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MARCH 11, 2024

ALEE BALLROOM AT 7:30

FEZ AND DUES CARD REQUIRED

BUSINESS ATTIRE

THERE WILL BE DINNER PRIOR TO THE MEETING

AND A LADIES PROGRAM TOO



Dinner at 6:15 - 6:30 \$15 per meal - Only RSVP meals can be paid at the door
No additional meals - Please RSVP by March 7, 2024

EASTER EGG HUNT

March 30, 2024

11am – 2 pm

Concessions,
Cake Auction and
a Special appearance by
THE Bunny.



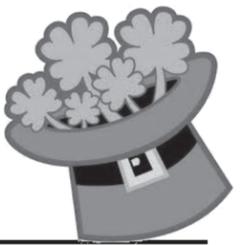
Shrine Patients and their siblings are welcome as well as Shriners family members. Fun for all!

Shriner's Pledge of Allegiance
 "I pledge allegiance to my Flag and to the country for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all"



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Office Closed	2 Tattnall Crappie Tournament
3	4	5	6 Noble Greg Strickland goes on a one week ride for Shriners	7	8 Office Closed	9 Parades: Claxton Tybee
10 Fez article due aleefez@gmail.com	11 Stated Session Dinner 6:30 pm Ladies Program 7:30 pm—\$40	12	13	14	15 Office Closed	16 Savannah/ Augusta St Patrick's Parades
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24 SASA Mid Winter	25 	26	27	28	29 Office Closed	30 



April 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 President's Meeting 6:30 	2 Swainsboro Gun Raffle til April 30	3	4	5 Office Closed	6 Tattnall Largemouth Bass Tournament Effingham Ham Jam
7	8	9	10 FEZ article Due: aleefez@gmail.com	11 Savannah Smiles 7pm	12 Office Closed	13 Potentates Ball weekend Iron Knights Butt Ride
14	15	16	17	18	19 Office Closed	20 Waynesboro BBQ
21	22	23	24	25	26 Office Closed	27 Thunderbolt Blessing of the Fleet
28	29	30				

Parade Time is Here...Shriners Love A Parade!



ALEE SHRINERS 2024 POTENTATES BALL

Thursday, April 11
Savannah Smiles Dueling Pianos
314 Williamson Street, Savannah, Ga
7:30 PM—Dutch Treat

Friday, April 12
Sporting Clay Shoot
17 South Rod & Gun Club
5899 N. Coastal Hwy, Fleming, GA
9 am* \$125 Single / \$500 Team

Friday, April 12
Hillbilly Hoedown
Alee Shriners Arena/Patio
100 Eisenberg Dr, Savannah, GA
6:00pm * Event Ticket: \$25 per person
Dress: Hillbilly, hobo or casual

Saturday, April 13
Potentate's Ball
Alee Shriners Ballroom
Social—6:00 pm
Introductions: 6:45 pm
Dinner, Presentations and Dancing to follow
Dress: Formal with FEZ
Event Ticket: \$40 per person

All Event Tickets can be purchased at
www.aleeshriners.org

Deadline is April 8

All proceeds benefit Alee Shriners and are not tax deductible

Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites * 20 Johnston Street
Savannah, Ga 31405 * 912-721-3700
Overflow: Hilton Garden Inn * Savannah Midtown *
5711 Abercorn Street,* 912-652-9300

HILLBILLY HOEDOWN

Come dressed as a hillbilly or casual to celebrate illustrious Sir Carey Hodges and Lady Julie.

Friday, April 12, 2024

SOCIAL: 6:00PM
INTRODUCTIONS: 7:00 PM
SUPPER: 7:15PM
DANCING/STOMPING TO FOLLOW IN THE ARENA

**Event Tickets:
\$25 per person**

Purchase at aleeshriners.org

**Alee Shriners Arena
100 Eisenberg Drive**

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ALEE SHRINERS POTENTATE BALL

Sporting Clays Shoot

April 12, 2024

Take your BEST Shot!



17 South Rod & Gun Club
5899 N. Coastal Hwy
Fleming, Ga. 31309

Registration will begin at 9 am * Coffee and Donuts provided at Registration.

Shooting begins promptly at 10 am following registration.

There are 10 shooting stations. Carts, Shells, Clays, and Water is provided at the course.

Lunch and awards will begin at approximately noon.

Please call and RSVP to the temple (912) 355-2422 ext 4 by Wed., April 3 so that we may plan accordingly or register at aleeshriners.org

**\$125 per shooter
Limited entries**

Eye and hearing protection must be worn.
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SPONSORSHIPS:
Have your business name and logo displayed at a shooting station - \$100. Contact Robbie Moore, P.P. (912-856-0326) for a sponsorship.

There are limited carts available - if you have one and can bring it, please inform.
PP Robbie Moore
912-856-0326

Oh my STARS and STRIPES

How to Make a Deco Mesh

March 11, 2024

Create a Welcome Spring wreath!

When: 7:30pm

Where: Alee Arena Cost: \$40

RSVP: Deadline is March 7th

Lady Julie Hodges—912-8569656

All supplies furnished!

You are Cordially Invited to
**Alee Shriners
Potentate Ball Honoring**

**Ill. Sir Carey Hodges
and Lady Julie**

**Saturday, April 13, 2024
Six O'clock in the Evening**

**Alee Shriners Ballroom
100 Eisenberg Drive
Savannah, GA 31406**

**Social * Grand March * Dinner *
Presentations * Dancing**

Formal Attire with FEZ

Event Tickets: \$40 per person

RSVP by April 8th (912-355-2422 ext 4)

Tickets may be purchased at
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Waynesboro Shrine Club

We had our 2024 Alee Divan Visit on Friday, January 26, 2024, and what a fantastic turn out we had, over 60 Nobles, Ladies and Friends. Our own in house Chef, Noble Jody Ellison grilled the pork chops to perfection, and they were served with some awesome sides. Thank you to the ladies for the impressive decorations to make the club look great. If you were not able to make it, you missed a great time. We would also like to thank the members of Thomson Shrine Club for joining Waynesboro for the Divan Visit. A huge thank you goes out to Deputy Chief Aide, Noble Paul Bennett and Lady Sharon and all those who helped prepare and serve brunch on Saturday morning. What a fantastic turn-out for some great food and fellowship!

Our members are making plans to ride in the Augusta St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday March 16, 2024. Come out and enjoy some fun, food and festivities that will be happening.

Come join us on Saturday April 20, 2024, as we hold our Annual Waynesboro Shrine Club Bar-B-Que Sale. We will be serving plates with Bar-B-Que, Rice and Hash, Cole Slaw and pickles. Cost is \$13.00 a per plate. Come thru our convenient dive thru line and enjoy some great food!

We will also have our Annual Waynesboro Shrine Club Farm Festival in September. More information will be coming as time gets closer. If you are interested in being a vendor or take part in the entertainment portion, please let us know so we can get you lined up.

As we need our membership to grow in our club, President Atkins would like all Nobles and Ladies to seek out those Masonic brothers you know would make a great Shriner and speak to them about becoming a member of the world's greatest philanthropy and our club. Membership is one key to the success of Alee Shrine and Waynesboro Shrine Club being around for many years to come.

Nobles and Ladies, please, we ask that you keep those friends and relatives in your prayers that may be dealing with difficulties. This world has gone crazy, and prayers do work! Please send a prayer to our Vice President, Noble Dennis Kirkland who had shoulder surgery.

If you have not paid your 2024 dues, I will be glad to accept them at the next meeting. Should any Noble needs help with paying dues, please contact our secretary, Ill. Sir Clyde Bowie at 706-945-7377 to get your dues paid. Brothers, I always say, if we don't know it is broken, we can't even start to fix it.

Please stop by and see what's going on in the Bird Dog Capital of the World and check out our little club. Come sit with us and enjoy some good food and fellowship! Shriners Children's Hospitals Making Kids Well Over 100 Years.



Fraternally yours,
Clyde Bowie, P.P.
Secretary

Waynesboro Ladies Auxiliary

Here is to the month of March!

Friendship is a beautiful thing that connects people in a very special way. Irish friendship is even more special as it is known to be one of the most sincere and heartfelt friendships. Irish friendship poems are a reflection of this bond and express the true essence of friendship.

The bond of friendship, an Irish treasure so grand, Linked by heritage, they walk hand in hand. With warmth in their hearts, and mischief in their eyes, They'll stand by your side, through lows and highs.

The songs they sing carry tales of old, Of warriors and lovers, of legends untold. Through hardships faced, side by side they'll stride, With loyal hearts, they'll never subside.

Melissa Damon
President Waynesboro Ladies Auxiliary



Oriental Band

Happy Saint Patrick's Day! May the magic leprechaun be near you to spread luck along the way! Hoppy Easter to all of you! We would like to Congratulate all of you on your Awards 2023. Please stop by the Band Room and visit. The Oriental Band is always looking for new members as well as old ones to enjoy & have fun!

Who loves a parade.....we do! The Oriental Band & Cleo will be parading at Tybee St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 9th. We will also be in the big one in Savannah! The Savannah St Patrick's Day parade will be celebrating its 200th anniversary. The Savannah parade will be held on Saturday, March 16th. We are working on the Shellmans Bluff St Patrick's Day parade which will be Saturday, March 23rd. The Band will do a callout on times & dates & other information.

We would like to welcome our new member, Franklin Wallace & also his Lady Linda. Let's not forget the Easter Bunny & the Easter Egg Hunt, on Saturday, March 30th. Please make plans to attend the Potentates Ball Weekend April 11-13th, let's show our support.

A big THANK YOU to Gary Vinson for driving Cleo for us!!!! We also would like to thank all of you for your help filling our can trailer. Please keep bringing cans!!! The more we fill up the trailer the more we can contribute to the Greenville Hospital.

The Oriental Band Ladies Auxiliary has Fez cases & other accessories you can special order, contact Annette Perry at 912-308-2980 or Cindy Hendricks at 912-663-2370. Thank you to Our Military, 1st Responders, Doctors, and nurses, for what they do! Keep the less fortunate in your thoughts & prayers as well as Tony Stanford. Remember many hands make light work. Hope to see everyone out & about the Temple. Let's do more in 24!!!!!!!

Fraternally Yours,
Garry Hendricks

Temple Ladies Auxiliary

Hey Ladies of Alee!

Our fundraiser this past month was a huge success with 47 Poker players and all of our Auxiliary.

ALL Nobles' Ladies! You would be so welcome at the Alee Ladies Auxiliary! I say this every month because we mean it. We are excited to be growing and supporting our Nobles, no matter what Unit or Club they belong to. Please Ladies, if you want to get to know other Shrine Ladies outside of your usual group, come and be with us. Our meetings are held on the First Tuesday at 11AM in the Bill Porter Room. We have refreshments and a lot of fun!

Lady Julie's Reception was a lot of fun. There was such a fun group there and our Lady Marion Stokes provided the decorations. Hats off to those that planned the event and those who attended.

We are continuing our Poker Tournaments and have another one planned for the Summer. It is a fun day for us and an excellent fundraiser for our Auxiliary.

Please remember, with 176 children - over twice as many children as last year! - attending our Children's Christmas Party we have depleted our toy inventory and will be asking for each Unit, Club, and Auxiliary to please find it in your hearts to donate to this worthwhile cause for us. It was a great time, and we would like to say the biggest thank you to ALL clubs and units, auxiliaries, that participated in the party with crafts and lots and lot of Holiday fun. We hope you plan to have a table this coming December. I promise, YOU are the one who will receive a blessing that day!

Again, come join us!
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ALEE PIRATES

Pirates,

Well, the 2024 year has started with a kick, with a big February. Many Pirates had a great time at the Valentines Dance. We had a big showing at the Temple Workday, many hands made light work. We welcomed 6 newly elected Cabin Boys, please help me in making them feel welcome. We are working hard to get ready for the St. Patrick's Parade Season!! Look forward to seeing everyone on the Parade routes!

Our first social is at Amelia Island in May. Remember to book those rooms by 3/12/2024. Don't forget if you came last year, we had a blast and will be bigger this year. Also, will probably have the chance to parade so bring your Pirate gear.

Please remember to pay your Shrine and Unit Dues as soon as possible if you have not already.

PIRATES ARR NUMBER ONE!

Jeff Roberson, President, 2024
Alee Pirate Unit
alee.piratepresident@gmail.com

"Now and then we had a hope that if we lived and were good, God would permit us to be Pirates." - Mark Twain



Thank you to Past President Chris Hutson for hosting the Past Presidents Oyster Roast. Thanks also to Uncle Bill and Jeff Ball for obtaining and roasting the Oysters. They were good. I can't wait until next year!

Congratulations to our own Lenzy Phillips for his award as Shriner of the Year!!! Most deserving!

We will have called back on February 19 and have been enjoying Brock's delicious meals. Thank you for making sure we don't starve to death. Thanks also to George Fox and his minions for making sure we don't die of thirst.

The jury is still out on whether our leadership has made improvements since last year. The bar wasn't set very high, so this year almost has to be better. Come find out for yourselves and we will vote, later.

Brian Dixon told me he had paid for a 12 month membership to the gym and his bank called to see if his credit card had been stolen.

bobby joined a choir. He sang so poorly that he was asked to sing Tenor. Tenor eleven miles away.

Brock asked me if I knew what a wok was. I told him, "Of course I do". A wok is what you throw at a wabbit, when you don't have wifle.

We have Raffle tickets to sell, so please sell, or buy one. We got lucky one year and won it, so it can happen!

Hopefully, some of you guys that we have been missing will return and help provide some fun during meetings. Heaven knows we could use some levity. We would much rather laugh with you than at you.

We will be participating in the Tybee, Savannah, and Shellman Bluff St. Patrick's Day Parades. This year is the 200th anniversary of the first parade in Savannah and the parade will be on Saturday. It will be big! Make plans to attend one or all of the parades.

Director Brian Dixon is already starting to plan for the Ceremonial in November. Give him your suggestions on what we can do.

Let's support President Ben this year. Lots of plans are being made and we need everyone to participate.

Until later,
Ol' (formerly known as) Sparky

Augusta Golf Unit

Our members are making preparations for the Augusta Shrine Clubs Golf Unit Annual Tournament at Applewood Golf Course on May 4, 2024. Come out and support a great event for a great cause. A fine lunch will be served at the conclusion of the tournament.

Nobles and Ladies, please keep all those who are dealing with health issues and other reasons in your prayers as you get on your knees and bow your heads. All of our members are valuable to making our unit better and help us accomplish goals set forth by the unit President.

Nobles and Ladies, please take a moment and visit the Augusta Shrine Club website at www.augusta-shrine-club.com. Illustrious Sir, Gary Damon has made major improvements to the site. You can view event calendars, make reservations and pay for events online. Please take time to visit the site as it is a valuable tool for information on club happenings. Thank you to Illustrious Sir Damon for all his hard work on improving our site.

If anyone is in the Augusta area and would like to join us for a great game of golf, let us know so we can hit a few rounds. We have a lot of beautiful golf courses to choose from.

Our President would like to invite you to come out and be part of the Augusta Shrine Club Golf Unit. The unit Caddies (Ladies) are always welcome to come join us. We meet on the fourth Thursday of the month, after the meeting, we usually go to one of the many local restaurants for great food and fellowship. We look forward to you visiting and getting involved in this outstanding unit.

Clyde Bowie, P.P.
Secretary and
Golf Unit Ball Washer



Effingham Ladies Auxiliary

Hello everyone from the Effingham Ladies Auxiliary! We hope everyone is doing well!

We had a great February, starting out with our auxiliary, the Jesup Hillbilly Ladies Auxiliary and Lady Marion Stokes putting on the First Lady Reception for our First Lady Julie Hodges. It was a fun time; the food and decorations were fantastic. Thanks to all that came and helped with this event. The next weekend was the Valentines Dance at the Temple and thanks goes to High Priest and Prophet Ray Christian and Lady Annette for the beautiful decorations and a fun time was had by all.

This month is all the parades, we hope all can come out and either participate or watch our Shriners do what they do best, putting smiles on everyone's faces. After all, "Who Loves a Parade?" We Do!!!!

We want to wish everyone having birthdays in March a very Happy Birthday!

Remember our Shrine Children, Medical Personnel, Military, Law Enforcement and Emergency Personnel in our prayers.

Donna



Alee Shriners Past Masters' Association

We had an enjoyable and informative meeting in February thanks to our slate of officers at Carey Hilliard's in Garden City, and we missed those unable to attend.

The Alee Knights of Mecca invite all Past Masters and current sitting Masters to join. We meet on the Fifth Thursday of the month (approximately 4 times per year). Our next meeting will be May 30th. The meeting starts at 7 pm, with the social starting at 6:30 pm.

Dues to join are \$5 per year or \$100 for Lifetime.

Jesup Shrine Club

Greetings from The Jesup Shrine Club,

February is upon us, and it's already been a busy year so far! Congratulations to our new Potentate Illustrious sir Carey Hodges and Lady Julie as well as the rest of the Divan! We are looking forward to a great year of fun and fellowship and fundraising for our Shrine children. Also a huge congratulations to Jesup's own, the new Oriental Guide, Larry Brantley! You made us proud, and we can't wait to see what the future holds! At the awards ceremony the afternoon after the elections, Jesup was awarded as 2nd place Club of the Year and Parade Club of the year! We had 27 Shriners, and some ladies present at the temple that day. Thank you to all who made the trip and all who helped earn the awards. You all make us look good!

On January 20, the temple held new president orientation where President Jasper Blanton learned all the dos and don'ts and ins and outs of being president. Our club is looking forward to a great year under his guidance! That afternoon the Hillbillys held the degree where our newest Shriner, Noble Jim McPipkin became Jesup's newest Hillbilly! We also had some ladies become hillbilly cousins: Natalie Carter, Mary O'Neal, and Kay O'Neal. These are some of the finest hillbilly sweethearts I ever did see, but they all smelled a little funny that afternoon! We had a good group that came to join in on the fun and enjoyed the oyster roast and chili afterwards.

On January 27, the Jesup Shrine Club held their 2nd Annual Turkey Shoot. There was a postponement from December that pushed the event to late January, and we couldn't have picked a better day. We had a huge turnout, and we all had an amazing time! Thank you to those who came out to make this day a success, including members of Tattnall County and Bryan County Shrine Clubs. We appreciate you all for coming out and supporting us. Thank you to all those who did all the things that have to be done to make the turkey shoot happen. The whole club pulled together to play all the parts making everything run smoothly. Thank you all! Of course, many thanks to Mr. Ian Greene and his family for allowing us to use their land and amenities. Mr. Greene told us of being a Shrine Child himself and what the Shriners mean to him. Heartwarming to say the least.

On February 4, the ladies loaded up and went to the Temple to honor First Lady Julie Hodges for afternoon tea. We had eight ladies in attendance, and we brought sweet stuff. Thank you to the Effingham Ladies for letting us be a part of Lady Julie's big day! We had a great time, and everything was so nice.

We had our visit from our Illustrious Potentate Carey Hodges and Lady Julie along with the whole Divan and their ladies on February 8th. Thank you to all of the Aides who came as well, you all really did yourselves with taking care of us! Thank you to our cooks for an amazing meal! Thank you, ladies, for appetizers and desserts and some great raffle prizes. Thank you, Lady Kacie, for your beautiful decorations! Thank you all who played a part, from setting up chairs and tables, to the clean-up afterwards you are all very appreciated. We could ask for a better visit. I really enjoyed learning more about our Divan and ladies as well.

Lastly but certainly not least, on February 9 we were allowed to be a part of A Night To Shine. Thank you, Tattnall County, for bringing your bus to add to ours and giving fun rides to all who wanted to ride. Thank you, Hinesville Shrine Club, also for coming to join with us to make the night more memorable. It's so nice to see all the smiles on the faces of those at this special Prom. Thank you David Armstrong II and Larry Brantley for representing the Divan and sharing this experience with us.

I'm sure I have left something out. I literally waited until the last minute to write this article because of all the things going on, I was just so excited to share it all with y'all!

Best Regards from The Jesup Shrine Club,
Lady Denise Bennett



Augusta Go-Cart Unit

Our Captain, Noble Don Harris has us prepared to ride in the Augusta St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday March 16, 2024. The Augusta Shrine Club Go-Cart Unit is a staple in any parade. We look forward to seeing the kids smile as we pass by making noise and having fun for a purpose.

Nobles and Ladies, please take a moment and visit the Augusta Shrine Club website at www.augusta-shrine-club.com. Illustrious Sir, Gary Damon has made major improvements to the site. You can view event calendars, make reservations and pay for events online. Please take time to visit the site as it is a valuable tool for information on club happenings. Thank you to Illustrious Sir Damon for all his hard work on improving our site.

Nobles and Ladies, while on bended knees please keep all in your prayers as we know many who are dealing with difficulties in their lives.

Noble's your 2023 and 2024 Go-Cart Unit dues are due. If you are suffering a hardship, please let Captain Harris or myself know so we can help. We are all Shrine Masons and are here to help our brothers in need.

If you are interested in visiting our meetings, we meet on the third Wednesday of each month at the Augusta Shrine Club 1826 Phinizy Road Augusta, Georgia. We eat at 7:00 pm and we meet at 8:00 pm. Ladies are always welcome. If you would like to visit our meeting, please call our Secretary, Clyde Bowie P.P. at 706-945-7377 to make sure we have enough food to go around.

Clyde Bowie, P.P.
Secretary and
Tire Changer

Alee Dune Cats



Welcome to your newest member Dylan Harper, from the '23 Fall Ceremonial, we are glad you chose to join us. Congrats to Past President Andrew Johnson and Lady Haley on the newest Johnson, Louisa Mae.

We had a good February Meeting. And a great turnout from the Dune Cats for the annual Temple Workday. As always, we come out to support the temple and enjoy the fellowship. Projects like this allow us to all work together regardless of our different backgrounds and work experiences, we come together and have fun.

Parade season is just around the corner!! Start getting those buggies all spiffed up and working great. Thank everyone who got their forms in for the parades. That was the hard part, now we just get to go out have fun, and entertain our communities. Remember while we are having fun, our presence in the community brings awareness to Shriners, our hospitals, and the next class of Masons.

We would like to remind you that our meetings are on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 in the Dune Cat room located on the second floor of the JC Lewis Building. We need to get your involvement. If you haven't been able to attend, you are missing the fun and fellowship that only face-to-face meetings can create. We have missed YOU and we hope we can count on you to attend the next meeting. The Dune Cats look forward to another great year. It would be great if you joined us for fun and fellowship.

Please keep our Troops, Children, Doctors, Shrine patients and their families, the Divan, and each other
in your prayers.

Speedy

Augusta Shrine Club

Hello Alee Nobles and Ladies, what a fantastic time our members had at our Annual Divan Visit. Thank you to all who were able to attend and enjoy some great Sconyers Bar-B-Que. Thank you to Illustrious Sir Carey Hodges, Lady Julie and the Alee Divan for sharing important information with us and allowing our members time to learn more about the Nobles who serve on the Divan.

On behalf of President Cato, we are making plans to attend the Augusta St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday March 16, 2024. All Alee clubs and units are welcome to come and parade with us. After the parade, we invite all Shiners and Ladies to come join us for lunch at the Augusta Shrine Club. Please come join us for some great fun and fellowship and one of the largest parades Augusta has!

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Please come out and join us for some good fellowship during what I think will be a very busy year. The Augusta Shrine Club meets the second Wednesday of each month. We have a wonderful meal starting at 7:00 pm and we meet at 8:00 pm. Ladies are always invited, and they conduct the Ladies Auxiliary meeting while the Nobles are having theirs. Prospects for the Masonic Degrees and Masons are always welcome to come and see what we are all about. We are always looking for good Master Masons to be part of our fraternity.

Fraternally yours,
Clyde Bowie, P.P.
Secretary
Augusta Shrine Club

Augusta Ladies Auxiliary

Greetings! To all

Here we go into the Month of March.

The gift of friendship, a treasure, indeed, Nurtured by hearts that are kind and decreed. In the land of shamrocks, this gift finds its worth, A blessing from heaven, bestowed at one's birth.

Like the ancient tales of the fairy folk, Friendship enchants with its magical stroke. Through joy and sorrow, it remains ever near, A beacon of hope, to calm every fear.

And so, let us celebrate this power untold, The friendship that binds, like legends of old. In the heart of Ireland, where true friendships reside, May they flourish and grow, like the rolling tide.

Melissa Damon
President of Augusta Ladies Auxiliary

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Alee Parade Club of the Year 2018

Congratulations to the Alee clubs, units, and Nobles who received awards and recognition during the annual meeting in January. HFSSC President Bill Badger extends his gratitude to all Nobles and families of HFSSC for their efforts and congratulates them on being recognized as a runner up for Club of the Year. If you read last month's FEZ article you saw what the club accomplished in 2023 and can easily see why we were recognized. This year is starting off with a bang, just like last year.

Many members of HFSSC (Nobles and Ladies) joined forces with the Hinesville Rotary Club and Sleep In Heavenly Peace (SHP) foundation in a movement to keep kids of our community from sleeping on the floor. SHP is a nationwide program that recognizes that many underprivileged kids share a bed with their siblings or parents, or sleep on a couch or mat on the floor. The goal of SHP is to improve the lives of these kids by providing them with their own bed contributing to a good night's restful sleep which in turn should provide a path for a sharper mind, improved learning abilities, and happier disposition. Our members recently participated in a bed building event where we built 10 bunk beds that will soon be delivered to the first of many to come. We had a great time cutting, sanding, hammering, and assembling the beds along with lots of jokes, laughs, and fellowship. We have another similar size event scheduled for February 19th and are making plans for a much larger event later in the year.

Some members of HFSSC also made a special trip to the Georgia House of Representatives in late January to honor Fort Stewart and the 3rd Infantry Division for their contributions to the Hinesville and coastal Georgia communities and the Division's honorable service to the defense of our country and way of life. The House was called into session with an opening prayer by the 3rd ID Chaplain and speeches by the Assistant Division Commander and elected representatives. It is an awesome experience to sit in the house chambers and witness our elected representatives in action in such a historical setting and to be a part of this celebration. This bi-annual event was coordinated by the Liberty County Chamber of Commerce and the Coastal Georgia Military Affairs Commission, and we are grateful for the opportunity to participate. Did you know that on the 3rd floor of the State Capital there is a Masonic display? Check it out.

Don't forget that our 2nd annual pool/billiards tournament is scheduled for 4 May and we will hold paper drives on 11 May and 7 September. On April 9th we will be honored with a visit from our 2024 Potentate and Divan.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the Shriners Hospital Day in Greenville on the 8th and 9th of March and in the many upcoming parades.

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Hey there Nobles, Ladies and Flatlanders,

This here's DJ Fischer, the new Alee Hillbilly Secretary, taking over the FEZ article from our newly installed President, JT. He put me down in his last article as JD Ficher, but I know he had his upcoming knee surgery on his mind, so no harm, no foul, and all is okay fine. BTW, he came thru just fine and ready to go dancin' in the streets.

I didn't exactly start my year of secretary right as I PLUM FORGOT about submitting my article. I ain't never been a secretary before and I'm findin' this secretaryin' stuff is HUGE, but I'll make the best of it and muddle through somehow. ANYHOW.....

Lotsa stuff has happened since the new year that I gotta catch up on, so let me start of by saying congratulations to our 2024 Illustrious Potentate and Hillbilly extraordinaire, Carey Hodges, and also to all of our 2024 Divan. January 13 turned out to be pretty awesome for those elected and receiving awards that day. Who said 13 was an unlucky number!

Speaking of awards, Alee Hillbillies was awarded Unit of the year for 2023! WooHoo! But when it was announced, it was described as an EXTREMELY CLOSE race, so congratulations to the other close units.

There was a Hillbilly degree on January 20 and a good time was had by all. We had 6 men and 4 women take the degree that day. Don't know if you've ever been thru the Hillbilly Degree, but it's a wild and crazy time. If you haven't, you need to treat yourself and go thru it.

Let's jump into March and PARADE season. Saturday, March 9th: Claxon and Tybee parade. Saturday, March 16th: SAVANNAH ST. PATRICTS DAY PARADE (the BIGGY). And last but not least, Saturday March 23rd: Shellman's Bluff! Hope to see y'all either IN the parades, or as SPECTATORS along the parade routes. You know, we'll be the ones dressed as HILLBILLIES! And I gotta tell ya, the name seems to fit the unit member's personalities.

"DOIN' MORE IN 24"
See you on the flip flop,
Cuzzin' DJ
Secretary



Old Red Fez

My old red fez has faded a bit;
But that hasn't dimmed my love for it,
For into that bit of old head gear
Are woven the friendships of many a year.
It knows the touch of a friendly hand,
And symbolizes -- you'll understand --
All things I found both good and fine
In my happy days with the Mystic Shrine.
My old red fez has faded a bit;
But I'm still mighty proud of it,
Proud of all for which it stands
The loyal hearts and willing hands,
Really always to do their best
And meet with courage every test;
Proud the memories that are mine
Of Noble friends of the Mystic Shrine.
My old red fez has faded a bit;
And some day I'll take leave of it,
But not without a friendly smile,
For it had been mine long, long while.
So here's to the fez and those who have worn it;
May love and loyalty ever adorn it;
May the sun of good fellowship eternally shine
In the hearts of the men of the Mystic Shrine
Author Unknown



Approved Projects

MARCH	Name
3/2/24	Tattnall Crappie Tournament
3/30/24	Drifters Easter Egg
4/6-14/24	Greg Strickland ride -charitable
APRIL	
4/6/24	Tattnall Largemouth Bass
4/6/24	Effingham Concert Ham Jam
4/20/24	Waynesboro BBQ
4/12-13/24	Iron Knights Butt Ride (Charitable)
4/1-30/24	Swainsboro Gun Raffle
MAY	
5/4/24	Tattnall Mud bog (Pending)
5/4/24	Augusta Golf Tournament
JUNE	
Now - 6/3/24	Clowns raffle (Pending Approval)
6/1/24	Quint Corn Hole Tournament
JULY	
Now - July 1	Iron Knights Henry .22 rifle raffle
AUGUST	
Now - 8/3/24	Mobile shotgun Raffle
SEPTEMBER	
9/7/24	Hinesville Paper Drive
NOVEMBER	
3/3-11/30/24	Swainsboro 5050 raffles
11/27/24	Swainsboro BBQ
DECEMBER	
Now - 12/31/24	Alee paper Crusade
Now - 12/31/24	Dune Cat 5050 raffle
Now - 12/31/24	Hillbilly Unit bartending at events
Now - 12/1/24	Swainsboro Fox Pen



56th Annual Claxton Rattlesnake Parade

WHEN: Saturday, March 9, 2024
 WHERE: Claxton, Ga.
 LINE-UP: 8:30 am in the area of Claxton High School
 STEP-OFF: 10:00 am

17th Annual Tybee Island Irish Heritage Parade

WHEN: Saturday, March 9, 2024 (Pending)
 WHERE: Tybee Island, Ga.
 LINE-UP: 1:30pm (Memorial Park at Butler Ave)
 STEP-OFF: 3:00pm

St. Patrick's Day Parade – Savannah -

WHEN: Saturday, March 16, 2024
 WHERE: Savannah, GA
 LINE-UP: 8 am
 STEP-OFF: You enter at Henry and Lincoln and they will direct you to East Bolton and Abercorn. Between Drayton and Abercorn

St. Patrick's Day Parade – Augusta

WHEN: Saturday, March 16, 2024
 WHERE: Augusta, GA
 LINE-UP: 2 pm
 STEP-OFF: 7th Street James Brown Arena Parking lot

"Shellman's Bluff Saint Patrick's Day Parade" NEW TIMES

When: Saturday, March 23, 2024
 Where: Shellman Bluff, GA
 Line-Up: 9:00am @ Masonic Children's Camp/Home
 Step-Off: 11:00am (Meal after provided by Friends of Shellman)

Blessing of the Fleet Parade

When: April 27, 2024
 Where: Thunderbolt, Ga
 Line-Up: 10am River Dr
 Step-Off: 10:50

Shriners Children's - Greenville

On behalf of Board Chairman, Most Worshipful Brother Bobby Simmons, the Board of Directors and Hospital Staff, I am proud to report, your Greenville Hospital continues to operate under budget, as we provide the best care possible to children with orthopedic and many other conditions.

Greenville continues to improve all numbers set forth by Tampa which are used to measure progress and performance of our hospital. Due to some changes in the reporting (STR) system, there are still a few of the Strategic and Tactical numbers that are not available in the below chart.

Hospital Performance Dash Board:

	YTD 2022	Goal	YTD 2023
Total Referrals	5,909	TBD	6,537
New Patient Visits	3,092	3,189	3,349
Clinic Visits	13,192	13,588	-
Telehealth Visits	1,937	1,956	-
Outreach Clinic Visits	135	TBD	-
Inpatient Discharges	263	277	291
Outpatient Surgery Encounters	827	868	886
OR Utilization	73.18%	70.00%	73.76%
Percentage of First Case on Time Starts	80%	80%	82%
Average Daily Census	3.30	3.47	4.30

The Nobles and Ladies of Alee Shrine donated a total of \$281,427.08 to Greenville in 2023. The members and ladies of Alee Shrine continues to amaze us all, with the generous donations made to Shriners Children's Greenville and surely made it another record breaking year. As of December, the 18 temples which support Greenville, has donated a total of \$2,937,327.04 to the hospital. Shriner Children's Greenville has 18 of the greatest Shrine temples in the world supporting our mission.

Our Alee Roadrunners have made 24 trips safe and sound to Greenville. These dedicated Nobles and Ladies go above and beyond to transport our most precious cargo to our hospitals safely. I cannot say enough about these dedicated individuals. Thank you again for your hard work and dedication to Greenville, our patients and Alee Shrine for all you do!

Calling all Alee Shrine Clubs and Units, I am still looking for craft shows, other events and outlets to set up a booth to hand out pamphlets to advertise the services offered by Shriner Children's Greenville and transportation options provided by the Alee Shrine Road Runners. If you can get me a contact person who I can get in touch with to reserve a spot, please let me know.

Please make your plans to attend the Shriners Children Greenville's Hospital Days to be March 8th and 9th. You will hear a lot of good information on the hospital and stories from patients. Great food will be served on Friday night and a lunch will be served after the business meeting on Saturday. Noble Hutchinson and I hope to see you there.

Nobles, Noble Hutchinson and I would be honored to make arraignments if any club or unit would like to make an in-person donation to Greenville or have a member of our donor relations team come speak with your club or unit, please let Noble Hutchinson or myself know so we can get the details worked out for your event.

Noble's, on behalf of Board Chairman, Most Worshipful Brother Bobby Simmons and the entire Board, we want to thank each of you for all the support Alee Shrine has given Shriners Children's Hospital Greenville and look forward to your continued support!

Respectfully Submitted,
 Clyde Bowie, P.P., Member
 Roger Hutchinson, Associate Member
 Board of Directors
 Shriner's Children's Greenville

Recorders Report

February 2024

January 2024 1214

Nobles Created

Nobles Affiliated + 2

Nobles Restored

Nobles Associated + 1

Total Gain + 3 Total 1217

Nobles Demitted - 1

Nobles Suspended - 1

Nobles Deceased

Nobles resigned:

Associate drop

Total - 2 Total 1215



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



2024 is in Full Swing! 1st Lady Julie was honored with a reception. Shout out to Effingham Auxiliary and Jesup Auxiliary for sponsoring the event and Lady Marion Stokes for the decorations



Jesup Shrine Club has been BUSY...They had their Potentate Visit, participated in Jesup's Night to Shine and welcomed 3 new lady hillbilly cousins

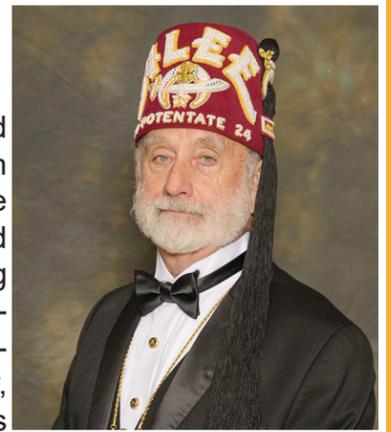


Potentate Visits were held at Waynesboro/Thompson and Augusta Shrine Clubs. Valentine's Dance had a surprise visit from Cupid and the DJ kept the dance floor full. Hinesville Shrine Club and Masonic Lodge participated in a community event to build beds for children that do not have a bed to sleep in.

Illustrious Potentate's Message

Hello Nobles and Ladies,

It's always a great day to be an Alee Shriner. Lady Julie and I want to thank the clubs that we have visited so far this year. What a wonderful time we have had, the food fellowship and the decoration have all been amazing. We are looking forward to many more good times. I know Lady Julie was blown away by all the ladies that attended her tea. Thanks to everyone who made this happen. Thanks to our High Priest and Prophet and his lady for an outstanding Valentines dance, and all who helped with the decorations. Big shout to Ill Sir Freddie Humphries for another successful workday. Thanks to all the Noble, ladies and children who came out and helped. March the 11th is our Stated session. A meal will be available for fifteen dollars. A lady's program will be held in the arena. Get your parade vehicles, buggies, trikes, and buses ready, it's that time of year again. That's right! It's parade time. Thanks again for all you do! Focus on what matters



while doing more in 24!

Continue to support your Blue Lodges, Scottish Rite, York Rite and your clubs and units. We are Alee Strong!



Fraternally yours,
Carey Hodges

Doing More In 2024!

First Lady's Message



Greetings to all Nobles and Ladies,

Wow what a great time Carey and I have had so far this year. We started with the Divan visits for this year, and they have been awesome. Thanks to all who helped prepare the food, decorate for us, and welcomed us into your clubs. My Lady's Tea was also a day of friendship and fun! Many beautiful ladies came out to show me their support. The food and decorations were spectacular! Our yearly Valentine's Dance, hosted by our High Priest and Prophet Ray, and his Lady Annette, was also a successful night of fun and dancing. Thanks to all who attended our temple workday. The temple has been spruced up for our coming events in March and April. In March, the Easter egg hunt entertains many kids with prizes and a visit from the Easter Bunny. Of course, March is the parade month when all units and clubs participate in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day. We all love a parade! Our Stated Session on March 11th will be filled with work and fellowship. Let's "Do More in '24" to educate the public about our dedication to our Shriner's Kids! It's the purpose of our mission. Please don't hesitate to call me at any time with your questions@ (912) 856-9656.



Your First Lady,
Julie Hodges



As always the Potentate and 1st Lady are on the road..at the Valentine Dance it looks like someone is getting a dance lesson is it our Illustrious Potentate or is he giving one?? 1st Lady Julie got a special escort unto her reception. The Potentate at the Waynesboro Shrine Club.

Too many pictures this issue, very hard to choose which to use. Thank you to Lady Amanda Sutton, Lady Kathy Willis, Lady Denise Bennett, Noble Dewaye Sutton, Noble Roger Hutchinson and Assistant Rabban Dave "D2" Armstrong, your contributions were appreciated
Focus On What Matters While Doing More In '24

Chief Rabban



Hello Alee,

What a great start to the year with visits to the Clubs and Units always great fellowship and food.

Thanks to all who helped brother Ray and Annette Christian on a great Valentine's dance it was first class.

Parade season is just around the corner. Can't wait to see everyone there let's show up and show out that Alee is number one.

Remember your Blue Lodge and the Rites and remember those who have lost loved ones and those who are not well in our daily devotion to almighty God.

I'm just a phone call away. If you need anything look forward to seeing you in and about the Temple.

Fraternally yours,
Danny Fries Jr.

High Priest & Prophet



Hello fellow Nobles and Ladies.

January is in the books and your Divan has been busy. We've visited Augusta, Thompson, Waynesboro, Jesup and Tattnall and enjoyed the fellowship and meals, thanks to you all. The Valentine's dance was a success, and we had a very special guest show up, Cupid! Been a few years since he has attended our dance and thank you Cupid (JW) for attending. Thanks to my wife, Mrs. Bobbi and everyone else who decorated for the dance. I can't thank you enough. If I can ever be of help to any Noble, Club or Unit, please give me a call, text, or email. Thanks, and we'll see you soon.

Fraternal yours
G. Ray Christian
High Priest and Prophet

Recorder



Hello Nobles and Ladies

Well, its March already and Alee is getting geared up for the upcoming parade season, with Claxton Rattlesnake Wildlife parade and Tybee St Patrick's Day on March 9, 2024, then on March 16th Savannah's 200th St Patrick's Day Parade also on March 16th is the Augusta St Patrick's Day parade. The Shellman's Bluff St Patrick's Day parade is on March 23rd.

Greenville Hospital Day's are March 8 and 9, 2024 and Lady Marlene and I are excited about representing Alee at Hospital Days.

Don't forget the first Stated Session is on March 11th with dinner/supper at 6:30pm, Stated Session starts at 7:30pm and nobles bring your lady as there will be a lady's program in the Arena.

Don't forget Easter is early this year so on March 30, 2024, The Alee Drifters will have their annual Easter egg hunt for all the children. So, bring your children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren to the Easter egg hunt 11am to 2pm hope to see you and your children there.

All unit and club presidents get your fundraiser requests in at least 30 days in advance of the event and remember all fundraiser financial reports are due within 30 days of the completion of the event, if it is not turned in within those 30 days any future fundraisers may not be approved by the Illustrious Potentate. Please check the Potentates Newsletter (A Little Extra Effort), given out at the Presidents meetings and The Fez Magazine for your fundraiser to be listed if you do not see it after it was approved, please let me know so I can get it listed for you.

If you know of anyone who have been lost in the Desert, tell them we miss them and would like them to come home, and join in the fun and fellowship we are having at Alee. The cost is only \$290.00 you don't have to make up any further back than 2023 and the current 2024 dues. If you need more information on how to reinstate just call my cell phone at (912) 695-7132 or email me at recorder.alee@gmail.com and I will help you get them reinstated. We sure would love to see them at Alee again.

Lady Marlene and I are excited about and will work to do our best to help Keep Alee Strong and moving in a positive direction by doing more in 2024 and wish everyone a safe and Happy St Patrick's Day. We all love a parade.

Lady Marlene and I wish everyone a Happy and Blessed Easter Day.

Shriners are brothers, we share a common CREED, and common goals and values.

Remember to attend your Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite, and York Rite regularly.

As always remember our men and women in the armed forces, fighting to keep our country free, your Divan working hard for the success of Alee, and the children and doctors at our hospitals while on bended knee.

Let's All work hard to keep ALEE great and focus on what matters while DOING MORE IN 24.

Dave Armstrong Sr P P
Recorder

Assistant Rabban



It's always a Great Day to Be an Alee Shriner.

Congratulations Lady Annette and High Priest and Prophet Ray Christian on a Beautiful Valentines Dance. The ballroom looked wonderful, and a good time was had by all that were in attendance. We danced the night away with our Ladies and had great fun and fellowship.

Thank you to all that came out to our Temple workday. It's amazing how much we can get done when we all come together. The temple looks awesome.

Hope everyone is Ready for the Parades. Parade season is upon us. I know we all LOVE a parade.

The 10k High roller raffle is going well. Thanks to all that have paid for and turned in tickets already. If you need more tickets or there is anything I can do to help you, please give me a call 912-313-7448. Remember if your Club or unit sells 20 tickets and the club or unit that sells the most tickets will receive a ticket in the drawing for your club or unit.

While on bended knee remember our hospitals, Doctors, Staff, And our Children in your Prayers. Also pray for our Military and First responders, and our Great country.

Fraternally,
David "D2" Armstrong

HAPPY Birthday

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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Sunday May 12, 2024
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AUGUSTA SHRINE CLUB GOLF UNIT
 Floyd Sherrod, President

Dear Sponsor,

The Augusta Shrine Golf Unit will hold our Annual Golf Tournament at Applewood Golf Course on Saturday May 4, 2024 at 8:30AM. (Rain date is Sunday May 12, 2024 at 1:00PM).

In recognition of your support for a \$100.00 donation or more, a sign or signs will be placed on one or more tee boxes advertising your business. In recognition of a merchandise donation of less than \$100.00, your name will be placed on a centrally located sponsor board at the golf course. Your donation is greatly needed and appreciated.

Please make checks payable to Augusta Shrine Club Golf Unit. You may either contact a unit member to pick up your sponsorship check/merchandise or mail to Ernie Martin, 248 Knight Road Waynesboro, GA 30830.

Contact any of the following unit members for donation or merchandise pick up.

Clyde Bowie 706-945-7377	Ernie Martin 706-830-0188
Archie Black 706-793-2487	Floyd Sherrod 706-825-9174
Andy Cato 706-360-6333	or 706- 825 - 9881

Thank you for your continued support,

Floyd Sherrod
 President Golf Unit

The Augusta Shrine Club Golf Unit acknowledges the amount of \$ _____ for advertisement in our golf tournament.

Unit Member Signature

Proceeds benefit Augusta Shrine Club Golf Unit and are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

Save the Date
Shriners Days 2024

You're invited! Please join us at Shriners Children's Greenville for an enjoyable evening reception and informative morning program.

Registration information to follow.

Friday, March 8 | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturday, March 9 | 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon

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Shriners Children's Patient Stories

Siblings Share Care Journey at Shriners Children's Lexington Siblings Jackson and Maelyn both receive care from Ryan Muchow, M.D., at Shriners Children's Lexington.

Jackson and Maelyn are siblings, so they have plenty in common.

Both have bright blue eyes that light up with their wide, cheerful smiles. They share the same colored-golden hair. They love playing outside with their other brother and sisters, and they both enjoy playing sports. This pair shares another special thread, though: Both have benefitted from the care of Ryan Muchow, M.D., at Shriners Children's Lexington.

Maelyn Makes Strides

Maelyn is an active 9-year-old who loves riding horses. She plays softball and enjoys dance and gymnastics. She does all of this pain-free thanks to surgery to correct hip dysplasia, which caused walking difficulty when she was a baby.

Maelyn came to Shriners Children's Lexington because she was limping, said her mom, Kara.

"She would tiptoe on one side when she was walking, so I fought to get her referred to a specialist who could look at it," Kara recalled.

Maelyn saw Dr. Muchow, who diagnosed her with hip dysplasia on the left side, which means her left hip was loose in the socket.

The hip is a ball-and-socket joint. Typically, the ball at the top of the thighbone fits into the hip socket. Hip dysplasia is present when the hip joint has not developed properly and the socket is too shallow, allowing the ball to slip partially or completely out of the joint.

Hip dysplasia is treatable, but early detection and treatment is very important. If left untreated, hip dysplasia can cause permanent damage and lead to pain and loss of hip function later in life.

At first, Dr. Muchow tried casting for Maelyn's hips. This allows the hips to be held in a better position for hip joint development. The goal is to influence the natural growth processes of the child or baby so a more stable hip joint is developed.

"It didn't stick," Kara said, "so we decided on surgery to repair her hip."

When she was 15 months old, Maelyn had surgery to correct the looseness in her hip joint. She wore a spica cast after surgery for several weeks. This cast is used to keep the hip aligned in the new, corrected position while the tissues around the hip joint heal and re-form into a proper hip joint.

Today, Maelyn's hip X-rays show normal development. She walks evenly on both feet and reports that she is pain-free.

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Kara, Maelyn and Jackson's Mom

Jackson's Journey

Jackson is a smiley 7-year-old who loves playing video games and soccer. He was able to find answers about his own health, thanks to the watchful eye of his sister's doctor. During Maelyn's care journey, Kara sought an opinion from Dr. Muchow about Jackson.

Jackson is a twin and was not meeting his milestones at the same time as his brother, Kara said.

"With each milestone, he got progressively more behind," she said. "I was noticing at this point he was walking unevenly and just carried his right side differently."

Dr. Muchow suggested that Jackson may have suffered a brain injury, and he referred the family to a neurologist, who confirmed Jackson has cerebral palsy (CP), which was caused by a stroke in infancy.

Cerebral palsy impacts each person differently. Jackson's CP causes weakness in his right side. He sees Dr. Muchow, who monitors his hips and legs, and also Scott Riley, M.D., the hand and upper extremity specialist at Shriners Children's Lexington, who monitors his arm and hand.

He regularly has movement studies done in the motion analysis center at Shriners Children's Lexington, to determine if his condition is changing over time. These studies use some of the same technical special effects used in movies and video games, to collect information that helps doctors guide treatment.

At his most recent appointment, Jackson got a great report and shared that he is feeling "good!"

A Strong Trust

For Kara, Shriners Children's has become a safe place, a second home for her children.

"I have full faith in Shriners," she said. "It's hard sometimes to trust doctors, but I fully trust our doctors here."

Kara said she particularly loves that each of her children receives the attention they need.

"It's never just in and out and rushing you through your visit," she said. "It's a personal experience."

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Shriners Children's Northern California Helps Fatima Recover After Scald Burns

Fatima's parents never expected to spend Christmas in an emergency room, or at the most advanced pediatric burn care facility on the West Coast a few days later.

Fatima lives in Tijuana, Mexico. She was playing with her dolls on Christmas Eve while her parents were preparing a big pot of pozole, a traditional stew that many Mexican families enjoy during festivities. They decided to leave the finished dish on the floor to make space in the kitchen for other plates. When Fatima went running through the kitchen, she didn't know the pot was there and stumbled, spilling the contents all over her body, severely burning her arm and back in seconds.

Advanced Burn Care

Yini, her mom, rushed Fatima to the nearest emergency room, where the medical staff gave her first aid treatment. However, they realized that with Fatima's second- and third-degree burns, they did not have the equipment or specialists to treat her properly.

"I was so worried that I just fell apart," said Yini. "I never thought that a tragedy could happen in just two seconds."

The medical staff in Tijuana transferred Fatima to Shriners Children's Northern California, where she could receive proper treatment for her burns.

"The doctors told me that Shriners Children's in Sacramento was the best option for Fatima because they specialize in both burns and pediatric care," said Yini.

Fatima was admitted to the Neil Reitman Pediatric Burn Institute, where a multidisciplinary care team prioritized her care and recovery process.

Pediatric burn surgeon Kathleen Romanowski, M.D., was in charge of Fatima's care. She performed skin grafting surgery to restore mobility and functionality in her affected areas. Skin grafting is highly-effective in closing acute wounds quickly to help regulate body temperature, prevent infection, and allow body fluids to continue functioning properly. The dedicated staff at Shriners Children's Northern California provided around-the-clock care and emotional support to Fatima and her family during her recovery process.

"I can't thank Shriners Children's enough for all the care and attention we received," said Yini. "During such a difficult time, they made us feel like everything was going to be okay. The connection you create between other families; it's priceless. We received so much love and encouragement during Fatima's operation, and we never felt alone."

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Yini, Fatima's Mom

A Happy Ending

Despite the challenges she faced, Fatima demonstrated incredible resilience and determination. With the help of her medical team and the love and support of her family, she gradually regained her strength and confidence. The physical therapy program played a crucial role in helping her rebuild her life, offering specialized exercises and resources tailored to her unique needs.

After a long month of recovering in the hospital, Fatima was ready to start the return trip back home. "It has been the toughest experience in my life," said Yini. "I could not stop blaming myself after what happened. Now I know that accidents happen anytime, but now I feel better prepared to face them and, more importantly, to prevent them."

Yini called on other parents and caregivers to be mindful of everyday dangers at home, to talk with their kids, and follow experts' recommendations.

Fatima returned to Tijuana and is home recovering with outpatient therapy. A seamstress with the physical and occupational therapy team sewed a personalized burn compression garment for her, to help with the pain during healing and to prevent scarring. She will continue to be monitored closely until she makes a full recovery. Fatima and her family are grateful for the care they received at Shriners Children's. Christmas holds a special meaning for them now, a reminder of the strength they discovered in Fatima and the unwavering support of her loved ones.

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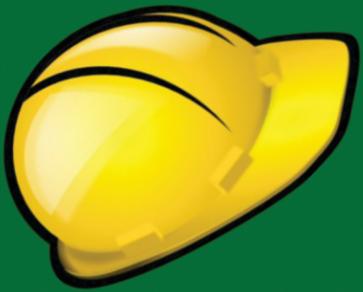
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