

# News from SHC - St. Louis

## Gary Dunwoody shares 2007 budget news

We were privileged to have the St. Louis Hospital liaison from the Imperial Council - and Junior Past Imperial Potentate - Gary Dunwoody in attendance for our November board meeting. He brought with him excellent news for the 2007 budget.

For 2007, the St. Louis Hospital will have a budget of \$24.5 million, an 8.5% increase over 2006. The budget increase system-wide was just 6.2%. Dunwoody reported that our budget increase was due to the amount of activity our hospital has sustained.

“The leadership at St. Louis hospital have always been terrific stewards of the funds they’ve been given to serve children throughout the Midwest,” he said. “This increase came about because St. Louis is becoming more and more active. This hospital is busier than ever and it needs the increased funding to serve the larger number of patients.”

Dunwoody also encouraged the St. Louis hospital and its 21 supporting temples to continue to communicate with one another.

“It’s so vital that we have a closer working relationship between the hospitals and their supporting temples,” he said. “Better communication can only help us with patient recruitment, donations and fraternity membership.”

## Applications Report - through October 2006

Below is a report of new patient applications received for the year through October. We’ve increased new patients by eight this year, thanks to your hard work! For each Shrine Center, we included the number of applications you referred to the hospital so far this year, with a comparison to last year’s figures. The Shrine Centers in bold increased the number of applications they’ve submitted - Congratulations!

Shrine Center	thru Oct. 2006	thru Oct. 2005	Difference +/-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,181</b>	<b>2,173</b>	<b>+8</b>
<b>Abdallah</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>+14</b>
Abou Ben Adhem	229	262	-33
Ainad	496	557	-61
<b>Akdar</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>+8</b>
<b>Al Chymia</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>+14</b>
<b>Ansar</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>+20</b>
<b>Arab</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>+3</b>
Ararat	113	115	-2
<b>Bedouin</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>+1</b>
Hadi	92	92	--
<b>India</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>+7</b>
<b>Isis</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>+4</b>
Kaaba	4	7	-3
<b>Midian</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>+8</b>
Mirza	41	46	-5
Moila	34	41	-7
Moolah	538	549	-11
Rizpah	23	27	-4
<b>Sahara</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>+13</b>
<b>Scimitar</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>+8</b>
<b>Zorah</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>+13</b>
Non-Affiliated applications	94	73	+21