### No Man Stands So Tall, As When He Stoops To Help A Child





### HINESVILLE / FT STEWART



# 2018 CLUB OF THE YEAR RESUME



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#### **OBJECTIVES**

The overriding objective of this Club shall be to perform such duties as required to promote and support the Shriners Hospitals for Children, and ALEE Shrine Center.

Additional Objectives of this Club will be to perform such duties as may devolve upon its members at functions, parades and other meetings authorized by the ALEE Shrine Center, to promote and encourage better public relations and foster the moral and social fellowship of the Nobility.

With this in mind, at the beginning of the year we set three goals for the year:

**Goal Number 1:** Continued and increased emphasis on caring for the Children.

Goal Number 2: Re-establish and emphasize our affiliation with the military and Fort Stewart

Goal Number 3: Begin replacing money we borrowed from our investment account.

We have met all 3 goals with exceptional results. We began the year with a class from our Hospital Representative, Noble Ken Porter, on how the Shriner's Hospitals for Children system works. This was an open forum class in which Nobles and their Ladies attended. Noble Ken Porter did an excellent job presenting the information and answering questions. We were also presented with information about the Scottish Rite "Rite Aid" program. We received commitments from Nobles and their Ladies to share this information and to share any Shriner Hospital or Shrine Kids posts on social media. We participated or conducted several kid-oriented events like the Liberty County Small World Festival, our own Pumpkin Patch, the Alee Circus and Alee Christmas Party. And we raised nearly \$6000 earmarked for the Shriners Hospitals.

We have the unique honor of being the only Shrine Club with a military installation affiliation. Because of that we have placed additional emphasis on our relationship with the military by acquiring an M151A1 ¼ ton Army Jeep and 7 mini Army replica jeeps for use in parades and other events. One of our members also brings his 1952 Army issue Harley Davidson to the same events. The markings on our vehicles feature decals from Alee Temple, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division, and the 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division (formally of Fort Stewart). These vehicles, along with our Hillbilly Model A are proudly known as the Hinesville Fort Stewart Shrine Club Motor Pool. We joined forces with the Ft Stewart MWR (Morale, Welfare, & Recreation) activity to conduct our annual golf tournament on Fort Stewart, in conjunction with MWR's open house event. We initiated conversations with the Fort Stewart USO office in preparation for children's events in 2019. We have already scheduled our 2019 golf tournament at Fort Stewart and are currently working on a "soccer golf" tournament at the same course. We have done all of this without taking away from the Hillbilly theme that our club has so proudly enjoyed for several years.

Over the years the Hinesville Fort Stewart Shrine Club has borrowed money from its investment account to pay for such things as building repairs or renovations and the purchase of equipment. Until now, none of that money has been replaced. At the beginning of the year we agreed to make it a goal to start replacing that money this year and to make this a line item issue in our budget and 5-year plan. For the first time in anyone's memory, this Shrine Club has a 5-year financial plan that will be updated each year to help us maintain our infrastructure and vehicles and plan for the growth of our club. Also, for the first time, we were able to replace nearly 30% of the money that we had previously withdrawn from our investment account.

Meeting these three goals is a fantastic accomplishment but does not do enough to illustrate just how great a club we have in Hinesville Fort Stewart Shrine Club. This club is made up of members of primarily two blue

lodges, Hinesville #271 of Hinesville GA and Altamaha #227 of Ludowici. These two lodges work very closely with each other to support the lodges and the Shrine. It is a unique arrangement and relationship which fosters a club family environment that many clubs are not able to enjoy. This is evidenced by the attendance of Nobles and Ladies at club and Temple events. At nearly every Temple event in 2018 the Hinesville Fort Stewart Shrine Club has had more Nobles and Ladies in attendance than any other club or unit, or in other Temple functions we have had a higher percentage of our membership in attendance than any other club or unit.

The Hinesville Fort Stewart Shrine club hosted the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner for the Hinesville Lodge # 271. Nearly all of our Nobles attended church together one Sunday to hear Noble Charles Rogers deliver a sermon, an event which ended up being represented by members of 4 Masonic lodges and 2 Shrine Clubs.

On January 18<sup>th</sup> 2018 the Hinesville Fort Stewart Shrine Club presented a certificate of Lifetime Membership to Illustrious Sir JJ Johns for his dedication and accomplishments as a Noble, Past President of the Hinesville Ft Stewart Shrine Club, Past Potentate, past Recorder, and Treasurer of Alee Temple.

On March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 we were honored to have Assistant Rabban Buddy Grayson deliver a presentation on Shriner Etiquette. This event was heavily attended and surpassed all expectations. Noble Buddy gave a fantastic interactive presentation to which many Nobles and Ladies expressed that they learned more that evening than they had the entire time they had been with the Shrine.

At the beginning of 2018 newly installed Potentate Clyde Bowie presented his theme of the year – SWAT (Shriners Working All Together). On April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 the Hinesville Fort Stewart Shrine Club unveiled their newly designed Shriner SWAT shirt the night before the Potentate's Ball. This quickly became a very popular shirt and reflects well on the Temple and Shriners. These shirts were presented to Illustrious Sir Clyde Bowie and Lady Leann at the Potentate's Ball.

On April 29<sup>th</sup> our club hosted the 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Noble and WM Charles Rogers. Over 70 people attended and again represented 7 Masonic lodges and 2 Shrine Clubs.

The Hinesville Ft Stewart Shrine Club has supported and/or attended every Alee Temple event this year. Futhermore, the club has supported and/or attended many other club or unit activities throughout the year, living up to the theme of SWAT.

#### **Club Participation**

100% attendance to all President's meetings and President's Training

100% Attendance to Temple Stated Sessions

100% attendance to both 2018 Temple Ceremonials

100% attendance and participation in Temple fund raisers

Participation in 2018 East West Shrine Game and activities

Participation in Quint Shrine Hillbilly Degree 27 Jan 2018

**Participation in Temple Valentines Dance 10 Feb 2018** 

Participation in Temple Work Day 3 March 2018

Participation in Potentate's Ball 6 & 7 April 2018

Participation in Drifter's Easter Egg Hunt

Participation in Temple Masonic Fun Day

Sold 9 tickets for \$10k raffle

Participation in Shriners Day at Savannah Banana's Game 7 July 2018

Participation in Imperial Festivities in Daytona 15- 19 July 2018

Participation in Alee Auction 25 August 2018

**Participation in Tattnall Shrine Club Mud Bog** 

Participation in Quint Run What you Brung

Participation in Pirates Poker Run 30 Sep 2018

Participation in Alee Haunted House 19 & 29 Oct 2018

Participation in Alee Trunk or Treat 27 Oct 2018

Participation I Hillbilly Bass Pro Bagging 16 Jun & 23 Nov 2018

**Participation in Alee Christmas** 

Participation in Alee Children's Christmas Party

**Participation in Nobility Christmas** 

Participation in 2018 Iron Butt Ride

**Increased Temple membership by 6 New Nobles** 

**Noble Walt Pelton Reinstated 12 former Nobles** 

### **PARADES**

- 10 March Claxton, Rattle Snake Round-up Parade;
- 17 March Savannah St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 24 March, Shellman's Bluff Parade
- 28 Apr, Port Wentworth's Stand Up for America
- 05 May, Swainsboro Pine tree Festival Parade
- 12 May, Glennville, Sweet Onion Parade
- 8 Jun, Spring Ceremonial New Nobles Parade
- July 8-12 Imperial Parade
- 12 Nov, Hinesville Veterans Day Parade

#### Parades scheduled for remainder of 2018

- 16 & 17 Nov Fall Ceremonial Parade
- 1 Dec Reidsville Christmas Parade
- 30 Dec Hinesville Lighted Christmas Parade
- 01 Dec Vidalia Christmas Parade
  - Cobbtown Christmas Parade

Jesup Christmas Parade

08 Dec - Ludowici Christmas Parade

Screven Christmas Parade

# Military Affiliation Awareness Drive Established Club "Motor Pool"









Dottie Raffeinner is the sister of Noble Walt Pelton. She has a 13-year-old daughter, Elena, who was diagnosed with Spina Bifida and has been receiving treatment through the Shriners Clinic in Erie Pennsylvania. Dottie wanted to give something back for the treatment her daughter has received, and to pay honor to her late father, Noble Walt Pelton Jr, a deceased member of Sudan Temple.

Dottie first came up with the idea of recreating the Silent Messenger and selling it at the Alee Auction with all proceeds dedicated to the Shriners Hospitals for Children. When copyright laws prevented her from doing so, she painted a clown wearing a Fez. She created this painting using calligraphy ink and water color and affectionately named it "Frankie". This painting was sold at the Alee auction for \$150. Pictured below is Dottie with the two paintings.





#### **2018 East West Shrine Game**







### Six Hinesville Ft Stewart Shrine Club members rode in the "2018 Iron Butt Ride"



### 2018 Paper Drive















## **Shriner Protocol Presentation**



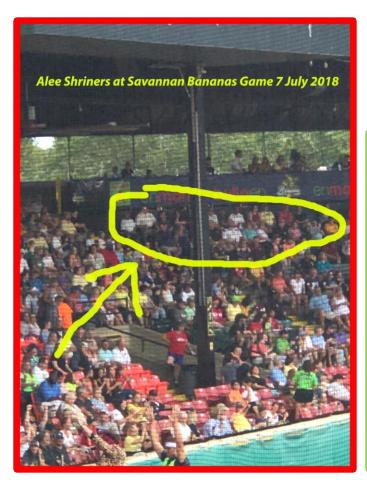
**2018 Valentines Dance** 







# 2018 Shriners Day at Savannah Bananas Game





**Temple Work Day** 





### **Potentates Ball**

















# **2018 Spring Ceremonial**









**Quint Shrine Club Hillbilly Degree** 



## Parades in 2018































## **Masonic Fun Day 2018**







# **Hinesville Ft Stewart Pumpkin Patch 2018**













### **2018 Golf Tournament**



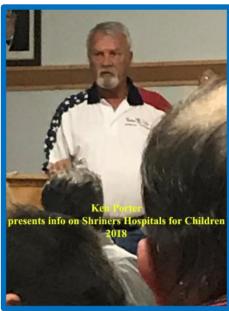






## **Hospital Education**





2018 Pirate's Poker Run



2018 Run what you brung downhill race





#### **Alee Haunted House**















# **VapeCity Anniversary with Paper Drive**







**Alee Trunk or Treat** 





#### Alee Christmas 10 & 11 Nov 2018





Hinesville Veteran's Day Parade 12 Nov 2018





### 2018 Fall Ceremonial





