament. The patients ranging in

age from 13 – 19 and have demonstrated great determination in their recovery from orthopedic conditions, burns, cleft lip and palate and more. Each patient was nominated and has an inspiring story to tell. Shriners Children’s patients have been anticipating this year’s tournament and the chance to be involved at the 2021 Shriners Children’s Open in Las Vegas. The tournament week is a time where they can meet and interact with fellow patients and make lifelong friends and memories. The entire week-long experience is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our patients and their dedicated family members and loved ones,” said Brad Koehn, chairman of the Shriners Children’s Open committee. To help with the costs of travel to Las Vegas, Shriners Children’s kicked off the fourth annual #FundraiseFORELove campaign, benefiting each patient’s cost to attend the tournament. Each patient had a special fundraising website that included their biography and special story. “Our mission as the Shriners Children’s Open is to spread the message of the amazing work that is done each and every day at the Shriners Children’s locations around the globe,” remarked Patrick Lindsey, tournament director of Shriners Children’s Open. “We want to ensure each patient and their family is given a wonderful and memorable experience at TPC Summerlin, getting the honor to meet and interact with some of the world’s best athletes.”

Sari (a patient at Shriners Hospital for Children Canada) and her friend Emily held a cool stand fundraiser on August 7 with the

proceeds and donations going to Khartum Shrine Patient Transportation Fund (\$1647.50) and the Shriners Hospital for Children Canada (\$750.00). This year she had 3 surgeries in 3 months and will have to go back every 6 months for check-ups until she finishes growing. “Before surgeries I was scared, but the Shriners are so nice. When I went to the playroom, they did crafts and painted with me. She said that her complete experience was amazing, and all the staff are great”. Sari is just one of “our kids” that we help put smiles on their faces and hope in their heart.

Nobles and Ladies on behalf of the patients and families you help I would like to thank you for all your support. Without that support we could not bring the hope into the lives of our patients allowing them to live the best life possible.

Fraternally



Khartum Hospital Chair



Ills Sir Denis and Lady Lindsey at the Appreciation event Nov. 6 for our Pioneers, Presidents and Honoured Ladies

## Sioux Lookout Shrine Club

By Noble BJ Egerter, President

The Sioux Lookout Shrine Club celebrated another successful year of fundraising, despite the many challenges presented by the Covid-19 pandemic. Our Nobles (and our LADIES, Kevin Davis - more on that later) worked hard at bbqs, designated driving services and of course our annual golf tournament run by the ladies, all to raise money to support our fraternity, and of course, our health care system.

On September 29, 2021 the Sioux Lookout Shrine Club was honoured to partner with the Sioux Lookout Rotary Club to support the Equay-Wuk Women's Group, who held an "Orange Shirt Day Walk" to honour the lost children and survivors of the residential school system. This walk was also held to mark the first annual National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The Sioux Lookout Shrine Club, along with the Sioux Lookout Rotary Club, provided free hot dogs and beverages to walk participants at the conclusion of their walk. We were proud and humbled to support our community, and participate in the effort to rebuild trust and stronger relationships with all of our citizens. Although this event was not a fundraiser in a financial sense, it may have been one of the most profitable events our Shrine Club has ever had.

This summer also marked the much anticipated "Battle of the Sexes", between Lady Tara Drew of Sioux Lookout Shrine, defending the honour of all the ladies of Khartum Shrine, against the villainous Noble Kevin Davis, representing the men of Khartum. When all was said and done, Lady Tara and

the women prevailed, with a big shout out to Noble Rick Jones, who showed what a Noble and a gentleman can do when the need arises.

In all seriousness, this was a fun and enjoyable event, and all for a wonderful cause. The success of this event, and the aforementioned fundraisers, has blessed the Sioux Lookout Shrine Club with the resources to donate \$4,000 to First Lady Lindsey's iPad program at Shriners Hospital for Children - Canada, as well as another \$4,000 donation to the Khartum Shrine Children's Transportation Fund. Both donations will be (or have been - depending on when you read this) presented to the Potentate and First Lady at the Potentate's Ball on Saturday October 23.

A big thank you to all of the Nobles and Ladies that helped to make this another successful year for the Sioux Lookout Shrine Club. A special thank you to Nobles Kevin Davis, Rick Jones, Darrel Rostek, Illustrious Sir Andrew Skene and Lady Irene, and Illustrious Sir Denis Lorteau and Lady Lindsey for making the trip to Sioux Lookout to help make this event the success that it was. But where did that

sausage and egg McMuffin go? (inside joke).

We would also like to say thank you to Noble Bob James and his (much) better half, Lady Gayle, for all of their help throughout the year. Bob is not only a dues paying member of the Sioux Lookout Shrine Club, but he and Lady Gayle also made multiple trips to Sioux Lookout, to assist not only with the golf tournament, but also with our earlier bbqs. Thank you Bob and Gayle, you are both valuable and treasured members of our family.

As we close this off, we would like to say thank you to Illustrious Sir Denis Lorteau for your leadership during this challenging year. And a special thank you to Lady Lindsey for your amazing work in bringing back the Khartum Khronicle. Thank you both for all of your hard work for Khartum, this year and in the years leading up to this. We wish you both all the best in the future, and would love to see you back in Sioux Lookout again down the road.

*Noble BJ Egerter*

*President,*

*Sioux Lookout Shrine Club*





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# Khartum Shriners

## *Holiday 50/50 Raffle*



## Holiday 50/50 Raffle



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## From the Recorder's Desk

By Illustrious Sir Doug McKechnie, PP, Recorder/Building Manager

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Covid-19 is still among us at the Shrine Centre, but is getting better. We are allowed 50% of normal capacity. The Units are starting to meet and the bar will be open.

Proof of vaccination is required for those 12 years of age and older to attend any of our events. You must present official documentation confirming you are fully immunized against Covid-19, this includes the Manitoba Immunization card, as well as official vaccination records by another jurisdiction. When a person presents digital or physical Manitoba Immunization card, which includes the QR code, the QR code must be scanned this also includes a screenshot or a print out of the QR code.

Nobles, the renovations are still being worked on adding curb appeal to our building. The front foyer and lobby are completed. Our front foyer and reception area now tells the story of who we are. Upon entering the building you see our Divan and Charter with our temple colors. All the photos of the Masonic Fami-

ly and down the hallway our Shrine Ambassadors on one side and our Hospital story and related topics like the East/West Shrine bowl. An LED screen has been ordered for the front lobby which will feature our Past Potentates, general information on Khartum and upcoming events, meetings etc.

The renovation of the Lounge has been completed displaying some of our history making our lounge look and feel more like a home den.

The Past Potentates' photos have been moved to the Boardroom and have been digitized for easy access on the computer. Rooms 117, 118 and 133 are currently being worked on with the removal of all photos, plaques etc. The rooms will then be painted so they can be rented out to the general public more easily. Room 133 will not only be a Unit Meeting room but the Khartum Trophy room with seating in case our Lounge is in use. The garage is in the process of being cleaned up and organized for the winter.

Room 120 across from Room 123 will become the new area

for cakes and cookies. A note to all Units that once we have the major changes and renovations are done within the building we will be putting all Unit photos and Past Presidents plaques in the back hallway off the west parking entrance. You will then be asked to pick one photo or make a new photo to hang in the rear hallway. If you are doing a new photo, please have it done soon so that your Unit may be seen on the walls. All other Unit photos will be returned for your Unit to put in Storage offsite or within your Unit cages. No photos, certificates or Unit Memorabilia of any kind will be put up on the walls in Room 117, 118, or 133 without permission from the building manager.

Once again, I would really like to thank Nobles Kevin Davis, Darrell Rostek and Bob James for helping to make this all happen.

Let's hope that as this year goes on the Pandemic will get better and we can get back to some normal life.

Please vaccinate, stay healthy and safe.

### Congratulations

to Mr. Robert Claydon (ticket #2781) who was the lucky winner of the Khartum Shriners 1937 Nash Car Raffle. Pictured are Ills Sirs Rick Holberg and John Czarnecki (Chairs), Mr. Claydon and Ills Sir Denis Lorteau at The Chamois Car Wash and Detail Centre on Reenders. We thank them for their continued support!



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## Ritualistic Unit

By Noble John Hill, President

The Khartum Shrine Ritualistic Unit has been busy with preparations for this year's **Ceremonial and Shrine Arch Production**, taking place at Khartum on Saturday October 23. As with many other activities, the Ceremonial will need to be adjusted to accommodate Covid-19 pandemic safety precautions. Although we will not be able to perform the Ceremonial exactly the way we have done it in the past, these challenging times present new opportunities for us to be creative, and find new ways to highlight the Shrine, our origins as Freemasons, and our Fraternal support for our health care system and Shrine patients. We are looking forward to this challenge, and this opportunity.

The Ritualistic Unit was also honoured to be able to participate in supporting the inaugural Khartum Shriners **Halloween Drive-Through Trunk or**

**Treat event.** Many children attended this event with their parents, including several Shrine patients, to see decorated displays, and receive bags of candy, which is what the kids really want at Halloween. A big thank you to Illustrious Sir Denis Lorteau and First Lady Lindsey for bringing new and creative ideas to Khartum. Many of our most cherished traditions started just like this, with an initial event that was built on year after year, to eventually become staples of our annual Shrine calendar. Thank you also to the Nobles and Ladies that helped to make this event the success that it was.

The end of the calendar year brings change, and the new year will mark a change in leadership of the Ritualistic Unit. Noble John Hill will step down as President of our Unit for the last two years, and will turn the reins

over to Illustrious Sir Doug McKechnie, who will serve as President for the 2022 year. Thank you to President John for your service and leadership over the past several years, and thank you also to Illustrious Sir Doug for stepping up to lead our Unit in to the future.

On that note, a special tip of the Fez to Illustrious Sir Denis Lorteau for leading Khartum Shrine as Potentate through another challenging year dealing with the pandemic, and the strain that it placed on our Temple, its' membership, and its' resources. A steady hand at the wheel, guiding us through this time was just what was needed. We wish you and Lady Lindsey all the best as you move on to the next chapter of your journey. Well done, Illustrious Sir.

*Noble John Hill  
President, Ritualistic Unit*



## 2021 TRUNK OR TREAT







**Khartum Shriners**



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## Upcoming Events

DATE	HOST	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
November 12	Potentate	Pote's Oasis	Zoom	7:00
November 21	Temple	Virtual Visit with Santa	Zoom	1 — 4
November 26	First Lady	Ladies Night In	Zoom	7:00
December 4	Temple	Stated Meeting	Shrine Centre/Zoom	1:30
December 5	Temple	Virtual Visit with Santa	Zoom	1 — 4
December 10	First Lady	Mixology event	Shrine Centre/Zoom	7:00
December 11	Temple	Temple Xmas Party/Roast the Pote	Shrine Centre	7:00
December 12	Temple	Virtual Visit with Santa	Zoom	1 — 4
December 19	Temple	Virtual Visit with Santa	Zoom	1 — 4
January 1	Temple	Potentate's Levee	Shrine Centre	1 — 3
January 15	Temple	Annual Meeting	Shrine Centre/Zoom	1:30

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