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### Andrew Haraghey – Setting an example on the slopes

When Andrew was a baby, he developed viral encephalitis and his development seemed to slow even after his recovery. When he still was not walking at age 2, Andrew's parents brought him to Shriners Hospitals for Children — Springfield, where he was diagnosed with cerebral palsy.

Over the next 19 years, Andrew went through physical therapy, leg braces and



surgery. "Everyone at Shriners Hospitals worked together as a team to give me the best opportunities possible," he said. "They taught me that there's always a way to adapt to the abilities you have in order to succeed." Andrew found one of his first successes on the ski slopes. His mom came up with the idea after seeing how frustrated Andrew got trying to keep up when walking with his peers. When 7 years old, he began skiing by holding on to one of his mom's poles. Suddenly, speed was not an issue. The rush of the blades on the snow offered a freedom Andrew could not experience on foot. He was determined to ski on his own. Three years later, he let go of his mom's pole and has not stopped since.

Andrew soon began not only skiing solo, but racing. When he was 14 years old, he knew he wanted a shot at the Paralympics. His dream has now become a reality. Andrew qualified for Team USA as a downhill skier, and participated in the 2018 Paralympics in PyeongChang, South Korea. Most recently, he was inducted into the U.S. Olympians and Paralympians Association.

Besides training seven hours each day, Andrew also finds time to study public health at Westminster College in Salt Lake City, Utah. "My goal is to work in a field where I can help people. I want to give back and show someone else the opportunity that I've been shown."

Andrew and his mom also advocate for people with disabilities. They give talks and demonstrations to school kids about disability awareness. Andrew's mom also wrote a children's book about her son's success called, Andrew Can Ski. It is designed to

inspire anyone who may have obstacles to overcome. She has also become an official adaptive ski instructor, helping others along the same journey Andrew has taken.

On behalf of the staff, volunteers and Board of Governors at the Springfield Shriners Hospital, we are so proud of you Andrew. We cannot wait to see what the future holds for you!





July 4th Springfield Center Parade

July 6th Uarda Temple No. 24 Nutrition Area Dedication Springfield Hospital

> July 20th Do-Dah Days Parade - Ilion

July 28th Honor America Days Parade - Rome

July 28th Summer Picnic and Camping Delta Lake State Park

August 18th Tigris Potentate's Ball

August 25th Ziyara Shriners Potentate's Reception Roselawn

# Potentate's Message



Nobles and Ladies, it was a busy Spring that we kicked off with a very successful Kentucky Derby Party. We participated in several parades in May and June and the people along the parade routes absolutely loved you. And we had a very successful Vidalia Onions Fundraiser. I want to extend my sincere thanks to all of you that helped make each a huge success.

The Vidalia Onion Sale went particularly well. Everyone pitched in, we sold 1,400 bags of onions and realized a profit of  $\frac{57,300}{1}$ . This is not an exact figure because we don't have the freight bill yet, but it will not change significantly. There are too many to thank individually but I want to extend a special thanks to III. Norm Jeche who chaired this fundraiser and to Shane Trucking (The Geddes Family) for their generous assistance.

Now we turn our attention to the Sportsman Raffle. Tickets and Posters are available in the office. Please come get some and start selling! We are also mailing tickets out to those that have supported this fun filled event in the past. The Sportsman Raffle Party will be on September 16<sup>th</sup> and if the weather is good we might make it an outdoor event! This is our 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest fundraiser of the year and we need your help to make it bigger and better than ever!

According to Billy Stewart's 1966 hit song, "It's Summertime and the Livin' is Easy." It's a great time of year. We have hot and hazy days, parades, fun in the sun, afternoons at the beach and delicious picnics to look forward to. And that is exactly what Ziyara has planned!

We are going to kick things off with another awesome parade on July 4<sup>th</sup> in Springfield Center. It would be nice to have a strong turnout for them. It is not a long parade, but they have a huge crowd along the route.

From there we are planning a brief Stated Meeting for July 10<sup>th</sup> just to review our progress, talk about plans for the balance of the year and let's get those petitions in for the Fall Ceremonial. Then we are off to Daytona Beach for Imperial 2018. It was such a good time last year and we expect it to be equally good this year.

On July 20<sup>th</sup> we have the Do-Dah Days Parade in Ilion and then on July 28<sup>th</sup> we are off to the Honor America Days Parade in Rome and immediately after the parade we are going to Delta Lake State Park for the Ziyara Summer Picnic and Camping Trip. We are hoping everyone will want to come out and enjoy the Sun, Water, Food and Fellowship! The Picnic is \$5.00 per person, bring your own beverage and a dish to pass. We will provide the Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and cooks. Please RSVP through the Shrine Office and let us know what dish you will bring. You can reserve camping spots through the Delta Lake State Park website.

And finally, in the days leading up to Labor Day, the Tigris Potentate's Ball is on August 18<sup>th</sup> (details to follow) and our Ziyara Potentates Reception will be on August 25<sup>th</sup>. We are planning a casual "Summer of Shriner Love, 60's/70's Party." It will be a memorable night.

Wow! We are going to have a great Summer. As usual, we will send email reminders and calling post notices out with the details for each of the events. They will also be posted on Social Media. So many things to do, all good times with our Shriner Family. The greatest Shrine Family there is.

Nobles, I am going to say it again because I truly cannot over emphasize how great we are. I love how each of you participates and understands you are important to Ziyara. You truly embody the ideas in the Shriners Creed. We are the Shrine that is so great they couldn't settle for giving us Shrine #1 so they put 2 of them together to make us Ziyara #11.

Who is Ziyara Shriners? I am Ziyara Shriners... YOU are Ziyara Shriners! God Bless!



All prizes provided by

Each prize valued between \$150.00 and \$1,500.00 \*\*BASS PRO SHOP CREDIT AVAILABLE IN LIEU OF ANY PRIZE\*\*

Tickets: \$20.00 each (Cash, Check or Credit Cards Accepted)

Drawing Party to be held on Sunday September 16th, 2018 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm

at Ziyara Shriner Center • PO Box 40, 8209 Halsey Rd. • Whitesboro, NY 13492

# Prize

Value

1)	Tikka DX Tactical Bolt Action 6.5 Creedmor, 10rd magazine	\$1,500.00
2)	Browning Cynergy Over Under 12 ga., 30 in. Barrell	\$1,250.00
3)	Browning Hells Canyon Speed, choice of 30-06sprg., 270win., 308win.	\$875.00
4)	Kimber Hunter, Assorted Calibers	\$700.00
5)	Kimber Custom JI Full Size, .45 Auto	\$650.00
6)	Henry Golden Boy 45-70	\$650.00
7)	Remington V3 Field Sport Semi-Auto, 12 ga., 28in. Barrell	\$625.00
8)	Kimber Micro Two-Tone, .380	\$475.00
9)	RedHead 14 Gun Safe	\$450.00
10)	Smith & Wesson M&P Shield, Assorted Calibers	\$375.00
11)	Henry Classic Frontier, 22LR	\$350.00
12)	Remington 870 Home Defense	\$350.00
13)	Ruger 10/22 Takedown	\$340.00
14)	Savage Axis, Assorted Calibers	\$300.00
15)	Remington 870 Pump, 12 ga. or 20 ga.	\$300.00
16)	PSE Stinger XRTS Compound Bow	\$300.00
17)	Barnett Whitetail Hunter Cross Bow	\$300.00
18)	Ruger LCP II, .380 Auto	\$250.00
19)	Ruger 10/22 Wood Stock	\$230.00
20)	The Maxim Ladderstand	\$150.00

Need not to be present to win. Proceeds benefit Ziyara Shriners and are not tax deductible. Winners responsible for all federal and state tax as applicable.

# ZIYARA SHRINERS Summer Picnic & Camping Trip Saturday July 28th Delta Lake State Park 8797 NY-46, Rome, NY 13440

Immediately following the Honor America Days Parade Come out and enjoy the Sun, Water, Food and Fellowship!

**\$5.00 per person** (kids 12 and under Free!) bring your own beverage and a dish to pass. We will provide the Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and cooks.

Please RSVP through the Shrine Office and let us know what dish you will bring.

You can reserve camping spots through the Delta Lake State Park website.



4229 Stuhlman Road • Vernon, NY 13476

# Join Highls & Ziyara Shriners

for great food, fun and fantastic racing action at historic Vernon Downs!

FRIDAY AUGUST 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 • 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM Buffet opens at 5:30 PM and the races start at 6:45 PM

# Adult \$25.00 Kids 5-10 \$12.00 Kids under 5 FREE

Package includes:

Reservations at the extensive all-you-can-eat Gold Cup Buffet

• Shuttle service between the Track and Casino

• Free program including some free play for the Casino

Contact the Shrine Office at 315-732-5328 to make reservations by

Monday July 30th

See you at the races!

Please send all reservations and payments to Ziyara Shrine PO Box 40 Whitesboro, NY 13492

Name:

Number of reservations (\$25.00 ea.)	_ Children 5-10 (\$12.00)	Total:
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to pay by credit card, please complete required information:

Card Number:

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Cardholder's Name

Billing zip code\_



## **Potentates Reception**

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In Honor of

### **Illustrious Sir Michael T. Dunn and Lady Dori**

#### August 25, 2018

The Roselawn, 446 Main Street, New York Mills, NY 13417

#### **Before the Reception:**

12:30 - 4:30pm Hospitality Room @ the Homewood Suites



201 Woods Park Dr. New Hartford, NY Bus to the Roselawn leaves at 5:40pm At the Reception: **6:00pm Open Bar and Appetizers** 7:00pm Introductions 7:30 pm Dinner **Music and Dancing to follow** 



Attire for Evening: Comfortable casual or if you dare... Bring on your best Beatnik or Hippie Sunday breakfast included with room - Gifts and Presentations at 9:30am peace, Love and Shrinedom

**Bus Returns to Hotel at 10:15pm** 

#### Potentates Reception

#### In Honor of

## Illustrious Sir Michael T. Dunn and Lady Dori

The Roselawn, 446 Main Street, New York Mills, NY 13417

#### Reception – Saturday 8/25

12:30 pm to 4:30 pm Hospitality Room @ Hotel 5:30pm Bus Leaves for Roselawn 6:00pm Social Hour (Open Bar) 7:00pm Introductions 7:30pm Dinner - \$55.00 ea. Music and Dancing to Follow

#### Breakfast – Sunday 8/26

Breakfast with Hotel Stay 9:30am Gifts and Presentations Safe Travels Home

Dinner: Green Salad, Italian Wedding Soup, Choice of Prime Rib, Chicken Francaise, Stuffed Haddock, Cheese Cake w/Toppings

Potentate's and their Lady (or representative) will be our guest for the Reception and Hotel Saturday. However, reservations for both are still necessary.

Make your hotel reservation with: Homewood Suites, 185 Woods Park Drive, New Hartford, NY (315) 801-7200

Be sure to Mention: Ziyara Shriners Block

#### \$149 plus tax. (this rate is also valid for Friday Night) Must book by August 15th

or on their website: http://group.homewood-suites.com/ZiyaraShriners

- Just input the link above into your browser
- If only staying Saturday night, click "Continue" or change length of stay first
- Follow instructions to finish booking your room

#### To Reserve your dinner, please complete this form and submit with payment <u>Send payment to</u>: Ziyara Shriners, PO Box 40, Whitesboro, NY 13492 – Ph: (315) 732-5328 Reservations are necessary by: August 15, 2018

To Pay for Your 2018 Potentates Reception Dinners. \$55.00 each. Please complete and Return This Form.				
() Visa () MasterCard () Discover	( ) Check # (Enclosed)			
Queen Cut Prime Rib (Qty) Chicken Francaise	(Qty) Stuffed Haddock			
Card Holder Name:	Amount:			
Card Number:	Expiration Date (мм/үү):			
V-Code (3 Digits on Back of Card): Zip Code: S	Signature:			
Payment is not deductible as charitable contributions				

# MEET THE DIVAN



Guard

Noble Robert J. Verdon II born in Utica, NY January 27, 1991 to Robert and Linda Verdon, grew up in Deerfield, NY before moving to Waterville, NY in his early teens.

Rob was awarded the honorable rank of Eagle Scout in 2009 with Boy Scout Troop 59 in Deerfield, NY. Rob earned his Bachelors of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering from SUNY IT in 2014.

He has previously worked at the Air Force Research Laboratory (Rome Labs) in the Communications Computer Systems Branch, and is currently employed as a Project Manager with Day Automation, an HVAC and Security controls company primarily in the K-12 school market.

Joining Mohawk Valley Chapter, Order of DeMolay in 2011 (through his cousin, Noble Anthony Cucci), Rob was introduced into the Masonic family. Although Rob aged out of DeMolay quickly, he was giving the honor and opportunity to become the next Chapter Dad and served that role for the next 5 years. Rob has continued to work and volunteer with DeMolay, including the state website. Rob also received the distinguished Degree of Chevalier in 2013.

Rob joined Oriental-Faxton Lodge #224 in 2013 and Ziyara Shriners in 2014. He enjoys the brotherhood and friendship he's gained from being a member of these great organizations and likes to help out and give back as much as he can.

Outside of Freemasonry, he enjoys the outdoors, including boating and water sports and likes to spend his weekends at the lake in the Adirondacks when he's not at home tinkering on some electronics or house project.



**Marshal** 

Noble John P. Smith - born in Utica, N.Y. on December 17, 1987 to Gary and Josephine Smith, growing up in Westmoreland, N.Y.

Educated in Westmoreland Central Schools, graduating in 2006. Earned an associate of science from Mohawk Valley Community College in Electrical Engineering Technology. Then went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree from Rochester Institute of Technology in Electrical Engineering Technology in 2011. Since 2011, he has worked at O'Brien & Gere (OBG), as an Instrumentation & controls Engineer.

John was made a master mason in 2011 with Baron Steuben Lodge #264. He served as master of Baron Steuben Lodge in 2016-2017. John has been a member of the keystones kops unit since joining Ziyara in 2012.

Outside of the Masonic brotherhood, John keeps busy being involved with several organizations including the Kiwanis club of Westmoreland, the Westmoreland summer activities association, Relay for Life Team Aaron, and the Lowell cemetery committee.

When he is not busy with all of his organizations John works on his family's dairy farm. John is the 6th generation of Smith's on the farm. The farm has been a part of his family for 188 years.

In addition, he enjoys, road cycling, camping, and hiking in what free time he may have.

## DONATIONS

#### **Patient Transportation Fund**

In Memory of: F. Gary Lagasse By: Noble Barney Lepper & Lady Gail By: III. Sir Alun Ellis & Lady Mona By: Linda Walters & Faith Cooney By: III Sir Allen Ratzlaff & Lady Nancy By: Noble Bill Chappell & Lady Hilda By: III. Sir Louis Leogrande & Lady Linda

In Memory of: Robert Coleman By: Noble Barney Lepper & Lady Gail

In Memory of: Mr. Patrick Jordan By: III. Sir Louis Leogrande & Lady Linda

In Honor of: III. Sir Michael T. Dunn By: Noble Bill Chappell & Lady Hilda

By: Sons of the American Legion P # 1376
By: Ms. Patricia Sylvester & Mr. Erick Zegarelli
By: Morgan Stanley Employees Kayla Bick & Matt Johns
By: William & Susan Prichard
By: Mr. David Winiarski
By: Kwik Kut Manu

#### Springfield Childrens Hospital

By: III. Sir Alun Ellis & Lady Mona By: Ms. Mary Tornatoro

**Pull Tabs** By: Mr. Earl LeClair By: Community Outreach-M-O Boces

Need a photographer for an event?

Get in touch with our Shrine photographer

### **Khristian Ballesteros**

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## 310-658-8757





F. Gary LaGasse • 5/10/18

## PLEASE NOTE

Mailing Address for Ziyara Shriners is:

### PO Box 40 Whitesboro, NY 13492

Mail should not be sent to: 251 Genesee St. -or-8209 Halsey Rd.

There is no mailbox at the Shrine Park Centre and mail cannot be delivered with this address.

### July 6, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.



Shriner's Hospital Springfield is dedicating their new Nutrition Area to Uarda Temple No. 24, Daughters of the Nile in recognition of donations made by our temple. Members of Ziyara Shrine are welcome to join us for this great honor. Ziyara Shriners P.O. Box 40 8209 Halsey Rd. Whitesboro, NY 13492

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# November 16 - 25, 2018



And Spread the Word!

The Fabulous Ziyara FEZtival of Trees is coming!