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Our message...  
Our mission...

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*You are hereby notified of the following meetings of the nobility to be held at*

# Mizpah Shrine

1015A Memorial Way, Fort Wayne, IN 46805

## May Stated Meeting

Wednesday, May 1st - meal: 6:15pm meeting: 7:00pm

## June Stated Meeting

Wednesday, June 5th - meal: 6:15pm meeting: 7:00pm

**Fraternally: William Leedy, Potentate**

**Attest: Barry Richards, Recorder**

*The purpose of these called meetings or events is to act upon any official business that may come before it.*

*Your presence is requested.*

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### **PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION TO A SHRINERS BURN HOSPITAL**

Admission to a Shriners Burn Hospital is essentially the same as to a Shriners Hospital for Children. Here, however, it must be stressed that timing may be of utmost importance. The final outcome of a burn case may be greatly dependent upon the type of treatment and the speed with which it can be started. Therefore in emergency, the Chief Surgeon has the authority to admit the patient, having the application completed at a later date. If then you know of an emergency burn case, immediately call the Shine Ambassador in the area. Let's not miss a chance to put out a helping hand. Be a true Shriner!

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Check the website, social media or the  
Allah Bi for updated events and  
happenings around Mizpah!

2019 Parade Schedule is listed on  
Page 12. Get the word out to your  
clubs & units!

Mizpah Potentate's Ball and Ladies  
Party information is on page 6 & 7...  
join the Potentate and his Lady for  
all the fun!

**DON'T FORGET!**

## Potentate's Message



On March 8th we held the Night of Hope and Inspiration to honor our patients and their families with a special evening. There were five patients and families sharing their stories and experiences about Shriners Hospitals for Children. I felt every Noble in attendance could not have been more proud to be a Shriner. Lady Kat and I would like to acknowledge and thank all those who attended; as well as a very special thank you to IMI for sponsoring the event, the Hospital Unit for their display, and to Daughters Of The Nile for serving and the desserts. A big shot out to Scooter the clown and our Gentle Giants for making an appearance. The event was brought to a close with Noble Brooks Targgart giving the meaning of Mizpah. It was truly a special evening. If you would like to see pictures, please visit the Mizpah website. Once again... THANK YOU all.

### **How can Shriners help with the healthcare of my children – they just do the Circus? -quote by Ed (patients father)**

This resonated with me and many others that there is a huge opportunity within our community. We no longer want to be the 'Best kept secret'. This was discussed when the divan attend Divan Day at the Chicago Hospital. A presentation was given to get the word out, wear your shrine apparel and always remember to wear your Fez proudly, because We Are Much More Than The Circus. The divan also had the pleasure of listening to Conner and his story. Conner is one of the new patient ambassadors for Chicago, with the desire to become a National patient ambassador. Also, an update for Chicago was given. Some of their major accomplishments are being a totally digital X-ray hospital, starting another Telehealth med system, and new presentations we can use to talk to the community. The new Telehealth system has already made its way to our area at Cameron Hospital in Angola. Currently, they have started to use the system to see follow up visit for patients. This means they do not have to make the trip back to Chicago. If you know of a group, church or club interested in having a presentation done at their event, please contact the Shrine Office.

### **Noble to Noble**

Please reach out to a fellow Noble who you have not seen or communicated with in a while. Make sure they are OK and see if they need a ride to an event. Over the last few months, Mizpah has received and voted on a number of new Nobles. I will be looking to do a Cold Sands this spring to facilitate bringing the new nobles into Mizpah. If you know of someone, or want to yet have them petition the Shrine, please contact the Recorder.

The divan and their ladies attended the Daughters Of The Nile installation at the end of March. Congratulations to Queen Kristi Thompson and the newly installed officers. I am looking forward to working with them on a joint events this year.

Activities in May include two parades, our annual Vidalia Onion Fundraiser, a Fish Fry (May 10th), CoHo fishing, Lady Katherine Ladies party (May 17th- call the office for a reservation), and looking at a First Responders day May 18th. STAY TUNED!!!

June activities will be the Mizpah Children's Fishing Derby, Class Directors, Etna Acres and Mizpah Shrine Golf Outings, along with Horse Show and the Mizpah Potentate's Ball. And right after all of this, Mizpah will be making its way to Nashville TN June 29th for the Imperial Session. For all those going to Imperial we will have a trip meeting – so stay tuned for details. July wraps up with the annual Mizpah Car Show.

Check the Mizpah calendar, and other information at [www.mizpahshrine.com](http://www.mizpahshrine.com) . Also, Mizpah sends out messages via the Mizpah Messenger, so please make sure your email is up to date by contacting the office to update Webfez. It is important that we have current data to send out notices, letters and correspondence regarding our great fraternity.

## PARADE SCHEDULE

<b>May 4</b>	<b>Shipshewana MayFest</b>
<b>May 27</b>	<b>Memorial Day Fort Wayne</b>
<b>Jul 2</b>	<b>Imperial Parade</b>
<b>Jul 27</b>	<b>North Manchester</b>
<b>Aug 3</b>	<b>Harlan Days</b>
<b>Oct 28</b>	<b>Decatur IN</b>

### ***We follow our creed as Shriners***

We believe that care for the less fortunate, especially children who suffer from burns and crippling disease, is our institutional calling..... As Shriners we look beyond ourselves to serve the needs of others, especially children who cannot help themselves. We believe Shriners Hospitals to be the World's Greatest Philanthropy, and we covenant with each other to support its "temples of mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.

I am proud to work with you to make Mizpah the greatest Shrine Center.

*Fraternally yours,*  
*William Feedy*  
*Potentate 2019*

# *Illustrious Bill Leedy & Lady Kat*



*Invite You to*



*The Potentate's Ball*

*Saturday, June 22nd*

## *Formal Ball*

5:00 - Appetizers  
Beer and Wine Provided

5:45 - Introductions

6:00 - 9:00 Dinner &  
Dancing

Music provided by  
West Central Quartet

Formal Attire

Cash Bar



## *Beach Party*

10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Set-up Your Cabana

9:00 pm - Beach Party

Music provided by  
Dan the Pan Man

Beach Attire

BYOB

Cost is \$99 a couple  
for Two Parties

Call the Shrine Office to order  
your tickets for the ball.

260-426-4543



*Lady Katherine*

*Cordially Invites you to the annual  
Mizpah Shrine Ladies  
Spring Party*

*Friday evening, May 17th, 2019*

• *Social Time - 6:00 p.m.*

• *Dinner - 6:45 p.m.*

*Followed by Entertainment and other Activities*

**COME AND ENJOY**

★ **FOOD**

★ **ENTERTAINMENT**

★ **FRIENDSHIP**

*"Don't forget the Shrine Kids"*

Help by Supporting

***Lady Katherine's***

***Recipe Book & Purse***

***Projects***

*Please RSVP by*

*May 10th*

*to the*

*Mizpah Shrine Office*

*(260) 426-4543*

# Hospital Unit News

As you likely already know, Shriners Hospital for Children of Cincinnati is likely closing and moving to Dayton, Ohio. But remember, we can all rest assured that the loving care that has always been provided for the kids will remain stellar! In our hearts we know the best for our patients will always be first.

Nevertheless, change of this nature brings about many feelings, including loss. This is real for so many. We share in the grieving. Our hearts are with you and our tears go out for you.

Many thanks go to the dedicated Cincinnati staff, knowing that many of you will continue working at the Dayton Hospital, though some will not. To our Syrian Shriner brothers, we know these changes will bring change to what you do and how you do it. We know that you will always support our Shriner kids. We keep you in our thoughts and prayers. God's blessings to you all.

To better understand all that is taking place and why, I'm sharing two messages from:

- 1) the Shriners Imperial Potentate and the Shriners Hospitals for Children Board Chairman, and
- 2) The Cincinnati Shriners Hospital Board Chairman.

Fraternally,  
Doug Brouwer, Secretary

## **Cincinnati Hospital Update, from Jim Cain, Imperial Potentate, Shriners International and Jerry G. Gantt, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Shriners Hospitals for Children, March 22, 2019**

Dear Fellow Nobles,

Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children® have a unique and very special relationship. While the two are separate organizations, they are united by a shared mission to improve the lives of children. Every Shriner and every staff member is committed to that effort.

That said, we have been communicating for some time now that, while our mission is sound and will not change, Shriners Hospitals' primary care delivery model must change to meet today's needs and expectations. We have explained that continuing to operate in the same manner, including maintaining all our large inpatient-focused facilities, is extremely and unnecessarily expensive, and takes funds away from our mission of patient care.

Approximately 85 percent of pediatric medical procedures are now performed in an outpatient setting, and this trend is expected to continue. We must adjust our delivery model to reflect this industry change.

We are responding, and in August, our Tampa facility will become the fifth in our health care system to become an outpatient or ambulatory care center. We have also been emphasizing reaching more kids by using today's technology, particularly telehealth, and by increasing community affiliations and access points. We will continue working to determine the best care models to meet both industry trends and our patient families' needs and expectations throughout our system.

At the 2018 Imperial Session, we reiterated the current situation, including that of inpatient numbers, daily censuses and operational costs. At that meeting, the voting representatives supported and approved moving forward with plans to realign and restructure several hospitals, including Cincinnati. These plans had been discussed and shared with the nobility over the previous several months, as well as just prior to Imperial Session. We have worked very hard to provide information to the nobles and staff throughout the process.

Specifically, having our Cincinnati location share space with another hospital was approved, with the provision that approval was also given by the Joint Boards and the Board of Governors of the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital. Both these boards approved the choice of Dayton Children's Hospital.

Shriners Hospitals for Children — Cincinnati was established in the mid-1960s in response to a lack of pediatric burn care. Over time, the severity and frequency of pediatric burn injuries has declined in the United States. Many procedures for these injuries, due in part to advances in treating burns pioneered by Shriners Hospitals for Children, have shifted from an inpatient to an outpatient setting.



The Cincinnati hospital has 30 inpatient beds. In 2018, the average daily census was 4.1. Repositioning our Cincinnati hospital within Dayton Children's will allow us to continue to deliver high-quality burn care and other services in a space that meets the needs of our patients today more appropriately, economically and efficiently.

We know that change is hard. Some will see change as a detriment – and some will see it as an opportunity and a challenge. What everyone needs to see is that it is our mission that is important, and that change has always been part of Shriners Hospitals for Children. It is no longer a single hospital created to serve children coping with the aftereffects of the poliovirus. Shriners Hospitals has changed and adapted repeatedly to meet the needs of the children it serves. Today's need for change is another example of being responsive to our patient families, as well as responding to trends and expectations of the health care industry.

Shriners Hospitals' total U.S. inpatient volume has decreased by 31 percent from 2013 to 2017; at the same time, operating expenses for inpatient visits have increased by 60 percent.

Continuing to operate indefinitely as a system designed primarily for inpatient care is just not financially feasible or efficient any longer. It is important to remember that our reputation for excellent, compassionate care has nothing to do with big, beautiful buildings, and that, in fact, the expense of our buildings financially impacts our ability to provide care.

As an organization that relies on the generosity of our donors, we must be good and conscientious stewards of resources, including our facilities' physical size and area.

The move to Dayton Children's makes it possible for Shriners Hospitals for Children to maintain its presence in southwest Ohio and continue to provide its local patients throughout its eight-state catchment area with regional access to burn care and reconstructive surgery services, while also offering care to children wherever they may live.

We are confident that if each of us – every noble and every staff member – focuses on our mission of providing excellent specialty care to children, works together, and trusts and supports the decisions of the voting representatives and board members, we can, and will, successfully transform our amazing, compassionate health care system and position it for a strong, respected second hundred years.

### A Message from the Chairman, Timothy A. "Tim" Mason, Board of Governors, Shriners Hospitals for Children — Cincinnati, March, 2019

We have some very exciting news to share! This morning Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Cincinnati announced that it has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Dayton Children's Hospital to explore relocation to the Dayton, Ohio pediatric hospital.

Once legal documents are agreed upon and complete, Cincinnati Shriners would lease and occupy separate space on the Dayton campus, remaining a distinct hospital within a hospital.

It is estimated that a final move could occur within the next 16 months. During this time, Cincinnati Shriners Hospital will remain actively seeing current and NEW patients.

These changes are necessary to ensure that our hospital can continue to provide the finest pediatric specialty care far into the future. Current healthcare trends require us to adjust our delivery model to more accurately reflect today's environment.

Over the past decades, there has been a decline in the severity and number of pediatric burns in the U.S., especially those requiring a lengthy hospital stay. This move will enable Cincinnati Shriners Hospital to deliver all its specialty services more efficiently, purchasing certain services from the Dayton hospital.

A timeline for the move has not yet been fully determined, but patients could be seen at the new location by summer of 2020. Until that time, both new and existing patients will continue to be cared for in Cincinnati at the Burnet Avenue location. Please keep transporting and supporting families in your region so that children will continue to benefit from our life-changing care.

Recently, Mizpah hosted A Night of Hope & Inspiration at the Imperial Room. Pictured to the right are two of our patients from our hospital system that we care for, who gave presentations as to their journey through our great Shriners Hospitals for Children program.

All Shriners are welcome to take a trip to the Chicago or Cincinnati Hospitals to see this excellent care in action. Contact the office if you are interested in taking a trip soon!



## Mizpah Car Club

Fellow Noble's,

Mark your calendars for July 20th, for the 2019 Lawton Park Car Show! The Shrine Car Club hosts this event, and we invite all members, clubs & units to participate. This is a great opportunity to be more than guys wearing red hats with tassels. Let's use the car show to display our passion and what makes the Shrine fun and exciting for us. If you are not part of a unit, come out and support the Grillmasters and the Daughters of the Nile (they are two of our food vendors). Or, get some exercise by walking around wearing your Fez.

Tom Lehman  
VP Car Club



### 2019 LAWTON PARK CAR SHOW

Hosted by: Mizpah Shrine Car Club "For the Kids"

July 20<sup>th</sup> 8:00 – 2:00

#### Awards at 1:30pm

Best of Show – Trophy and \$100 Cash  
Best Represented Car Club – \$100 Cash  
Potentate's Choice  
Top 50 – 1999 and Older Vehicles  
Top 15 – 2000 and Newer Vehicles

-Dash Plaques – First 150 Entries  
-Drive Thru Judging – 9:00 to 1:00  
-Silent Auction  
-Food Vendors



Face Book: Mizpah Shrine Car Club @MizpahShrineCarClub

Lawton Park  
1900 N. Clinton St  
Fort Wayne, IN

Email questions to:  
[MizpahShrineCarClub@yahoo.com](mailto:MizpahShrineCarClub@yahoo.com)

Contact:  
Tom Lehman (260) 403-6849  
Jim Coe (260) 410-5345

Pre-registration: \$10.00, due by July 1<sup>st</sup>. After July 1<sup>st</sup>, registration is \$15.00

Mail Name, Cell #, Email address, and payment to:

Mizpah Shrine Car Club  
1015 Memorial Way  
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

Proceeds are for the benefit of Mizpah Shrine Car Club. Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions. Not responsible for accidents, injuries or damage to vehicles.



Hello Bagpipe Buddies!

We had a great time on Saint Patty's day, although the weather was a little brisk blowing up our Kilt's. Thanks to Mark, Scott, Bobby, and Brad for braving the elements. A special thanks to Denny & Lori for following us. We started out at Deer Park, went to the Green Frog, and ended up at the Venice. The day was filled with green beer and warm fellowship, even though we may have been few, the company was great!

We are now preparing for the parade season and getting our parade tunes ready and getting in shape for the parades. If you are interested in joining our happy group or know of a person who would love to learn the pipes or drums, we meet every Wednesday at the Temple at 7pm. Until next month, keep the pipes up and the kilt down.

Faithfully,  
Brad Jenkins

**Mizpah Bagpipers**

## **Mizpah Vettes**

It has been a tough couple of months – weather wise – but the outlook is much better and the Vettes are ready to get back into action.

Our first monthly meeting was held in March – with a poor turnout of members!!! Maybe they were snowbirds and had not migrated back North yet?

It is getting to be parade time again – so you need to get your Vette out – clean it up – polish it and get ready for SHOWTIME!!! Our first parade will be Saturday May 4th in Shipshewanna, IN. The people of Shipshewanna and the surrounding area always turnout for this event and we need as many Vettes in Shipshewanna as possible. The weather has always been nice and we want to SHINE. Please report to the usual check in area no later than 9am on Saturday May 4th for our first outing. This parade is sanctioned as a Temple parade – so be sure to bring your FEZ.

Our good Shriner and originator of the Mizpah Corvette Unit, Dee Bylerly, is having his struggles. Dee recently spent some time in Parkview hospital but is back at Millers Merry Manor in Wabash. He would appreciate hearing from you. You can send Dee a card at:

Miller's Merry Manor  
1900 Alber Street  
Wabash, IN 46992

Our next Vette monthly meeting will be Thursday May 9th at 7pm. We will meet at the Temple. We look forward to seeing you in May and bring along a friend that would like to showcase their VETTE.

Remember – Life begins at 150mph  
Wayne

# Calendar of Events around Mizpah

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>May</i>						
3	4	5	1 STATED MTG	2 Horse Patrol	3	4 Racing Shriners <b>SEIPSHEWANA PARADE</b>
5	6 Director's Staff Foot Patrol Car Club	7 Scottish Rite Std Class Directors Mizmur SC	8 Nile Stated Mtg Bagpipers Flying Shriners Kosciusco Co LaGrange Co Randolph Co	9 Legion of Honor Vette's	10 <b>Fish Fry</b>	11
12	13 Yoshi	14 Radio Unit	15 Bagpipers Hospital Unit Jay Co Pokagon SC Grillmasters	16 Elkhart SC	17 <b>Coho Fishing</b>  <b>Ladies Party</b>	18 <b>Coho Fishing</b>
19	20 Antique Power	21	22  Bagpipers Eel River SC Hapzim SC Wabash SC	23 Blackford Co	24	25
26	27 <b>MEMORIAL DAY PARADE (FTW)</b>  Office Closed	28	29	30	31	

## PARADE SCHEDULE

**May 4**  
**May 27**  
**Jul 2**  
**Jul 27**  
**Aug 3**  
**Oct 28**

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30						

## MIZPAH SHRINE OFFICIAL WEBSITES

**Imperial Website:** [www.shinersinternational.org](http://www.shinersinternational.org)

**Hospital Website:** [www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org](http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org)

**Temple Website:** [www.mizpahshrine.com](http://www.mizpahshrine.com)

**Photo Website:** [www.mizpahphoto.com](http://www.mizpahphoto.com)

**Circus Website:** [www.mizpahshrinecircus.com](http://www.mizpahshrinecircus.com)

**Sportsman's Raffle Website:** [www.mizpahshrinesportsman.com](http://www.mizpahshrinesportsman.com)

**Private Facebook Group:** Mizpah Shrine (open to verified Mizpah Shriners only)

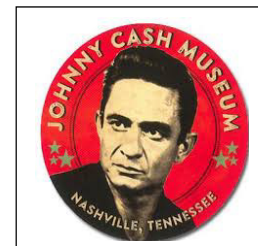
**Public Facebook Facility Page:** The Mizpah Shrine Center of Fort Wayne

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*If you require any content from the Mizpah Shrine, contact Public Information Officer, Michael Hardiek, PP or the Mizpah Shrine Media Unit.*



**Shriners International  
Imperial Session  
June 30<sup>th</sup>-July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Nashville Tennessee**



Special discounted room rates end on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Book now to get the best rooms at the lowest rates. You can find a link to the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel in Nashville on the Mizpah Shrine Center website.

[www.mizpahshrine.com](http://www.mizpahshrine.com)



Join the Mizpah Imperial Session Facebook page to learn more @ Mizpah Nashville 2019



**Imperial Parade July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 PM**



Learn more at [www.Imperial2019.com](http://www.Imperial2019.com)

Guests can enter the group code, **1906MIZPAH**, under Group Code by selecting the link below the date selection

# DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Who are the Daughters of the Nile? We are benevolent international fraternal organization for women who are related by birth or marriage to a Shriner. We have 150 constituted Temples throughout the United States and Canada. Each year the Daughters of the Nile, through our Supreme Temple Endowment and Convalescent Relief Funds, contribute well over 1.5 million dollars to the Shriners Hospitals For Children. In addition, we create and donate quilts, garments and blankets through our sewing clubs, host parties for the children and spend many hours volunteering at the Shrine hospitals and events. We are proud of our Masonic heritage and are grateful to the nobles of the mystic shrine for allowing us the privilege of working side by side with them in supporting the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children.

On Sunday, March 30th, the Daughter of the Nile's local Temple, Teti Sheri No. 60, held their 2019 Installation of officers. We were honored to have a host of distinguished guests, nobles, family and friends joining and sharing in this special event. Following the installation ceremony, we shared an outstanding meal thanks to the Assistant Raban, Tobin Bradley and the ladies of our temple. It was truly an amazing day and a great way to begin our year.

It is a privilege to be serving as the Queen for Teti Sheri this year. When I started this journey three years ago, I was honored, excited and apprehensive; and I can say those same emotions are still with me. The love, support, friendship and guidance I have been blessed with on this journey is truly astonishing. I am excited to lead this organization on an amazing adventure this year; an adventure of full of fun, friendship and support of the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

While I may be this year's Queen and leader, I know that I am not alone. I am blessed with dedicated officers, wise Past Queens and wonderful ladies of the household who will walk beside me. We will work, share and support each other this year on our mission for the kids.

I would like to thank the potentate, the Divan and nobles of the Mizpah Shrine for all the help and support they continue to give to Teti Sheri. This year we are thrilled to connect with the Job's Daughters of Bethel #8 and look forward to a building a strong, lasting partnership and making many new friendships. We all belong to an amazing organization and have a great Masonic family. We are excited to begin this year together as a collective team to work for the kids, the hospitals and support each other.

As we look ahead at our calendars, I would like to share some of the events we have planned for the coming months. Even though the DON temple is dark in June, July and August, we will be around and working hard for the kids. In June, the Daughters of the Nile will hold their Supreme Session, Denim & Diamonds, in Reno, Nevada. Myself, along with some of the Past Queens, will be traveling west to participate, learn and bring back information to our Temple.

July 20th brings the Mizpah Car club's annual car show in Lawton Park. We will be serving coffee and breakfast. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for a great breakfast before you spend the day checking out all the amazing cars. The Mizpah Fly-in is August 25th and we will be there again this year selling baked goods, crafts and helping with the event. You will also see the Daughters of the Nile at the Sportsman's Raffle in September. Please stop by our table for coffee and ice cream.

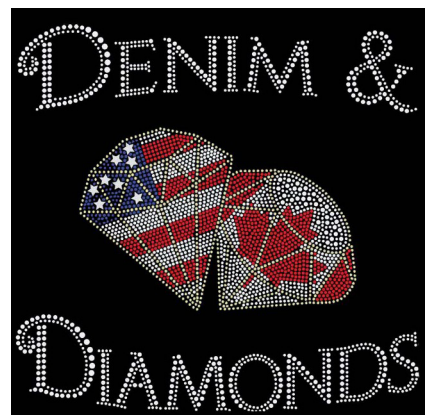
We are excited to be partnering with the Mizpah Shrine this summer and doing our part to support and assist in all their events. You never know where we may turn up, so watch the Facebook pages, your emails and all correspondences for upcoming events for the Mizpah Shrine, the Daughters of the Nile, and all our friends this summer. Please come out and share in the support, friendships, and love we have for each other and this wonderful, fulfilling organization.

Please reach out to us if you have any questions regarding our Organization, membership or if we can assist you in any way at your events, email: [tetisheri60@gmail.com](mailto:tetisheri60@gmail.com) or call 260 515-8785.

This year, my counterparts, the Daughter of the Nile's Queens are known as the Crown Jewels. The tagline we have adopted is, "Leave a Little Sparkle Wherever You Go." We all have the opportunity to leave a 'SPARKLE' in the lives of others everyday as Daughters of the Nile, Shriners, Job's Daughters and individuals. The 'SPARKLE' may be in the form of a smile, friendship, kindness, joy, hope and the list goes on. Sharing sparkles with others is a double blessing, it gives and warms the heart of both the giver and the receiver.

In closing, remember to Smile, Shine and leave a little SPARKLE wherever you go!

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Jeff Hire	Phil Hoopengartner
Ed Howard	Kevin Myers
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### March

Chicago: 16 trips, 19 patients  
Cincinnati: 1 trip, 2 patients

### Drivers

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Gene Caryer	John Coleman
Lois Coleman	Tom Culler
Jerry Deleon	Denny DeWitt, PP
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Dennis Schebig	Vickie Schebig
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## Noble County

### February

Chicago: 2 trips, 3 patients

### Drivers

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### March

Chicago: 4 trips, 6 patients  
Cincinnati: 1 trip, 1 patient

### Drivers

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Rick Miotto	

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### Drivers

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Jay Smith	

### March

Chicago: 6 trips, 7 patients

### Drivers

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Ray Hoover	Don Shively
Larry Lant	John Tchinski

## Elkhart County

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### January

Chicago: 4 trips, 4 patients

### Drivers

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### March

Cincinnati: 1 trip, 1 patient

### Drivers

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# Shriners In The News... Aboard the USS Cole

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March 2019*



BY Josiah Koenig - [ctreport@indy.rr.com](mailto:ctreport@indy.rr.com)

CONVERSE – On Wednesday, Cliff Moser, a survivor of a terrorist attack on the USS Cole, recounted the event from his perspective to nearly 40 veterans at the Masonic Lodge.

Moser was a 50-year-old doctor on board the vessel on his final tour with the United States Navy after a nearly 20-year career in the military. While on duty, he spent most of his time checking the soldiers' drinking water for purity and treating illnesses and mostly minor injuries.

But on Oct. 12, 2000, Moser's medical expertise helped save the lives dozens of people on board.

The vessel, which had 298 people on board, stopped in Yemen for fuel for a trip back to the United States. According to Moser, many U.S. ships fueled up in Yemen to help the country's economy, making a stop at the coast predictable.

While the ship was at bay, Moser was eating his lunch when he said a voice in his heart told him to leave the room he was in.

"Just like you are hearing my voice now," Moser said to the veterans. "Within the depths of my soul, I heard 'Cliff, leave.' I had no idea what was about to transpire. But I got up, took my plate back up to the front of the chief's nest, set it down, and I started to walk out of the chief's nest."

Meanwhile, al-Qaeda suicide bombers were on a small ship next to the USS Cole pretending to collect trash from the ships and blew a hole in the ship.

Mere seconds after he left the nest, the bombs exploded and left a hole in the room. The blast threw Moser into the air and onto his back. The doctor said the bombs would have killed him had remained in the room.

Though Moser was unharmed, 17 soldiers lost their lives, while 39 more were injured.

The French military was able to rescue the 11 most critically injured members of the ship and take them to Djibouti, a small country in Africa, to be treated. All 11 people survived.

Immediately following the attack, the crew had three objectives, all centered around survival.

"Number one, saving the ship, keeping us from sinking. Number two, taking care of our injured crew members. Number three, protecting the ship," Moser said.

The ship remained out of power for four or five days after the attack, Moser recalled. The shipmates only had candy to eat and soda and limited water to drink during this time.

Even though power was restored to the vessel, the ship was not in condition to sail, and the victims were stuck in Yemen for 18 days.

Moser was not able to talk to his wife, Jo Moser, for three days, though news of the attack spread to America the day it happened. Despite this, she said she knew he was safe.

"I knew, no matter what, he was taking care of his kids," Jo said, reflecting on her husband's role as a father figure to many of the younger crew members.

The USS Cole set sail for the first time after the attack on Sept. 14, 2001, just three days after al-Qaeda flew airplanes into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

"When they (the U.S. Navy) brought the Cole back, one of the things they had determined was that they were not going to allow the terrorists to win. They were going to put that ship back in the water no matter what it cost," Cliff Moser said.

Though the person behind the attack has still not been charged with a crime and Moser does not believe he ever will, he takes solace in his belief that he will see justice after his death.

"We know that there will ultimately be justice for the act that he did through God Almighty," Moser said.

Moser has traveled across the world, including trips to Germany and California, telling the story of the attack on the USS Cole. He said he tells the story to help both himself and other veterans.

"For anyone who has went through and experienced something like the bombing of the USS Cole, you're going to suffer from (post-traumatic stress disorder)," Moser said before mentioning he also suffers from PTSD. "It's therapeutic for me to talk about the Cole."

The vessel now has 17 stars on its side in honor of the 17 fatalities as a result of the attack. It is still in service today.

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