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Our Newest Nobles with Ill. Sir Byron Nelson

(L to R) Ill Sir Byron Nelson, Douglas Hermandez, Paul Burton, Carl Russell

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#### FROM YOUR POTENTATE

Dear Nobles and Ladies.

This is my last submission as Potentate of Al Azhar Shriners. Let me first say what a profound honour it has been to serve this temple as Potentate. I have thoroughly enjoyed my entire time on the divan and particularly all the friendships I have made along the way. The men who have served on the divan with me over the last five years are some of the greatest men that I have ever met and are truly dedicated to this fraternity and charity.

It was a great thrill for me to have been fezzed by my father at my installation as Potentate, as I had been for every position on the Divan. It was considered unusual too for someone my age and with school-aged children to become Potentate and of course I did it, in part, so that I could enjoy the ride with my parents. As Al Azhar was a great place for me to spend time as a child, it is my hope that more and more people join the Shrine and bring their children to enjoy our great fraternity and facility. And perhaps that more Nobles with young families enter service on the divan.

My shrine involvement continues as I serve on the Imperial Jurisprudence and Laws committee (an appointment that is intended to last for many years) and as I serve on the executive of the Mounted Patrol.

We, as Nobles of Al Azhar, are very fortunate to have Karl Fraser and Lady Wendy to lead us in 2017. I have known them most of my life and can attest that they are great people. We are also well served by the remainder of the continuing divan and are lucky to have them to serve us.

I trust that everyone has had a great Christmas break and has managed to make it through this latest cold snap. Let's all look forward to serving this great philanthropy under Karl's leadership.

Yours in the Faith, Byron Potentate, Al Azhar Shriners

"NO MAN STANDS SO TALL AS WHEN HE STOOPS TO HELP A CHILD
- BE A SHRINER NOW"

# AL AZHAR SHRINERS SOCIETY OASIS OF CALGARY, DESERT OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AL AZHAR SHRINERS SOCIETY will hold its Annual General Meeting on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at 9:00 am sharp, at the Grey Eagle Resort and Casino, Calgary for the transaction of business as follows:

- 1. Potentate's Welcome and Introduction of Past Potentates, Visitors & Club/Unit Heads
- 2. Necrology in Remembrance of those who have passed since our November SBM
- 3. 2016 Financial, Investment and Membership Reports
- 4. 2016 Hospital Reports Canadian, Mexico, Spokane, Hospital Chairman
- 5. 2016 Trustees Report
- 6. Election of Officers (Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest & Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer & Recorder)
- 7. Election of Trustees (3 from either Calgary or outside of Calgary)
- 8. Election of Iowa Corp Representatives (3)
- 9. Review/Discussion/Approval of 2017 Al Azhar Budget
- 10. Appointment of Financial Reviewer for 2017
- 11. General Business
- 12. Other Business as per the Potentate

# BUFFET LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER THE AGM FOR \$19.00 – PLEASE CALL

#### TO BOOK IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE LUNCH.

Wear your fez and a smile (Also bring your dues card. You need it for admission!)

Attest: Yours in the Faith
Brian Shimmons, Recorder Byron Nelson, Potentate

NOBLES INTERESTED IN LETTING THEIR NAMES STAND FOR A DIVAN OFFICE OR TRUSTEE ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE THEIR INTENTIONS KNOWN TO THE RECORDER AND HAVE A NOMINATOR PRESENT

Your 2016 Divan			
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Recorder	<b>Brian Shimmons</b>	W: 403-239-0030	E: recorder@al-azhar.ab.ca

### RECORDER'S RAMBLINGS

#### Nobles:

We ended 2016 with a great concern about membership. Why ... because if Al Azhar had ended the year with less than 600, we would have lost one Iowa Representative position.

Five short years ago, Al Azhar had almost 700 members. Today, we sit at slightly over 600.

Our biggest challenge is getting new members!

There are over 3,000 Master Masons in Southern Alberta but less than 20% have joined the Shrine in support of the world's greatest philanthropy. We all have a role in promoting the great work we do in our Lodges, Chapters and Valleys. Let's get out there promoting the Shrine and getting Al Azhar new members!

Yours in the Faith Brian Shimmons PP, Recorder



Sponge Bob has been fezzed!

#### LOST IN THE DESERT

If you have a current address or phone number for any of the following please contact the Recorder's office

Name Last known location

Julio de Guzman Calgary
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Raymond Camerino Calgary
Peter Johansen Calgary

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### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

**Nobles and Ladies** 

It's hard to believe 2017 is here and it's Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday. It just seems like yesterday we went to Expo '67 in Montreal celebrating our country's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday!

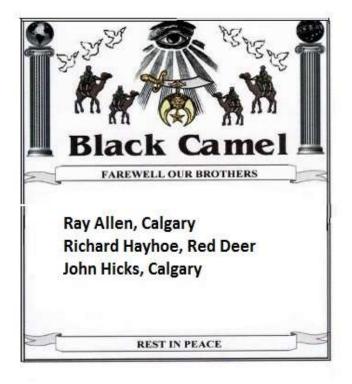
We all make New Year's Resolutions and I do also. Many years ago my wife worked for Fluor Engineering in Calgary. To keep the morale of the staff up, there were a number of extracurricular activities for the staff and their families to partake in. One of these was a squash league. My wife signed me up for it and as I played several times a week she said I was an excellent player. Quite honestly I thought I was also. Well, they made up a roster and ranked all of the players on their ability. I ended up in the 'A' group which were the best. This was followed by the other groups through to 'D' being the beginners.

The first session involved playing each of the other 8 in my group. To say I was outranked would be an understatement. I got creamed big time! A squash court reservation is 40 minutes and most of my best of 3 games were over in 10 minutes. What did we do for the next half hour? The better players gave me a lesson. It was not only beneficial to me but also to my opponent. They would practice putting their serve into the corner while I would practice figuring out how to keep the ball in play. We also practiced various manoeuvres during actual play.

Once I had played all 8 in my group the top two players in each group could challenge the bottom two players in the group above them to a match. If they won, they would move up while the loser would move down. If the higher player won he stayed in the higher group. Remember I said the matches are 40 minutes long? I had improved so much the match for my position lasted almost an hour. We were both exhausted but I did prevail. It was simply a case that I had improved that much that I deserved to be ranked in the top group.

Now you may wonder what the moral of this story is. Simply, if you want to be the best you can in 2017, surround yourself with winners. This my friend is one of my resolutions for the coming year.

In the light of Grace Noble R. Dean Cowan Chaplain 2017



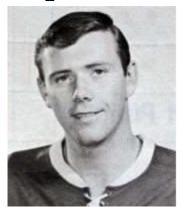


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### SHC Canada News

# Patient pursues hockey career thanks to Shriners Hospitals for Children — Canada



### The infection was caught early

Doctors at the Canada Shriners Hospital told the family they had caught the infection during its dormant period. Mr. Burns says he was treated at the hospital for a "long time" before being discharged. He then spent five or six months recuperating at home in bed. Not only did he recover and continue to play hockey, he went on to fashion a career in the National Hockey League (NHL).

"I owe the hospital a lot," says Mr. Burns. "The health care team saved my leg. I never would have played hockey without the tremendous care I received. I can honestly say, I was very close to needing a brace or crutch to walk, but instead I was able to play professional hockey. I've been very fortunate. In my life, by the grace of God, I've been surrounded by hockey thanks to the incredible efforts of Shriners Hospitals for Children — Canada."

### Stirring up a little excitement

Like any other young boy, Mr. Burns was full of "piss and vinegar," as he puts it. This spunkiness led to one particularly memorable moment for him at the hospital.

"My leg was in a cast, fully extended, and I was in a wheelchair. I was going down the hall, full throttle, and my foot went through a glass partition!" He laughs as he recalls the story. "I came out of that 100 percent, but it caused quite a row on the floor!"

That feistiness propelled Mr. Burns to a career in the NHL that spanned a decade, and began with the Montreal Canadiens' organization.

"As a member of the Junior Canadiens, I played with some incredible talents including Serge Savard, Jacques Lemaire, Rejean Houle and Marc Tardiff, and I played against greats like Bobby Orr." Mr. Burns went on to an NHL career that featured stops in Pittsburgh and Kansas.

### **Fast forward**

These days he keeps busy playing a little golf, spending time with his three children and nine grandchildren, and being involved with many charities including Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada's annual golf tournament. "I greatly admire the team at the hospital and I've been able to give back by being involved in a number of hospital fundraisers. I am a Shriner at heart."

### **Upcoming Events**

**AL AZHAR AGM** January 21, 2017 **SHOW N SHRINE** June 24, 2017

POTENTATES EVENING January 21, 2017 **PIG AND BEEF ROAST** 

March 31, 2017

**300 CLUB DINNER** 

**VCC ELVIS & ROY TRIBUTE** May 6, 2017 IMPERIAL SESSION - DAYTONA BEACH, FL

July 23, 2017 July 9-13, 2017

# Al Azhar Shriners

# 2017 Potentate's Evening January 21, 2017 Grey Eagle Resort

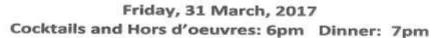


# Honouring

Illustrious Sir Karl Fraser and Lady Wendy



# 300 Club Dinner



### Al Azhar Shrine Centre

Fun Stag Poker Night and Prime Rib Dinner - \$125.00

1st Ticket Drawn wins \$200.00

1/2 way Ticket wins \$500.00

Every 15th Ticket drawn wins a prize

### Last Ticket Drawn wins \$4,000.00

For tickets contact Capt. Wayne Capper 403-286-4702 or any Shrine Patrol member

### Al Azhar Vintage Car Club

Presents a Spectacular Evening with

### **Elvis Tribute Artist Adam Fitzpatrick**





& Roy Orbison Tribute Artist Joe Kelso

Saturday May 6, 2017

Doors Open: 6:45 p.m.

Show Starts: 7:30 p.m.

Al Azhar Shrine Centre

Cost: \$37.50

5225 – 101 St. N.W., Calgary

Cash Bar

For tickets call 403-239-0030

# Major sporting events



Shriners Hospitals for

## Children Open



The 2016 tournament will take place October 31 – November 6, 2016 at TPC Summerlin. The final rounds will be televised live on The Golf Channel. For more information or to become a sponsor of this event, visit <a href="https://www.shrinershospitalsopen.com">www.shrinershospitalsopen.com</a>. Follow tournament updates on <a href="mailto:Twitter">Twitter</a> and become a fan on <a href="mailto:Facebook">Facebook</a>.

# Shriners Hospitals for Children College Classic





he Shriners Hospitals for Children

College Classic, a 17-year Astros Foundation tradition, returns to Minute Maid Park, home of the Houston Astros from March 3-5, 2017. This event is regarded as one of the top collegiate baseball tournaments in the nation, as it continues to draw fans, top-ranked programs and scouts from every Major League organization each year. Since 2001, this prestigious event has hosted 29 different NCAA Division-I baseball programs.

The invite only tournament once again boasts a strong lineup in 2017, featuring a Big 12 Conference versus Southeastern Conference format as Baylor, TCU and Texas Tech compete against LSU, Ole Miss and Texas A&M. Historically, the College Classic has hosted the No. 1 team in preseason polls six times in tournament history and has hosted two eventual College World Series Champions.

March 3-5, 2017 Minute Maid Park Houston, Texas

# Imperial Session Plan to attend the 2017 Imperial Session



Mark your calendars now for the 2017 Imperial Session in Daytona Beach, Florida July 9–13. Find session updates on Facebook (link to be available soon) and <u>Twitter</u> and the official <u>2017 Imperial Session</u> website. Return to this page soon for more information about Shriners International's 143rd Imperial Session.

### **About the Imperial Session**

Imperial Session is the annual business meeting of Shriners International. Delegates from each Temple meet to discuss and vote on a variety of business matters pertaining to the fraternity and Shriners Hospitals for Children. During each Imperial Session, a new Imperial Potentate is elected.

Host cities are many times in or near the hometown, or close to the hometown, of the incoming Imperial Potentate, with the local Temple representatives acting as event organizers.

While business meetings are closed sessions, there are many events that are open to the public. Unit competitions are popular family events for the public and for visiting fraternity members and their families. The public relations session is also open to the public and is where Shriners Hospitals for Children's patient ambassadors for the year are introduced. The annual Shriners Parade is held as a thank-you to the host city and its residents, and features bands, floats, motorized units, clowns and more.

### Unit/Club Meeting Dates & News

#### Al Azhar Units

Air Corps 7:30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday

Athletic Club (Rutters) contact the Ramses for dates

Clown Unit 7:30 p.m. 1st Thursday

Directors Staff 7:30 p.m. 4th Thursday

Greeters - as called

Legion of Honour – 9:30 am 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday (Horton

Legion)

Mounted Patrol - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday

Oriental Band - 7:30 p.m. Thursday

Provost Corps - 9:00 a.m. 4th Saturday

Sabre Patrol (Call Swordmaster for date)

Shrine Patrol - 7:00 p.m. Mondays

Tin Lizzie Corps - 7:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday

Vintage Cars - 7:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday

Medicine Hat Clown Unit – Last Monday of month

#### Al Azhar Shrine Clubs

Alpine Shrine Club – 4 times/year at the call of President

Big Country Shrine Club - 4th Tuesday

Foothills Shrine Club - 4th Wednesday

Lethbridge Shrine Club - 1st Wednesday

Medicine Hat Shrine Club - 3rd Wednesday

Red Deer Shrine Club - 3rd Wednesday Wild Rose Shrine Club - 1st Wednesday

### VINTAGE CAR CLUB

Happy New Year Nobles and Ladies!

A quick update for you regarding the activities of the VCC over the last year and a look ahead for 2017. 2016 was another fun year for the club as we participated in several Shrine activities and added 4 new members to the group.

Things kicked off early in 2016 with our attendance at the Shrine East West Hitmen Hockey game where we brought out a couple of our Vintage cars for display in front of the Saddledome. Now last year, unlike this January, we had some great and unseasonably warm weather to allow us to take the cars out of storage from their winter naps to be able to drive them to the dome and showcase for the Hitmen fans. Unfortunately, this year, unless you had winter tires, great car heaters, and a snowplow on the front of them, we were not able to bring them out again. We did however have several of the members come out and support the East West game and our favorite Shrine photographer Eric Skagen was there taking pictures for everyone to see – thanks Eric!

Parade season was also fun as the VCC group attended many parades around southern Alberta, starting with a cold and wet one in High River and finishing with a chilly one in Cochrane in September (I believe we did have a few in the middle where the weather was nice....!)

For the High River parade, our Illustrious Sir Byron Nelson was my co-pilot / naggagtor in the 59 Caddy convertible along with his two great kids. And even though it was a bit windy, damp and cold, my heater not working, and more than a comment or two about lack of heat in the car (Byron, it is a convertible eh) from my co-pilot....., we still had fun and enjoyed the warmth and fellowship at the lodge after the parade.

We put on our 10<sup>th</sup> annual Show 'n Shrine down at the grounds of the Mounted Patrol in June and even though the weather did not fully cooperate for us which decreased the number of car registrations and visitors, the Vintage Car Group and volunteers did another outstanding job to put on a great show, raise some money for the Transportation Fund, and had a good time that day winding up with a fantastic dinner at the bunkhouse. Many thanks to our AMP friends for their continued support and help over the last 10yrs as well!

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### VINTAGE CAR CLUB (cont'd)

A fun car rally touring around Okotoks, Millarville, Bragg Creek, Carseland and back in September was also a great time with a few stops along the route:

Millarville farmers market, fireman fundraising lunch in Bragg Creek, a pit stop at the Blue in Carseland to meet the locals, a truck that ran out of gas just after passing a gas station with yours truly coming to the rescue (been there and done that!), and a very neat visit to Curly's place near Okotoks to check out his amazing antique collection of cars, trucks, tractors, and vintage peddle cars – that plus home-made ice-cream (I think Ernie is still licking the paddles!), We ended at our place for a good BBQ, bevies, and TV dinner watching the Stampeders game – I think they even won. Noble Lucas and I also produced a very keen skill testing rally route questionnaire that most were able to "navigate" accordingly save for at least one car couple who came in at the lower end of the group – or last place if you will..... Don't worry Kent and Kathy, you get to make up your own questions this year and hopefully you know the answers to them.... Ha.

And finally we wrapped up the year with our Christmas party and installation of officers in early December. The diner was held at Symons Valley Ranch and we had a great time and a fantastic meal was put on for us. Special thanks to Ken and Tracy Aylesworth for setting things up for the group and being great hosts!

As far as the installation of officers went, that was pretty easy and went off without a hitch. Chief Rabban Karl Fraser had all his memory work done to install the new officers for 2017 and was raring to go. I guess I should have told him beforehand that all the new officers were going to be the same "old" officers and that we didn't need to do a formal installation..... Appreciate the effort anyhow Karl. Just make sure you brush up on things for your installation shortly and congrats in advance!

In 2017 we will be doing more of the same for attendance of events, parades, and a fun car rally. Our Show 'n Shrine date will be Saturday June24<sup>th</sup> so even though a bit early, mark it on your24<sup>th</sup> so even though a bit early, mark it on calendar and look forward to having you come out and join us. Something new for this year is that we will be putting on an Elvis night at the Shrine Center with special guest Roy Orbison and to take place Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 6:45pm with show to start at 7:30pm. Please see the ad and other details for the show in this edition of the Fez Sez. Previous accounts of this show have all been very positive and looking forward to having a great evening with everyone. Wishing everyone a safe and prosperous happy new year!

Cheers
Sean Gough
President – Vintage Car Club





### AIR CORPS

Happy 2017!

The Air Corps has made a few charitable donations in the past months, the one you see in the picture was given to the Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta. Receiving the cheque is Christine McIvor.

Our new executive for 2017 is excited for the parades and events this coming year. The Air Corps will be going to:

- 1. High River parade
- 2. Okotoks parade
- 3. Airdrie parade
- 4. Stampede parade
- 5. Hull House breakfast and kids day breakfast during stampede week
- 6. PNSA in Seattle
- 7. Strathmore parade
- 8. Nanton parade
- 9. Cochrane parade

Our annual <u>Pig and Beef Roast</u> will be on <u>Sunday July 23</u> at the Shrine Centre. Tickets will be available soon. Our hope is for everyone to be safe and healthy this winter.

Fraternally Ron Down (Captain Emeritus)



### LEGION OF HONOR



The Legion of Honor has been very busy throughout 2016. Parades - we wish to thank Noble Andy Sands for many years of transporting the jeep and trailer to and from numerous parades throughout Alberta. His set-up and driving skills are exceptional and have been greatly appreciated. Noble Andy is retiring from this integral role and the Legion of Honor is looking to have a Noble or one of the other units assist with transporting the jeep and trailer this season. One of our highlights this parade season was receiving a letter of recognition from the Mayor of Vulcan for our active role in their parade this summer. Members and flags were present at Law Day and the Peacekeepers Ceremony. We had a very successful Casino this spring and thank the Provost Corp and all the other Nobles and their Ladies for their assistance staffing the 2 day event.

The Remembrance Day Service is a yearly highlight for the Legion of Honor. We thank Noble Omar Giroux for his continued commitment to organizing this very commemorative event, honoring those who serve and those that have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The service is always well attended and the contributions made to the Veterans Food Bank are greatly appreciated.

### LEGION OF HONOR (cont'd)

donations to the Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund - \$5000; Cadets – \$5000; and the Colonel Belcher Facility.

We extend a special thank you to Commander Henry Retzlaff for his dedication and leadership throughout 2016 and we welcome the new 2017 Executive.

Commander - Noble Terry Dean

Lt. Commander - III. Sir Eldon Wells

Treasurer - III. Sir Kent Galbraith

Quartermaster – Noble Henry Retzlaff

Acting Adjutant & Communications – Lady Kathy Galbraith

2017 Meeting Schedule: Feb. 25; April 15; Sept 16 beginning at 1030 hours at the Royal Canadian Legion #285 Horton Road and Nov 25 (to be confirmed), the meeting will be held prior to the Joint Installation at the Al Azhar Shrine Centre.

If you would like any further information, or can assist with transporting the jeep and trailer, please contact Commander Terry Dean 403-252-1754



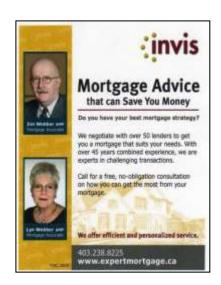
Legion of Honor Executive

### LEGION OF HONOR (cont'd)



Long time member of the Legion of Honor ... Noble Andy Sands





### WILDROSE SHRINE CLUB

The Wild Rose Shrine Club enjoyed a busy and successful 2016. Our nobles led by President Noble Gary Long worked hard to make each event a success. Our wee buses appeared in six parades the most in our move outs in our club history, this was only possible because noble Tyler Pelletier took on the assignment to direct the transportation and enlist the driver, a great job thank you Tyler. Our big fundraiser Santa at the Walmart did raise the most in contributions and donations in the eight years we have worked with the wonderful people at the Airdrie location. We did extend our Visit Santa times and our nobility did work multiple shifts to cover the event. We also did receive tremendous support from our divan and some Past Potentates, thank you without your support this profitable and fun time would not have been possible. A special thank you to the most important nobles of all our Santas long hours and all, Nobles Barry Buchanan and J R outstanding contribution. This event has raised awareness in our community as to what our purpose is and we did share our facility with the Airdrie Kiwanis Club both organization enjoying a mutual relationship pursuing each charity. In addition we did an Easter bunny photo op with the Bimor Development at their Airdrie Yankee Valley location, this company did provide space, financial support and made a sizeable donation to the Shriners Children Hospital. Our first meeting of the new year conducted by our duly installed Pres Noble Alan Long along with his executive Nobles Tyler Pelletier and Kim Greenizan outlined the events and goals for 2017 a busy year ahead. In addition we received two new members Noble Carl Russel and Scot Huston affiliation from Gizeh Temple in Vancouver. Again thank you Noble Gary for a great year

Noble Norm Brain



Wildrose SC members with the Kiwanis members and Santa

### MOUNTED PATROL

On November 19, 2016 the Al Azhar Mounted Patrol held its Installation of Officers at the Shrine Center. The evening was a huge success with a good turn-out of Nobles and their Ladies. A delicious dinner was served and enjoyed by all in attendance.

The following Nobles were elected for the ensuing year.

President Noble Glen Hacke

Captain Noble Byron Nelson, PP

1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Noble Doug Bradley

2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Noble Mark Lawson

Directors: Noble Ken Weller

Noble Moe El Bast

Treasurer: Noble Doug Clark Secretary: Noble Gary Van Exan

On December 14, 2016 the AMP wrapped up the year by holding their Annual Wine and Cheese Social, hosted by Noble President Glen and Lady Pearl Hacke. Although the weather was a bit on the cold side, a good number of Nobles, Ladies and friends enjoyed an evening of friendship, good food, and a laugh or two.

On December 1, 2016 Noble President Glen Hacke, accompanied by Nobles Richard Sigurdson, Roy Jardine and Andrzez Pietras presented John A Hamilton Navy League Cadet Corps with a cheque to assist the Corps with their training programs. The donation was very much appreciated by the Cadet Corps and we are confident it will be put to good use.

On December 26, 2016 the AMP finished off the year by holding a Boxing Day Fun Event at the Club House. All in attendance enjoyed the great outdoors with ATV rides on the lake, skating and good winter fun. A delicious chili lunch was served hosted by Noble President Glen and Lady Pearl Hacke.

The 2016 ride season has come to an end and we are confident that 2017 will be another active year for the Mounted Patrol.

Noble Roy Jardine



### PUBLIC RELATIONS

Thank you to all the Nobles and our Lady's who made 2016 a memorable year! In my last message I highlighted some of the great events we participated in that brought public awareness into who we are and more importantly WHAT WE DO!

As we welcome the new year, no doubt many of us have made resolutions on family, health, wellness and spirituality. May I suggest we also add our Noble Philanthropy to the list too!

This year let's re-commit to:

- ✓ Attend as many Unit / Club and Temple meetings as our Cable Tow permits us
- ✓ Support our leadership in the Divan / Clubs and Units
- ✓ Share ideas on how to raise awareness of who we are and what we do in our communities
- ✓ Increase funds to support our Canadian Hospital and local Temple
- ✓ Reach out to our less active Nobles
- ✓ Participate in your Craft lodge to find 1 quality new member to sponsor and support
- ✓ Have your family involved in the many great events (Spartan Race, Family Picnics, Show & Shrine, Highland Games, etc)
- ✓ Visit a Shriners Hospitals for Children with your families & friends
- ✓ Be a better husband, father & son
- ✓ Be more involved & participate

As I reflect on my membership and participation in the Shrine over the years, I am humbled to be part of such a worthy cause. I am grateful to the many Nobles and their Lady's who have been a positive example to me and my family. Who have given their time & talents over many years of service to ensure that the torch passed on to the next generation of Noble shines bright!

*Matthew 5:16* is a powerful scripture that is meaningful to our Fraternity and is succinct to our message:

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

On a personal note, Michelle and I would like to thank you for the many kind words of encouragement received by email and phone calls on the birth of our first child; Allan Wilmer Dickson born 21 Dec 2016. Both mum and baby are healthy and happy!



Thank you to the Sabre Motor Patrol for their support during my term as the PR Chairman. I look forward to continuing to serve our Divan and membership in whatever capacity I can. This truly is the World's Greatest Philanthropy where you can have Fun with a Purpose!

Yours in the faith,

Noble Allan Dickson Public Relations Chairman







SAKKARA TEMPLE NO. 115 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE 2017 APPLE PIE PROJECT

Jan 15 Setup 9:00am Peeling Starts 11:00am Jan 16—27 (Mon, Wed, Friday, Sun only) 8:30 am to 3:30 pm To order pies (\$8.00 each) contact:

Tammy Stevens 587-353-5899

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Members, family and friends are invited to assist us in our work bees. Looking forward to the fellowship, laughs and fun.

Many hands make the job easier!

### SHRINE HOCKEY CHALLENGE



Ceremonial puck drop by Ernie Hilland (Al Azhar), Harold Wallace (Gizeh) and Phil Arsenault (SHC Featured Patient)



Some clowning around in the Saddledome



The Patrol flag-bearers for the national anthem



Crazy ice drivers!

## SHRINE HOCKEY CHALLENGE



The GREATEST BAND in the world performing



Nice beard



Somebody gets "creamed"



A future Shriner

## SHRINE HOCKEY CHALLENGE



Phil Arsenault doing the Zamboni



Who is the scariest clown in this picture?



Ill Sir Byron Nelson, Phil Arsenault and Howard Wallace enjoying their time in the Owners Suite



And the winning team was?

# We thank our SHC partners. Please support them









# PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP



TO THE POTENTATE, OFFICERS AND NOBLES OF <u>AL AZHAR TEMPLE</u>, SITUATED IN THE OASIS OF <u>CALGARY</u>, DESERT OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA

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