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Pote got his headdress from the Indians!!

After much longer than anticipated, the headdress that was ordered months ago was delivered in early March and presented at his Wheatland/Guernsey visitation.

Thankfully, the Indians were able to get the design of headdress that we have presented to many Potentates in the past and not had to take whatever was available during the pandemic.

Great Chief Peter Bravo and the Tribe are very happy to know the Pote likes it.





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Pote's Notes

Illustrious Sirs, Divan and Nobles All,

This is our Wyoming Shrine Bowl's 50th Anniversary. Our Shrine Bowl Committee needs your help more than ever this year!

Your immediate assistance is needed in the purchasing of your game day tickets mailed to each of you, making your Friday night Shrine Bowl Banquet reservations and payments (mail payments directly to Frank Selby), volunteering to assist with game day duties to be assigned, and attending the game. Be sure to wear your fez. pation in the fun filled Saturday morning's Shrine parade or as a bystander cheering our outstanding football players, coaches and coaching staff.

We look forward to seeing you Wyoming Shrine Bowl week, Friday night banquet, Saturday morning's parade and ending Saturday with the Pre-game 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. kickoff at the North-South Football Game at the Kelly Walsh High School Harry Geldien Stadium, Casper, Wyoming.

> Thank you, Potentate Keith

We need your partici-

My FezCard Viewer

The new My FezCard Viewer app provides members with immediate access to their digital membership card on their smartphone without the need to carry a hard card in their wallet. Additional benefits of the My FezCard Viewer include a unique QR code function that permits members to check in at their Shrine Center/Club/Unit, earn award points, enter raffle drawings, and more!

As in prior years, for year 2023 the gold-colored

(hard) membership card will be sent to new members, reprints cards are available for order (at a fee) through the temple, and we strongly encourage downloading the "My FezCard Viewer" onto your mobile device to access the newly designed black-colored (digital) membership card (will only appear if 2023 dues are paid).

The My FezCard Viewer is available for download on the Apple App Store or on Google Play.

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52 Club Winners

January

1 7 14 21 28	Mike Reed Margie Demoney S. Fisher M. Gardner M. Abernathy	Cheyenne Cheyenne ** **	\$200 (New Year's Day) \$100 \$100 \$100 \$100
February			
4 11 12 18 25	Ruth Conley Reanne Rasse Randy Bigelow Laura Hagadon Jordan Holland	Casper Bremerton, WA Cheyenne Casper Montgomery, TX	\$100 \$10 \$200 (Super Bowl) \$100 \$100
March			
4 11 18 25	Carrie McKinley Jim Cochran Brian Yates Carl Pappert	Cheyenne Cheyenne Torrington Cheyenne	\$100 \$100 \$100 \$100
April			
1 8 15 22 29	Barb Draper Gunars Hvastkovs Dominic Hodgen Carol Oppie	lionia, MI Casper Cheyenne Laramie	\$100 \$100 \$100 \$100
Мау			
6 13 14 20 27 29	Renee Boomhower Jameson Turner Ray Atkins Joe Bennick Terry Biggs David Darlington	Guernsey Casper Casper Casper Casper Rock Springs	\$100 \$100 \$200 (Mothers Day) \$100 \$100 \$200 (Memorial Day)

** Somewhere between when the checks were written and the list was drawn up for this newsletter, the January list of names and towns got misplaced. It was possible to figure out who won what using the checkbook register. Since Mike and Margie are members, I know their first and last names and towns; the other 3 are unknown to me. However, <u>everyone</u> got their checks sent out when due. Everyone has been paid.

The Big Winners in Casper

Four bicycle winners at the Casper Shrine Circus in early May.









Casper Visitation















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Guernsey/Wheatland Visitation

















Lander Visitation















From Our Hospital Representative

Greetings Fellow Nobles, Ladies and Friends of Shriners Childrens-Salt Lake City!

So often we progress through our lives with our focus on the task at hand and sometimes lose sight of those things that, under the surface, in the back of our minds, are our guiding lights! When we go into the "silo" of our minds marked "Shriners" we sometimes go through the motions accomplish the current to event, the parade, the breakfast, the sale, the Club meeting, the fun and fellowship of being together as fellow Nobles and Brothers that we go to bed that night thinking, "that was fun, or successful, or if we had only..., or" whatever the results of that task may be, that we fail to remember why we do the things we do.

Working as your representative on the Board of Governors (BOG) in Salt Lake City carries the same "trappings"! Over the past couple of years, we have made our way through major changes in our model of delivery and the unavoidable transitions in staffing, space utilization and structure that go along with those changes. Our focus, at the BOG level, has been arduous at times, extremely uncomfortable at times, very contentious at times, yet, with a continued focus on The Shriners Creed, still rewarding!

After we made the

transition of our surgery services to Primary Childrens, rumors abounded about the eventual fate of our facility and operation in Salt Lake City. I have heard from people, who should know better, everything from we are in the process of closing down, to we are becoming a "store front" clinic operation to feed patients to some imagined "full service" hospital in California or Texas or wherever! At this point, Nobles, I need you to rest assured that Shriners Hospitals for Children is committed to being a major contributing force in the delivery of health care to the patients we seek to serve in the intermountain region of our Country! Our alignment with Primary Childrens Hospital (PCH) and the University of Utah Pediatrics Department is strong and we are an equal partner!

A couple of months ago I was asked to give a brief presentation about SC-SLC to the winter meeting of the Pacific Northwest Shriner Association in Boise, Idaho. I enlisted the help of our Marketing Department and our Donor Development Department to put together the facts as they are today. The following discussion is derived from that presentation:

Our three-part mission has one goal: to change and improve lives regardless of a family's ability to pay. To accomplish this mission, we

provide passionate, innovative care, conduct industry leading research, and offer educational opportunities to those who will take up our mission in the future. Our focus is diverse by offering services to help patients with orthopedic needs, burns needs, spinal cord injury needs, cleft lip and palate needs and ongoing outpatient care. At SC-SLC we pursue this mission by providing a full slate of specialty clinics, rehabilitation services, wheelchair seating and mobility, prosthetics, and orthotics (POPS) and motion analysis (MAC).

Each of these disciplines has a full array of services within their scope. Such as, at least 8 clinics ranging from neuromuscular, cerebral palsy, skeletal, club foot and special needs car seats. In our wheelchair and seating efforts, we provide specialized seating and positioning assessments and onaoina maintenance and growth for manual and power Our rehab services chairs. include physical, occupational, speech, recreational therapies, adaptive bikes and scoliosis specific exercise proarams. Our industry leading POPS department provides upper and lower extremity scoliosis prosthetic care. bracing and other pediatric orthotic services. Our MAC department helps to unravel the mystery of children's

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The Importance of Lawn Mower Safety

Shriners Hospitals Wants Kids to Stay Safe

Shriners Hospitals for Children[®] is committed to helping keep kids safe, and injury-free.

Although they may seem like a common household tool, lawn mowers are one of the most dangerous items in our homes. Thousands of people are hurt while using lawnmowers each year – these injuries can include deep cuts; loss of fingers, toes, and even limbs; burns and broken bones. However, many lawn mower-related injuries can be prevented by following some safety guidelines.

Lawnmower Usage Safety Tips

Keep Children Safe

- Children under 6 years of age should be kept indoors during mowing.
- Make sure children are a safe distance away from the area you plan to mow because rocks and debris often can shoot out while the lawn mower is running.
- Keep a close eye on children when a lawn mower is in use. Make sure they do not run into the mower's path.
- Never allow children to play with the mower, even when it is turned off. A lawn mower is not a toy.
- Children should be at least 12 years old before operating a walk-behind lawn mower and at least 16 years old to operate a riding mower.
- Never allow children or any other passengers on a riding lawn mower because of the potential for falling under the mower and sustaining serious injuries.

Weather and Terrain

- Do not cut grass when it's wet because it can cause your feet to lose traction and slide.
- Do not use a mower on hills or slopes, to avoid having it tip over and cause injury.

Prior to Mowing

- Read your mower's instruction manual and familiarize yourself with the product prior to use.
- Use a mower with a control that stops it from moving forward if the handle is released.
- Clear your lawn of items such as nails, sticks, rocks, toys, sports entertainment, dog bones, wire and equipment parts, so the debris does not cause damage or hurt anyone.



During Usage

- Wear close-fitting long pants and long-sleeved shirts, eye protection and heavy gloves.
- Do not wear sandals or be barefoot. Wear sturdy shoes with good traction.
- Do not wear jewelry.
- Always fill and start lawn mowers outdoors.
- Never fill the tank with gasoline when the lawn mower is on or hot.
- Do not remove safety devices or guards on switches.
- Never reach underneath a mower because the blade remains engaged even when it is shut off.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary.
- To remove debris from mower use a stick or broom handle, not your hands.
- Always shut off the engine before leaving the mower unattended.
- Stay away from the engine cowling, as it can become very hot and burn unprotected flesh.
- Wait for blades to stop completely before crossing gravel roads, unclogging the chute, or removing the grass catcher.

To learn more, watch our animated educational video about lawn mower safety, available for viewing on our YouTube channel, youtube.com/shrinershospitals, and share with your friends and family. In the video, Fezzy, our cute and cuddly Love to the rescue[®] ambassador and mascot, shares tips on lawn mower safety in a fun and engaging film for all ages.

Should an injury occur, the physicians and staff of Shriners Hospitals are here to help. For patient referral information, please call 800-237-5055 in the U.S. or 800-361-7256 in Canada. Both lines are staffed weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., EST.



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walking difficulties, reducing pain and discomfort, and helping a child find the path to discovering their full potential.

These are the things we do best!

A patient may come to us and spend years in our care in one or more of these specialized services. If and when they need surgery, they receive that portion of their care, from our surgeons at PCH, a full-service, level 1, pediatric hospital with all the patient safety and benefits required by the updated College of Surgeons guidelines, which we could not provide due to the enormous capital outlay necessary to transform our facility. Once the surgery piece of their care is complete, they return to us for all

the follow-up rehab and therapy they will require!

We are serving approximately 4,500 patients each year from Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona. Nevada. Mexico and other countries! We are partnering with other Shriners Children's locations as well as local health care We continue to providers. rank in the top 40 Children's Orthopedic Hospitals (jointly with PCH) according to the US News reports! Nobles: we are busy! The continuing support of the fraternity has never been more important! Every patient we refer to Shriners is a kid who might never have received the quality of care, and outcomes we provide. Every dollar we raise

helps bridge the gap between our limited revenue sources and our ever-growing operating costs

Be bold and be proud to wear your fez! Let those in your world know, we are in the business, as stated by our Noble Recorder, of "fixing broken kids"!

Thank you for your continued support of Shriners Childrens-Salt Lake City and thank you for the opportunity you have given me to serve as your representative on the Board of Governors! Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns or need additional information.

> Fraternally, T. Mark Mickelson, PP

U. Nebraska to Compete in Shriners College Tournament

Nebraska baseball will open its 2024 campaign in Texas, as the Huskers are one of six teams competing in the Shriners Children's College Baseball Showdown at Globe Life Field on Feb. 16-18, 2024. The 2024 tournament will mark the fourth year of the College Baseball Showdown at Globe Life Field.

Joining the Huskers in the three-day tournament includes Baylor, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee and Texas Tech. "We can't wait to open the 2024 season at the home of the Texas Rangers for Shriners Children's College Baseball Showdown," said head coach Will Bolt. "We had a great experience last season playing in a threegame series against TCU in Arlington.

Globe Life Field is a great ballpark, great venue and a great place for college baseball." Globe Life Field has been home to 60 college baseball games since 2021.

The 2023 Showdown saw record-breaking attendance numbers of 52,078 fans over the course of three days. The inaugural tournament in 2021 was one of the highestattended college baseball tournaments in the NCAA. In addition, 32 players from the 2022 College Baseball Showdown were drafted in the 2022 MLB draft.

All games of the 2024 Shriners Children's College Showdown will once again be streamed live by FloSports, the exclusive broadcast partner for the tournament. Tickets will go on sale later this year with full details to be announced. For more information visit ShrinersShowdown.com.

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Penny's Story

While Shriners Children's Boston specializes in the treatment of all types of burns, families also have access to world-class care at the Cleft and Craniofacial Center, a collaboration with MassGeneral Hospital for Children.

That exceptional care brought Zofia and her husband Mark to the Boston Shriners Children's shortly after their daughter Penny was born. Mom Zofia describes Penny as, "A dream child...she is so sweet and hilarious, with bountiful energy. She is full of love."

Penny's <u>cleft lip</u> came as a surprise to Zofia and Mark, although Zofia did notice a faint facial line on the ultrasound images and suspected that it might indicate a cleft lip. They were initially overwhelmed and unsure about what to do. A nurse at the hospital where Penny was born, who was coincidentally also named Penny, assured Zofia and Mark that their daughter would be just fine.

"The nurse told us that her father was a Shriner, and she helped us make the connection to Shriners Children's Boston," Zofia said. Penny's parents brought her to Shriners Children's for an initial consultation followed by cleft repair surgery when she was 10 months old.

Now 5 $\frac{1}{2}$, Penny returns to the hospital once a year for

follow up care and to assess whether she will need additional surgery. Her cleft lip has healed nicely with just a trace of white scar tissue. Zofia says that Penny "looks great and functions perfectly" and that the family will wait to make a decision on whether to have laser surgery on the tiny scar. The family lives on Nantucket and while the appointments "were a big trip for us, coming from an island to Boston for 24 hours for a guick appointment, we knew we were in good hands," Zofia said. The staff knows how to talk to little ones

Zofia shared that, while Shriners Children's Boston staff took great care of Penny, "they also took care of us." What makes the hospital a special place for Penny and her family is the reassuring family atmosphere and the availability of toys, arts and crafts, video games and family friendly activities. "The staff knows how to talk to little ones and how to keep parents calm. We were even there one day when members of the fire department brought ice cream to patients and their families," Zofia said.

Zofia's favorite memories from Penny's time at Shriners Children's Boston were when a **music therapist** would play for all the children waiting for their appointments in the clinical area. "The music therapist also came into the OR when it was time for Penny's **surgery** to calm her down, but it also really calmed us down. She often walked around with her guitar and even let some of the kids play it with her. It was very special," Zofia said. Zofia has a message for other families absorbing a cleft diagnosis who are considering Shriners Children's for care. "You're in good hands. Trust that the outcome will be the best," she said.

Black Camel

William Climer Casper



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PP Mark Mickelson recently presented a check for \$60,000 to Nathan Clark, Director of Development at Shriners Children's SLC.

The check came from the Chariot Racing Association who provide the folks who speed around the course at the Star Valley Chariot Racing event.

