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THIRD OLDEST SHRINE

January/February/March 2022

## PP Mike Luurtsema Posthumously Awarded Emeritus Member of the Board of Governors by Shriners International



PP Mike Luurtsema's wife Linda is presented with his Emeritus Member of the Board of Governors plaque for Shriners Hospitals For Children - Springfield. Mike was awarded this honor posthumously this past year by Shriners International as he was in the final year of his term as a voting member. Pictured with Linda is PP Kristi Morris, Son-in-law Scott Boyer, Granddaughter Drea Luurtsema, and Daughter Jennifer Boyer. Noble Adam Johnson stands in the background.

### **Upcoming Events**

**Spring Ceremonial** More info to follow.

Shrine Bingo Sunday, March 20, 2022 Sunday, June 5, 2022 10:30 AM Doors Open Route 15, Essex Junction, VT

#### **Shriners International**

http://www.shrinersinternational.org

#### **Shriners Village**

https://www.shrinersvillage.com

#### **Shriners Hospitals for Children**

http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org

#### **Upcoming Events**

Mt. Sinai Stated Divan Meeting Tuesday, March 1st, 2022

## **148th Imperial Session 2022** July 2nd -7th, 2022

July 2nd -/th, 2022 Minneapolis, MN

#### **Elected Divan Officers**

#### **Potentate Bruce Pelletier**

18 Laurie Avenue, St. Albans, VT 05478 802.527.1139

#### Chief Rabban Scott A. Boyer

75 Laplante Rd., Cavendish, VT 05142 802.484.8969

#### **Assistant Rabban David Coffey**

94 Beckley St., Barre, VT 05641 802.476.4326

#### **High Priest & Prophet Adam Johnson**

4629 Rte 14, Irasburg, VT 05845 802.673.2870

#### **Oriental Guide Donald Karlovich**

PO Box 104, North Troy, VT 05859 802.324.4308

#### Treasurer Ken Canning, PP

5 East St., Apt. 2, Barre, VT 05641 802.373.1806

#### Recorder Mike G. Gunn

157 Morways Park, Charlestown, NH 03603 603-826-0237

#### **Appointed Officers**

#### 1st Ceremonial Bob Booth, Sr.

6196 Rte. 14, Irasburg, VT 05845 802.754.2435

#### 2nd Ceremonial

#### Captain of the Guard Lance Wells

4534 Rte 14, Irasburg, Vt 05845 802-673-2314

#### **Outer Guard Dan Plante**

42 East St., Evansville, Vt 05860 802-323-4141

#### **Shrine Chaplain Ken Johnson**

4714 Rte. 14 S, Irasburg, VT 05845 802.754.8417

#### Marshal Gerald A Morong, PP

76 Prospect Hill Road, St. Albans, VT 05478 802.524.6637

#### **Provost Marshal James Murphy**

336 Union St., Newport, VT 05855 802.334.5326

### Director, 1st Section Gerald A. Morong, PP

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Mt. Sinai Shriners #3

#### **Note from the Potentate**

## Greetings Nobility of Mt. Sinai Shriners.

First, I would like to thank each and every one of you for placing your trust in myself and the Divan to efficiently run Mt. Sinai # 3 during the course of 2022. Lady Monica and I have some interesting events planned for the year which we are hoping will bring us together in fellowship and friendship.

Our motto for this year is "New in 22!". Hence we began the year with our annual meeting and installation in St. Albans, VT. We wanted to mix it up and possibly allow some that had not participated in the past to participate from a different location. I want to thank everyone for making the trek to St. Albans and enjoying the Northwest Corner of the state, we had a fantastically attended meeting, Shrine Degree, Luncheon, and installation – thank you for everyone that could make it. We finished the evening at St. Albans Elks Lodge # 1566 where we enjoyed a wonderful meal by an up and coming young chef from the area. Further, I would be very remiss if I did not mention that Lady Monica prepared, and catered, the entire luncheon. Some may note that we broke from tradition a bit but "New in 22" is the phrase and from what I saw we all were able to enjoy one another's friendship - which is important to get back to after the Covid-19 issues of the past two years.

Moving forward we are hoping to have our meetings in different locations this year, "New in 22" will hopefully bring Spring Ceremonial to Springfield, VT and Fall Ceremonial to the Northeast



Kingdom. I will leave the location of Chief Rabbans day and the annual meeting to our Chief Rabban Scott Boyer. I encourage all to make the travel to these meetings if possible and attend in the different areas we hope to see nobles we do not often see at Shrine meetings.

I am excited to represent all of Mt. Sinai #3, we have many events and ventures being worked on for 2022. Should you wish to speak with me I am available via cellular telephone and email. I would love to hear ideas (old and new) and just catch-up.

I know this note is long but finally I encourage ALL to assist with Bingo. If you cannot work an entire day, come to help set up or close down, just sell tickets for a couple of hours, or help at the gate. Your Divan will be working hard to support Bingo and assist in bringing in your assistance. Bingo is our largest fundraiser, we need to provide support and assure its' success.

YITF, Bruce H. Pelletier, Potentate

#### Recorder's Corner

1— TT's Boosters fee is \$20 per year. Hopefully you'll support the expense of our bulletin.

#2—Again, please return all mailings to our office address, Mt. Sinai Shriners, 2 Academy St., Barre, Vt. 05641.

#3—Any donations made to our (3) Shriner's Hospitals Mt. Sinai represents, please forward these donations through the Mt. Sinai office. That way, Mt. Sinai and the person making the donation will be recognized by the hospital.

#4—Lifetime Memberships: If a noble wishes to prepay his annual Imperial Council assessments for life, the cost is a one time payment of \$2350. That includes a \$150 to become a Permanent Contributing

Member of the Hospitals. \$900 to become a Per Capita Member of PCLM, and \$1300 for Total Lifetime Membership. Nobles who wish to acquire a" Total Lifetime Membership" status in the Shrine and avoid all future payments to Mount Sinai Shriners for LIFE, you have done that for the sum of \$2350. For nobles over 65 years of age the amount is \$1700. According to our Potentate Bruce, he feels he was warned at the 2021 Imperial session amounts are going to increase for Per Capita and the Hospital Levy at the 2022 Imperial session.

Fraternally yours, Mike Gunn, Recorder mggunn@comcast.net

#### **Elected Heads** of Shrine Clubs

#### Northern Vermont Shrine Club

Gerald A. Morong, PP, President 76 Prospect Hill Rd. St Albans, VT 05478 802.524.6637

#### **Board of Directors**

Bruce Pelletier. Potentate Scott Boyer, Chief Rabban David Coffey, Assistant Rabban Adam Johnson, High Priest & Prophet Donald Karlovich, Oriental Guide Ken Canning, Treasurer Mike G. Gunn, Recorder

#### Representatives to 2022 **Shriners International**

Minneapolis, MN, July 2-7, 2022 Bruce Pelletier. Potentate Scott Boyer, Chief Rabban

#### **Shrine Maple Sugar Bowl Board of Governors**

Michael Spackman, Vice President Kristi Morris, General Chairman Tim Roberts

#### **Shriners Hospitals Board of Governors**

Springfield - Eileen Watson 413-787-2011

Kristi Morris, PP

Associate Member - Scott Bover 1/1/2018 to 12/31/2018

Max is three - 3 year terms

Boston - Dolores Sansone 617-722-3000

William Tinney: 1/1/2018 to 12/31/2020 Associate Member: Dexter Rowe

Montreal - Tammy Johnson 518-842-4464

Associate Member: Ken Johnson 1/1/2018 to 12/31/2018

### **Mount Sinai Officers** Maple Sugar Bowl

Robert G. Blow, Past President Frank C. Maynard. PP. Past President David Lovell, Past President

#### **Turban Times Boosters 2022**

#### Be a Booster

The Turban Times offers nobility the opportunity to participate in and support the Turban Times through purchase of Booster Page recognitions. Examples:

"Mr. & Mrs. Joe Noble"

"Unit Name"

"Noble's Name"

Single line Column Entry will appear throughout 2022 for \$20. A great gift idea for families and friends. Unit Membership listings are \$8.00 per line.

Payment made to: Mt. Sinai #3 Forward your list and funds to:

Mt. Sinai #3 2 Academy St. Barre, VT 05641 Pat & Marie Sloan

**Elected Heads of Units** 

Mount Sinai Provost Guard

Provost Marshall, James G. Murphy

336 Union Street, Newport, VT 05855

802.334.5326, Email: Jim@adavt.com

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Email: snowboardboyer@live.com

11 Sunset Terr., St. Albans, VT 05478

Northeast Kingdom Fire Brigade

802.754.8417, Email: Kenlocks@comcast.net

4714 Rt. 14, S. Irasburg VT 05845

PO Box 450, S. Royalton, VT 05068

**Mount Sinai Drama-daries** President, Gerald A. Morong P.P.

Mount Sinai Mini Choppers

PO Box 104, North Troy, VT 05859

Email: Donaldkarlovich@yahoo.com

President, Donald J. Karlovich

Email: Dunrovinrealestate@gmail.com

76 Prospect Hill Rd, St. Albans, VT 05478

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**Mount Sinai Motor Corps** 

Corpsmaster, David R. Baker

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Chief, Ken B. Johnson

**Mount Sinai Cycle Unit** 

President, Dean L. Goulet

Mount Sinai Patrol

**Mount Sinai Joes** 

802.484.8969

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802 988 4089

Boss Clown, Scott A. Boyer

**Turban Times Submission Deadline** 

March 27 May 22

#### **Mount Sinai Shriners Bingo Upcoming Schedule**

Sunday, March 20, 2022 Sunday, June 5, 2022

Champlain Valley **Exposition** 

Route 15, Essex Junction, VT

Doors Open: 10:30 AM Early Birds: 12:30 PM,



Regular Bingo: 1:00 PM Info: 802.434.2055 mtsinaibingo@gmavt.net

## **Players & Workers Needed**

We are in need of a lot more players. Let's increase attendance! Please print a couple flyers and

put them up around town.

Also - when it is your unit's turn to work we really need you to turn out. We have a core group of people there every month and the help is greatly

appreciated.

## **Northern VT Shrine Clubs Annual Christmas/Holiday Party**



Northern VT Shrine Clubs Annual Christmas/Holiday Party. It was held in St. Albans Friday, December 3rd. Fun was had by all that attend. Many thanks to everyone and a great Shout Out to Sharon Baker for a Great Job with her game Christmas Jeopardy.

# Final Note From 2021 Potentate Jim Smith

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Well, what a year we have had. First Thanks goes out to Lady Laura and my Family. Then to all the Nobles and their Ladies of our great Shrine Center. This journey is coming to humble end but still had all the fun times of sitting in the hot seat.

We will hit the ground running as we know what is in front of us coming in 2022. The task is now to become One Shrine Center in VT. I want to thank all who have sent comments, concerns and ideas on this which is going to help build this as a team effort. Again, remember why we all became Shriners.



We still need to make money to keep us going, so Please come help at Bingo, sell a few raffle tickets or whatever is asked of us. Next Bingo is Sunday Jan 2nd and we need workers.

Thanks again and until we meet again.

Jim Potentate 2021



Potentate Jim enjoying a laugh with Roger Spaulding at the NVSC Holiday party.

## Prenatal Orthopedic Consult Program Provides Parents with Roadmap

When Rhonda and Jody Helms, M.D., traveled to China to adopt a 2-year-old boy – they knew their new son-to-be, David, had lived with club feet since birth. They also knew that seeking care as soon as possible to treat the condition would be important for the youngest of their five children.

Now, Rhonda is helping other mothers gain awareness of the Prenatal Orthopedic Consult Program at Shriners Children's Greenville. It is a program helping families with children diagnosed with conditions — like club feet, limb deficiency, spina

Greenville staff members provide customized treatment plans that include life-changing services.

"If we had early intervention, David's feet would be more mobile now," said Helms. "He would be able to jump on his toes. The early intervention would have let him have a more mobile foot, to where he didn't have so much pain after exerting or any kind of exercise or activity."

Lauren Hyer, M.D., one of only three female pediatric orthopedic surgeons in the state, also contributes her expertise to the program. "Based on what we're suspect-



bifida and arthrogryposis – plan ahead to help achieve the best outcomes for their child.

"The Prenatal Orthopedic Consult Program is a service that our hospital provides to expectant families and expectant mothers, especially those who have gotten a diagnosis from an ultrasound from their obstetrician with a concerning finding – like club feet – on their prenatal evaluation," said David Westberry, M.D., a Shriners Children's pediatric orthopedic surgeon.

Each family's journey begins with a hospital tour and an educational meeting with a pediatric orthopedic surgeon. Routinely ranked among the top 5% of all comparable hospitals nationwide for Patient Experience by the prestigious Press Ganey organization, Shriners Children's

ing, we will lay out a plan of what the parents should expect in the first couple of days to weeks of life. Then, we'll do broad strokes for further in the future," said Dr. Hyer. "For arthrogryposis, if we get to these children early, we are able to get them in therapy to get their joints moving, which can open the door to improved function and quality of life."

Dr. Hyer said that the same is true for children with limb deficiencies and spina bifida, and that meeting with key healthcare providers sooner can put the family at greater ease. She said the comprehensive treatment options available in one location at Shriners Children's Greenville, which includes surgical, physical and occupational therapy, and prosthetics and orthotic services, can lessen stress for new parents.

## **Lifetime Memberships**

Lifetime Membership in Mt. Sinai Shriners can be obtained by paying your Temple dues, Imperial Per Capita tax and Hospital Levy in one lump sum in advance.

The cost of a **Lifetime Membership** is 20 times your annual Temple dues for nobles who are under the age of 65 years of age or 10 times your annual Temple dues for nobles who are 65 years of age or older.

This process benefits the younger member, of course; however, it is a way to avoid future increases in Temple or Imperial assessments for life.

If a noble wishes to repay his annual Imperial Council assessments for life, there is a one time payment of \$900 to become a "Per Capita Member or known as a PCLM" and or \$150 to become a "Permanent Contributing Member known as a PCM" of the Hospitals.

Nobles who wish to acquire "Total Lifetime Member" status in the Shrine and avoid all future payments to Mt. Sinai Shriners for LIFE, the total cost of one lump sum payment at this time would be \$2,350 for nobles under 65 years of age or \$1,700 for nobles of 65 years of age and older.

Contact the Shrine office in Barre, Vt., if you wish specific information. At the present time, your annual Temple dues are \$65 per year, the Imperial per capita tax is \$30 per year and the Hospital levy is \$5 per year.

# Shriners Children's is proud to have been recognized 11 times by Press Ganey as one of the leading organizations in healthcare

Press Ganey, the national leader in healthcare consumer and workforce engagement, recently announced the nationwide recipients of its annual performance achievement awards, recognizing healthcare organizations committed to delivering safe, high-quality, patient-centered care amid immense challenges presented by COVID-19. These Press Ganey awards recognize and honor data-driven advancements in healthcare.

This year, Shriners Children's was honored with seven Guardian of Excellence Awards, which honor organizations that have achieved the 95th percentile across Press Ganey clients for patient experience, employee engagement, physician engagement or clinical quality performance. More than 250 healthcare organizations received this preeminent recognition for 2021.

In addition, the healthcare system received four Pinnacle of Excellence Awards, which recognize top-performing healthcare organizations for achieving and maintaining consistently high levels of excellence for consecutive years in patient experience, employee engagement, physician engagement or clinical quality performance. One hundred and ten healthcare organizations have met stringent requirements year-over-year demonstrating superior performance.

## Congratulations to the following Shriners Children's locations: 2021 Guardian of Excellence Award Recipients

Mexico City, Mexico (Inpatient Pediatric)
Mexico City, Mexico (Medical Practice)
Honolulu, Hawaii (Inpatient Pediatric)
Greenville, South Carolina (Inpatient Pediatric)
Dayton, Ohio (Medical Practice)
Montreal, Canada (Inpatient Pediatric)
Boston, Massachusetts (Medical Practice)

#### **2021 Pinnacle of Excellence Award Recipients**

Portland, Oregon (Inpatient Pediatric)
Sacramento, California (Inpatient Pediatric)
Chicago, Illinois (Inpatient Pediatric)
Montreal, Canada (Inpatient Pediatric)

## Mt. Sinai Annual Meeting & Installation of Officers





Treasurer Ken Canning and Lady Liz.





Recorder Mike Gunn and Lady Gloria.

## Mt. Sinai Annual Meeting & Installation of Officers



Chaplain Ken Johnson and Lady Angelique.



Oriental Guide Donald Karlovich and Lady Angelique.



High Priest & Prophet Adam Johnson and Lady Angelique.



Outer Guard Daniel Plante and Lady Angelique.



Past Potentate Jim Smith and Lady Laura.

## **Living Past Potentates**

1991 – Homer D. Selby (Janet)

1992 - Donald E. Tessier, Jr. (Pauline)

1994 - Roy C. Vance (Linda)

1995 – Frederic T.W. Wall (Leslie)

1998 - Gerald A. Morong (Frances)

1999 – Winston W. Harper (Rachel)

2000 – C. J. Murray (Deborah)

2002 - Gary G. Centabar

2004 – Michael A. Parent (Maureen)

2006 – Leo A. Laflamme (Linda)

2008 - Harry E. Richard (Mickey)

2010 - Kristi C. Morris (Sharon)

2011 - J. Patrick Sloan (Marie)

2012 - Shawn E. Kincaid (Jaqi)

2013 - Alton Willard (Joan)

2014 - Bruce Pelletier (Monica)

2015 – Paul Mosher

2016 - Kenneth Canning, Jr. (Liz)

2017 - Pierre Letourneau

2018 – Donald Karlovich (Karen)

2019 – Michael A. Parent (Maureen)

2020 - Gary Luman, Jr. (Angela)

2021 – James Smith (Laura)

## In Memoriam 2021

WILLIAM G. RUSSELL St. Cloud, FL

Born: 1/2/1937 Created: 6/18/1966 Died: 10/6/2020

RUSSELL A. GOSLANT Middlesex, VT

Born: 9/30/1928 Created: 1/21/1978 Died: 1/3/2021

KARL MOODY JR Essex Junction, VT

Born: 12/21/1929 Created: 5/17/1975 Died: 3/14/2021

RONALD PARNIGONI Barre, VT

Born: 4/16/1943 Created: 1/18/1969 Died: 3/26/2021 M. HAYDEN JANES Richford, VT

Born: 9/15/1925 Created: 12/3/1984 Died: 5/31/2021

JOHN J. ZAMPIERI South Ryegate, VT

Born: 1/19/1941 Created: 5/1/1965 Died: 6/7/2021

JOHN "JACK" BACON Fort Myers, FL

Born: 1/11/1938 Created: 10/7/1978 Died: 6/23/2021

LARRY ROSEN Alburgh, VT

Born: 11/24/1929 Created: 11/6/2004 Died: 3/14/2021 ALEXIS PARENT, JR

**Richmond, VT**Born: 7/2/1926
Created: 5/13/1967
Died: 6/30/2021

ROBERT GREENIA Naples, FL

Born: 1/5/1943 Created: 5/5/1973 Died: 7/13/2021

BRUCE JUDD Burlington, VT

Born: 11/14/1932 Created: 10/24/1964 Died: 7/26/2021

NORMAN C. DIX Plainfield, VT

Born: 9/10/1933 Created: 10/12/1963 Died: 8/5/2021 MAURICE C. VERCOE South Burlington, VT

Born: 7/14/1923 Created: 1/19/1962 Died: 8/15/2021

HOMER R. FITTS Williamstown, VT

Born: 10/13/1926 Created: 5/8/1950

Died: 8/30/2021 (70 Year Member)

ROBERT H. FRIZZELL East Charleston, VT

Born: 9/7/1944 Created: 5/13/1978 Died: 9/14/2021

GEORGE F. SHIRLOCK East Barre, VT

Born: 7/6/1924 Created: 5/8/1971 Died: 12/14/2021