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# From the Potentate



**Illustrious Sir  
Hilary A. Kaufman**  
Potentate 2026

Thank you for the honor of electing me to serve as your Potentate for 2026. I am deeply grateful for your confidence. A successful leader is, above all, a servant to those he leads, and I embrace that responsibility wholeheartedly. My focus is on you—the Nobility of LuLu—and I will do everything in my power to meet and exceed your expectations.

Communication is essential. I ask each of you to share with me what you want from your Temple. These are not empty words. I encourage you not only to belong to LuLu, but to help shape its future. Together, we can create enjoyable activities for our families, strengthen our bonds of camaraderie, and advance our sacred mission of supporting Shriners Children.

The heart of LuLu Shriners is our clubs and units. If they thrive, LuLu thrives. In 2026, I will place strong emphasis on participation by our Nobles, our Ladies, and our families. I believe in the power of cross-pollination: when a plant grows in isolation, its potential is limited, but when it cross-pollinates, it becomes stronger, more vibrant, and more beautiful. I will actively encourage our clubs and units to

collaborate, join in each other’s activities, and build lasting connections. This will create energy, excitement, and growth across our entire Temple.

The year 2026 is truly remarkable. Our nation celebrates the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America, and we, as Shriners, commemorate the 100th Anniversary of our beloved Shriners Children’s Hospital–Philadelphia. Both milestones speak deeply to our values. As Masons, we love our country and are devoted to God. In recognition of this historic year, I have chosen a fitting motto: **“God Bless America.”** My logo, the Liberty Bell, honors both our hometown of Philadelphia and the enduring symbol of liberty during this momentous anniversary.

My Lady, Andrea, and I have always worked as a team in both our family and business lives, and we will continue that partnership at LuLu. She looks forward to encouraging our Ladies to take an active role in our activities. Their presence brings elegance, energy, and joy to all that we do.

We are all partners in LuLu. I use that word deliberately. Each of us has invested time, effort, and care in our Temple. Let us continue working together to achieve our shared goals: meaningful activities, strong camaraderie, support for Shriners Children, and steady, sustained growth for LuLu Shriners.

My leadership style is simple: to support, encourage, listen, and offer positive guidance—not to dictate.

I am honored to serve you. Together, let us make 2026 a year of pride, purpose, and celebration.

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# News From the Motor Unit

*By: Carl Levin*

I am proud to report that our Motor Unit is alive, active and well though as with most of the units and clubs our membership is declining due to the Black Camel, members relocating and unfortunately lack of interest by a large percentage of the younger members in joining anything other than becoming a Shriner. This past year our Motor Unit has participated in many parades, gone to many car shows and motorcycle shows and dealer open houses and attended our meetings that are held on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM in our Motor Unit room. We always have fun at our meetings and also get things accomplished.

We have run a Superbowl party for the last ten years and will once again be doing it on the second Sunday of February 2026 in The Merrimac Room. As usual, there will be plenty of food and drink for everybody who attends. Pre-registration is required as this is a Motor Unit Event and not a Shrine Event. Tickets are \$30 per person and even wives and guests are welcome to attend. This is not only for Masons and Shriners.

For Tickets contact: Carl Levin [uturncarl@aol.com](mailto:uturncarl@aol.com) or call 215-9131691.

If you are interested in or own a car or motorcycle, we will welcome you to join the Motor Unit.



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# Recorder's Ramblings

By: Ill. Sir Gary Davis, P.P.



First, I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and started this new year healthy and happy. Secondly, I would like to thank all of you for your trust and continued support by electing me to another term as Recorder. And thirdly, my congratulations to all those men who were elected to positions of

leadership in our Temple, especially our new Potentate, Illustrious Sir Hilary A. Kaufman who will bring new positive excitement to Shrine. Working together we can keep LuLu moving in a friendlier direction.

I have spoken before on the four (4) sources of revenue every Temple depends on. They are dues, fundraising events, outside rentals, and investment income. We are dependent on all four (4) of them and each is important. In 2025 our revenues fell because of lower rentals, less funding produced by fundraising efforts, and fewer dues paying members. Add inflation to our expenses and ouch. However, we were able to have a financially sound year in spite of the income shortage. Moving forward to this year and the budget, we have faced some challenges. Even with increased rentals we had a funding shortfall.

By now you have heard that we have asked our Nobility for a voluntary financial assessment of seventy-five dollars (\$75) per member in 2026. The assessment amount is entirely voluntary but we are hopeful that most of our Nobility will choose to participate. This idea was last tried in 2019 with a positive result. The amount you choose to contribute should reflect your personal circumstances. For your privacy, the amount you provide will remain confidential. There are two primary reasons for this request. First, declining membership has significantly reduced our dues revenue. In 2017, approximately 1,100 members paying \$100 generated \$110,000. Today, with 600 regular members, dues total \$60,000—a \$50,000 decrease from 2017. Secondly, inflation has substantially increased the cost of the goods and

services we rely on, including utilities, insurance, and maintenance. Since 2017, U.S. consumer prices have risen 30.7 percent yet Temple dues have not changed. Finally, a balanced budget was presented and approved depending on \$35,000 from this voluntary assessment.

There are some that may feel we have spent a lot of money on the building, not the membership. I would say that we invested in our building, our future, and our membership. The digital sign installation, the driveway tree lighting and the asphalt replacement were all approved capital items. What I would point out is that these capital improvements were not made using general operating funds. They were provided in large part with a bequest made by the Knauth estate for that purpose and supplemented with approved funds from our Trustees. We should all be proud of the upgrades and even prouder to be a LuLu Shriner.

In 2026, your Divan will review our dues amount to ensure future budgets remain balanced into the future and keep you fully informed on what is proposed. There are some fun and interesting events planned for the whole family. Please try to attend when you can and take advantage of what Shrine has to offer.

In the meantime, if you happen to be at the Shrine on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, stop by the office and say hello.

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# Hospital Rounds

*By: Ill. Sir Edward D. Blum, Board of Governors Associate Member*

Well, I can't believe it is 2026 already. 2025 went too fast. So Happy new year Illustrious Sir, Illustrious Sirs, Nobles, Ladies and friends. Let's just hope that 2026 is just as productive and successful as 2025 has been.

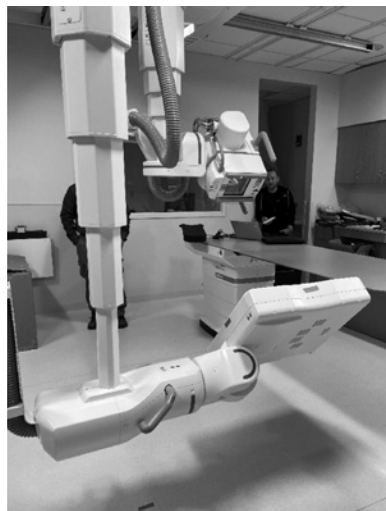
The last few months of 2025 have been very productive and exciting at the hospital. This past November the medical team provided another successful clinic in Porto Rico. The numbers far exceeded any expectations the staff may have had. The total number of appointments was 878 of which they had 384 patients, 68 new patients, 148 POPS patients, 74 research samples, 168 Physical Therapy visits, 49 Occupational Therapy visits and for the first time 27 Speech Therapy visits. All of these appointments took place over the course of one long three-day weekend.

While all that work was taking place outside our facility, some exciting work was taking place on the fourth floor. The radiology department has been undergoing some significant changes. The room has been expanded to accommodate our new Siemens radiology machine which is a replacement for the EOS machine. EOS has become outdated and we can no longer get technical support for that equipment. The new equipment installation is complete with the exception of the final testing and inspections. By the time this article is published the new machine will be up and running.



At the November 2025 Board meeting, LuLu Shriners presented the annual golf Outing check to the Hospital in the amount of \$72,000. Congratulations to Dave Caddick and all the people on his team who made this a successful, profitable, and fun event for our Hospital and all of our children.

The 2025 Hospital Board Holiday Party took place at the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania at One North Broad Street, and it was a fabulous event for all the board members, Hospital staff and their significant others. The Grand Loge building is a beautiful and impressive place for any group to hold a festive event.



In addition to the new radiology equipment being installed, the garage has been cleaned up and the lines have been painted so that our van drivers can more easily park the vans in the lower-level garage. Also, the new signage on the outside of the building has been completed. The Shriners Crescent that was on the Broad Street atrium window has been replaced with the Modern version of the Silent Messenger we have all seen. There is also a similar sign installed on the garage stair tower at the corner of Broad and Venango Streets. This sign is back lit so it is visible at night as well as during the day.



# LuLu Klownz

*By Harry Snyder (Chugg), King Klown*

It was a busy fall for LuLu Klownz. We visited patients at Shriner Children's Philadelphia monthly to entertain them, supported fund raisers for Shriner Children's Philadelphia Hospital, made balloons for children at several community events, and participated with our Shrine in several community parades.

LuLu Klownz were welcomed back to entertain patients at the Shriners Children's Philadelphia Hospital this summer on a mid-week day once per month. We visit the clinic first and then go to another floor where patients are brought to us. This interaction with patients brings smiles and some laughter as our clowns do magic and talk with them. It is a nice break for the patients and gives our clowns great satisfaction in giving the children a break from the medical care received under our Shrine philanthropy.

Our fall started by parading at the Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association parade. At the end of September, our clowns were at a charity music festival (Yachtstock River Jam) which featured over twenty bands with proceeds supporting "Shriners Hospitals for Children and local families". Two days later, we were on the golf course clowning around with golfers with the proceeds of that event going to Shriner Children's Philadelphia.


Our unit did "tons" of balloons for children at three community festivals. It was a great way to introduce the public to LuLu Shriner Klownz, but we were so busy making balloon figures that other entertainment

and discussions were limited. Although our clowns were tired from working hard, they still had a good time as the children were thankful for the balloons and seeing us there.

LuLu Klownz participated in five local community parades with other LuLu Shrine units and clubs during the fall season. It is always fun to wave to those watching the parade and especially to see the children light up and point at us when they see the clowns.

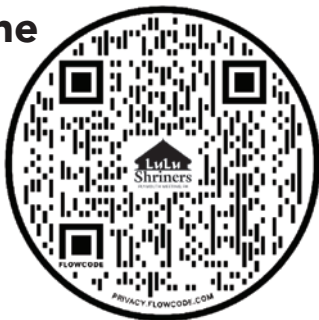
The year ended with support to our LuLu Shrine Festival of Trees over a weekend in November. We did balloons there for children as the Festival drew a big crowd to look at all the trees on display with an opportunity to win one through drawings.

Keep on getting smiles and entertaining others, not just the little kids but the big ones as well.

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# Yacht Club

*By: Noble Dr. Harris Brody, Commodore*

The boating season is over, but there are still many things we need to do to prepare for the next season. Care to boat motors are a top priority. They need to be winterized. I personally winterize my own motor. The motor should be flush with at least fresh water. Since I use my boat in salt water I use the product salt-out to help remove salt remaining in the motor. Some may use anti-freeze as an additional flush. I changed the oil and replaced the lower unit gear oil. I use an impact screwdriver to help remove the lower gear screws. The lower gear washers should be replaced before putting them back in. Remember to grease your engine, and your trailer.

It is important if you have an outboard motor when you store your boat to keep it in a vertical position. This helps to drain any remaining water in the motor otherwise the water can freeze and damage the motor. I do not leave my battery in the boat during the winter. I take them out and store them in my house. I do not put them on a trickle charge, but every month I give it a full charge. This is a better way to preserve its life.

Covering your boat in the winter can help protect it. Some boaters have their boat shrink-wrap, but the boat still needs to breathe under the cover. Shrink-wrap is idea, but it can be expensive. After going through many cloth boat covers due to weather damage, I now just cover the console. When your boat is stored on dry land it is important to have the bow raised to help drain the water out of the boat. Remember to remove the drain plug and remember to put it back in when



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it goes back into the water. I wash off my motor and trailer with fresh water. This is especially important if your boat was in salt water or stored around salt air from the ocean.

This is a time when I do repairs and update my boat. One of my boat guide pads fell off my boat when I took it out of the water. So, I cut a new piece of wood and covered it with an old rug and installed it. Check your guidepost to make sure they are not loose. It is the time to wash your boat to get off all the debris and barnacles. Some boaters wait until they are ready to put it back in. If you wait, the debris and barnacles can build up, and it can be harder to remove. Check your tire pressure and check again before you put it back in the water. When I am ready to put my boat back in the water in the Spring, I flush the motor with water to make sure it starts. You do not want to get to the boat ramp, and your motor does not start.

If you own property on the waterfront and have a walking or floating dock check to see if you need to make any repairs. I had to repair one-third of my walking dock. I had six pilings that became so thin that I needed to replace them. I just got it done before the hurricane and windy season. My pilings were so bad that the extreme winds could have collapsed my walking dock. The winds, wakes and the tides had thinned out my pilings.

If you have boating interest, feel free to attend our meetings. Members of our yacht club have CBYCA privileges on the Chesapeake, which includes docking and restaurant discounts. Each month at our business we do an educational program on boating. You will learn many things, some old and new to help become a better, and safer boater.



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# Legion of Honor

By: Gary M. Portnoy, PC

## 2025 Arlington National Cemetery "Tomb Trip"

2 November 2025



The 2025 LOH Arlington National Cemetery Tomb Trip was very successful. We had almost a full bus load of participants. After the Change of Guard and Wreath Laying Ceremony, we proceeded to the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial and the WWII Memorial. Dinner was at Mission BBQ at their

location in Ellicott City, MD which is on our way home.

Thanks to all who participated but especially Greg Haas, PC breakfast and lunch from Wawa, Rick Rodgers, PC wreath donation, Tony Carroll Bus Captain and Al Serota Photographer.



Dominic Pergolino and III Mike Feldsher, Potentate CMDR Lay the Wreath.



## Upcoming Events

- LuLu Business meeting  
7 January 2026
- Club & Unit Installation  
10 January 2026
- Legion of Honor  
Change of Command  
11 January 2026  
1400 hours (2 PM)
- Masonic Breakfast  
24 January 2026



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# LuLu Shriners

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| Sun | Royal Naval Dockyard, Bermuda | -        | 3:00 PM  |
| Mon | Relaxing day at sea           | -        | -        |
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# The Masonic Conundrum: David vs Goliath

By: Dennis Gold

I have witnessed several issues over the last year like David vs Goliath. So, I ask, where are the Masonic Core Values such as:

**Brotherly Love • Charity • Tolerance • Respect  
Personal Growth • Forgiveness • Truth**

I believe that you could add to this listing as it is incomplete.

The point of this article is that I have witnessed our nobles not being kind, arguing strongly with each other, others showing their title (power to get what they want), keeping members out of a club, and clubs not cooperating as they should.

I have seen members giving other members a very hard time. I have seen the lack of communication, lack of organization, lack of cooperation, and other issues during the past year.

While I am only sharing what I have experienced, it

is not how our fraternity or any organization is supposed to operate.

We are a Fraternity that needs to get along much better. We need to respect each other and the values of the Fraternity. While I know that this article will not change everything, maybe it will help some to see what is happening and that might affect change for the betterment of the Fraternity.

LuLu means “Pearl”. A pearl is a precious item. Our Fraternity is precious and should be nurtured and cared for. Animosity and other disruptions of personalities, etc. should not be tolerated. It does not help the health of this Fraternity.

I used the concept of David vs Goliath because some clubs or units have more power or funds than others. Some members have a larger group of friends than others. Some nobles do more than others and therefore, might be allowed more options than others. Please, just think about how you can help and not be part of the issues.



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All participants with their harvest.



**Fishing** – was also on the agenda. Brook trout and bass were the catch of the day.

Chas Pierro with nice Small Mouth Bass.



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# Fundraising Activities

Strict attention must be given to all fundraising activities, including but not limited to circuses, gaming, bingo and raffles, to make certain that such activities are authorized and comply with the law of the land. In addition, because it is natural to associate the fez with Shriners Children's it is essential that a contributor is not led to believe that his money will be used for the Hospitals when all or a portion thereof will be used otherwise. Advertising for all fundraisers must clearly indicate the entity for whom the funds are being raised. The integrity of our charity and of our fraternity must remain above reproach.

Your specific attention is called to the following fraternal and charitable bylaws:

**§335.3 Use of Name "Shriners Children's."** The use of the name "Shriners Children's" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any fundraising activity by a temple or Noble without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate and the chairman of the board of trustees of the Hospitals is prohibited.

**§503.11 Commercial Use of Name.** The use of the name "Shriners Children's" or reference to the hospitals in connection with any commercial product or business enterprise is prohibited unless the written consent of the boards of directors and trustees has been first obtained.

**Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

## 1. Fundraising for Fraternal Purposes:

- (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations, shall engage in any fundraising activity without the express written consent of the Potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof.
- (b) There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Children's.
- (c) The temple Potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with §335.3 and §503.11 of the fraternal and charitable bylaws and that there is no representation, expressed or implied, that would lead a reasonably prudent person to believe that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Children's. If the Potentate is in doubt, he must receive the opinion of the Imperial Potentate who, after consultation with the Director of Temple Accounting, shall make the final determination.
- (d) The temple Potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fundraising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and,

additionally, as may be required by the temple bylaws.

- (e) A copy of the temple Potentate's written consent shall be emailed to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International at [officeoftheexecutive@shrinenet.org](mailto:officeoftheexecutive@shrinenet.org). Further, such written material pertaining to the fundraising activity, as requested by the Executive Vice President, Shriners International, shall be promptly mailed to him.

## 2. Fundraising for Charitable Purposes:

- (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fundraising activity other than for Shriners Children's. A request to fundraise for Shriners Children's is now initiated through a module in WebFez. The temple recorder and/or designated staff are required to take online training to gain access to the module. See updated Charitable Fundraising - Approval and Reporting on page 44 of this publication. Permission therefor must be first obtained in writing or via electronic authorization from the temple Potentate. The temple Potentate must then obtain written permission from the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to [events@shrinenet.org](mailto:events@shrinenet.org). *No charitable fundraising activity shall be held in the jurisdiction of another temple without the written permission of the Potentate of that temple.*
  - (i) A joint charitable fundraising activity with another 501(c)(3) charity may be authorized, provided that a minimum of 50% of the net proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Children's, and the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Children's and they grant their written permission for the activity.
  - (ii) A charitable fundraising activity conducted by a temple located outside of the U.S.A. and Canada may be authorized for other charities, provided that the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine, on a case-by-case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Children's and they grant their written permission for the activity.
  - (iii) No charitable funds from a charitable fundraising event may be distributed to charities other than Shriners Children's if the written fundraising request and written permission do not specifically include that other charity.
- (b) All Shrine temples and their units, Shrine clubs, Shrine Associations and their units and Imperial Sessions of Shriners International are prohibited from engaging

telemarketing firms and direct mail firms to assist with fundraising or Shriners Children's. No new contracts are permitted without first obtaining written permission from the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees.

- (c) 100% of net proceeds (as defined in the Charitable Fundraising-Approval And Reporting provisions of this General Order) from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Children's except for such portion thereof as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund, pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of any General Order. Provided, however, if the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine for good cause shown, that the law of the land requires that a portion of the net proceeds must be distributed locally, then they may, if they determine it to be in the best interest of Shriners Children's, grant their written permission for such distribution. The remaining net proceeds from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Children's and may not be designated or restricted in any way other than for research at one or all of our hospitals.
- (d) The temple shall report the result of each charitable fundraising activity within sixty days of the activity, pursuant to the *Charitable Fundraising—Approval And Reporting* provisions of any General Order.
- (e) This section shall not apply to activities exempt under §335.4(b) of the bylaws of Shriners International.
- (f) Each independent corporation or entity that receives the permission of the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees to raise moneys for Shriners Children's, and which does not have its financial statements reviewed pursuant to §§334.6 and 337.8 of the bylaws of Shriners International, shall have its financial statements audited by a certified, chartered or licensed public accountant and shall submit such audit report to Shriners International within 120 days of the activity.

### 3. Statement of Purpose and Disclosure:

- (a) Every fundraising activity must contain factual information on its solicitation material, tickets, programs and documents, including all electronically transmitted material, regarding the use of the proceeds. Examples: "Proceeds are for the benefit of (Shriners) (Shrine club) activities." "Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Children's."
- (b) Every fundraising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Children's shall prominently state on all solicitation material, including tickets, programs, documents and electronically transmitted

material, that "payments are not deductible as charitable contributions."

- (c) There must be compliance with the Revenue Act of 1987 provision of any general order by U.S. temples.

- 4. **Compliance with Applicable Laws:** It is the responsibility of the temple Potentate, after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, to determine that there is compliance with all applicable laws in its jurisdiction for the temple's fundraising activities.

### 5. Financial Records

- (a) The temple shall maintain detailed financial records pertaining to all fundraising activities involving Nobles, clubs, units, organizations of Nobles and affiliated and appendant corporations. Details of all revenues and expenditures shall be maintained in such financial records.
- (b) The temple must retain such detailed financial records for a period of seven (7) years.
- (c) There must be compliance with *Financial Reporting on Charitable Funds* and Activities provision of any General Order.

- 6. **Notification to Nobility:** A copy of the *Fundraising Activities* provisions of this General Order shall be printed in the temple publication at least once every calendar year. If there is no temple publication, then a copy shall be sent to each Noble in the temple not later than the last day in March of each calendar year.

- 7. **Prior Permission:** Every Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, temple, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations is prohibited from entering into any telemarketing agreement or contract to raise money for the benefit of Shriners Children's without first obtaining written permission from the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the Chief Philanthropy Officer, Shriners Children's, at [events@shrinenet.org](mailto:events@shrinenet.org).

- 8. **Discipline:** Any officer, Noble or temple which violates a provision of *Fundraising Activities* is subject to discipline pursuant to the bylaws of Shriners International.

- 9. **Shriners International Education Foundation:** Notwithstanding the previous provisions of FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES stated above, Nobles may contribute, encourage other Nobles to contribute and engage in charitable fundraising activities directly to Nobles and their families for the benefit of the Shriners International Education Foundation.



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