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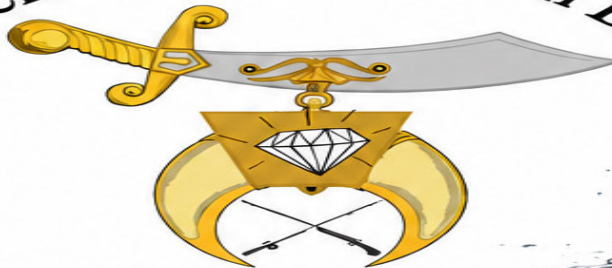
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Alee's Scimitar Sportsman Banquet



AUGUST 15, 2026



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Oriental Band

Happy 4th of July and Happy 250th Anniversary of America!

We hope everyone is enjoying these hot summer days with family, friends, and a few cold beverages!

A special thank you to the Oriental Band for the sweet, beautiful music performed during the Ceremonial. We also want to thank everyone who came out to support us and lend a helping hand.

To all Nobles and Ladies, you're always welcome! Please stop by and visit the Oriental Band Room. We'd love to see you and enjoy some fellowship together.

We've had a fantastic summer so far, including making wonderful memories with old and new friends on the Potentate's Cruise to Alaska.

Upcoming Events

August 1 – Alee Sportsman Banquet

August 29 – Mandarin Degree

- BBQ sandwiches 4-5pm
- Degree starts at 5pm
- \$50 per person

September 17–20 – South Atlantic Shrine Association (SASA)

- SASA Parade: September 19
- The Oriental Band will be No. 2 in the parade lineup

Hotel Information

Landmark Resort

1501 South Ocean Blvd.

Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Reservations: 855-338-0226

Band Meetings & Practice

The Oriental Band will soon be scheduling meetings and practice sessions as we prepare to continue playing the sweet, beautiful music that the World-Famous Oriental Band is known for. We encourage all members to attend as we get ready for the upcoming events.

Band Call-Out List

We are updating our band call-out list. If you would like to be added or removed, please contact:

Frank Wallace

President, Oriental Band

912-222-6195

Aluminum Cans Reminder

Please place ONLY aluminum cans in the trailer.

We've noticed a lot of trash being left in the trailer recently. Please help by placing aluminum cans only inside.

Keep Those Cans Coming!

Help us fill the trailer located next to Skidaway

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Annette Perry – 912-308-2980

Stay Connected

Want to know what the World-Famous Oriental Band is up to or need more information?

Contact:

Garry Hendricks – 912-429-1626

Frank Wallace – 912-222-6195

Or speak with any of the Bandsmen—we're always happy to help!

In Gratitude

We offer our prayers and heartfelt thanks to our Military, First Responders, Doctors, Nurses, Shrine Children, and to one another for your dedication, compassion, and service.

Remember: Many hands make light work.

Let's continue to show our strength through unity, fellowship, and service. We hope to see everyone out and about at the Temple as we continue making great memories together.

Fraternally,
The Oriental Band

Tattnall County Shrine Club

Greetings Nobles! Welcome to the dog days of Summer. We here at TSC have been enjoying the warm weather and recent celebrations for our independence. Now that we are entering August, our fundraising machine is at full speed. We have two of our biggest events coming up very quickly and we are trying our best to continue to make improvements to our plan.

The 4th Annual Birdies at the Beach is just around the corner. We have made several big improvements to the functionality of the event, as well as to our prizes. We have already been told we have one of the best tournaments in our area, but that's not stopping us from making it even better.

Our 2nd Amendment Banquet is also getting close. We are also in the planning stages for it as well. We are doing everything we can to continue to provide an excellent event for our patrons again this year.

So, I recently received an update on a patient that our club helped to get treatment from our hospitals. This kid wasn't ever supposed to walk or have any sense of normality in his life. He has had multiple procedures done and has made great progress in his journey with Shriners so far. But when I opened the video of this little guy pushing a stroller it made my heart beat a little faster. This video showed me that even the impossible is sometimes probable. The hurdles this small kid has overcome so far makes me be thankful for all of the small inconveniences I have to deal with each day. We all get into the same habit, we bitch and moan about things that are difficult and annoying. But let me ask you this... If you went to the doctor today and he told you walking would never happen, would you accept it or would you try your hardest to prove him wrong? We should all be vigilant in keeping our goals. Stay the course and work hard. But every patient I have met from Shriners have also been cheerful and happy. So let this be a lesson to us all. Accept the challenge, work hard and smile during the whole process.

Respectfully submitted

Dustin "White Chocolate" Nail

TSC Secretary



ALEE PIRATES

As summer begins to wind down, the Pirate crew continues to sail full speed ahead. Whether we're supporting our Temple, raising funds for Shriners Children's Hospital, or simply enjoying good fellowship, the Alee Pirates continue to prove that no one does it better.

The Summer Ceremonial was a tremendous success, and the Alee Pirates proudly represented our Unit in true Pirate fashion. The crew looked outstanding in their black-and-white tuxedos, showing the pride, professionalism, and camaraderie that make the Pirates the envy of the Temple.

A hearty Pirate welcome goes out to our three newest candidates—Eric "Bullah" Bevill, Albert Jernigan, and Evan Jenkins. These future Pirates wasted no time jumping into the action during Friday night's festivities, enthusiastically selling Pirate trinkets and helping raise \$801, which was proudly presented to our Potentate as a donation benefiting Shriners Children's Hospital. Welcome to the Brotherhood—we're proud to have you aboard!

During the Ceremonial, the Alee Pirate Unit also presented the Potentate with another commitment to our Temple by announcing the purchase of a metal detector that will be used during the annual Haunted House. It's another way the Pirates continue investing in the success and safety of Temple events.

A very special thank you goes to the hardworking crew who have been tirelessly restoring the YelDuz II. Their countless hours of dedication are breathing new life into our beloved Pirate ship. Special recognition goes to Brian Cullinan, Tommy Schlappall, Jason Geske, Joey Sharpley, and Ricky Neidlinger for their outstanding efforts. Because of your hard work, she'll soon be sailing proudly once again!

It is also with heavy hearts that we remember our fellow Pirate and Roadrunner, Stephen "Steve" Premo, who passed away peacefully on June 26, 2026, in Crestview, Florida, following a courageous battle with glioblastoma. Steve was a faithful Shriner, a dedicated Roadrunner, and a damn good Pirate whose friendship, laughter, and devotion to helping children touched many lives. Please keep his family and loved ones in your thoughts and prayers as they navigate the difficult waters ahead. Fair winds and following seas, Brother Steve—you will be greatly missed.

The crew is eagerly looking forward to our annual Pirate Social at CreekFire RV Resort, August 13–16. It's always a fantastic weekend filled with fellowship, laughter, campfires, great food, and plenty of Pirate Shenanigans. If you've never attended, this is one event you won't want to miss. Grab your gear and join your fellow Pirates for another memorable adventure.

Pirate Fundraisers on the Horizon

Pirate fundraising season has officially set sail, and the crew is charting another successful course in support of the mission of the Alee Shriners and Shriners Children's Hospital.

The Memorial 21 Gun Salute, held in memory of BDD Phillip Dixon—a damn good Pirate—begins with Facebook Live drawings on September 6th. Every ticket remains eligible through all 21 drawings, giving every winner another opportunity to strike gold. Tickets are on sale now at AleePirates.com.

The 33rd Annual Alee Pirates Poker Run drops anchor on September 26th. Join us for an outstanding day of fellowship featuring music, games, raffles, and the final stop at the Alee Shrine. Admission is just \$20 per person, which includes your meal. Gather your crew, fire up those bikes, cars, or golf carts, and come enjoy one of the Pirates' favorite traditions.

And, of course, the legendary Surrender the Booty Partaie returns—bigger, bolder, and more mischievous than ever! This unforgettable evening promises great fellowship, music, laughter, outstanding prizes, and just the right amount of Pirate mayhem. Tickets are on sale now at AleePirates.com, so don't let this treasure slip through your fingers.

To stay current on all Pirate adventures, fundraisers, events, and announcements, keep your compass pointed toward AleePirates.com—your safe harbor for everything Alee Pirates.

As always, let us never forget the true purpose of our Brotherhood: supporting Shriners Children's Hospital, helping children and their families, and keeping those who are ill or facing difficult times in our thoughts and prayers.

Until we meet again, may your sails stay full, your compass stay true, your treasure chest overflow, and may the winds forever carry you toward calm seas and worthy adventures. Fair winds, me hearties!

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Whiteman

for the Pirate Unit

Yours in Service,

Chuck Dixon

Pirate President

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Temple Ladies Auxiliary

Summer is definitely here. It is HOT HOT HOT! I hope everyone is taking the necessary precautions in this heat.

We had our Texas Hold'em Tournament in July. It turned out really well. Our ladies put on a fantastic spread of food for the participants. Thank you to Lady Marlene for providing the equipment and running the show.

We do not have meetings during the summer. I really miss seeing all the ladies. I am looking forward to September when we will get together again.

If you are not a member of a lady's auxiliary please consider visiting us in September. It does not matter what club or unit your Noble is a member of this auxiliary is open to all Noble's ladies. We will meet on September 1st in the Bill Porter Room at 11:30 am.

Happy Belated Birthday to Lady Marlene Armstrong. Our August Birthdays is Lady Candice Sauls, Lady Carol Robertsand & Lady Christine Henderson, hope you have a wonderful day.

I think that is it for this time.



Dune Cats

Back to School!
Congratulations and welcome to the Alee Shrine family!

First, welcome to our New Nobles and their Ladies! You've probably heard it before, but it's true—you'll only get out of your Shrine experience what you put into it. The Dune Cats invite you to join us for fellowship, fun, and the opportunity to make a difference.

Sure, we drive those cool little dune buggies in parades, but that's only part of what we do. We host the Annual Kingfish Tournament each August, sponsor the Alee Children's Dance every September, and help spread Christmas magic at the Alee Children's Christmas Party, where children make their own Grinch Repellent. (And according to the kids...it really works!)

Whether you're a brand-new Noble or an "experienced" Shriner looking for a unit, we'd love to have you join us. We meet on the first Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Dune Cat Room on the second floor of the J.C. Lewis Building.

By the time you read this, another successful Imperial Session in Tampa will be in the books, and we'll already be preparing for a busy fall. On August 8, we'll participate in the Haunted House workday, followed by our Annual Kingfish Tournament on August 15. During the weigh-in, we'll draw the winner of our 50/50 Raffle (\$20 each or 8 for \$100 – see any Dune Cat to purchase), then head over to support our Potentate, Ill. Sir David Armstrong II, at the Alee Scimitar Sportsman Banquet & Auction.

The Dune Cats are also proud to sponsor the Alee Children's Dance on September 12, giving our Shrine kids an evening filled with music, fun, and laughter. Bring the kids, the grandkids, the nieces and nephews from 5- 7 in the Alee Ballroom.

After Alee's Quarterly Stated Session on September 14, we'll head to the South Atlantic Shrine Association Fall Convention in Myrtle Beach, September 17–20. Alee drew Parade Position #2, and we're looking forward to rolling down Ocean Boulevard on September 19.

This year's convention will be especially exciting as P.P. Freddie Humphries Jr. will be installed as President of the South Atlantic Shrine Association, if so elected. We know he'll represent Alee with pride.

Once SASA wraps up, our attention turns to welcoming Shriners from across the Southeast to Alee's SASA Mid-Winter Convention, April 1–4, in beautiful Savannah. We can't wait to show everyone what Alee hospitality is all about!

And remember...if you're not at the meeting, we'll probably volunteer you for the next project anyway—so you might as well show up and defend yourself!

Until next time, keep the wheels turning, the friendships growing, and the Dune Cat spirit stronger than ever!

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Alee Shriners Past Masters' Association

Alee Knights of Mecca – A Past Masters Association

The Knights of Mecca proudly bring together the Past Masters and current Worshipful Masters of Alee Shriners in a spirit of leadership, fellowship, and service. Our members continue the proud tradition of supporting Alee Shriners while strengthening the bonds of Freemasonry through mentorship, friendship, and shared experiences.

Our Potentate's Visitation on July 30 with Ill. Sir David Armstrong II, Lady Cheryl, and the Divan was an outstanding evening of fellowship, great food, and updates from Shrine leadership. Thank you to everyone who joined us.

If you're a new Noble, an established Noble currently serving as Worshipful Master, or a Past Master, we invite you to join the Knights of Mecca. Bring your Lady and join us for a Dutch Treat dinner - our next meeting will be on October 29, more info to follow. Members are also encouraged to invite their current Worshipful Master and his Lady to experience the fellowship of the Knights of Mecca.

Membership

- Annual Membership: \$5
- Lifetime Membership: \$100

Whether you've just become a Noble or have worn the fez for years, if you've served your Lodge as a Worshipful Master, there's a place for you in the Knights of Mecca.

"Once a leader in your Lodge...always a leader in our fraternity."

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Hello Nobles and Ladies,

I hope everyone survived the July 4th 250th Birthday of America weekend and the heat wave we've been hav-

ing! It's been a hectic few months to say the least. We had a visit from the Black Camel in May. We lost a great Mason...Shriner...friend. RIP Brother Gary! We spent countless hours the past few months remodeling our unit room. We created a fellowship room where we congregate prior to our meetings and have named it "The Gary Arnold Fellowship Room", in his honor. Although it was a lot of work, we had a great time working together as a unit and the finished product is something to be proud of. Thanks to all the nobles who helped with this project!

We had an enjoyable lunch ride to Crawdaddy's in Ludowici after the Liberty County America's 250th Birthday Parade. If you've never been, you need to give them a try...fantastic seafood and potato salad! If you like to "ride to eat", give us a try. We are happy to have others ride with us...maybe you'll enjoy it so much that you'll want to join.

We are having our President's Ride this year Aug. 14th-16th. We are riding to Ponte Vedra, Florida and have rented a house on the beach. Looking forward to great fellowship and a very relaxing weekend with fantastic people.

Currently, we are having a gun raffle for a Henry Goldenboy .22 Mag lever action rifle. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. See an Iron Knight member to purchase your ticket while they are still available. Drawing will be on September 8th.

Fraternally,
Scooter Trash

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This fund is used exclusively to provide transportation for children within Alee's 32-county jurisdiction to receive care at Shriners Hospitals for Children. It also covers travel expenses for one parent, guardian, or relative to accompany the child for hospital visits.

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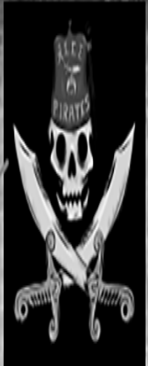
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- Foster self-improvement through leadership, education, the perpetuation of moral values and community involvement.
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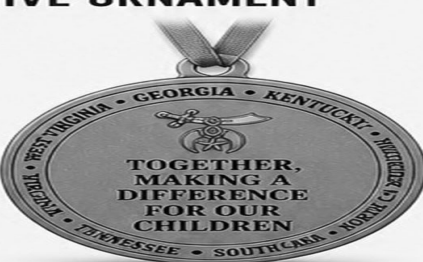
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Illustrious Potentate's Message

I hope everyone is having a great summer! It's hard to believe that before long the kids will be heading back to school.

Lady Cheryl and I, along with the Divan, are wrapping up our club visits, and we truly appreciate the warm welcome each club has given us. Thank you for your outstanding hospitality and for the wonderful fun and fellowship we have shared. These visits are a great opportunity to get to know our Nobles and Ladies better and to hear the many stories about what being a Shriner means to each of you. Those conversations remind us why our fraternity is so special.

We also recently returned from the 152nd Imperial Session in Tampa, Florida. I want to thank all of the Nobles who traveled to represent Alee Shriners. Your dedication and support are greatly appreciated. I also want to extend a sincere thank you to our Representatives who cast their votes on behalf of Alee, faithfully representing the will of our Nobility.

Our two biggest fundraisers will be here before we know it, and we need your help to make both of them a success.

First, on August 15, we will hold the Alee Scimitar Auction. We sincerely appreciate any donations our clubs and units can provide. Every donated item helps make this event successful and supports the important work of our Temple.

Then, in October, it's time for our annual Haunted House. We need plenty of volunteers to make this event happen. Nobles are needed to help with security, setup, parking, guiding guests, and many other tasks. As always, our Ladies are welcome and encouraged to volunteer as well. Many hands make light work, and we always have a great time working together.

Finally, please make plans to join us in Myrtle Beach for SASA. September 17th- 20th. We are extremely proud that Illustrious Sir Freddie Humphries Jr. will be installed as President of the Association during the Beach Bash. Let's have a large crowd of Alee Nobles there to support him during this special occasion and show everyone the pride and spirit of Alee Shriners.

Thank you in advance for your continued support. Together, we can make these events successful while enjoying the fun and fellowship that make Alee so special.

Get your fix in 26'



Fraternally,
David "D2" Armstrong

GET YOUR FIX IN 26

First Lady's Message

Time truly flies when you're having fun! It's hard to believe we're already halfway through the year. We recently had the honor and privilege of attending the 152nd Imperial Session in Tampa, and what an incredible experience it was! From the Public Opening Ceremony and the Ladies' Luncheon to the parade, pub crawl, and pageant honoring our newly elected Imperial Potentate, every day was filled with fun, fellowship, and just the right amount of Shriner shenanigans. One of the most meaningful moments of the week was hearing the inspiring stories of our newly named Patient Ambassadors. Their courage, resilience, and gratitude served as a powerful reminder of why we do what we do. It is impossible not to be moved by the lives that are changed every day through the work of Shriners Children's. Those stories remind us that every fundraiser, every parade, every event, and

every hour we volunteer makes a difference. If you've never attended an Imperial Session, I can't recommend it enough. It's truly a bucket-list experience that showcases the very best of the Shriners fraternity while creating memories and friendships that will last a lifetime.

Cheryl Armstrong



Chief
Rabban



Hello Nobles and Ladies, well Summer time is definitely here and this heat has been miserable and I hope everyone is doing well and staying hydrated. Thanks to Statesboro Shrine Club. We had a Divan visit this week and enjoyed the food, fellowship and venue at TMT farm. The Alee Scimitar banquet will be held on August 15th and we are still looking for items for the auction and table sponsors. Please contact a Divan member or Illustrious Sir Robbie if your Unit or Club would like to donate to the auction. This is the largest fundraiser we have and we need your support to make it successful. We need to retain good Nobles and we need good Master Masons to become new Nobles to ensure the future of our fraternity. Please remember our sick and distressed brothers when on bended knee. 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

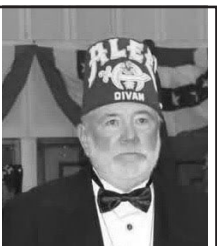
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Hello Nobles and Ladies of Alee, I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer filled with quality time with family, friends, and plenty of fellowship. As summer begins to wind down, I want to thank each of you for your continued support and dedication to Alee Shrine. Your participation throughout the season has helped make our events successful and has strengthened the bonds of our fraternity. As we look ahead, I encourage everyone to continue supporting your Blue Lodge. Our Blue Lodges are the foundation of our fraternity, and by remaining active and involved, we help ensure a strong future for both Masonry and the Shrine. Please remember to support all of our upcoming Shrine events. The fall season is right around the corner, and we have many exciting opportunities to come together in fellowship while serving our communities. I hope to see a great turnout from our Nobles, Units, and Clubs as we continue to represent Alee with pride. Whether you're traveling or simply enjoying the remainder of the summer, please be safe and take care of one another. I look forward to seeing each of you at our upcoming events.

Fraternally,
Gregory Spell
Your Oriental Guide

High Priest
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Nobles and Ladies, I hope everyone had a safe and happy 250th birthday of our Country. I would like to take this time to thank all our Military, past and present, and their families who have made sacrifices to allow us to celebrate the freedom that we have today. As we enter into the second half of this year, I would encourage all of our members to reach out to those members who may not have attended meetings to let them know we still care about them. I know that there are Nobles who cannot make meetings for different reasons, but we need to let them know that they are still important to Alee. Please stay safe during these "warm" days we are having. As always, support your Blue Lodge.

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Hello Nobles and Ladies, Congratulations to the Alee Drifters and Bryan County Shrine Club on a good Roaring 20s speak easy party. Swainsboro Congratulations on a successful golf tournament, what a lot of fun had by all. Don't forget the Pirates have tickets for the "21 Gun Salute" and Surrender the Booty Party. Also, Hinesville Ft. Stewart has their gold tournament coming up in September. Don't forget S.A.S.A. pre-registration is open so please don't forget to register. Don't forget we have one of our own going in as president so let's show up and show out like Alee Always does. We have a lot of events coming up and the annual Haunted House in October so look for your Unit or Club's workdays. On behalf of the haunted house if you have any ideas or ways you want to make it even more terrorizing, please reach out to Will Morgan or myself.

Thank You for all your continued support, and hospitality you have shown me and my lady. I hope to see everyone at the upcoming events and give me a call if you need any assistance.

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Shriners Children’s News

Thriving After Cleft Lip and Palate Surgeries: Meet Dottie

Andrew and Ellen learned their daughter Dottie would be born with a cleft lip, and possibly a cleft palate, during their 20-week anatomy scan. Clinicians recommended a fetal MRI for more detailed imaging and gave the family a list of facilities for the additional testing. Ellen and Andrew called every place on the list to get the procedure scheduled quickly. They heard back first from Mass General, where Ellen had the MRI. While at Mass General, the family also learned about the Cleft and Craniofacial Center, a collaborative program in partnership with Shriners Children’s Boston.



“After the MRI results were in, we met the rest of the craniofacial team, including Dr. Ranganathan and after that, it was an easy decision to bring Dottie to Shriners Children’s Boston for care once she was born,” Ellen said.

Kavitha Ranganathan, M.D., is a board-certified plastic surgeon and the co-director of the Cleft and Craniofacial Center. The cleft and craniofacial program at Shriners Children’s Boston is verified by the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association. In one appointment, patients have access to all the specialists they might need over the course of their treatment. This includes nutritionists, speech therapists, oral and maxillofacial surgeons and orthodontists.

Before Dottie was a year old, she had three surgeries. Dottie was born with a wide cleft lip and palate, which means there is more distance between these separated sections of the mouth. To help address this, Dr. Ranganathan first performed lip adhesion surgery on Dottie when she was 12 weeks old, which helped narrow the gaps. “That surgery was followed by the cleft lip repair 10 weeks later, then the palate repair,” Ellen said.

Dr. Ranganathan explained that “the palate repair is done in a single-stage operation around 12 months of age to optimize facial growth and help with speech development.”

Now fully healed from her initial surgeries, Dottie will return for yearly check-ups for the next five years. At that point, Dr. Ranganathan will assess the need for additional surgeries, including bone grafting. Children born with a cleft can benefit from a bone graft to help anchor their permanent teeth. “Children with clefts of the gums require bone grafting to support proper dental development. It also helps enhance beautiful and functional smiles,” said Dr. Ranganathan.

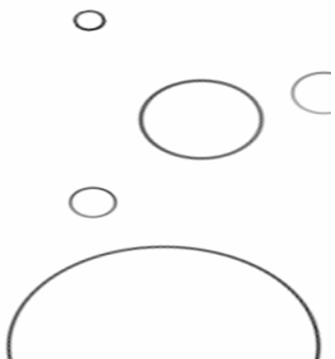
As Ellen and Andrew navigated Dottie’s cleft diagnosis, they felt supported. Nurse care manager Sandy Barrett, BSN, RN, CCM, was a particular source of comfort. “Sandy was great. I’ve emailed her questions, and she is always very responsive. When we have needed a more detailed explanation about something, Sandy has always been there,” said Ellen.

Sandy explained that the care management team engages with families even before their child’s initial appointment, answering questions and explaining what to expect. “We also help connect families with other team members as their child advances through different phases of craniofacial care,” she said.



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ANDREW, PARENT OF SHRINERS CHILDREN'S BOSTON PATIENT



A vivid memory that stands out for Ellen and Andrew involved a hospital stay for Dottie. “She was healing well from the surgery, but she just wasn’t interested in eating, so she was admitted. Dottie was on the inpatient unit for five days,” Ellen said.

Hospital staff gave Dottie two milkshakes with ice cream in special feeders to make it easier for her to drink. One was strawberry and the other squash. Ellen and Andrew laughed as they recalled how Dottie would point between the two milkshakes to indicate which one she wanted. “She loved both flavors and this approach magically unlocked her interest in eating again,” Andrew said.

Now that Ellen and Andrew have some distance from Dottie’s diagnosis, they have had time to reflect on those first few months of uncertainty. “We were very nervous, surprised and scared when we first learned Dottie would be born with a cleft lip and palate. Shriners Children’s Boston walked us through everything,” Ellen said. Andrew added, “Know that you are not alone, you have an entire team with you. We were overwhelmed but they were not.”

Ellen and Andrew participate in the Craniofacial Patient and Family Advisory Council, which they have found to be a valuable resource. “The meetings are a dedicated time to talk about some of the issues you are experiencing and to learn from other families, which is helpful,” Ellen said.

“We have met families with children close to Dottie’s age through the council, and it’s also helpful to talk with parents of older children to understand what we might be experiencing next. Firsthand experience is much better than learning from a textbook,” Ellen said.

Dottie’s parents describe her as a happy, giggly child who likes to blow kisses. She also loves to eat now. “Dottie was never the biggest fan of eating and now we can’t get her out of the highchair,” Ellen said.

As Andrew and Ellen look back on the first year of their craniofacial journey, they are filled with gratitude. “We are grateful that we have had guidance throughout the process. The first year was hard, but we got through it with the support of the Shriners Children’s Boston team,” Andrew said.



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We are patriots, each willing to serve his country with fidelity and courage. We cherish independence under law and freedom with responsibility.

We honor family. We respect our parents, wives, and children. We should instill in our children the tenets of this creed, and the heritage from which it emanates.

As individuals, we pledge ourselves to integrity, virtue and nobility of character. Our intentions will be honorable, our relations will be trustworthy and our spirits forgiving of each other.

As brothers, we offer each other fraternal affection and respect. Together we will support each other in adherence to this creed, so that we and our communities will be better because of our fraternity and its principles.

As Shriners, we look beyond ourselves to serve the needs of others, especially children who cannot help themselves. We believe Shriners Hospitals for Children to be the world's greatest philanthropy, and we covenant with each other to support its "temple of mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.



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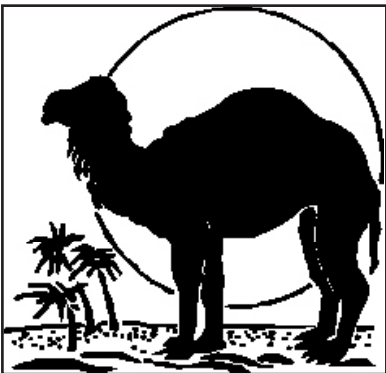
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8/1/2026	Swainsboro Golf	9/1/2026
SEPTEMBER		
8/25-9/15/2026	Pirate Gun Raffle	10/15/2026
9/26/2026	Pirate Poker run	10/26/2026
9/26/2026	Hinesville Golf Tournament	10/26/2026
9/11-13/2026	Tattnall Birdies at Beach	10/14/2026
Now - 9/8/2026	Iron Knights Fraternal Gun Raffle	10/8/2026
OCTOBER		
Now - 10/26/26	Effingham Big Money Raffle	11/26/2026
10/3/2026	Swainsboro Sportsman Banquet	11/3/2026
10/10/2026	Quint concert	11/10/2026
10/17/2026	Screven BBQ Plate Sale	11/17/2026
NOVEMBER		
11/7/2026	Pirate Surrender Booty	12/7/2026
11/7/2026	Brunswick Golf	12/7/2026
DECEMBER		
Now -12/31/26	Tybee Tuesday Night Supper Club	12/31/2026
12/13/2026	Mobile Pageant	12/31/2026



2026 SASA Fall Festival Parade SPOT #2
When: Saturday, September 19, 2026
Where: Myrtle Beach, SC
Line-Up: 8:30am
Step-Off: 9:00am
ALL Nobles must be registered to participate.

Brooklet Peanut Parade
When: Saturday, September 19, 2026
Where: Brooklet, GA
Line-Up: Brooklet Elementary school, 600 West Lane Street, by way of Hwy 80 to Cromley road.
9:00 am. Please tell everyone they can ask for
Theresia Newman
Step-off: 10:00 a.m.

Portal Turpentine Festival and Parade
When: October 3, 2026
Where: Portal, GA
Line Up: 8:00am Old Portal Hwy directly across from Portal Middle/High School On US 80 West
Step-Off: 10:00am

Odum Homecoming Parade
When: Saturday, October 3, 2026
Where: Odum, GA
Line-Up: 9 am- North Church Street - Odum Elementary School
Step-Off: 10 am

Tybee Island Pirate Fest Parade
When: Saturday, October 10, 2026
Where: Tybee Island, GA
Line-Up: 1:00 pm 6th Street



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