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**A side of our Oriental Guide you haven't seen before!**

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## **FROM YOUR POTENTATE**

Dear Nobles and Ladies.

Nobles, the end of my year as Potentate is nearing and what a year it has been. Myself and your Divan have travelled far and wide, faced many challenges and accomplished many things.

We now enter into the time of the year when your Divan is busy attending installations and Christmas parties across Southern Alberta. Most importantly, we are getting ready to spend the holiday season with our friends and families.

Let me take this opportunity to remind everyone to attend as many of the various unit functions for the remainder of the year as possible, and specifically to attend the Stated Business Meeting on November 17, 2016 and the Joint Installation on November 26, 2016. These are very important events.

I further encourage all nobles to consider letting their names stand for positions on the Divan. We have two line positions up for grabs this year and I can say with some authority that being on the Divan and becoming Potentate is a very rewarding and positive experience. Please consider this opportunity for yourself.

Although I will have one more Potentate's submission before my year as Potentate has completed, let me take this opportunity to thank everyone who has made this year so special for me. Most of my official duties are now complete and I will get to simply enjoy going to many Christmas parties and installations for the remainder of 2016. It has been a true thrill to have been Potentate. Let me also thank the Divan who have been great friends and have made this a very enjoyable experience for me.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and great holiday season.

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  
STATED BUSINESS MEETING**

**AL AZHAR SHRINERS SOCIETY** will hold its Stated Business Meeting  
on **Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 7:30 pm sharp, at the  
Al Azhar Centre, 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 September SBM
3. Financial, Investment and Membership Reports
4. Balloting
5. Hospital Reports
6. Trustees Report
8. General Business
  - Proposal to purchase a new 4-wheel drive truck for snow removal and general maintenance
  - Proposal by SAIT to perform a marketing analysis in support of recruiting a new Business Manager
9. Other Business as per the Potentate

**Wear your fez and a smile  
(Also bring your 2016 dues card. You need it for admission!)**

Attest:  
Brian Shimmons, Recorder

Yours in the Faith  
Byron Nelson, Potentate

There will be cocktails and dinner (beef-on-the-bun) before the meeting starting around 6pm. Ladies are welcome. There will be a "Custom Christmas Card Making" program for the Ladies while meeting runs. (Cost is \$20 per person) Please RSVP if you want dinner and/or the Ladies Program.

**Your 2016 Divan**

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## RECORDER'S RAMBLINGS

Nobles:

To the Nobles that have paid their 2017 dues, you will receive a 2017 "dues sticker" to put on your plastic dues card shortly. If you have paid and have not received your 2017 "dues sticker" by the end of November, contact the Shrine Office and we will determine the problem.

For those that have not paid their 2017 dues, remember ... you can pay your dues by cheque, credit card or debit. You can phone in credit card information to the Centre to pay. Cheques can be mailed or dropped off at the Centre. Debit payment must be done in person.

Many units and clubs will have elected their new executives by the end of November. It is very important that all executive members be familiar with the club/unit by-laws and ALSO ANY CLUB/UNIT SOCIETY BYLAWS that may apply. If any member of a Club/Unit executive is not aware of their club/unit bylaws and/or Society bylaws ... contact the Recorder.

As "coordinator" of Al Azhar Society's recent casino, **I want to thank all those who worked the many positions.** The proceeds for our 2-days were significant and will provide funds for Al Azhar activities in Southern Alberta in 2017.

Yours in the Faith  
Brian Shimmons PP, Recorder

### 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
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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

### Nobles and Ladies

I have lived my life by a very simple motto – Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. This is called “The Golden Rule” and differs from the maxim of reciprocity captured in do ut des—“I give so that you will give in return”—and is rather a unilateral moral commitment to the well-being of the other without the expectation of anything in return.

The world has changed so much in the last 100 years and is continuing to evolve. It has been hard for society to adjust because changes have occurred in all segments of society including race, sex, religion and even politics. People often quote from their Bible or religious guidelines stating ‘But it says in the Bible’. Yes, it may be true but the elements of generations ago are not necessarily applicable to today as they discriminate against certain segments of society. If you are quoting one particular item then you should choose to follow all items. An example of this would be that women are chattels of their husbands and should be obedient to them. In our society women are regarded as equals to men and are to be respected and not discriminated against. To do so is illegal. I often ask someone when I feel they are discriminating against a certain segment of society, “If your child were being discriminated against because of their color, race, religion or sexual orientation, would you not want your own child to have every equal opportunity that society has to offer?” The answer is of course they deserve the respect of others. “Yes, I want my child to be accepted”. Our fellow citizens have to realize that society has changed and improved dramatically in

recognizing Human Rights. If someone discriminates against a segment of society, the charge laid by the Human Rights Commission is not against the offending individual but rather the charges are laid against the employer or organization for not protecting their employees or members against the spread of hatred and discrimination. It takes strong leaders using great courage to stand up and make decisions that are honorable and not discriminatory. Something to think about.

In the light of Grace  
Noble R. Dean Cowan  
Chaplain





## **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Nobles, it has been an honour serving as the Public Relations Chairman this year. There have been many great experiences; however one that really stands out is meeting patient ambassador Momo Sutton. She is a dynamic, inspiring and courageous girl who made me appreciate the responsibility we have as Shriners. In my last message I have highlighted a few of the many events from 2016, strongly encourage you to invite more Freemasons to participate with their families in our Noble philanthropy and visit one of our hospitals to meet our patients.

We started the year off with a well-attended Rabbie Burns Supper, hosted the Imperial Potentate Jerry Gantt & Lady Lisa Gantt then went to the Calgary Hitmen hockey game with our patient ambassador Carter Brown and his family, participated in parades from Red Deer to Medicine Hat and everywhere in between, bbq'd haggis for the Calgary Highland Games, a plethora of pancake breakfasts in our communities, held our annual Show & Shrine, auctioned off cattle and new this year supported our patient ambassador Phil Arsenault at the Spartan Races in Calgary & Red Deer (that provided lots of positive media coverage) and many, many more community events! Our members and families have been busy making this another memorable year! Next year we plan on holding an open house in June inviting community leaders & dignitaries to our Shriners International Awareness Day, as well as teaming up with the various fire departments during their Burns Awareness Week. Should you have any ideas to promote our Philanthropy please contact me or one of the Divan.

## **Public Relations (cont'd)**

I was initiated into The Craft in 1999 and wish I joined the Shrine shortly after I was raised to the Sublime Degree of a MM instead of just a few years ago ... I have a lot of time to make up for! No doubt there are many brethren who have a similar experience to myself in seeing men in Fez's driving mini-cars, riding horses, clowning around etc., but not really aware of what Shriners do! Ask the Worshipful Master of your lodge if you can invite the Shriners to share information for an education evening – there are also many inspiring public awareness video clips on YouTube that you can email too. It is paramount we share our positive message to newly raised MMs and seasoned Brethren and invite them to participate with us!

In meeting with many of our Nobles at various Shrine or Masonic events, I was surprised to find out how many have not met any of our dynamic patients or visited one of our hospitals. In the new year I would like to plan a trip to our "local" hospital in Spokane - these children will melt your heart and make you more passionate about raising funds and awareness! This would be a great opportunity for you and your family to really understand why we do what we do.

Thank you for making this an unforgettable year for my lovely wife Michelle and I in representing Al Azhar Shrine at many events. This really is the World's Greatest Philanthropy where you can have Fun with a Purpose!

Yours in the faith,

Noble Allan Dickson  
2016 Public Relations Chairman



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Date	Location	Arrival	Departure
Wednesday, February 15, 2017	SANTIAGO (VALPARAISO), CHILE CHECK IN STARTS AT 0100P CHECK IN 1:00PM-5:00PM	--	06:00 PM
Thursday, February 16, 2017	AT SEA	--	--
Friday, February 17, 2017	PUERTO MONTT, CHILE Tender Required WHEELCHAIR ACCESS LIMITED	07:00 AM	06:00 PM
Saturday, February 18, 2017	AT SEA	--	--
Sunday, February 19, 2017	AMALIA GLACIER, CHILE (SCENIC CRUISE SCENIC CRUISING)	07:00 AM	08:00 AM
Monday, February 20, 2017	PUNTA ARENAS, CHILE Tender Required WHEELCHAIR ACCESS LIMITED	07:00 AM	07:00 PM
Tuesday, February 21, 2017	USHUAIA (TIERRA DEL FUEGO), ARGENTINA	12:00 PM	08:00 PM
Wednesday, February 22, 2017	CAPE HORN (SCENIC CRUISING) SCENIC CRUISING	08:00 AM	09:00 AM
Thursday, February 23, 2017	FALKLAND ISLANDS (STANLEY) Tender Required WHEELCHAIR ACCESS LIMITED	08:00 AM	06:00 PM
Friday, February 24, 2017	AT SEA	--	--
Saturday, February 25, 2017	PUERTO MADRYN, ARGENTINA	07:00 AM	05:00 PM
Sunday, February 26, 2017	AT SEA	--	--
Monday, February 27, 2017	MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY	08:00 AM	05:00 PM
Tuesday, February 28, 2017	BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA OVERNIGHT	08:00 AM	--
Wednesday, March 1, 2017	BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA	05:00 AM	--





# SHC Canada News



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## **Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada Opens its Pediatric Simulation Centre**

Montreal, Wednesday, September 14, 2016 – His name is José. He’s a dummy, literally. José is the mannequin or, more accurately, the high-fidelity, junior-patient simulator that mimics a wide range of conditions, from a healthy, talking child to an unresponsive, critical patient with no vital signs. The patient simulator is just one of many training tools to be found in the newly opened Pediatric Simulation Centre located on the 2nd floor of Shriners Hospitals for Children® – Canada. It is changing the way health professionals are trained and will ultimately enhance quality of care and patient safety.

The Centre delivers high-fidelity, realistic simulations for surgical, medical, nursing, respiratory therapy and allied health practitioners. It offers a safe, realistic environment, allowing health professionals and students to increase their knowledge, hone their skills, and practice teamwork in the context of realistic patient scenarios. The Pediatric Simulation Centre at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada is the only such centre in the Shriners’ network of 22 hospitals.

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

### *Practice makes perfect*

In addition to José, the simulator that represents a six-year-old boy, the state-of-the-art centre comprises several dedicated rooms for simulation-based education and training. It includes a multipurpose surgical skills lab, with six surgical stations with retractable booms with suction, and hospital-grade air with six radiolucent adjustable beds. Traditionally, surgical skills have been acquired in the operating room (OR). The complexity of surgical procedures and the premium placed on surgical time have increased. So, rather than taking up precious OR time with teaching, surgical residents can now acquire and perfect their skills in the surgical skills lab.

“The surgical skills laboratory is revolutionizing surgical training,” says Jean A. Ouellet, M.D., Medical Director of the Pediatric Simulation Centre. “Using computer simulators and virtual reality technology, as well as specially designed procedure models, surgical residents learn a wide array of surgical skills.

At the instructor’s station, high-fidelity cameras film, record, and transmit the teacher’s directives to the other five surgical stations where students replicate the teacher’s moves. Surgeries can also be broadcast live from the OR and transmitted via secure server to the surgical skills lab and/or the two designated conference rooms.

All health professionals will benefit

“The educational activities we are hosting and developing are based on the educational needs of our health professionals,” says Dr. Ouellet. “We will ensure that we have faculty trained in medical simulation from all disciplines and specialties; including pediatric orthopaedics, pediatric surgery, anesthesia, nursing, and respiratory therapy. This, in turn, will improve the quality of patient care and patient safety in a family-centered environment.”

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Inter-professional training sessions are being held in the Pediatric Simulation Centre and in clinical settings such as the operating room, patient rooms or even the hospital cafeteria. Training sessions may involve José or actors who participate in scenarios that help health professionals learn how to deal with various situations, such as how to calm an anxious parent, how to talk and interact with children of different ages or how to ensure a patient education session is effective. Over the next few months, as the Centre ramps up, simulations will increase progressively.

#### *Training the next generation of health professionals*

“The centre illustrates the dedication Shriners International attributes to its mission of training future generations of health professionals,” says Brandt Bede, M.D., Hospital Liaison with the Board of Trustees, Shriners Hospitals for Children. “I congratulate everyone who helped realize the Pediatric Simulation Centre. It provides a safe environment where confidence and competence can be continuously enhanced and where the true beneficiaries will be the young patients in our care.”



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## The Exceptional Care for Exceptional Kids Campaign is a resounding success

As the Exceptional Care for Exceptional Kids Campaign comes to a close, the entire Shriners community extends a huge thank-you to its exceptional donors. The Campaign raised an extraordinary \$130,650,327, exceeding the goal of \$130 million. The funds supported the construction of the new Shriners Hospital for Children® – Canada, which opened on October 5, 2015, and the Francis Glorieux Chair in Pediatric Musculoskeletal Research.

"Our goal was not only attained but surpassed thanks to the outstanding leadership of our Imperial Potentate Jerry G. Gantt alongside Richard J. and Carolyn E. Renaud, Peter Letko and Deborah Josephson, M.D., our National Campaign Co-Chairs," says Mr. Gino Berretta, Chairman of the hospital's Board of Governors. "None of this could have been accomplished without the dedication and support of all the business and Shriner volunteers who actively shared our goal to raise funds. Today, we can celebrate the realization of our new "dream" hospital thanks to the overwhelming generosity of over 6,000 donors!"

"Over the past little while, people have been thanking us for volunteering to chair the Exceptional Care for Exceptional Kids Campaign. While it has been an honour to lead this historic five-year initiative, our time as Co-Chairs has shown us that the success of the campaign has been a true collective effort," says Richard Renaud. "Thanks to every single donor, we were able to construct this beautifully designed and spacious hospital and acquire top-notch medical equipment. Our donors enabled us to open a state-of-the-art research centre which will accelerate discoveries in musculoskeletal disorders. Thanks to all of them, children and families from across Canada, parts of the United States and around the world have access to cutting-edge paediatric orthopedic care."

"Our new hospital is a beautiful and functional building, one that we can be so proud of within our network of hospitals," says Dale W. Stauss, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Shriners Hospitals for Children. "I wish to congratulate our volunteer corporate leaders and staff members who have led the Exceptional Care for Exceptional Kids Campaign to successful fruition."



## Upcoming Events

<b>STATED BUSINESS MEETING</b> November 17, 2016	<b>AMP INSTALLATION</b> November 19, 2016	<b>LEOPARDS A LEAPING</b> November 20, 2016	<b>CHIEF RABBAN MTG</b> November 26, 2016
<b>JOINT INSTALLATION</b> November 26, 2016	<b>GREY CUP PARTY</b> November 27, 2016	<b>MHSC INSTALLATION</b> December 2, 2016	<b>CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY</b> December 4, 2016
<b>SHRINE HOCKEY CHALLENGE</b> January 2, 2016	<b>AGM/POTENTATE'S EVENING</b> January 21, 2017		<b>300 CLUB DINNER</b> March 31, 2017



### SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 20, 2016

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Installation @ 6:30pm

Dinner @ 7:pm

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Every year, players and coaches visit the local Shriners Hospitals for Children during game week to meet the patients and gain a greater understanding of the importance of the game. During the inspirational and humbling visit, the teams experience a day they will never forget. Whether dancing to music, playing games or simply sharing stories with one another, the instant friendships that form between the patients and players are a testament to our motto of being more than just a game.

A strong performance in the game can greatly impact a player's chances of a career in the NFL. More than 100 players from last year's game signed with professional teams this spring, and more than 72 made final NFL rosters. On average, more than 265 East-West Shrine Game alumni are on NFL rosters each year.

Since the game's inception, 72 former players have been inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame and more than 200 have been named to the College Football Hall of Fame. An invitation to take part in the annual East-West Shrine Game is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the best collegiate football all-stars in the country to showcase their talents in front of top representatives from NFL teams.

**Join us on Saturday, January 21 for the 92nd East-West Shrine Game** broadcast live on NFL Network from Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, Fla. For more Shriners game information, visit Shriners Village and look for the East-West Shrine Game page under Events > Major Sporting Events |

### *Al Azhar Shrine Patrol*



## 300 Club Dinner



**Friday, 31 March, 2017**

**Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres: 6pm Dinner: 7pm**

### ***Al Azhar Shrine Centre***

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## Unit/Club Meeting Dates & News

Al Azhar Units	Al Azhar Shrine Clubs
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	Alpine Shrine Club – 4 times/year at the call of President Big Country Shrine Club - 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Foothills Shrine Club - 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday Lethbridge Shrine Club - 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday Medicine Hat Shrine Club - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday Red Deer Shrine Club - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday Wild Rose Shrine Club - 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday

### **ORIENTAL BAND**

The Al Azhar Oriental Band has concluded another successful year.

The highlight of the year was the refurbishing of the band trailer and the “wrapping” of both the trailer and the truck with a new look. The following pictures show the recently finished truck with its pyramids, desert sands and palm trees. The new look answers the important question ... “What is a Shriner and what do they do?”

The new wrap promotes the new SHC-Canada hospital and displays how someone can get in touch with the medical system of our 22 hospitals. It also identifies that we support local charities.

Besides seeing Shriners playing on horses, riding in little cars or in Tin Lizzies, flying really neat airplanes or just clowning around, now thousands of parade goers are able to see our philanthropy through this new look.

Another change this year is the look of the band members themselves. We said goodbye to the Arabic look and introduced the Pharaoh uniform. We have had many positive comments about the change.

In August, a contingent of the Oriental Band and wives headed to Billings to attend the PNSA meetings and we won a couple of awards proving once again that we play the sweetest music this side of Balzac. We put on the Tong Degree the weekend of the Ceremonial and welcomed several new Tong members. During the year, we had several evenings out at local spots with our wives and celebrated the “family” aspect of Masonry and Shrinedom.

All in all, 2016 has been a great year for the Al Azhar Oriental Band and we look forward to 2017. If any Shriner is interested, we meet at the Shrine Centre most Thursday evenings and practice and we would welcome anyone who would like to come out and join us.

The new 2017 Executive for the Oriental Band is:

Sultan – Dave Mospany

Emir – Clay Frotten

Pasha – Henry Retzlaff

Vizier – George Lister

Caliph – George Garbutt

Society President – Ken McLaughlin

Clay Frotten – Sultan 2016





SIDE (Driver)



The new look of the Oriental Band and its truck and trailer



## **WILDROSE SHRINE CLUB**

The Wild Rose Shrine Club had a good summer with participation in a number of parades and their annual Larry Guenther golf tournament. We were also a sponsor on October 22 for the Airdrie Boys and Girls Club AirScare. This is a major annual fund raiser for the Boys and Girls Club and is a major Halloween event for Airdrie. This year there were in excess of 2,000 people who endured the chills and screams of this scary maze.

The Wild Rose Club actively assisted in the Haunted House as well as ticket taking, crowd control and security.

The Club elections took place in October with Noble Allan Long being elected President, Noble Tyler Pelletier 1st Vice President and Noble Kim Greenizen 2nd Vice President, Illustrious Sir Bob Newman Secretary and Noble Norm Ink Secretary. They will all be installed at the Joint Installation on November 26.

We are also actively preparing to do our Santa Claus pictures at the Airdrie Walmart in December.

Gary Long  
President 2016



**Shriners helping out at Airscares**

## **MOUNTED PATROL**

The Mounted Patrol members were saddened to learn of the death of Past Potentate Warren Woodrow Nelson on September 13, 2016. Warren was a dedicated and respected member of the AMP for 40 years. Following in his father's footsteps, Warren joined the Mounted Patrol in 1976 and rode in the musical ride until 2014. Warren was President of the AMP in 1983 going on to be Potentate of Al Azhar in 1998. Warren's dad Woodrow Nelson was one of the first riders of the Mounted Patrol when it was formed in 1954. Warren is survived by his wife, Past Queen Irene, son Illustrious Sir Byron, daughter Barb (Patrick) and grandchildren, Olivia and Edward Nelson and Nathan and Lauren Mitchell. Our sincere sympathy goes out to the Nelson family on their loss. Warren, you will be missed by all.

The Mounted Patrol has been busy repairing the shelter that houses the transportation bus, as it was in bad repair. It is now looking good and a job well done.

This year, the Mounted Patrol Society made donations to the Food Bank and the Navy League Cadets. Both recipients were thankful for the support and we know both organizations will put it to good use.

Once again the Mounted Patrol are looking forward to the Installation of Officers and Dinner on November 19, 2016 and the ever popular Wine and Cheese Party, hosted by Glen and Pearl Hacke, on December 14, 2016.

As the Christmas Season is not far off, the Members of the Mounted Patrol would like to wish all Nobles and their Ladies a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous 2017.

Noble Roy Jardine



AMP donates \$5,000 to the Calgary Food Bank

## AIR CORPS

With the parade season a distant memory, our endeavours turned to our charities. The Air Corps gave out \$10000.00 to local charities.

- \$2000 to the Airdrie Boys and Girls Club (picture showing Bob Newman delivering the cheque below)
- \$2000 to the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund
- \$2000 to the McMahon Youth, Family and Community Services Association
- \$2000 to the Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta
- \$2000 to the Children's Wish Foundation

All recipients were very grateful for the donation they received.

Our executive for 2017 is as follows:

- Captain - Roger Rodoble
- 1st Lieutenant - Joseph Pimlott
- Sec/Treasurer (Air Corps) - Ronald Beirnes
- Sec/Treasurer (Air Corps Society) - Brian Baird

On behalf of the Shrine Air Corps, may I wish all Nobles and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New 2017.

Fraternally

Ron Down – Captain 2016



Air Corps donation presentation to the Boys and Girls Club of Airdrie



# CEREMONIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## FRIDAY NIGHT MIXER



Individuals and Unit/Club reps who received "Generous Donor" recognition from SHC-Canada



Nancy Laberge performs during the Friday Night Mixer

## LADIES PROGRAM



Painting masterpieces!



The finished masterpieces!



# CEREMONIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> SECTIONS



The candidates waiting



The candidates arrive



The Ceremonial Cast



And the band played!



The dancer???



The critics???



# CEREMONIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## THE FEED & DANCE



Great steak feed prepared by the Tins



The band "Marshall"



Some real dancers



More dancers



More dancers

**We thank our SHC partners. Please support them**



# PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP



## AL AZHAR TEMPLE

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

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge  
# \_\_\_\_\_ located at \_\_\_\_\_

City

Province

Which is a Lodge recognized by or in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore, I have resided at my current address for not less than 6 months, as required by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. I respectfully pray that I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and become a member of your temple.

If I be found worthy, and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of The Imperial Council and the Bylaws and Ceremonies of your temple

Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Were you ever a DeMolay? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what was the Chapter name and Location \_\_\_\_\_

Profession or occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously applied for admission to any temple of the Order? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what temple? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name Here \_\_\_\_\_

*Name in Full, initials not sufficient*

Recommended and Vouched for on the Honour of Noble \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Noble \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_