



# BULLETIN

Executive Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month except July and August at 7:00PM

**NEW MEETING START TIMES**

Regular Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month except July, August and December

Oasis starting at 6:00PM

Meeting at 7:00PM

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**Next Regular Meeting March 27, 2018**

**Shrine Blazer or Business Suit**

## Presidents Message

With the news that the ice breaker is headed to Thunder Bay is a sure sign of spring. This along with the warmer temperatures we have had recently also brings the pleasant thought of soon seeing Robins and other birds returning for the summer.

For a Shriner it also turns our thought to our Circus on the 19 May. As previously reported the Circus promoter is making all the arrangements which means far less leg work on our part but at the same time we are guaranteed a profit. So, let's hope this arrangement works out and is beneficial to both parties and we are able to continue on again next year.

WE are still holding our breath waiting for the approval of a Lottery license. If this becomes a reality the Nobles will have ample opportunity to expend their built-up winter energy by manning the ticket booths for the raffle of boat, motor, trailer along with other prizes.

Before long we should be getting information on our summer activities i.e.; Candy Floss, Clowns, Train, Cycos etc.

The Shrine is the playground for Masonry. Trust in your Brothers.  
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Noble Richard Bauch  
President

## Electronic Payments

In keeping with changing times, Khartum and the Lakehead Shrine Club are pleased to offer electronic payment of dues etc.

To pay for your **Khartum Shrine Membership** renewal using ONLINE banking Add a payee exactly as shown: Khartum Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.

You can pay your dues, donations or anything else you want to pay online.

Also, you can use another option to pay your **Lakehead Shrine Club** dues which are \$25 per year and due on January of each year.

You can pay by sending an email money transfer to [grant3451@gmail.com](mailto:grant3451@gmail.com)

For a password use the word "shriners"

If you're unsure as to what you owe in dues to the Lakehead Shrine Club send an email to [grant3451@gmail.com](mailto:grant3451@gmail.com) and inquire

## Unit Reports:

### 101 Patrol:

No Report

### Clowns:

No Report

### Cycos:

No Report

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

CIRCUS May 19, 2018

## Ill and Distress

Lady Shirley Smith had Cataract surgery  
Noble Bill Davis had an infected boil removed from his nose  
Lady Elizabeth Willett going for a cat scan  
Noble Danny Balacko not doing well

**If you are aware of any Noble, or lady, in ill or distressed circumstances please contact Noble Michael Abbott at 935-2471 or [mabbott@tbaytel.net](mailto:mabbott@tbaytel.net). I would rather hear from ten nobles, or ladies, than not at all.**

## Hospital Transportation

Visits in March 9 by 6 children  
Visits this year 20 by 12 children  
1 new patient for the year 2018



Lakehead Shrine Club



## Year Ending 2017 Khartum Shrine Patient Transportation Report - Thunder Bay

The Khartum Shrine Patient Transportation Portfolio was very busy in 2017. We provided for 249 patient visits involving 98 patients at a cost of \$203,521.60, unfortunately our costs for 2017 exceeded our donations by about \$19,450.00 forcing us to draw down our reserves.

Of the 249 Patient visits 162 (65%) Twin Cities, 74 (30%) Canada, 9 (3%) Boston and 4 (2%) Philadelphia. The patient visits from each area are; Lakehead Shrine Club 81 (4 new, Twin Cities 76, Canada 5), Dryden Shrine Club 1 Canada, Lake of the Woods 9 Canada (2 new), Winnipeg & Area 121 (8 new, - Twin Cities 72, Canada 45, Philadelphia 4), Interlake Shrine Club 9 (Twin Cities 3, Canada 6), Selkirk Shrine Club 5 (1 new Twin Cities 4 Canada 1), Brandon Shrine Club 6 (1 new, Twin Cities 4, Canada 2, Pembina Valley 14 (Canada 5, Boston 9) and Dauphin Shrine Club 3 (Twin Cities).

In 2017 Thunder Bay had 30 patients that made up the 81 patient visits at a cost of \$ 46,716.72 less the donation of air fares \$ 4786.54 = \$41,930.18. The cost breakdown of these visits was Air Fare - \$4,786.54 (Canada), Travel Allowances & Expenses (Gas, Meal, and Taxis) \$26,768.86 (Twin Cities & Canada), Accommodations \$11,532.81 (Twin Cities & Canada) and Vehicle Rentals \$3628.51 (Twin Cities).

As of the end of February 2018 in addition to our normal transportation costs, Khartum Shriners have had to provide 2 medivac flights to return patients home at a cost of \$43,000.00. This is of particular concern to me unless the income (donations) to Patient Transportation increase we may face a further drawdown on the reserves. I have been working with the Shrine Hospitals for Children Canada to try to recoup \$28,500.00 from the Provincial Government as one patient medivac was transferred from hospital to hospital before being released, which should be a government responsibility.

Don Thomson PP  
Khartum Hospital Chair  
Board Member SHC - Canada