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INDIA SHRINERS RODEO May 8 and 9 2026

Friday

Doors open at 6pm
Rodeo at 7pm

General Admission \$25
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Concert Not Included

Saturday

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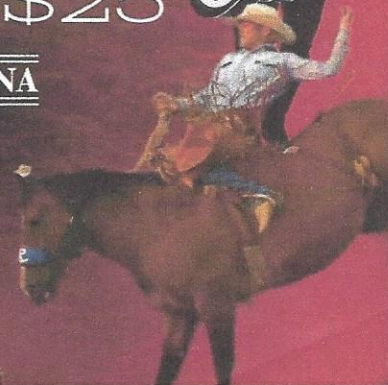
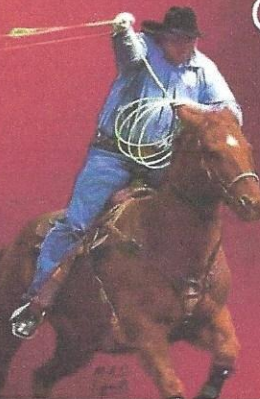


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Recorders Remarks

By Gene McKelvey

Nobles we are down to the wire! We have a lot going on and we need all hands on deck!

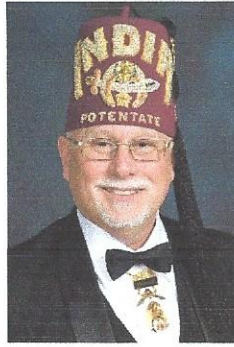
As you are reading this, our Vidalia Onions should be either already here or arriving any day, so plan on getting them picked up and sold!

Next up is our most important Fund Raiser of the Year, that being of course, the 1st Annual India Shrine Rodeo! The impression made this year may well set the tone for the future success of this all to important event. Please make every effort to be in attendance!

Next on the agenda is our Annual Sportsmans Event or as we refer to it, the Gun Raffle. We had a mistake in some of our previous ads that showed that the event was to be held on August 8th, however the correct date in August 1st. It will again be held at the Champion Convention Center located at I-40 & Meridian. We have found that in Oklahoma, Gun Raffle Tickets will almost sell themselves, so spread the word and let's have another big success!

Nobles at the end of the Summer, we will of course be heading to CSSA. This year it is being held in Davenport, Iowa. Davenport is a pretty fair drive, but please consider going. This will be the first time that Kaaba has ever hosted it in Davenport and they are working hard to show us a great time!

That's enough Ink for this Ink!



Potentates Message

As we move into May, the pace of 2026 continues to pick up, and the momentum across India Shriners is strong. The energy, involvement, and fellowship we have seen so far this year are exactly what it means to "Get in the Mix in '26," and it is making a difference.

Congratulations to our new Ladies Oriental Shrine High Priestess, Julie Deason, and Daughters of the Nile Queen, Becky Ray. The Ladies do so much to support our mission, and we cannot thank them enough for their dedication and service.

The India Shrine Rodeo and Concert is now upon us. May 8th and 9th. We will move in on May 7th. The concert, featuring Jordan Rainer and Kyle Rainer (no relation), will be a great addition to an already exciting weekend on Saturday night. I encourage every Noble to continue selling, promoting, and spreading the word. This is our opportunity to showcase India Shriners to the community, and the work we put in now will determine its success. Let's finish strong and make this event something to be proud of.

May is full of activity, with many opportunities to stay engaged and involved. We begin the month with our stated meeting on May 1st. On May 2nd, India Shriners will participate in the Prague Kolache Festival Parade, followed by an Oasis cookout in the parking lot.

On May 16th, we will take part in the Armed Forces Day Parade in Del City. Del City Masonic Lodge No. 536 will host a breakfast fundraiser beginning at 7:00 AM prior to the parade. Following the parade, we will gather at the Shrine Center for lunch. Our Spring Ceremonial and Unit Fair will follow, with the Ceremonial beginning after lunch and a reception for our new Nobles after Fezzing. We will close out the month by honoring Memorial Day on May 25th.

Looking ahead into June, preparations are underway for the Potentate's Ball. On June 6th, Potentate's Hospitality will be held from 12:00 to 3:00 PM at the Embassy Suites on Northwest Expressway. We will then move to the Temple for toasting from 5:30 to 6:00 PM, followed by the India Potentate's Ball from 6:30 to 11:30 PM. The theme is "Margaritaville," with slacks and a Key West-style shirt as the dress code.

We will also participate in the Woodward Rodeo Parade on June 13th. In addition, several members of the Divan will represent India Shriners at the South Central Shrine Association in Monroe, Louisiana, May 27th through the 30th.

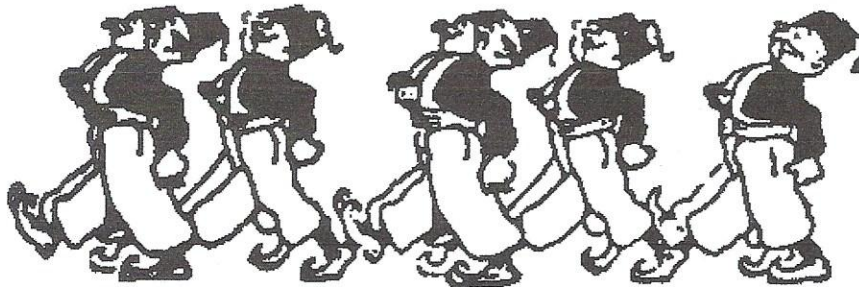
As always, I encourage every Noble to stay active, support our events, and continue promoting the Shrine in your Lodges and communities. "Take Charge and Move Out for Kids" is more than a motto—it is what drives us forward.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Together, we will continue building a strong and active India Shriners throughout 2026. And remember to "Get in the Mix in '26"—the Nobility is what drives this Temple forward.

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| Membership as of | |
| January 1, 2026 | 1250 |
| Current Year to Date | |
| Deceased | 14 |
| Demitted | 1 |
| Suspensions | 0 |
| Associates | 0 |
| TOTAL LOSS | 15 |

Yours Fraternally,
 Michael Driskill
 Potentate 2026



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| Created | 0 |
| Affiliated | 2 |
| Restored | 5 |
| Associate | 0 |
| TOTAL GAIN | 7 |
| NET LOSS | 8 |

2026 PARADE SCHEDULE

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| May 2 | Kolache Parade | Prague | Temple Sponsored |
| June 13 | Rodeo Parade | Woodward | Temple Sponsored |
| June 20 | Blackberry Parade | McLoud | Temple Sponsored |
| July 4 | Independence Day Parade | Edmond | Temple Sponsored |
| Oct 10 | Cheese Festival Parade | Watonga | Temple Sponsored |
| Dec 11 | Christmas Parade | Shawnee | Voluntary |

Attention All Scribes

Deadline for the June issue of India Ink is May 20th.

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| Membership as of | |
| May 1, 2026 | 1242 |

Articles may be sent to Indiashriners@gmail.com, Word Format.

1 Page, Type Written. Articles exceeding one page will be edited.

In Memoriam

The deepest sympathy of the Illustrious Potentate, Divan and Nobles of the India Shrine is extended to the family and friends.

These We Do Not Forget

- Robert P Leahy
- Carl Thomas Perry
- Joseph Edgar Ward

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that the scheduled Stated Session of India Shriners will be held at the time and place shown below for the transaction of such business as may come before the Temple.

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| Attest: Gene McKelvey Recorder | Michael C. Driskill Potentate |
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Friday, May 1, 2026 7:30 P.M.
India Shrine Center – 3601 N.W. 36th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dinner at 6:30 pm in the downstairs dining room and the Ladies are welcome to join their Nobles. Ladies Wine & Cheese to begin in the downstairs dining room at 7:30 PM.



FIRST LADY'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies of India!

While the weather was a little chilly, we had an awesome showing at the Guthrie 89ner Parade. We appreciate all those who showed up to represent and promote our great organization!

Thank you to the Bronco and Okie Dokie Ladies for hosting the May Stated Session. I appreciate your support! It was great to see all those who attended.

I would like to give a shout out and a big thank you to Ben and Linda Steen for creating a poem to promote my Ladies project of the Ladies Lounge Refresh! Many of you saw it at the May stated session – for a suggested \$20 donation. There will be other opportunities if you missed it 😊.

The Misfits are also supporting my project with a Young Living Essential Oil sale through the end of May. Please let me know if you would like an order form or a link to order on line.

We've got a busy and exciting stretch of events coming up, and we'd love to see you at as many as you can attend. Here's what's happening:

May 2 kicks things off with the *Prague Kolache Festival Parade*, followed by the *Parade Oasis* where everyone can enjoy food and drinks right in the assembly area.

From **May 7–10**, we'll be supporting the *India Rodeo and Concert* with setup and event participation.

May 16 is a big day with the *Del City Armed Forces Day Parade*, our *Ladies Luncheon* (details coming soon), and a *Ceremonial* later in the day (times to be announced).

As we move into June, we hope to see you all at the *Pote's Ball* on June 6th...It's 5:00 somewhere 🍷 and the *Woodward Rodeo and Parade* on **June 12–13**.

Get in the Mix in '26!

Jennifer Driskill

India Shrine Hospital Transportation Activity for March 2026

The Nobles listed below have worked in providing transportation for our young patients and their parents to the Shreveport, Galveston and St Louis hospitals. They have worked as Drivers, performed maintenance, assisted in the office or as Area Coordinators.

Thank you all for the help. You are to be commended.

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| Number of van trips for month | 3 | Number of drivers for month | 3 |
| Number of van trips for year | 13 | Number of drivers for year | 14 |
| Number of patients for month | 2 | Van miles for month | 2,857 |
| Number of patients for year | 13 | Van miles for year | 11,076 |

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| <u>Driver</u> | <u>Trips</u> | <u>Driver</u> | <u>Trips</u> | <u>Driver</u> | <u>Trips</u> |
| James Cramer | 1 | Chris Crowder | 1 | Victor Martin | 1 |

Lawton Drivers

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| Hubert Sims | 0 | | | | |

Van Maintenance

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| <u>Days</u> | <u>Area Coordinators</u> | |
| Richard Overton | John Carter | Ardmore |
| Bill Deeds | Hubert Sims | Lawton |
| Elvis Shrum | | |
| Bill Wise | 3 | |

| <u>Van</u> | <u>Trips</u> | <u>Month Miles</u> | <u>Total Miles</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 1 | 1 | 810 | 35,587 | 2024 Honda Odyssey – Gas |
| 2 | 1 | 1,048 | 63,820 | 2022 Honda Odyssey – Gas |
| 3 | 0 | 0 | 63,043 | 2022 Honda Odyssey – Gas |
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 4,910 | 2026 Chrysler Pacifica |
| 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Retired |
| 6 | 1 | 999 | 17,790 | 2019 Chevy Express |
| 7 | 0 | 0 | 22,629 | 2017 F350 Ford – Handicap |
| 8 | 0 | 0 | 91,293 | 2019 Honda Odyssey – Gas |
| 9 | 0 | 0 | 104,109 | 2010 F350 Ford – Gas |

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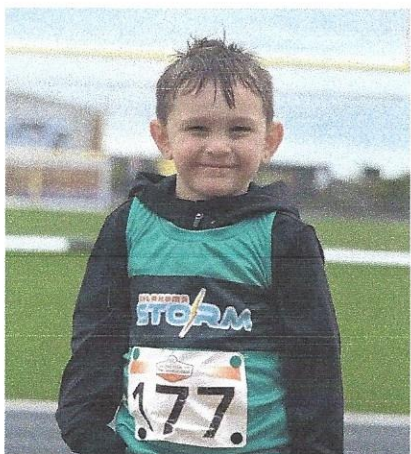
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| Airline flights for month | 4 | Patients for month | 2 |
| Airline flights for year | 11 | Patients for year | 5 |

Airline Flights: Free tickets courtesy of Southwest Airlines

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| Airline flights for month | 0 | Patients for month | 0 |
| Airline flights for year | 0 | Patients for year | 0 |

POV (personal owned vehicle) Patients: Trips paid for by India Shrine

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| Travel expenses for month | 1 | Hotels for Month | 3 |
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Nobles and Ladies. Please allow me to introduce you to Jaxon Laird. Jaxon is a patient at the Philadelphia Shriners Hospital and we are helping them with transportation. Recently, he has started participating in World Para Athletics in Track and Field. We are assisting with transportation for this also. On Saturday, April 4th, he participated in the Lone Star Invitational meet in Fort Worth, Tx. He participated in several events, including running, long jump, javelin throw, discus throw and shot put where he brought home a total of 5 silver and 1 gold medal. He will be participating in several more meets over the next few months leading up to the Endeavor Games in Edmond on June 12th and 13th.



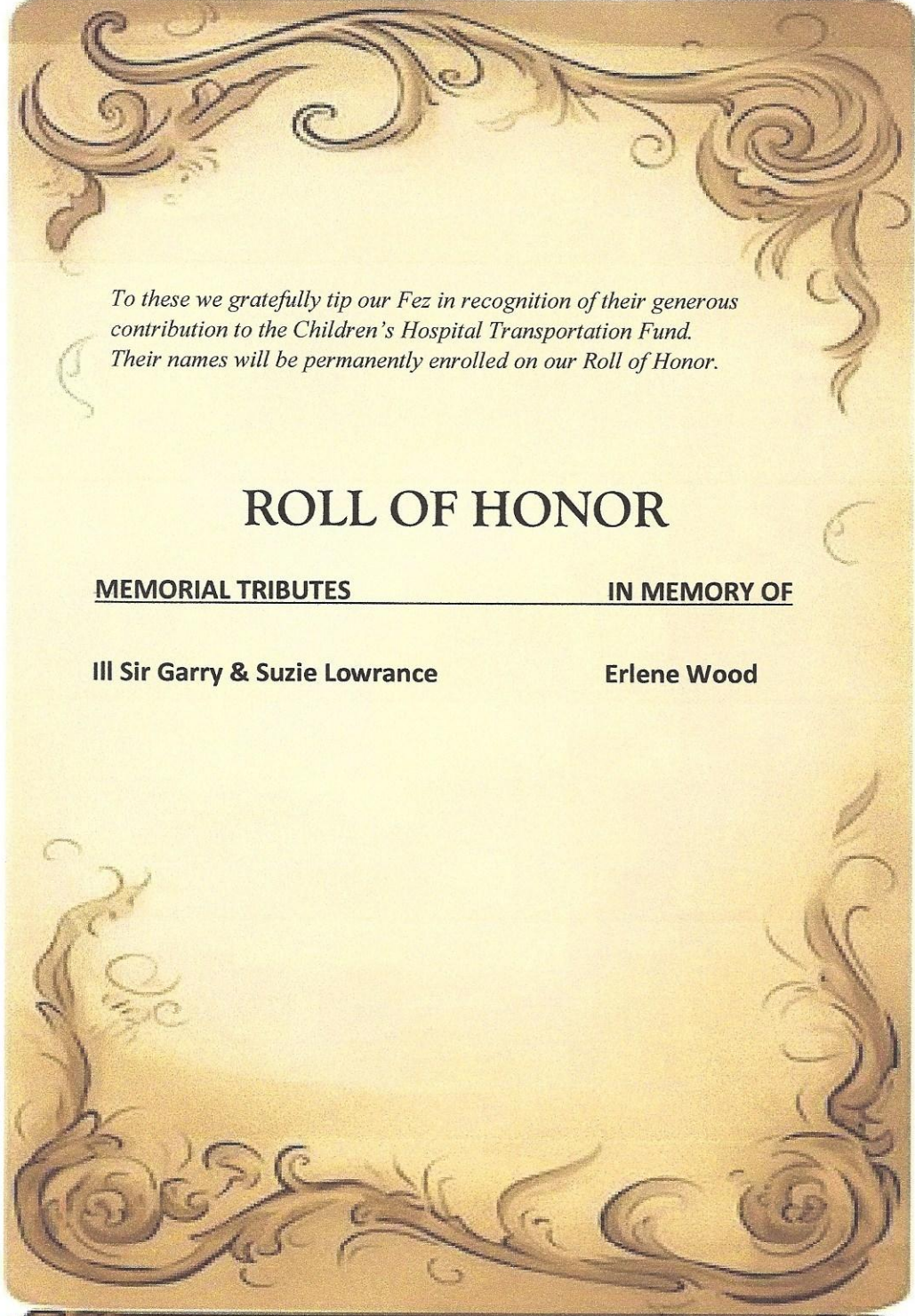
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Richard Brian Berryhill
Philip Vincent Whiting
Michael Eric Vanpool
Jimmy Clark Earp
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Dustin Kale Houck
Curtis Hewes Milford
Jon Philip Maddern
James Douglas Teigen
Spencer Don Leddy
Bradley David Scroggins
Joshua Alexander Logan
James C Inskeep
Clyde M Vallion
Joe E McGraw
Zachary Mark Buchholz
Stephen E Hardesty
Martin Andrew Reynolds
Ronald S "Steve" Fulkerson
Michael David Davenport
Christopher L. McKenzie
Kenneth Daniel Liles
Bobby Mack Word Jr
Jarod Dewayne Willis
Stephen Sherman Brooks
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James Mosley
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David Dee Shore
Jeffrey S Smith
Donald Glen Jones
Cordell Calvin Brown

Kent Lyle Brock
Jefferson D Fluker
Eldon Larry Burns Jr
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Larry Wayne Love

Marvin D Thornton
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To these we gratefully tip our Fez in recognition of their generous contribution to the Children's Hospital Transportation Fund. Their names will be permanently enrolled on our Roll of Honor.

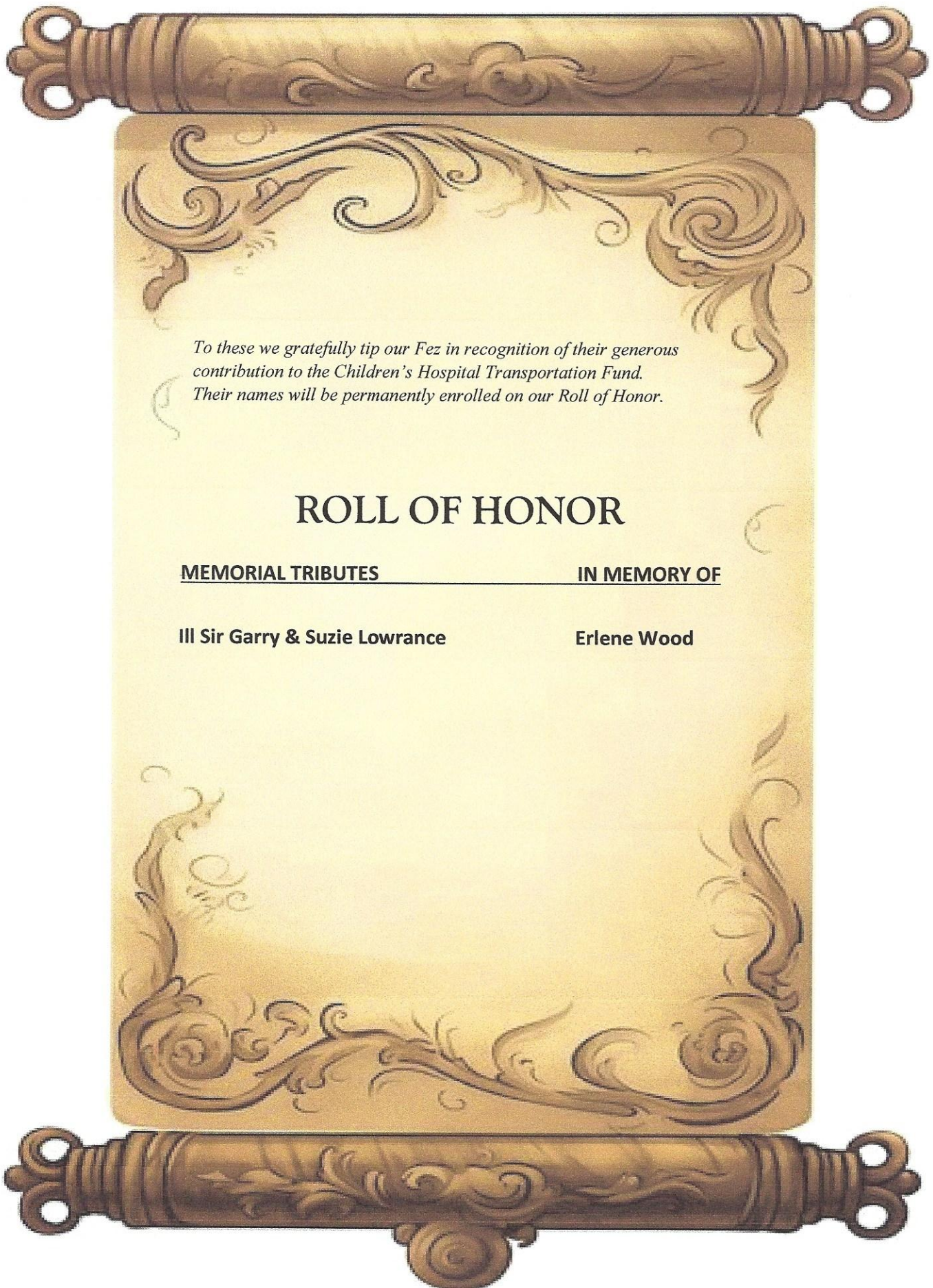
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DUNE BUGGY'S

By Field Reporter Jeff Aynes

Hello Nobles and Ladies. April showers will bring May flowers and we will see with the up and down weather we have had in Oklahoma in April. I hope that everyone had a great Easter and time with your families.

April was busy with the Guthrie and McAlister Scottish Rite Reunions. Didn't get to go to the reunions this time but sure that it was a great success. We also saw the Annual Guthrie 89ers Day Parade. It is always a great turnout and a great time for all in attendance. Also, we get to see the start of the NBA Championship Race. As of this writing, the Thunder are now up 2-0 against Phoenix as of the late game last night. It would be great to see a repeat and would love to see OKC get the true recognition it deserves.

May is here and it will truly kick start the summer. May gets busy really quickly. We have a lot going on with the Kolache Festival Parade on May 1st, the 1st Annual Shrine Rodeo at the Lazy E Arena in Guthrie on May 8th and 9th, Mother's Day – we NEED to honor those Mothers and thank them for everything they do for the families. It has been a rough road for my daughter and going to be glad to celebrate her 1st Mother's Day with our 1st Grandson this year. A highlight each May is the Del City Shriner's Armed Forces Day Parade and Spring Ceremonial. I hope you are able to come out and support your units and our fraternity.

The last thing in May is a BIG ONE. I have joined several of my partners in presenting the India Shrine Health Fair on Friday, May 29th at the Shrine Center. This event is open to the entire Masonic Family and there will be some really important information to go over so please come and learn about Healthcare and what you can do for your families. There will be snacks, giveaways, and door prizes on top of the amazing resources available that day. The health fair will run approximately from 9am to 12pm at the Shrine Center. Make sure you spread the word.

Remember, if you are a new Noble, new to India or looking to get involved with a great group of folks, check the Dune Buggy Unit out. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Black Bear Diner in Moore, OK around 6pm. The food is great, the prices are nice, and the fellowship is AMAZING. For more information, reach out to our Captain Bob Jones. He can be reached at 405-229-4579 if you have questions about this great Unit. Remember, Celebrate those Moms in your life!!! Oh yeah, ALMOST Forgot – Thunder up – GO OKC THUNDER!

Legion of Honor
Buddy Givens, Adjutant

In multiple jurisdictions of Freemasonry, part of the charge to an incoming Worshipful Master includes the following: "You agree to be a peaceable citizen, and cheerfully to conform to the laws of the country in which you reside. You promise not to be concerned in plots and conspiracies against government, but patiently to submit to the decisions of the supreme legislature. You agree to pay a proper respect to the civil magistrate, to work diligently, live creditably, and act honorably by all men." As veterans, Legion of Honor members are well aware of these admonitions which have been amplified by our years of military service.

April activities for us included participating in the 89ers Day Parade in Guthrie. During May, we will present the colors at the stated session, participate in the First Annual Rodeo, and participate in the parade in Prague and the Armed Forces Day Parade in Del City. We will have a new International Commander in May as Geoffrey Lyster takes the reins from current Commander Wayne Steele at the annual convention of the International Legions of Honor in Lexington, Kentucky. Our own Doug Tayrien will be the 1st Lt. Commander and Buddy Givens will continue to serve as Finance Officer.

May is a significant month for military veterans. Armed Forces Day, May 16, is a single-day celebration for all branches of the United States military, first celebrated in 1949. By contrast, Memorial Day is a solemn day of remembrance of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in defense of the nation, or as Lincoln said, having given "the last full measure of devotion." First observed in 1865 as Decoration Day with the placement of flowers on the graves of Civil War veterans, the observance date was later moved to May 30th and included American graves from World War I and World War II, and became better known as Memorial Day, now observed on the last Monday of May.

If you are a veteran and are not a member of a unit, please consider joining us as a regular member. We are also happy to welcome associate members who belong to other units for just a \$5.00 contribution. Feel free to contact me for further information at 214-425-3337 or buddy.givens@gmail.com. Our next unit meeting will be Friday, May 1st at 6:30 pm at the Shrine Center (just before the stated session). We still have veteran's fez tassel holders available.

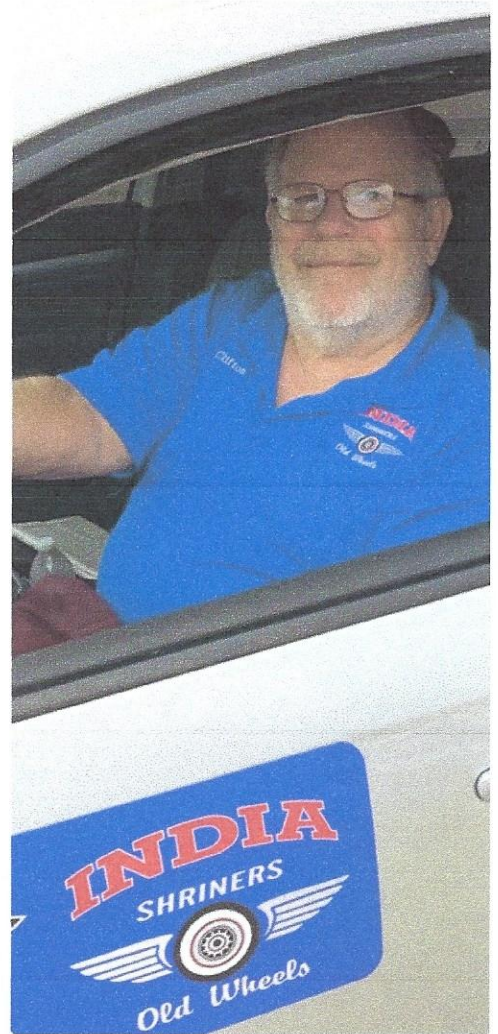
IT IS AN HONOR TO BELONG TO THE LEGION OF HONOR.

Old Wheels By Richard Warner

Greetings Nobles: April was again another busy month in the Old Wheels garage. A lot of work to get the cars shined up for the upcoming busy parade season! On April 15th, we had our monthly meeting in the restaurant at the Holiday Inn, Airport. A great time was had by all. On April 18th, we paraded in the Guthrie 89er Day parade. Later that night, some of us attended the annual Ardmore Shrine Club/Murray County Shrine Club Tax Relief Giveaway event. A very good time was had by all!

Each month we feature a member of the Old Wheels. This month we feature Clifton Prater. Clifton was raised in South McAlester Lodge #96 in 1969. He became a Shriner and joined the Old Wheels in 1989. He has paraded several vehicles over the years, most notably a 1950 International L-110 pickup. His current ride is a 2007 VW Jetta, EU Division. He is retired from the Putnam City School District. Clifton and his wife Sarah have been married 30 years. When not busy with the Old Wheels, he enjoys spending time with family.

The Old Wheels are a family friendly unit. We like to parade and have a good time supporting and promoting India Shrine. We go out to dinner on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. While our wives socialize, we have a quick unit meeting. We are always interested in new members. For more information, please contact me at 4052455213 or Jason Todd at 4058220309. Respectfully submitted, Richard Warner, Secretary-Treasurer.



OKIE DOKIES By Stan Chapman

Okie Dokies are buzzing! More active Members, more parade attendance, Ladies helping host the Ladies Wine & Cheese Party in May, lots of fun, and more! One of the "more" items is our By-Laws being revised and approved allowing greater opportunities not only for current Members but also all future Members of the Okie Dokies.

Want to parade but need assistance? We got you covered! Whether you want one of our parade cars, already have a parade vehicle of your own, or need some special accommodation to parade, contact us and let's talk!

Next Okie Dokies meeting: Sunday, May 31, 2026, 2:00pm at Johnnie's Charcoal Broiler, 2305 S. Telephone Rd., Moore, OK 73160. If you would like to check out the Okie Dokies and see what all the buzz is about, join us by contacting Stan Chapman at 405-250-2020 to RSVP. We change meeting locations for variety and would love to welcome you at our next one.

Punch & Paint

Finger Foods



\$35 Per Person

Includes Food, Punch & Canvas with Paints!

India Shrine Center • 3601 NW 36th St,
OKC, OK 73112

June 29th • 6:30 - 9:00 PM

RSVP by June 19

Please contact **Rebecca** (405) 664-9516

Rehema Court, LOSNA

New Year and Leadership Transition

The Rehema Ladies are excited to begin a new year filled with promise and growth. In March, we celebrated our 7th Installation of Officers, marking another milestone in our journey. As we closed out the year with 68 members, our Court continues to expand and welcome new faces. Lady Allyson Wooten, JPHP, provided outstanding leadership and has now passed the baton to Lady Julie Deason, HP. Lady Julie is already working on ambitious plans to ensure a successful year for everyone. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended our Installation ceremony. Your presence means so much to us.

Lady Bailay Bryant, Princess, and Lady Becky Ray, Associate Princess, are thrilled to announce the return of the Left, Right, Center Tournament and Dinner at the Shrine this year. We invite you to join in on the fun and festivities! In addition, we are working diligently to support our Shriners by selling for their Sportsman Event. Our plans also include hosting our first Ladies Tea and refreshing the Annual Vendor Fair—more details will be shared soon. Both ladies have embraced the challenge of raising \$3,000 this year, with the understanding that the more we raise, the more we can donate to worthy causes.

Lady Rhona Collins and Lady Angela Fusselman serve as our Ceremonial Ladies, offering invaluable support to all of us as we move forward.

This year, we are excited to launch a new Marketing Committee dedicated to increasing awareness of our incredible organization within the community. Keep an eye out for our new Facebook page, “Rehema Court, LOSNA,” and be sure to follow us. In addition to our online presence, we are in the process of developing a Court logo & motto to further strengthen our identity and outreach efforts.

Our Merry Milers Unit is preparing to attend the Grand Council event in Orlando, Florida, in May, where they will participate with a performance skit. This event is always a highlight, offering both fun and the opportunity to work closely with our Board of Directors.

Your continued support is vital to our success and deeply appreciated by all members of Rehema Court.

Lady Dee Garrett, JHP
Rehema Court Recorder
www.rehemacourt109.org
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| 10 <i>Mother's Day</i> | 11 | 12 | 13 Cruisers | 14 Ada Klowns Daughters of the Nile-Session Mounted Patrol WOWCASS Dune Buggys | 15 <i>Spring Ceremonial</i> set-up for Unit Fair | 16 <i>Spring Ceremonial</i> Armed Forces Day Parade - Del City Ladies Luncheon |
| 17 | 18 Ardmore Shrine Club Fishing Club | 19 Lawton-Ft Sill Shrine Club Camel Crew D.O.N. Card Party Set-up | 20 Old Wheels Ashara D.O.N. Card Party | 21 Daughters of the Nile Sewing Singo 6pm - 10pm Ballroom | 22 Grotto | 23 |
| 24 | 25 <i>Memorial Day -</i> <i>OFFICE CLOSED</i> Provost Guard | 26 | 27 <i>India Lodge</i> <i>Luncheon</i> Misfits Broncos Swokies | 28 Murray County Shrine Club Central OK Shrine Club | 29 | 30 |
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| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 <i>Cruisers</i> | 11 <i>Ada Klowns Mounted Patrol WOWCASS Dune Buggys</i> | 12 <i>Bingo and Dinner</i> | 13 <i>Woodward Rodeo Woodward Parade WAFA/Britton Lodge Corn Hole Tournament</i> |
| 14 | 15 <i>Ardmore Shrine Club Fishing Club</i> | 16 <i>Lawton-Ft Sill Shrine Club Camel Crew</i> | 17 <i>Old Wheels Ashara</i> | 18 <i>Daughters of the Nile Sewing</i> | 19 <i>Juneteeth Day - OFFICE CLOSED</i> | 20 |
| 21 <i>Father's Day</i> | 22 <i>Provost Guard</i> | 23 | 24 <i>India Lodge Luncheon Misfits Broncos Swokies</i> | 25 <i>Murray County Shrine Club Central OK Shrine Club</i> | 26 <i>Grotto Charity Smokes</i> | 27 |
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| 12 <i>Imperial Session - Tampa FL</i> | 13 <i>Imperial Session - Tampa FL</i> | 14 <i>Imperial Session - Tampa FL</i> | 15 <i>Old Wheels Ashara Imperial Session - Tampa FL</i> | 16 <i>Daughters of the Nile Sewing Imperial Session - Tampa FL</i> | 17 | 18 |
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| 26 | 27 <i>Provost Guard</i> | 28 | 29 <i>Swokies</i> | 30 | 31 | |

PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP INDIA SHRINERS

**TO THE POTENTATE, OFFICERS AND NOBLES OF INDIA SHRINE
OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA:**

I, the undersigned, hereby declare upon my honor that I am a Master Mason in Good and Current Standing in:

Lodge No. _____ City & State _____

which is a Lodge recognized by the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore, I have resided at my current address for not less than 6 months, as required by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. In addition, I declare that I hold a Master Mason Proficiency Card or have been a Master Mason for no less than 6 months. I therefore respectfully request to be created a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and become a member of India Shrine.

If I be found worthy and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Imperial Council and the Bylaws and Ceremonies of India Shrine.

Date of Birth: _____ Birthplace _____

Were you ever a DeMolay? _____ If so, what Chapter and Location? _____

Do you belong to the Scottish Rite? _____ If so, where? _____

Do you belong to the York Rite? _____ If so, where? _____

Are you an active duty military personal? _____ Are you an Honorably Discharged Veteran? _____

Have you previously applied for admission to any Shrine Center? _____

If so, what Shrine Center? _____ When? _____

Your Address of Residence is: (Street) _____

(City, State & Zip) _____

Your Mailing Address is: (Street) _____

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Home Phone(Including Area Code): _____ Cell Phone _____

His E-Mail: _____ Her E-Mail: _____ Her Cell: _____

Wifes Name: _____ **FEE: \$175** Your Hat Size: _____

Occupation: _____ Print Full Name: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Recommended and Vouched for on the Honor of : _____ (This Space for Recorder)

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