

Dear Nobles,

Happy New Year! Welcome to 2022 and thank you for all you do to make the Shrine great.

I am thrilled to have been elected Chairman of the Board of Governors for Shriners Children's Ohio. Not only do we get to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Shriners Children's, the 150th anniversary of Shriners International, but 2022 also marks one year in our new home of Dayton, Ohio.

Reaching this milestone wasn't easy. The relocation of the hospital and our staff to a new city took months, and we are still growing our patient volumes.

COVID-19 continues to challenge all of us, but especially months we have strengthened our world-class team so we can help more kids needing our care.

When I first became a Shriner many years ago, a Past Potentate told my class about our hospitals and said, "today you become an owner of the world's greatest philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children." Never has that been more true. All Shriners are owners and thus have a vested interest in doing all we can to make our philanthropy better. That involves two primary missions: Referring kids that we can help and fundraising for the hospital. I challenge each of you to do both in 2022.

If you are receiving this newsletter, it is because you and your Shrine Center are integral parts of Shriners Children's Ohio. Our 18-member Board of Governors represent several of the Shrine Centers but certainly not all. Please know that I and our other members are here for you. Ask questions, invite us to meet with your members, come see us in Dayton, and let us know what your plans are to support our kids. Together we can accomplish anything, and we always need your help to be the best we can be.



My plan is to keep you informed about Shriners Children's Ohio. This newsletter is one method but the best way to get to know us is by following our hospital on social media. Look for "Shriners Children's Ohio" on Facebook and Instagram. There you will see patient stories and get to know the staff. Remember, YOU are an owner!

Let's make 2022 our greatest year ever. I wish all of you a safe, happy, healthy and prosperous year. I look forward to seeing many of you as we travel around representing Shriners Children's Ohio.

Thank you,

Dennis Hewatt Chairman, Board of Governors Shriners Children's Ohio



