

SUDAN SHRINERS

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TO: Club Presidents & Unit Heads

SUBJECT: 100th Anniversary Plans

Sudan's history began on July 13, 1916 with the dispensation for the establishment of a temple in the East. Formal institutional ceremonies were held on November 22, 1916 with 106 candidates and 30 affiliates received into membership. On June 26, 1917, the Imperial Council granted the charter to Sudan and one of the greatest temples in Shriners International started their journey.

As a way to commemorate this event, Sudan's 100th Anniversary Committee has been developing plans for an outstanding Anniversary Celebration.

A lot of good things have happened within Sudan over the last 100 years. We want to share those stories and photos of our clubs, units and ladies activities as much as we can. Therefore, we are going to have a 100th Sudan Anniversary hardback bound book made capturing these events. The formulation of this historical keepsake will take place for the remainder of this year and part of 2017. It will then be made available for sale to the general nobility.

This will be a time consuming task. We would like every club and unit to prepare and furnish us your history so that you can be included in the book. We would recommend you consider appointing a noble(s) to collect and prepare information and pictures to be submitted. We are trying to offer each group a page in the book. It can only be successful if you, the nobles and ladies of Sudan help us to make it successful. We ask that your information be submitted to the Sharon at the temple office by no later than January 30, 2017.

We have two attachments to assist you in preparing your inputs. Please contact our Recorder and Red Fez Editor, Noble George Raecher for assistance or questions at sudanrecorder11@bellsouth.net or (919) 394-3379.

Yours in Faith

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EXAMPLE OF UNIT ARTICLE

Choo Choo (Photo)

The Shriners Choo Choo was founded on March 4, 1988 in Wilmington, North Carolina with Albert Parker serving as Potentate. The unit started with 15 charter members and currently has 33 active Shriners Choo Choo trainmen.

The train is trackless and consists of an engine powered by gasoline, which pulls 3 boxcars followed by a red caboose. It is a forty feet long train, fully assembled and can carry a maximum of 20 people at one time. It was donated by Randolph C. Grant, Jr. prebuilt and ready for operation.

The unit is funded by several fundraising events throughout each year. To the delight of many children, the Choo Choo trainmen participate in 10-20 events a year providing train rides for birthday parties and special events.

The Choo Choo is in its 29th year of locomotive excellence and is being led by a Conductor.

At the next ceremonial or parade, be sure to keep an ear out for the distinctive bell and your eyes peeled for smoke barreling down the street. You may even hear a catchy tune or catch a glimpse of the flagman on the back of the caboose swinging the lantern. These are all a part of what makes the Shriners Choo Choo so unique and a good time is had by all.

OR

SUDAN MINI RIGS (PHOTO)

The Sudan Mini-Rigs from Wayne County was formed in Wayne County by members of the Wayne Shrine Club in 1992. They were created during Past Potentate Arnold Brown's term in office and consisted of thirty-five (35) charter members. The identical red "Mini Tractor Truck Rigs" were purchased by members at a reported cost of \$1800.00 each. Initially, there were twelve (12) trucks in the unit. The unit's first parade was in November 1992 at the Sudan Fall Ceremonial in Lumberton, NC. They performed in six parades in their first year and in 1993, they made their first donation to Shriners Hospitals for Children of \$650.00. During the 25 years of operation, the Mini-Rigs have grown and now have twenty Mini-Rig trucks and seven recovery vehicles. They have maintained a "truck history ownership" on every truck since the unit was formed. This unit has participated in as many as 41 parades/performances in one year. Members incur all of the costs of upkeep for the Rigs and the cost of driving to the many events. Every penny donated to this unit has been given to Shriners Hospitals for Children or Sudan's Transportation Fund. At the conclusion of this units 25th year, over \$200,000.00 will have been donated from the 700 plus parades and events they have attended. The Mini Rigs are a crowd pleaser no matter where they go. Congratulations to the Mini Riggers and Keep on Trucking for the Children!

Club	Chartered	Units	
Beaufort County S/C	Had ceremonial in 1936 - Washington S/C June 7, 1951	Animated Animals	1976
Bladen County S/C	April 19 - 1979	Beach Bums	Jun-97
Brunswick County S/C	1964	Buccaneers - (Pirates) name change budgeted Sept. 01	1999
Camping Club	Jan. 2008	Burnouts	2013
Carteret County S/C	3-May-44	Camel Drivers	1969
Columbus County S/C	Jan. 10, 1948	Camping Club	Jan. 16, 1999
Crystal Coast S/C	Nov. 2, 1994	Cart Caravan (Pedal Pushers active 82)	2002
Cumberland County S/C	First called Fayetteville S/C Cumberland Co. 1953	Carteret County Mariners	1990
Dare County S/C	first called Manteo S/C - before 1950	Ceremonial Cast	1975
Dunn S/C	Dec. 1946	Chef Crew	1957
Duplin County S/C	1950	Dunn Clowns	1952
Elizabeth City S/C	18-May-44	Convertibles	1984
Fairmont S/C	before 1949	Cooligans	2008
Fayetteville S/C	23-May-96	Cruisers	Sept. 2010
Franklin County S/C	22-Mar-54	Daredevils	Aug. 2004
Grifton S/C	14-Jun-67	Desert Rats	Sept. 1997
Harnett County S/C	20-Jul-79	Drum & Bugle Corps	1917
Havelock S/C	1963	Fire Brigade	1980
Hope Mills S/C	11-Jun-86	Flag Unit	05/19/84
Johnston County S/C	Dec. 7, 1948	Gators	Sept. 2006
Lenoir County S/C **	Kinston S/C 1940 newly reorgnized - 1964 changed name	Ghostbusters	1991
Martin County S/C	9-Apr-56	Hillbillies #2	Jan. 2009
New Bern S/C	1953	Horse Patrol	1963
Onslow County S/C	13-Jul-50	Keystone Kops	1975
Pamlico County S/C	1978	Legion of Honor	1962 Jan. 2006
Pender County S/C	Dec. 7, 1993	Mini Cars - listed in minutes in as being "several years" in 79	budgeted 1983
Pitt County S/C	Originally Greenville S/C - Feb. '38 - name changed to Pitt in '51	Mini Choppers	Dec. 2004
Roanoke Chowan S/C	Hertford S/C 1952 - not listed in 60's - reorganized 1/26/72	Mini-Rigs	Aug. 1992
Roanoke Valley S/C	Oct-47	Mobile Fez	Nov. 1997
Robeson County S/C	Changed name from Lumbee S/C in 1982 - 1976	Monster Trucks	1997
Rocky Mount S/C **	Always listed in minutes - probably original	Motor Patrol	1962
St. Pauls S/C	29-Jul-71	Mourners	1991
Sampson County S/C	Red Fez - Jan. 1947	Patrol	1917
So Brunswick Island S/C	Nov. 10, 1994	Pirate Ship	1997
Swansboro S/C	1975	Playboys	May-15
Wayne S/C	before 1927 - Goldsboro S/C - name change 1950	Provost Guard	1947
Wilmington S/C ** renamed	Wilmington prior to '38 - name changed in '48 to Arab - Wilmington S/C in 16	Prowlers	1998
Wilson County S/C **	before 1945	Racers	15-May-93
		Roadrunners	1979
		Roadsters - minutes of 1991	1991
		Shriners Choo Choo - name change 6/2014	Mar-88
		Steel Drum Band	1977 - reo. 88
		Suits	Jan. 2007
		Thunderbolts	1975
		Tomcats	1997
		Truckers	1992
		Van Patrol	1977 - reo. Jan. 2012
		Wrecking Crew	1925