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**No man
stands so tall
as when he
stoops to
help a child.**



From the Potentate



**Illustrious Sir
Edward D. Blum
Potentate 2020**

Illustrious Sirs, Members of the Divan, Nobles, Ladies and Friends, I hope this finds all of you safe and healthy. Jacque and I are doing well, and we are doing our best to stay that way.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic many events are continuing to be canceled or postponed. The potentate's ball which was scheduled for October 10, 2020 has been canceled because the band and

caterer are not willing to do any events until further notice. We received word from Norwegian Cruise lines that our trip to Hawaii which was scheduled for departure on October 14 the has been canceled by the cruise line. NCL is suspending all cruises through October 31, 2020.

However, we do have several events that are planned for September which we believe we can do live and in person at the Shrine. The Quarterly business meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 23rd with dinner at 6:00 pm and the business part of the evening beginning at 7:00 pm. At this meeting we will be having the Necrology service for all our members who have been visited by the Black Camel.

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*We would like to thank everyone who has submitted
articles and photos.*

On Saturday, September 12th we will be holding our first ceremonial of the year. It was originally scheduled for April but fell victim to the virus as did many events. The ceremonial will be performed by members of LuLu Shriners this time in lieu of utilizing personnel from a neighboring Shrine. We are expecting to start with a continental breakfast at 8:30 am followed by a brief orientation for the candidates and their significant others in the Merrymac room. We are anticipating that the ceremonial will begin at 10:00 am in the ball room and will be followed by a luncheon.

We would love to have the presidents of the Clubs and Units present to provide information to the new candidates. We would also like the Divan Ladies and possibly a couple of the past first ladies to give the new ladies information as to what the shrine is all about and why it is so important for them to be supportive of their New Nobles. We are extremely excited about this ceremonial because many of the candidates have been sitting in limbo since January and we can't wait to welcome them and their ladies into the Shrine with open arms.

For the first time ever at LuLu we are having an event called the ASTRAL HARP. It will be in the Ball room and will be the first event we are holding for our nobility since the pandemic began back in March. This is a very interesting, relaxing and special event that I believe everyone will enjoy so please join us for a very unique experience. The event will be on Saturday September 26th beginning at 7:00 pm sharp.

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There are a couple other important events that are coming up in September and October that I need to mention. On Tuesday, September 29, 2020 the annual LuLu Shriners Golf Outing will be taking place at the new LuLu Country Club in Glenside PA. Over the last three years the club house was being rebuilt after a devastating fire and it is now complete and ready to invite us in. Please join us for this extremely enjoyable day on the links. Remember all the proceeds benefit Shriners Hospital for Children. Another event that will benefit the Hospital is the Walk for Love which is scheduled to take place at the Philadelphia Zoo on Saturday, October 3, 2020. Please register online and join LuLu Shriners Team and help to make LuLu the top Shrine team since we are the host shrine for the event. Remember if you do not feel comfortable attending this event, you can always sign up as a virtual walker.

To let everyone know, the stadium has been painted under the leadership of Paul Feigel who spent many nights this summer getting it completed as we are required to do in order to maintain it for the next 6 years. Now we can be proud of how it looks, and we can use it again for future events. Thank you, Paul, for all your hard work!

In closing I would like to say that Jacquie and I miss all of you and can't wait to be with you in person again soon. We are hoping and praying that the virus will come to an end very soon so that we can get back to being normal fun loving, and up-close Shriners once again.

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Recorder's Recordings

By: III. Sir Bill Adamson, P.P.



It is 98 degrees with 100% humidity but who cares, we are not allowed out anyway. So put your bathing suit on, put some fresh water in the tub and dive in! Throw some sand around your patio and sit under your umbrella and it will be just like the beach at Wildwood.

Now, come back in and get back to work. Enough dilly-dallying for the day.

Maybe can you even make a few phone calls to check on some of your Shrine friends and find out if we can help in any way.

Now that our new Imperial Potentate Jim Smith has been installed, we are looking at basically trying to recruit by "replacing" yourself. So, let us all try to get at least ONE new Shriner this year. We have lost a few members this year including two Past Potentates so if all of us would get one new member we would start to be in better shape.

Zig Ziglar, one of the best motivational speakers ever, stated "Help enough people get what they want out

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of life." Maybe we should look at that and equate it to the Shrine and figure out what we can do to make things more FUN for everyone and then we will have FUN as well.

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CEREMONIAL

**LULU WILL BE CONDUCTING A CEREMONIAL FOR OUR NEW
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**INTRODUCTION AND ORIENTATION 9:15 AM IN THE MERRYMAC
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**THE CEREMONIAL WILL BE PERFORMED BY MEMBERS OF THE
LULU SHRINE CEREMONIAL TEAM**

LuLu Activities Club

By: Illustrious Sir Finky, President 2020

When your main goal as a club is to provide activities for members of LuLu, the current times make it even harder than normal. The LuLu Activities Club has become creative to hold some activities during this time, especially to be able to help the kids at the hospital.

During the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, all visits and parties held at our Shriners Hospital were cancelled. We know how much joy these monthly events bring the kids at the hospital and to Shriners. After a long brainstorming session with the LuLu Activities Club's executive committee, it was determined that we were going to try to hold virtual parties for the kids. Each of these end of month parties would have entertainment and hopefully would be a brief distraction to the current situation. We consulted with the hospital staff about how we could follow proper HIPA guidelines, but also a way for the kids to be involved.

On Tuesday night June 30th at 5pm the club held its

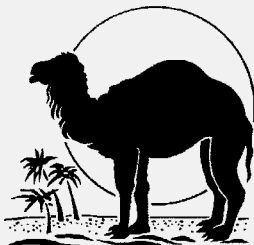
first end of the month virtual zoom party for the children. The featured entertainment was the teenage musical group of Mike & Olivia. The group played pop music that the children really enjoyed. One of their songs was from JoJo Siwa titled "Every Girl is a Super Girl". The coordinator of events at the hospital, Ann Lear, helped to enable nine children watch the performance. All the video feeds were not active except for the performers to ensure privacy. The kids watched the performance via zoom on the 5th floor of the hospital. Although the kids would much rather have us in present to hold the party for them, at least they got some enjoyment that brought smiles to their faces. Ann Lear asked if we could hold another zoom party for the kids in the future.

On Friday July 31st, as requested by the hospital we held another digital zoom party for the kids. The featured entertainer was frequent Shrine performer Vincent James with his daughter Priscilla. During the week leading up to the event the nurses spoke to the kids about the digital party to help to add excitement. The nurses said the kids were genuinely excited about having their very own musical performance just for them. As of writing this article we are not sure of the exact number of children who attended. The most important thing is that we managed to make some children smile and brighten their day.

The Activities Club is planning on holding more Virtual zoom parties for the kids in August and September. We will be emailing out more information through the LuLu office.

IN MEMORIAM

***Nobles that are
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September 2020 *Club/Unit Meetings will be determined prior to meeting dates.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 Bucks County Shrine Club	2	3 Quaker City-Montco Shrine Club	4	5
6	7 Labor Day	8 Yacht Club Dinner	9	10 Motor Unit	11	12 Ceremonial
13 Activities Club - End of Summer BBQ at the Finks	14 Klownz	15	16 Finance and Divan Meetings	17 Delaware County Shrine Club Hospital Board Meeting	18 Rosh Hashanah	19
20	21 NESC Inter-Club Night Legion of Honor	22 Conestoga Shrine Club Yacht Club Mounted Guard	23 Business Meeting	24 Rod & Gun Club	25	26 Astral Harp
27 Yom Kippur	28 Legion of Honor	29 Golf Outing Hillbilly Gathering	30 Cabiri Meeting	1	2	3

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October 2020 *Club/Unit Meetings will be determined prior to meeting dates.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1 Quaker City Shrine Club	2	3
4	5 2021 Trip Night	6	7	8	9 Blood Drive	10
11	12 Columbus Day Klownz	13 Yacht Club Dinner	14	15 Hospital Board Meeting Delaware County Shrine Club	16	17
18 Yacht Club Reverse Raffle	19 Northeast Shrine Club	20	21 Finance and Divan Meetings	22 Rod & Gun Club	23	24
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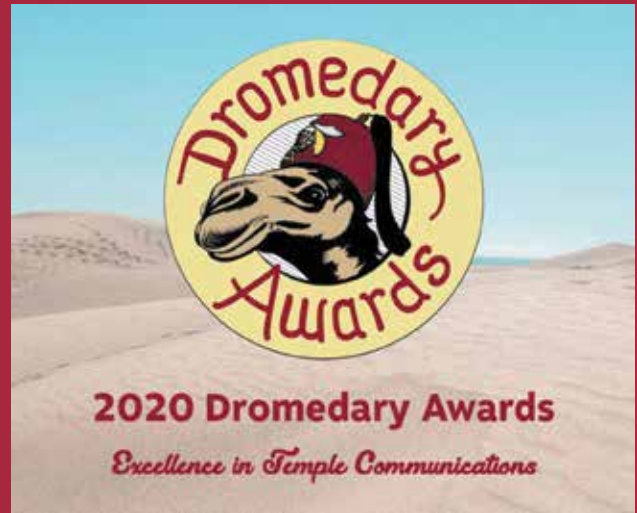
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- ◆ The choice of colors, maroon and gold, and their subtle use is visually appealing and consistent with fraternal branding.
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Bucks County Shrine Club

By: Mike Feldsher, Past President

When you are dealing with difficult times it is important to rely on your family and friends. The Bucks County Shrine Club is a very close family type group. We all genuinely care for each other and it shows especially now during this difficult time. I am so proud to be a member of this wonderful and loving Shrine group.

The Bucks County Shrine Club has made a very strong effort during this difficult time to reach out to our members to find out how they are doing. Most of the time it is just a simple hello. Other times it has been for comfort. Sometimes just a simple phone call can really brighten someone's day. Just hearing a voice on a phone call can bring so much joy. I know for myself it has been great to hear from the members and share stories about what they are up to. I got lots of suggestions on things to watch on Netflix and Amazon Prime. Also, I got a few good book suggestions to check out.

We did experience some sorrow over the past few months. Unfortunately, the club lost two of its long-time members. Ill. Sir Charles Young, Sr., Past Potentate 1996, passed away in June. Ill. Sir Charles served as president of Bucks County Shrine Club in 1986. We also lost Noble Chuck Quaste, Sr. Noble Chuck was a long-time member of the Club and was always at our meetings. Our hearts go out to their families and we will miss them dearly.

Over the past few months, we have held several virtual meetings. These virtual meetings are critical to keep each other informed about what is going on in each other lives. We were so used to breaking bread on the 1st Tuesday of the month and having dinner. We would chat and partake in some beverages. We have been forced to utilize modern technology to remain

relevant in our members' lives. Hopefully in the coming weeks we will be able to return to normal and get together and share a meal again.

On a positive note our professional sports have returned. We now can cheer on the Phillies, Flyers and Sixers all from our living rooms. The Bucks County Shrine Club has a perfect comfort food to snack on while watching the game, mixed nuts. We are selling different varieties of mixed nuts. Snacking on mixed nuts while watching a game is a perfect combination or when you are sitting outside enjoying a summer breeze. If you are interested in purchasing some of our mixed nuts, please contact our 1st Vice President Illustrious Sir Joel Brookstein or email is at buckscountyshrineclub@gmail.com

We all know the saying behind every good man is an amazing lady. The Nobles in the Bucks County Shrine Club are no different. We have an amazing group of ladies behind us. The members and officers would like to thank the Bucks County Shrine Club Ladies auxiliary for their continued support. They are an integral part of our club. The ladies not only support all our functions but also help support our float.

Currently we are planning on having our club meetings virtually over zoom for the short term. If you are interested in joining one of our meeting please contact our club president Ray Bloemker or email us at buckscountyshrine@gmail.com. Our meetings are open to all Shriners. Log on and see what we are all about. On behalf of all the Past Presidents, Elected SOfficers, and members of the Bucks County Shrine Club, we wish you a healthy end of summer.



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Hospital Rounds

By: Noble Thomas A Spoltore, Secretary, Board of Governors

Since the last Fez Hospital Rounds article, a lot has transpired. I'll do my best to update you on what has been transpired since the Quarantine went into effect. As you may have known our Philadelphia Shrine Hospital has stayed open during this whole time. Services were limited to procedures that had a time relevancy or related to emergency admission. Hospital staff was limited without affecting standards of care. Due to limited Hospital staffing those employees were given options to utilize accrued time to reduce the financial burden on their families. The Hospital adapted and adjusted to the State and City guideline to ensure that staff could perform their duties ensuring their safety and wellbeing as well as that of the patients and families. Currently surgeries and admissions have resumed. Since the resumption of services, I would like to report that there were 149 spine cases, 163 lower extremity cases, 158 upper surgical cases as well as 49 other surgical cases totaling 509 surgical cases as compared to 686 for June of 2019. Given the circumstances, that to me is astounding. Hospital Staff especially those who volunteered to work during these trying and dangerous times should be thanked for their dedication, hard work and commitment to our Hospital Mission.

We also have some good news and not so good news

to share with you. Hospital Administrator Ed Myers has been promoted to a new Shriners Corporate position which is great for him, but definitely a loss for us. The daunting task of finding someone of his high caliber will be a huge challenge. Congratulations Ed, you will be missed by the Hospital and LuLu Shrine. As some you may know Ed and Sandra were active members of the Bucks County Shrine Club as well as the Rod & Gun Club. Good luck and safe travels Ed and Sandra.

If you haven't done so, please plan on signing up for the Walk for Love on Saturday October 3rd. The Walk for Love is the only Hospital fund raiser conducted by the hospital staff. Over the years it has grown from a small event conducted at our LuLu Temple location and has steadily grown to a point where another venue was needed. This years Walk will be at the Philadelphia Zoo, 3400 West Girard avenue, Philadelphia Pa. 19104. Your registration will include zoo admission and a tee shirt. What a great venue for a family to participate either virtually or a fun family experience. See the flyer in this Fez edition. If you need more information give a call to Stephanie Byrwa 215-430-4178 (sbyrwa@shrinenet.org or Terry Diamond 215-430-4055 tdiamond@shrinenet.org

In closing I hope everyone stays safe and healthy.

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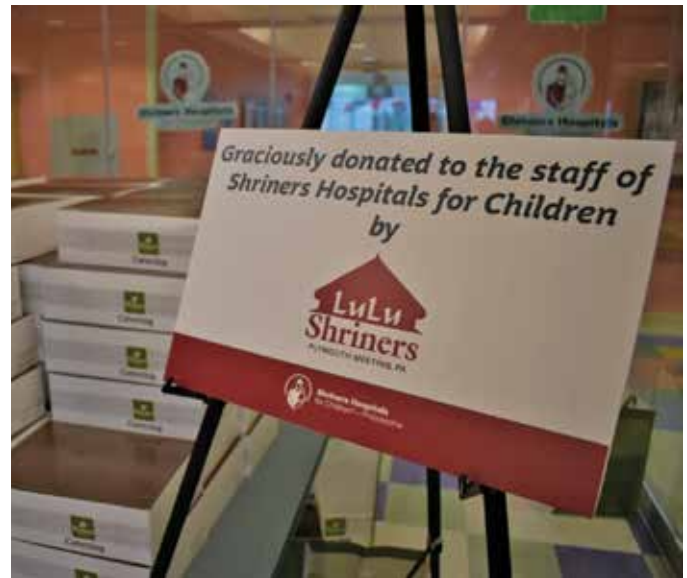
Donated Meal Update from the Philadelphia Shriners Hospital

This message was shared with our staff:

Lulu Shrine Center has graciously donated lunch to SHC employees as a “Thank You” for continuing to support the mission of Shriners Hospitals for Children during a very uncertain time.

Panera Bread boxed lunches will be available for SHC staff in the cafeteria on Tuesday, July 14th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm for day shift and from 5:00 to 6:00 pm for evening shift and dinner boxes will be made available for night shift.

They are individually boxed and there are several choices for staff to choose: Chicken Salad sandwich (labeled “Napa”), Ham and Swiss sandwich, Tuna Salad sandwich, Veggie sandwich, Turkey sandwich, and a Garden salad option (labeled “seasonal”).



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Stadium Crew

By: Paul J. Feigel, Sr.

A man's word is his bond. When the midway, stadium, and parking lot were sold, we had a gentleman's agreement, for use of afore mentioned property for ten years. Part of the agreement was for LuLu to maintain the stadium and midway in good order. We now have six more years on this agreement.

After the circus of 2019, the stadium was in sad condition, a real embarrassment to be associated with the name LuLu.

Ill. Sir Jerry I. Jay allocated the funds for the stadium to be brought to life in 2019. The stadium crew met Monday thru Thursday 6:00 pm until dark, during July and August, weather permitting. The boards of questionable worthiness were removed, loose paint was scraped, and $\frac{3}{4}$ of the yellow section was primed. September 1st appeared on our calendars and the paint brushes were retired for the season, for we now had club and unit meetings to attend.



Due to COVID-19 the stadium crew was able to start work during the month of June 2020, Monday thru Thursday, 6:00 pm until dark, weather permitting. The yellow section priming was completed, and we now have a yellow section once again. The green section was next to be primed, then the red section, which should be completed by the end of July. The green section will finally get some color by the end of July and when it is completed, the red section.

Thanks to everyone who picked a brush or scraper and helped to bring the stadium back to life. The events that we have enjoyed hosting in the past may no longer be part of our future, other events will replace them. The stadium will once again be colorful and safe due the hard work of the stadium crew.

If you are reading this article on September 1st or later, the paint brushes have once again been retired for the season. See you in 2021 to complete the job.



Quaker City-Montco Shrine Club

By: Michael Feldsher, President

The sun did not shine. It was too wet to play. So we sat in the house all that cold, cold, wet day. I sat there with Sally and we sat there too. How I wish we had something to do". Too wet to go out, too cold to play ball. So, we sat in the house with nothing at all. We looked and saw him stare onto the mat, we looked at the Cat in the Hat.

This paragraph is the opening line to "The Cat in the Hat" and when I read it to my youngest daughter Victoria it made me think of our club. The Cat in the Hat made me think of how so many of our fellow Shriners have been stuck at home, not being able to see each other. for such a long time.

I am so pleased that our club has been the "Cat in the Hat" for our fellow Shriners by bringing joy and entertainment to our lives. Even last week, just like the Cat in the Hat we managed to make a mess, but I will explain about this later. During this pandemic we have been providing virtual get togethers like comedy and quiz nights. We have had two stated meetings attended by close to 50 Nobles and Ladies each meeting. We have also had several board meetings. We did all this via zoom and phone.

I feel very fortunate that the club was very prepared to switch into digital mode when the pandemic started.

Before the pandemic we had already hosted several of our executive board meetings via conference call and a zoom platform. Also, along the way, we have managed to teach a few Nobles how to use the technology.

I am also very happy about how close and tight our club is. Our executive board members have worked hard to make sure most of the members have been contacted to find out how they are doing. I know we have a few with whom we still haven't been in touch, but we are working on it.

As I stated earlier, the club has been busy with meetings and entertainment during this pandemic. During the months of May and June we held Saturday night comedy and quiz nights. Several members told me it was their only contact with the outside world. They profusely thanked me for giving them an outlet to communicate with their fellow Shriners. I know the comedy night brought some laughs. I heard from several members how much they thoroughly enjoyed the quiz nights also. In the coming months we are looking to be as creative as possible to continue to provide interesting content to our members and guests.

On Wednesday July the 1st we held a summer zoom meeting titled "tell us your story". This was a very interesting meeting where we got to learn some interesting stories from each other's past. One of the Nobles told a story about him running track at the Penn Relays with gold medalist Carl Lewis. We also heard a story of a Noble who once had a locker next to basketball great Wilt Chamberlain. One of the ladies of the club told the story of how her husband proposed to her. We heard some very funny and interesting stories that

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Northeast Shrine Club

By: Dennis C. Gold

Northeast Shrine has been busy during the summer. We have been updating our schedules considering all the Covid-19 lifestyle changes. We have been moving around various earlier scheduled events and trying to fit them in the remaining 2020 months.

Northeast Shrine Club has gone virtual. We have been using Zoom software to stay visually in touch with our directors and membership. We have held several meetings using this great software. We hope it was helpful for you while most have had to stay at home.

Let's discuss camaraderie a moment. Northeast Shrine Club is the home of the "Happy Shriner". We all know that. We have meetings during the year to encourage camaraderie. We want to learn how you and your family are doing? What has happened since the last meeting? These are the key reason for having the club. We want to know that you have been able to stay well and safe during this pandemic. With all of us worrying about family, friends, and associates, Northeast Shrine Club continues to worry about their members. Please let us know if there is need that we can help with.

My point is that we work hard to have events and meetings for you to enjoy, BUT you need to attend the meetings. If you look back a couple of years ago, we had a higher percentage of members attending the monthly meetings. We would like to learn why attendance is down. We know that a few are medically unable to attend. Others might not want to drive at night. PLEASE contact anyone one of the directors and let us know what we can do to make it easier for

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Assistant Rabban, John H. Green, Jr., representing Northeast Shrine Club, presents Ill. Sir Edward D. Blum with a check for the Temple.

you to attend the meetings. For those of you that are not a member of Northeast Shrine, we are offering free membership for one year. Come out and see if you enjoy the meetings as much as we do. We would love you to see what we do and become an integral part of this wonderful club.

Conditions Permitting As part of our camaraderie theme we are planning to hold an inter-club meeting in September. We hope you will come and participate in this event. It is scheduled for Monday, September 21st. Dress is smart business casual with your FEZ. Come and be a "Happy Shriner".

HELLO Northeast Ladies. We love you also. The first Monday of each month is a meeting for you. Come out and enjoy an evening with the ladies. They have several activities during the meetings. The food is great. The men also have a directors meeting on the first Monday and your significant other can drive you there.

As with everything we do in our lives, you get out of it what you put into it. So, we look forward to seeing you at the next Northeast Shrine meeting while enjoying the camaraderie of your fellow Shriners. We want everyone to be "HAPPY".

We are the "Home of the Happy Shriner"

Northeast Shrine Club of LuLu Shrine



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Motor Unit Report

By: Paul J. Feigel, Sr.



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thing has happened, nothing at all. As you all know, COVID -19 has ruled our every waking moment since March and we are still not out of the woods yet.

That being said... adhering to the new normal protocols, everyone must have a mask, we will be meeting on September 10th in our unit room at 7:30 pm. It will be cleaned and sanitized before we use it. Dinner will be at Michael's at 6:00 pm. If need be, get your food to go and we will eat back at LuLu.

We hope everyone is safe and healthy and had an enjoyable summer.

Rumor has it that hugs and handshakes are just around the corner. Now that is a rumor, I wish would come true, the sooner the better. Since our last meeting in March not a



Legion of Honor

By: Gary M. Portnoy, PC

Commanders Corner:

Well, we certainly did not think we would still be meeting on Zoom by this late date but seeing each other that way is better than not at all. Maybe those of you who have been on the Zoom meetings can encourage those that haven't joined us yet to do so. It would be terrific seeing more of our Legion members. Well, as fast as we can find out what we can do and when, we will let everybody know through Constant Contact.

Although the Arlington Cemetery "Tomb" Trip is still scheduled, at this point we are uncertain as to whether we can get it done. A recent email from Starr Transportation Company spells out their sanitation efforts and passenger procedures. They will require that the trip coordinator sign a waiver "saving the company harmless", and certifying that all passengers are healthy, have not traveled internationally in the past fourteen days etc. Bus capacity would be 52 instead of full 56 capacity with the first row left and right empty. Masks must be worn while on board. Arlington is closed to all except family members who have passes to visit the graves of their relatives. Our dinner location is also in question and possibly regulated by the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

We had a nice Zoom meeting on Monday 27 July 2020. It was great to see everyone who attended by computer, phone, or tablet. Although we had little business to conduct it was very enjoyable.

Please stay safe and we hope to "see" you at the next Zoom meeting which we will schedule for September. But until then, stay safe and look after one another.

The Legion of Honor meets on the 4th Monday of the month in the LuLu Merrymac Room.



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Adjutant: Gary M. Portnoy, PC, 116 Saddlebrook Drive, Dublin, PA 18917-2124

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Mission BBQ: Salmon ____ or Chicken ____ ONLY FOR DIETARY Reasons/All others 3 meats

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Across the Sights and Along the Lines of the LuLu Rod and Gun Club



By: Gary Portnoy

We had a great Striper trip. Great weather! Great hotel accommodations! Great outside dining on the Chesapeake Bay in Solomon's on Tuesday. And, most important a chance for members to enjoy once again some GREAT Camaraderie.



We were all limited to keeping 2 fish each, after catching almost 50 stripers. On very calm waters, as we were able to fish in the River opening to the Chesapeake. It was only 15-20 minutes from the Marina dock. We were back at the Marina cleaning fish at 12 Noon and got home around 3:30PM.



Our shotgun shooters have begun to shoot once again. We had a great shoot at Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays on 22 Jun 2020.



Resting halfway through the course on a hot but beautiful day. Shooting was Laird Bevitz, Tom Spoltore, Bob Ochotny and Gary Portnoy.

We are also working on trips to Lake Ontario and possibly Cape Cod where our members have always had good luck and a great time.

Plans for a precision pistol team led by Stu Konefsky are also under way. They will start with 22 caliber red dot or iron sight pistols. Stay tuned.

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The Rod & Gun Club meets at LuLu Shriners at 7:00 PM in Room 5 (Activity Room) on the 4th Thursday of each month.

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Sightings from the Crow's Nest



By: The Old Salt

Ahoy Mates and welcome aboard.

Well we are going into Fall and are sailing open water waters of some social events, during this Corona 19 storm. Hopefully, it will

end so we can leave our dock/port. The storm had us in port/dock for months and I hope as a crew we have been safe during the storm.

Our crew did dock at our Pier Phil's for our July Dutch treats, cocktails and dinner on land in lieu of being anchored. The crew of 20 mates enjoyed socializing even though our crew was separated by plastic wall spacers in our cockpit. We had a great time seeing one another.

On August 23rd we enjoyed a port/land get together at the Yacht club Commodore picnic and Memorial service. Our Potentate requested we have LuLu Shrine family picnic together with our yacht club picnic, and we agreed.

This was great to do together during our 60th anniversary. Our crew will be docking again at Pier Phil's in the fall, with our ladies (First Mates) at sunset on the second Tuesday. Hopefully, there will be no major problem with Corona 19 storm.

Please review our newsletter/chart issued by our Navigator (secretary) to our crew for logging their charts for upcoming fall months.

Call our Rear Commodore Harris Brody at 215-675-1184 if you plan to anchor or/raft with us at Pier Phil's. Time to time our land dinner is held at a public restaurant when we want to be more formal in lieu of our Pier dock dinner. We are planning docking in the future, holidays etc. so review our newsletter/chart issue.

Note: Mates, our crew (Board) meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at LuLu club room #10 at 7pm.

If you are interested in being a crew member by boating, sailing, social activities contact Mate (Noble) Harry Speth P.C. at 215-682-0450.

III. Sir Matthew Hallowell, P.P. Commodore
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CHAPTER XC (90)

COVID-19 VIRUS – PART II

By: Noble Harry Speth, Historian – July 2020

COVID-19 Not Yet Under Control - Following the Memorial Day Weekend with PA, NJ, & DE in Yellow Condition, Corona Cases and Deaths appeared stable for about two weeks but began to increase in Mid-June. However, the respective Governors elected to move to the Green Phase, but still recommending Face Masks in Public, six feet distancing, and limiting capacity for in-door dining. These recommendations were still in place over the July 4th Weekend.

To reduce the spread of CORONA, fireworks, large crowds, parades, and in-door gatherings were either cancelled or limited to a fixed amount of legal capacity, i.e. 25 or 50 people or 25% or 50%. These recommendations were not well observed.

Whereas the decrease in Pennsylvania by mid-June appeared to be indicative because only 12 of 60 Counties were reporting only small daily increases. But, by July 1st, 19 Counties were reporting increases. And, by July 8th, 39 States were reporting daily increases. Some Businesses opened during this time but had to close again. Deaths due to this disease in the U.S. reached 135,000, with cases reaching 400,000. Unemployment for the month of June reached 15%. The Bureau of Labor Statistics described “they have it correct now!”

June 4th, 2020 – With COVID-19 still on the increase in several Western States and an epidemic in Brazil, and the CDC expects U.S. deaths to reach 140,000 by June 30th. Recent riots over the death of George Floyd, have caused thousands of people to mingle and march together during the last week. In spite of these events, Governor Wolf of PA revised the risk catching the disease from Red to Yellow in Montgomery, Bucks, Delaware and Chester Counties. The Governors of NJ and DE believe this lowered the danger for Phase I of II. All listed specific actions, activities and business that may be opened, but with details how they need to maintain distancing. These arrangements will be reviewed again in 15 days.

Even though some folks were affected by unemployment

in May, many more went back to work. The rate of unemployment fell to 13.2% by May 31st. Some folks have gone back to work!

June 13, 2020 – MASA Convention scheduled for the Fall in Virginia Beach, VA, was cancelled this date due to the uncertainty regarding the ability to host the meeting, having a public parade or even to the extent that social events will be allowed this Fall. A virtual meeting is being planned to conduct the official business of MASA.

July 1st, 2020 - LuLu announced since visitors are not permitted in our Philadelphia Unit of SHC, the Christmas in July Event will be modified this year.

July 3, 2020 – RWGM Tom Gamon, issued a Directive that “effective this date, due to the upturn in virus cases, all persons must wear a mask – it has been decided that all degree conferrals will be put on hold until at least September 1st. All Lodges are still allowed to conduct Stated Meetings and other events, as long as the proper Safety Protocols are followed.”

July 9th, 2020 - Due to the Caterer and the Band advising “they will not be able to do this type of Event until 2021, the Potentate’s Ball, scheduled for October 10th, was cancelled.


July 12th, 2020 - 19 U.S. States were reporting, rapidly increases of cases of COVID-19. Particularly listed were FL, TX, AZ, and CA. Total deaths in the U.S. due to this disease reached 135,000 and climbing every day.

By the end of July, and partly due to failure of many folks to wear masks and maintain social distancing at beaches, boardwalks, several home gatherings, the COVID-19 cases were rising in some 25 States, and the death toll rate approaching 140,000, many States required 14 day self-quarantine after visiting another State. In Montgomery, Bucks, Delaware and Chester Counties, cases were declining so no new restrictions were imposed here. The Bureau of Labor Statistics

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Ronald K Nelson 9/1	Dominic Serratore 9/9	George A Smith 9/21
Marvin A Cunningham Sr. 9/1	Charles M Pierro 9/9	Alfred R Lund. 9/21
Harry Paravicini. 9/2	Edward L Malantonio 9/9	Joseph S Rocco P.P. 9/21
Charles R Dipuppo 9/2	Robert J Crotts 9/10	Louis B Foglia 9/22
John T Loughran Jr 9/2	George Monaghan 9/10	James N Katsaounis. 9/22
Harvey L Goldberg. 9/3	Jason M Rafferty 9/10	Karl P Forsberg 9/23
Rodney C Hildebrand. 9/3	Edward J Donnelly. 9/11	Robert L Esposito. 9/24
Gary M Portnoy 9/3	Dr Michael J Mandarino 9/11	Kenneth E Farabee 9/25
Jorge E Bruniard 9/3	Henry P Hoagland Jr 9/12	Edward L Dence. 9/26
Sean P O'Laughlin 9/3	Raymond A Reitz 9/12	Robert W Bailey. 9/26
Nicholas A Blanck 9/3	Davis G Phelps Jr. 9/13	William S Rees 9/26
Charles E Lankert 9/4	Ernest Freedman. 9/13	Richard W Plummer. 9/27
Richard A Heath 9/4	Carlo P Malantonio Jr 9/13	Alfred E Hawthorne. 9/27
Edward D Blum 9/4	Donald S Litman 9/14	Ronald W Tull 9/27
Jack Lewis 9/4	Mark B Merion. 9/14	William A Pruitt 9/28
Michael V Clinger. 9/4	Roland Knaak 9/15	Robert A Reinecke Sr. 9/28
Robert C Trader Jr. 9/5	Earl J Harris 9/15	Kevin F Carroll. 9/28
Robert E Myers 9/6	Keanneard L Steigelman 9/16	Phillip F Speth 9/28
Benny J Doman 9/6	Jonathan Self. 9/16	James W Snively 9/29
Irvin Saltzman 9/7	Roland C Angle 9/17	Erwin P Kaucher 9/29
Wayne H Watson 9/7	Scott W Malantonio 9/17	Michael A Pale 9/29
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Gary G Samples 9/8	Nicholas Zarvalas. 9/18	Edward F Zawierucha 9/30
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Francis I Stewart Jr	10/1	Mark L Freed	10/10	Peter van der Spek	10/20
Leon Werb	10/1	Robert E Pletcher	10/11	Benjamin F Griscom 4th . . .	10/20
Charles B Hyman	10/1	Robert D Mervine III	10/11	Robert J Chepress	10/21
Samuel T Miller	10/2	Leo T Middlemiss Jr.	10/12	Harry R Glaeser	10/21
Barry W Van Rensler	10/2	Daniel Fierimonte P.P.	10/12	George E De Jager	10/22
Edward DeValle	10/2	Ellis Adams	10/13	Kenneth A Rubin	10/23
Earl W Laney	10/3	David J Baskin	10/13	John A Vautier	10/24
William G Young Jr	10/3	Edward H Roberts	10/13	Jay R Schofield	10/24
Kenneth W Nelson	10/3	Thomas R Brady	10/13	Bruce L Castor Jr.	10/24
Albert C Bailey Jr.	10/3	Carl D Wade	10/13	Jonathan P Mc Surdy	10/24
Leon Kalemkerian	10/4	Ronald R Zeigenfuse	10/13	David E Elliott	10/25
Jay C Rosen	10/4	Gary D Cozens	10/13	Alan T Kirk Jr	10/25
Davy R Cohn	10/5	Steven S Ryave Md.	10/13	Joseph M Grey	10/25
Gilbert Stein	10/5	Aaron S Richman	10/13	Arno C Vorwerk	10/25
Robert T Wrigley	10/5	James A Armenti	10/13	Leroy D Cartwright	10/26
Robert Anderson	10/5	Robert E Boeckle	10/14	Lawrence P Czapinski	10/26
William D Hartman	10/6	Richard F Kirchner	10/14	Walter A Marshall	10/26
Michael John Gallagher	10/6	Dale W Champlin Jr.	10/14	Harry R Richardson	10/27
Edward Katchur	10/6	Jeffrey D Miller	10/14	Barry M Kauffmann	10/27
Frank W Gerhart	10/6	George B Park III	10/14	Raymond N Bracken	10/27
William E Marion Jr.	10/7	Raymond T Pearson Jr.	10/15	Roy A Smith	10/27
Richard T Endrick	10/7	William G Rech	10/15	George R Henderson	10/28
Michael C Chaykowski	10/7	Randall Aiken	10/15	Kevin S Bonney Sr	10/28
James A Shillingford	10/7	Mark J Perlman	10/15	Frank M Schoendorfer	10/29
Richard A Kuc	10/8	W. C Biehl	10/16	James R Coulon	10/29
Winfield S Culp	10/8	Robert E Deddy	10/17	Jeffrey S Greene	10/30
Philip H De Luca	10/8	George E Heinly Jr.	10/17	Milton E Coll	10/30
Richard A Young	10/8	Eugene H Rifkind	10/18	Joseph D Pugles	10/31
Martin Chernelk Jr	10/9	Jon J Gold	10/18	Paul J Arost	10/31
William H Metz	10/9	Frank J Spoltore	10/19	Norman E Miller Jr	10/31
Clifton H Hamilton III.	10/9	Richard R Beddow Jr.	10/19	James R Bauer	10/31
Christopher A Ricciuti	10/9	Richard J Toliver	10/19	Perry J Ferrara Jr	10/31
Christopher J Collins Sr	10/9	Donald R Alcorn	10/20	Michael F Houck Sr	10/31
Ronald E Meredith	10/10	Wallace B Beaton III.	10/20		
Albert D Polekoff	10/10	Frank P Fatiga	10/20		

Quaker City-Monco Shrine Club *(continued from page 18)*

night. Maybe when all of this ends we will be a little bit closer from it.

On Saturday night July 11th we hosted a Show and Tell, which was like an antiques roadshow. Each of the members brought an item or two of interest to the zoom call. One of the members showed us his elaborate doll house which he constructed. We literally took a virtual tour through this doll house. We also had a member show a gold mosaic piece of catholic icon art. Another one of our members showed a wooly mammoth tusk and someone else showed a fossil. We had a member play and show us a 100-year-old Victrola record player. Another member showed off his famous autographs, one of which was an Orville Wright cancelled check. I showed off some of my vintage arcade games and Philadelphia area sports memorabilia. This was a meeting that only could have been done via a digital platform. I know everyone thoroughly enjoyed it afterward because of the amount of compliments the club received.

On Saturday July 25th, two dozen Shriners and their families were on our zoom scavenger hunt. The Master of Ceremonies was our Past President, Fred Ruderick, and it was judged by Illustrious Sir Douglas Fink. This scavenger hunt was a lot of fun for me and

my family. I got to participate with my two daughters, Shayna and Rebecca. We literally were running from room to room throughout my house trying to find items that were asked for. One of the interesting items we had to find was a bottle of scotch. My middle daughter Rebecca took a bottle of wine and put some scotch tape on it, so it was a bottle with scotch on it. Another one of the items was a two-dollar bill. During this entire meeting we were rummaging through rooms quickly looking for items. It looked like something from Cat in the Hat afterwards, but it was so much fun. I saw lots of joy and laughter during the zoom meeting, which personally warmed my heart. I want to thank everyone who participated.

Everyone enjoyed it so much that we decided to do it again on August 8th. We have some interesting meetings planned for the coming months. We will be holding a "Not so Newly Wed Game", a who's who, a murder solving clue game featuring our Divan, Jeopardy and much more. If you wish to become a member of our club please email me at mfeldsher@gmail.com and or call me. All our meetings are open to Shriner's and their families. You can follow us on FaceBook and or via email about our upcoming schedule.

I look forward to seeing everyone's faces soon.

The History of the Shrine and LuLu Temple *(continued from page 27)*

marked National Unemployment Rate in July at 11.3%. Due to an increase in unemployment because many businesses had to shut down, again, the Congress is considering a Second Stimulus Payment.

July 20th to 27th, 2020 - The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Philadelphia Public School Board, held on the 20th, was the longest ever, over eight hours, 4-12 P.M. The Board presented a Schedule that would have ½ of the children in school rooms, three days a week, and ½ in Virtual Learning, at home. Over 100 registered Speakers, opposed this Plan. The Board adjourned this Meeting after Midnight and directed the Board to revise the Plan and represent it on the 27th. At this Meeting, the School District proposed to hold all Virtual classes starting after Labor Day through Mid-November, the end of the Marking Period.

This was approved by the Board, by a vote of 8-1. **July 28th, 2020** – Major League Baseball suffered another set-back in Seasonal Games. The Opening Series between the Phillies and the Miami Marlins played three games in Philadelphia. The Marlins won two of the three game Series. On this date, it was reported that fourteen Marlin players and several Staff members were tested Positive for Covid-19. They were all quarantined in a Hotel in Philadelphia. They will be tested daily, before returning to Florida. Meanwhile, the next Series with New York was rescheduled for August 3rd.

HISTORIAN IN TRAINING WANTED – Noble Harry has served as Historian since 2000. He is seeking to step-down. Will train a successor. Call him (215) 682-0450.

LuLu Shriners Ladies' Luncheon

Honoring First Lady Jacquie Blum

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