



Imperial Sir Visits and Praises the Chicago Shriners Hospital

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones, head of Shriners of North America, has nothing but praise for the Chicago Shriners Hospital. The Imperial Sir was looking forward to his weekend trip to the Midwest – a long journey from his home in Tampa – and in addition to witnessing a large ceremonial at Medinah Temple he made a visit to SHCC.

In the history of the Order of DeMolay, the Honorary Grand Master of DeMolay award was given to only four persons. Those were U.S. Presidents Theodore Roosevelt, Harry Truman and Gerald Ford, and Canadian Prime Minister John Dieffenbaker. At Medinah Temple, this honor was bestowed upon Imperial Sir Jack Jones.

On Sunday, April 18th, the Medinah Motor Corps escorted the Imperial Sir to SHCC where he was welcomed by ushers, board members, and hospital staff. Pat Moore, Director of the Ushers Committee, and Bob Gillfillan, Deputy Director, toured with Imperial Sir Jones while the hospital and usher committees attended an update meeting.

Speakers included Administrator Jim Cohick and the Director of the Cleft Lip and Palate Team Mary O’Gara. The Imperial Sir gave a closing address.

“It is very evident that amazing things are happening at the Chicago Shriners Hospital,” says the Imperial Sir.

Shriners and staff in attendance were pleased with the day’s events.

“The day was so well done – it was quite the privilege to hear from the Imperial Sir” says usher Mark Donnell.

There are currently around 350,000 Shriners in the United States, and fourteen Midwest temples – from Alpena, Michigan to Davenport, Iowa – are directly affiliated with the Chicago Shriners Hospital. Guests wanting to visit SHCC are encouraged to do so, and ushers are available for tours Monday through Friday 11:00am-1:00pm, and on Sundays 2:00-4:00pm. For more information call PR Specialist Cathleen Himes at (773)385-5420.



Administrator Jim Cohick addresses the Hospital and Ushers Committee



Hospital Ushers Director Pat Moore presents Imperial Sir Jack Jones with an honorary usher's certificate

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