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Still Rolling with The Pote!

by Daniel E. Stainbrook II



Well, another busy month has come, gone, and from the looks of my calendar, it isn't very open for May either. Another great golf outing was put together by our in-house professionals (Jack Davis, Dale Cline, and Russ Miller of Florida). We played three different courses and all-in-all a good time was had by

all. I would like to thank our drivers, Ed Roberts and David Ray, for a safe trip

to and from. There were several other events happening at Aladdin and outside during April which made for exciting times. We had our first parade of the season which



was the Clippers Parade to the new Huntington Park Stadium. I felt we should be in that parade since they approached Aladdin to be in it. It wasn't a long (five blocks) parade, but the public relations and visibility for the Shrine is what we need. Then we went to Piketon for the Dogwood Festival Parade and combined Potentate's visitation. This is becoming a great parade for Aladdin. The afterglow, which is actually a full course meal put on by the Pike County Shrine Club and their ladies, is superior - more food than you can eat. While on the subject of Pike County Shrine Club, they made a check presentation of \$3,000.00 for the Chiller Fund at the last stated meeting (04/20/09). I don't know how many of you are aware that Pike County SC is a small club out "in the middle on nowhere." For this club to give this large amount of money, it simply is astounding. Therefore, I believe they have set a mark for other clubs and units to try to match or exceed. I know for a fact that this is possible. Continued on page 3

Shriners International Positions Itself for Membership Growth

When people think of the Shriners organization, they may think of tradition and the trappings of a 136-year-old fraternity. "Modern" and "contemporary" aren't words that come readily to mind in describing the Shriners – at least it hasn't been the case in the past.

Now Shriners International: In the last year and a half, a national marketing and branding campaign has brought a new awareness of Shriners Hospitals for Children, the official philanthropy of Shriners International, to millions of people. Now it is the fraternity's turn. Shriners of North America, henceforth known as Shriners International, is embarking on an effort to update its look and image, and the media and general public are taking notice.

Recently, the Chicago News-Tribune noted the contemporary approach the organization is using to appeal to younger audiences, citing the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, the Las Vegas stop on the PGA TOUR. The tournament garnered extensive coverage from major media outlets, including Fox News, CNN and Entertainment Tonight, as well as People, In Style and Las Vegas Golf magazines.

Fez Replaces Scimitar, Star and Crescent: Shriners International is now utilizing the iconic fez as its logo (replacing the scimitar, star and crescent, which has been used since 1872) to modernize the look of materials, and is developing strategies to encourage younger members to join the organization. The latter includes partnering with college fraternities to educate members about Shriners International. In addition, temples (chapters) are offering more family-oriented activities.

The decision to rename the fraternity Shriners International was made to more clearly reflect the worldwide reach and relevance of the Shriners organization, especially with members in several countries hoping to create new Shriners temples in the near future. While the fraternity is taking on a new look and attitude, the mission of its philanthropy remains the same: to continue to support Shriners Hospitals for Children.



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MEMBERSHIP ON THE MOVE

by Calvin Smith | Membership Marketing Director

I have but three items I would like to discuss: DUES, CONTACT INFORMATION, and PETITIONS.

Have you paid your 2009 dues? Check your wallet. No Aladdin dues card? Contact us ASAP! Your membership is important to our efforts in your community and to our hospital efforts. Without resources, we cannot do all we would like. Help us, help yourself, help your community! Pay your dues!

Have you moved, changed your phone number, or your email?

Let us know. Without the correct contact information, your mail is returned and costs us money. Worse, it costs us the opportunity to stay in touch when necessary. Please give us a call or an email and allow us to bring your records up-to-date.

Ceremonial - We will be conducting a complete First Section of our Ceremonial Ritual on Friday June 26 here at Aladdin. It will begin at 6:15 p.m. with dinner. The meal is free to candidates and their top-line-signers. The cost to others is \$10.00. The Ceremonial will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a social to follow in the Oasis Room. The deadline for petitions is Monday June 22.

If you need a petition, contact us or go to the bottom of the home page of the Aladdin website. New members are always needed. You are the only source Aladdin has for these new Nobles. Let's all pick up the pace and turn those petitions in by June 22.

May is a rich month in Aladdin. The calendar has many events: Tabloid Day, the Potentate's Party, Stated Meeting, the Utica and Worthington Parades. For those who are interested, the Potentate will hold a Cigar Smoker on the Patio after the Stated Meeting on May 18. Get out and do something.

Be happy, dear Nobles, don't hold back; be joyous! We are among the best; we are Shriners.

THE GOOD NEWS DEPARTMENT: William Oden of the Worthington Shrine Club celebrated his 100th birthday on April 23.

ALADDIN AT WORK - AT PLAY!





Still Rolling with The Pote!

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Speaking of Shrine Clubs out in the Aladdin Land, there were 10 of us who went down to Morgan County Shrine Club on May 16 for their Annual Wild Game Feed. If you are adventurous and like to try different foods, you should attend one of these. There was turtle, goose, bear, deer, chicken, rabbit, squirrel, and another one that I didn't recognize. Oh yes, the beans were good, too. If, you don't like any of the above, you could have gone to the Chanter's Spaghetti Dinner for a lot of good food, very inexpensive, but it's too late now.

Masonic Night on April 27 went off smoothly as clock work thanks to Chief Rabban Bill Estell, the Past Masters Unit, and my home Lodge Blendon #339. See a full article on this evening in the *Lamp*.

We have a couple of parades in May and several visitations, but the one thing you do not want to miss is the Potentate's Ball on May 16, which for a better name, is called "Dusty Dan's Wild West Show." Wear your western attire or come casual but come to have a good time. See your April Lamp for all the details.

Don't forget that June 13 is the One-Day Masonic Class for the entire state which is put on in each district. Aladdin's is on June 14. After there are all those new Masons here, Aladdin is having the Spring Ceremonial on June 26 for the Full First Section. Please see the *Lamp* and membership article on page 2 for details.

I will keep reminding you that the Stag Picnic is on June 20, not June 27. See the *Lamp* or contact Assistant Rabban Steve Hawathay, chairman, if you have any questions. It will be at the same place as last year.

Next is the 2009 Imperial Session at San Antonio, Texas, July 5-9. You can still sign up to go but must pay in full as the deadline is very near. As of this writing, we have 185 Nobles and Ladies planning to attend.

I only have one more item to mention. The chillers' cost has come in under our original estimate of \$205,000 to \$170,000 which is a tremendous savings. This savings can be attributed to the present economy. The other good thing is the chiller donations, which stand at \$28,670.00 on 04/30/2009. We are still accepting donations and will throughout the year and even longer. Remember to read your *Lamp* as you might miss an event or other function that you wanted to attend. Let's Roll Again!

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Gallipolis Shrine

by Frank Petrie, Jr.

Remember, Nobles and Ladies, we do not march alone. We wish to thank the River Valley Beta Club for their continued donations to help our beloved Shriners Children Hospitals. On March 27, the Beta Club held a dinner and a dessert auction to raise money. I am extremely pleased to say that a strong contingent of Shriners and Ladies attended this event. Thanks go to each and everyone who bought so generously of those pies, cakes, and banana breads.

We wish to congratulate the Marietta Shrine Club for putting on another great Shrimp Fest. I understand the Gallipolis Shrine Club consumed their fair share of those watery delicacies. Unfortunately, my "heart" was elsewhere that evening.

Fiery Competition: Never let it be said that the spirit of competition is dead among Shriners. Our Poker Tournament was a fiery contested affair this year. The winner actually needed to win the last hand played to claim the victory. Congratulations go to Noble Frank Petrie, champion. Second place went to Noble J. C. Glassburn and third place to Noble Steve Saunders. Thanks to all the players and to the pit bosses, Noble Jack Richards and Noble Homer Hankins.

March with Pride: Remember, I said earlier, we do not march alone. Please turn out for the Centerville (May 23) and the Gallipolis (May 25) parades. Wear your fez with pride and let our communities know we appreciate their generosity when we ask for donations to support our hospitals. We will be asking for their support on Tabloid Collection days, June 5 - 6. If we all contribute a little, it amounts to a lot.

Let's all turn out to help Noble Bob Donnett, his Lady Jenny, and their entire family with the Children's Fishing Derby on June 20. Also, that evening Hillbilly Clan #7 is having a dinner and dance. You can come early and stay late to enjoy all the festivities.

For all you swingers, there is a golf tournament planned for June 28. See Noble Jeff Gobel for further information.

Remember, Nobles and Ladies, blessed are the flexible, for they shall never be bent out of shape. See you for supper on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

Weather permitting, Commander Beymer is planning a flyout to Carroll County Airport for our June 13 breakfast meeting. We are hoping for a nice blue sky for the trip and we might be lucky.

Our July meeting will be at the Delaware County Airport for breakfast and the meeting follows breakfast.

Our Assistant Rabban, Steve Hathaway, has been attending our meetings and we are glad to have Steve with us. Steve keeps us up to date on the news of the Shrine and coming events. Steve is a fixed wing and helicopter pilot and is a retired deputy sheriff.

Operations Officer Terry Kitchen brought several interesting pictures to our April meeting. Terry was shown right in there with some of our best pilots including Chuck Yeager, Bud Anderson, and Tex Hill from the Flying Tigers. At this time, Terry and Vallerie are at the Sun 'N Fun in Florida while Terry is photographing the planes and other events for Warbirds Magazine and Vallerie is doing volunteer work. Terry is a good man and we are pleased to have him with us in the Flying Nobles.

Happy Birthday, Flying Nobles: The Flying Nobles Club is 34 years old this year, and I have met some of my best friends in our club through the years. We hope to see more of our members out to the meetings.

Wayne and Cheryl have returned from an enjoyable trip to Hawaii. Wayne left the Bonanza at home.

The Potentate's Ball is on May 16 and the Ceremonial is June 26. We need all the new members we can get, so if you know of someone get a petition to him.

How do you like the new look of the Lamp?

Tabloid Day: May 9 is Tabloid Day and we will be at the K-Mart on Bethel Road. The Flying Nobles sent a check to Aladdin for help with the air conditioning unit that is needed for the Aladdin Shrine Center. The air conditioning is needed for the summer in order to rent the building.

Summer is on the way so enjoy every bit of the sunshine. See you next month.



Kambri Shrine by Dick Brixner

On March 23, a group of nine Kambri Shriners traveled to the Marietta Shrine Club for their Annual Shrimp Fest. It was a great event, with plenty of shrimp, cold cuts, popcorn, and drinks. Attending were President Ron LePage, Frank Potts, Elmer Bright, Joe Spilker, Tom Fisher, Kenny Harrison, yours truly, and our drivers, Buzzy Ferguson and Dave Black. We will be going back next year, watch for the date.

We held our Annual Ladies Night on April 12 at the Southeast Ohio Regional Medical Center with 40 Nobles and their Ladies attending. Noble President Ron LePage took center stage, and extended a welcome to all, followed by the invocation by Noble Tom Fisher.

Noble Secretary Don Huston introduced several members of the hospital staff, whose departments received \$13,699 from Kambri and Aladdin to buy items for the pediatric care units. The staff expressed their appreciation. Our Shrine organizations have given a total of \$94,725.00 to our local hospital for pediatric equipment over the last ten years.

Noble President Ron recognized Debbie Stillion and presented her a gift from Kambri for the work she does with our newsletters. Divan Representative Garol Rogers and his lady Dixie were introduced and made a few comments to include thanking Kambri for the hospitality. He reminded us of the Potentate's visit on May 28 at the Cambridge Country Club.

Special thanks go to Nobles Ed Turner and Norm Kahn for the Easter lilies (table decorations). All were given away at the end of the evening.

In closing, Noble Ron presented the possibility of a bus trip to our Shiners' Hospital in Cincinnati. He thanked everyone for attending and bid them safe travels home.

Nobles, we have an important date coming up on Saturday, June 6 with Tabloid Day. We need everyone to help with our hospitals. Our 22 Shriners Hospitals take one million dollars a day to operate and the funds come partially from our endowment. If we fail to do our part in raising the funds to increase the endowment, some of the hospitals may be closed. There was an article in the April 10 edition of the Columbus Dispatch that indicated some of the hospitals may close. It is very important that Kambri Shrine does its part. Remember, the more Nobles on the street, the more money we can raise, and in these tough economic conditions, it is going to be difficult. Will you do your part as a Noble and hit the streets? Remember to bring your personal check and/or cash.

Our annual golf scramble at Wildfire Golf Course is Saturday, June 20. We need you to help collect door prizes for this outing. We will take cash and/or items.

Come out and be a part of your Shrine club. Watch for parade dates for our club with its new fleet of vehicles. If you are interested in the vehicles, see Past President Frank Potts or Noble Lynn Weekly.

Did you know that the Imperial Council has adopted the fez as the exclusive type of head covering to be worn by all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine when appearing as such? This means any Noble must wear his fez at all stated meetings, ceremonials, Shrine parades and caravans, special Shrine events, and any other Shrine-related activities.

Remember, once again, this is your Shrine club. Kambri Shriners need to step forward, get involved, and add to this great organization.

Masonic Night At Shrine

I asked for support of Masonic Night and with your help, it happened. Monday night, April 27, Aladdin Shriners held its annual Masonic Night. The lodge was opened at 6:45 p.m. by III. Dan Stainbrook's home lodge Blendon 339.

It was pleasing to see the representation from so many clubs and units on the side lines. The work performed by the Past Masters Unit was excellent, and that night, the Grand Master, with the help of the Deputy Grand Master, raised the candidate. No one has ever recalled a Grand Master doing this on Masonic Night. It was also good to hear the comments from the Grand Master about how the Aladdin Shriners support the Blue Lodge with this activity as well as other things Aladdin does for the 14th District. The lodge was closed a 9:25 p.m. with refreshments following.

I want to thank all those who helped and all those who attended to make this a wonderful evening. No one person makes it happen at Aladdin; it is a group effort. If you were unable to be there, please try to attend next year April 26, 2010. ~ Fraternally, Bill Estell, Chief Rabban, Chairman Masonic Night

Pipes & Drums

The band's first parade, Piketon Dogwood Parade, had a good turnout. Nice, sunny day – a little warm but better than walking in the rain. We had only one casualty -Ray Mcfee. Ray has had trouble with his knees and has prolonged surgery. He could probably get a discount if he, Zale Maxwell, who has scheduled a hip replacement, and Mike Wilson, who has problems with his arm, would go to the same doctor and get a deal. They were worried that the doctor would get mixed up and give Ray the hip and Mike the new knees. Zale would probably get the elbow. Ray dropped out of the parade about half way; the cortisone shot didn't seem to help. I think we will change our name to the Medicare Group and start riding on a trailer.

Some of the band members were in attendance for the Masonic Night at the Shrine on April 27. It was well done; Blendon Lodge did a good job. Next time, I'm bringing a pillow to sit on for three hours.

We had a good turnout for the Tabloid this year – about twice as many as last year. I think our total take was higher too.

The band is looking forward to getting new military uniforms for parades and is a change after 25 years. They should be arriving next month. Let me know if you plan to attend the Worthington Memorial Day parade. If any band veterans we haven't seen for awhile are reading this, give us a call. We have several events coming up this summer: picnics, parties, and etc. and would like to see and hear from you.

Life is a song and love is the music. Make every day count.



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Chaplain's Message

Do you want to know the KEY to the Lord's Prayer? It unlocks everything else. Hint: It is within the first two verses. "Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." (Matthew 6:9b-10 KJV.)

Before continuing, we need to ask, what does "Hallowed be Thy name" mean? The original Greek word "hagiazo" means to make holy or to sanctify (set-apart). You recall that the New Testament was written, for the most part, in Greek. The word here refers to the name of God the Father.

Who built the Temple in Jerusalem? Did King David? No, it was his son Solomon. "King David rose to his feet and said: 'Listen to me, my brothers and my people. I had it in my heart to build a house as a place of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD...But God said to me, "You are not to build a house for my Name, because you are a warrior and have shed blood." " * (1 Chronicles 28:2-3 NIV.)

Notice that when the Prophet Isaiah prophesied against the southern Kingdom of Judah, he wrote, "Ah, sinful nation, a people loaded with guilt, a brood of evildoers, children given to corruption! They have forsaken the LORD; they have spurned the Holy One of Israel and turned their backs on Him." (Isaiah 1:4 NIV.) Israel, in about 700 B.C., did not honor God and therefore His Holy Name.

"Thy will be done" is the KEY to the Lord's Prayer. Back again to Isaiah: "We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way..." (52:6a NIV.) To do your own thing was practiced back then as it is now. We do not obey God's will but substitute our own will. In the Lord's instructional prayer, we ask for His will to be done on earth. Then why don't we do it?

Provost by John Rohal

First, I must report that at the end of March I was able to attend the 2009 O.S.P. Snowbird Reunion in Lakeland, Florida, which was attended by the following Provost members and their Ladies; Dennis and Barb Bueno, Warren and Vickie Davies, Larry and Donna Davis, Richard and Ginny Fogt, Charles and Laura Linek, Russell

and Nancy Miller (our hosts), John and Mary Rohal, Dick and Kitty Saunders, and Don and JoAnn Slemmer.

Our April meeting was well attended and included some of our returning snowbirds: Charles Linek, Terry McLaughlin, and Richard Fogt. Also, attending were some of our recovering and sometimes missing members including Larry Jones, Cy Leonard, Bob McCullough, Dick Saunders, Russ Duffy, Bill Fieger, and Dwight Radcliff. Our caterer surprised us by presenting a family style Greek salad at each table, an excellent buffet dinner, and a custard pie for dessert.

The secretary and treasurer's reports were read and approved without question or comments. Director Jon Kinney pointed out that the Shrine emblem, which had been presented by our unit in 1989, has been refurbished and has been placed back on the front of our building. The refurbishing cost was paid by our unit.

Director Jon appointed Michael Gray as 2009 picnic chairman and his assistants will be George Stowe, Clyde Cook, Jim Bodi, and "Bud" Light.

Dale Cline reported the contract for the 2009 Memorial Golf Tournament had been received with only some minor changes in the amount of work; specifically there will be fewer gate cuts

by Chaplain William R. Stump

Sometimes it seems we command God to do our will. Have you ever encountered the idea that you might become well-off if you give large offerings? How about the idea that if you only have enough faith, you will be healed? Does God's will come into play here?

What happens when it evidently is not God's will that you have vast sums of money? What happens when God allows you to get worse instead of better?



"Now listen, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.' Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, 'If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that.' "(James 4:13-15 NIV.)

In our prayers, we must rely on our loving Heavenly Father. Jesus tells us in John, "...the Father himself loves you because you have loved Me (Jesus) and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and entered the world; now I am leaving the world and going back to the Father." (16:27b-28 NIV.)

God's will will be done for each of us. Therefore trust Him! "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7 NIV.)

because of the current economy. We decided to reduce costs by purchasing our own mobile radios and retain them for future use. We're considering using more cell phones for our personnel. John Bivens and Keith Barnitz will assume supervising the parking on Muirfield Drive.

Steve Hathaway discussed the 2009 Imperial Council Session where the delegates will vote on reducing the services and costs at some of our hospitals, including not reopening the hospital at Galveston, Texas. Potentate Dan Stainbrook reminded us of the hospitals loss of \$3 billion in the stock market plunge, and of the Shrine becoming an international fraternity. He reminded us of the Potentate's Ball on May 16, and the One-Day for all Masonic Degrees is June 13.

Unit membership was approved for Marvin R. Stein, an aviation security specialist.

Recent additions to our ill members are Bob Cannon, who is at home recovering from back surgery, and Bob Shaw, who is recovering after removal of a malignant kidney.

May birthday celebrants include James W. Bell, Jack R. Bope Jr., James F. Devoll, Robert L. Haden, Richard L. Hamilton, Stephen L. McManaway, Larry L. Rathburn, Ernest V. Rodgers, James N. Rohal, Donald G. Slemmer, Willard L. Taylor, and James W. Wray. And I apologize for the misspelling in the March birthday list; it is Thomas J. Steltenpohl (please correct your rosters).

REMEMBER the dates for the 2009 Memorial Tournament are June 1 - 7. See you there.

JUST CLOWNING AROUND

This year's circus is over and has been put to bed. It seemed to be a great success. One of these years, I will be lucky enough to sit down and enjoy the whole show. Every year I tell myself that I am going to see a complete show, but so far, that just has not happened. There's always next year.

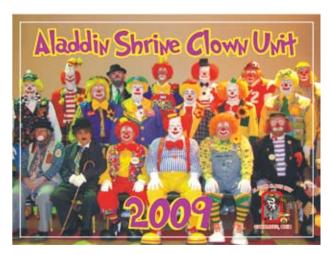
We sent some of our clowns over to Indy for the regional GLUSCA Convention. In doing that we had one clown who did not care for his accommodations. That's right! Boss Clown Don Tootle decided he would rather spend his time in the local hospital with his taillights hanging out instead of at the hotel where everyone else stayed. Don had a scare while over in Indy; he had some heart issue which did not allow him to compete with the other guys. Don did travel home Sunday morning with them, but the doctors said he needed to slow down a bit. We wish Don a speedy recovery – he is the backbone of our unit and is admired by all. I don't know for sure how everyone placed, but I will try to inform the best I can. In the unit skit, I know that out of seven units that Aladdin placed first. In white face, Randy Bope and Tom Wade place second and third. Jack Bope took first place in the tramp competition. After that, it gets a little fuzzy. (No, Irv, I'm not talking about you.)

On a serious more note, I would like to wish Mike Clark, Jack Bope, and Chuck Hedges' Lady Janet a "get well soon." All of these folks have had some health issues and have spent some time in the hospital as well.

The 2009 unit photograph accompanying this article was taken earlier this year. We hadn't taken a unit photograph for a few years, so we thought it was time to try again.

We have upcoming activities and some are as follows: Clown

by Matt "Nutt" Knight



Town is the weekend of May 15; Clowns Ladies Party is July 15; the Clown Picnic is June 13 at the Waller's Estate. We have the Worthington Memorial Day Parade May 25.

Last, but not least, we have birthdays: Jack and Randy Bope 5-6, Mike Clark 5-7, and Jerry Staiger 5-29. Happy birthday, Boys.

Oh, I almost forgot. We have an award that is given out at our first meeting right after the circus. We call it the "Bill Ralph" award. This award goes to the person who makes the biggest blunder of the year at the circus. This year's recipient is not a stranger to receiving this award; he has won it three times. That's right three times. Congratulations go to Jack Bope. He has won this award so many times it is starting to look like him or vice versa.

God Bless,

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CHANTERS

by Brent Wilson

Well, well, well! Spring is officially here (witness major league baseball) and miracle of miracles, the Reds are NOT mathematically eliminated from post season play. Not yet, anyway! As for Pittsburgh, Roger knows at the end of the season, he will owe Hackett big bucks.

Thanks to all who came to the Aladdin Chanters Annual Spaghetti Dinner. As always, you made our event a terrific success and I know you enjoyed the food. What a great time the Chanters have putting on this soiree! A "tip of the old fez" to all the meatballs who come early to make the meatballs and the silverware rollers and on and on. Chef Gus Ruzicka and Bob Larson mix up the secret ingredients for the meatballs and sauce real early. Thank you, Thank you! A very special thank you to all the Lady Chanters who work so hard to make the bake sale a big success and for serving the salads. You ladies are the best!

This year on the serving line, we were honored to have three potentates and the executive director: our own Chanter Potentate Dan Stainbrook, Past Potentate-Chanter Tom Colburn, Past Potentate - Honorary Chanter Gary Parks, and Executive Director - Honorary Chanter Harry Webster. Now, I may be wrong, but I doubt that any other unit can top that list of Shrine dianitaries at one of their events.

A message to all the Shriners reading this article: if you want to have fun with a group of great fellows and you can sing or think you can sing, come join the Chanters. You will not be sorry. We generally meet for rehearsal on Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. at the Shrine Center. We sing all over central Ohio, mostly to assisted care living facilities. Please be our guest at our next rehearsal.

News of Chanters: The son of Lynn Boetcher and his Lady Carolyn, Herman Boetcher, was elected to the Fashion Hall of Fame. Congratulations! Chanter Bob Potts had the privilege and pleasure of singing in the Vandvillities, "God Bless America." Way to go, Bob. Arnie Fuller's Lady Dixie had a bit of a scare, not to mention the scare she gave Arnie. She, according to Arnie, is recovering quite well. Get well soon, Dixie.

Jack Harris is still fighting that nasty infection. According to Jack, he may be able to leave the rehab facility soon and return home. Hurry up, Jack, we miss you.

Dates to Remember:

June 1-7 - Memorial Tournament
Workers needed
June 26 - Friday - Ceremonial
June 8 - Monday - Rehearsal June 29 - Monday - Rehearsal
June 15 - Monday - Rehearsal
July 5-9 - Imperial in San Antonio
June 20 - Saturday - Aladdin Stag Picnic
July 29 - Wednesday - Singout

You know folks, this country is having its troubles and our president is looking at some very big hurdles. Hopefully, he and his administration will figure all this stuff out and get this country back on an even keel. I, for one, pray that he succeeds! Speaking of praying, please remember all of our proud, brave men and women who are far-flung around the world, protecting our peace and freedom. God Bless them all and God Bless America!

Ross County by Harold Miller

Greetings, Nobles. As we finally begin to thaw out from the long, cold winter, it was great to see some returning faces at the meeting this month. Our thanks go to Bob Mossbarger and his crew for our fine meal this month – the best breaded veal we ever had!

The Sunshine Committee passed on some well wishes to Graham Thompson, Jack Theobold, and Charles Ramey. The club had a moment of silence for the passing of our two brothers, John Counts and James Phillips.

Nobles, there are two big events to mark on your calendars. The Mothers Day Dinner will be held on May 2. Call Jay Morgan for reservations. Social hour starts at 6:00 p.m. with dinner served at 7:00 p.m.. The ladies dinner will be free.

Tabloid Days will be May 8-9. Call Bobby Anderson if you haven't signed up to help. We need all the help we can get for those days. Come out and be a part of thanking all the people who help support our "kids" with their donations Friday and Saturday.

A "big congratulations" goes to our proud President John Malone on his daughter receiving her doctorate degree down in Florida. John and his wife traveled down to see the graduation. In closing this month, let's remember our mothers and do something special for your ladies, Mother's Day is May 10.

Reception Unit

by Aaron Dominey

First of all, let me extend my apologies to the Reception Unit membership for taking a break from my correspondence duties. The tough economy has required a little extra effort at work, which leaves precious little time for "extras," if you know what I mean.

The first quarter of the year was chocked full of events with outstanding representation by the Nobles of the Reception Unit. Our presence was known at the Shrine Circus, SDA, Masonic Night, and the Pike County Dogwood Parade.

Our annual Mother's Day Breakfast with our ladies was well attended, again. It was especially nice to have John and Esther Manker and Bud and Betty Oldaker there.

Aladdin was asked to march as part of the opening ceremonies for the Columbus Clippers 2009 season, and the inaugural season for Huntington Ballpark. The Nobles of Aladdin marched directly behind the band, which means we heard "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" more times than I care to remember. Our unit director commented that he was glad it was a short parade.

We need to continue our active participation with the Memorial Tournament (this year June 1-7) as this is a great way to earn extra dollars for our general fund.

Mark your calendars now for the parades we'll be marching in:

May 25 - Memorial Day Parade, Worthington

August 8 - Baltimore

August 21 - Bucyrus Bratwurst

August - Nelsonville

Thankfully, we are not aware of any unit members who are experiencing health challenges. If you know if a Reception Unit Noble who is not in the best of health, please let Unit Director Mike Johnson or me know so we can extend our unit's support.



Steubenville

by Anthony Violi

The April meeting was opened by President Noble Jim Halstead leading the Nobility in the pledge to the flag of our great country. Prayer was offered by Past President Noble Dan Moffatt. He requested that God guide us in carrying out our philanthropy in helping burned and crippled children.

Reported ill were Nobles Herb Utzler, Tabloid Chairman Bill Alexander, Harry Williams, and Harry Reynolds, who is now out of the hospital and in an assisted living facility. Lady Shirley, wife of Ill. Noble Henri Albert, is recovering from surgery, It was good to see 1st Vice President Noble Joe DeArdo back from a serious surgery.

Noble Dave Hunt, treasurer of the Motor Patrol, informed us it has scheduled a parade in Canonsbugh, PA. on July 4.

Noble B.J. Johnson said two children were taken to Erie (a 250 mile trip) in March. Our van has 136,000 miles on it and is beginning to have problems. He suggested the club contemplate acquiring another vehicle. Past President Noble Ken Gorney, who is on the board of Erie Hospital, gave a detailed and informative report on the hospital. He stated that more funds are needed and that several hospitals are contemplating closing.

Tabloid day is fast approaching; members were urged to help with that event. Noble Halstead said outside work is being done and that he is working on the outside band shelter. He thanked Noble Al DuBois for donating siding for the project.

Marching with the Legion

IALOH CONVENTION – "Everything is Ducky in Kentucky." That was the theme for the 78th Annual International Association Legions of Honor Convention in Louisville, KY. And it was. PC Bob Faber and Lady Barb, Legionoble Gary Bogart and Lady Joann, and Legionoble Dick Luckay and Lady Sarah composed the Aladdin contingent.

The drill competition was interesting and the majority of the troops looked and performed well. The military judges identified the various winners by a difference of one point – with one exception. The final drill team (???) was composed of the IALOH line officers wearing their "ducky" hats and entering onto competition floor by the order of "FORWARD WADDLE" – which they did, quacking all the way. It was truly hilarious. The poor military inspectors made their rounds of the "Duckies" and could only shake their heads in disbelief – and probably wondered how they got themselves into such a situation in the first place. Commander Robert Reed and Lady Martha and their staff (including Bob and Barb Faber) worked hard to make the Louisville Convention a success and they succeeded admirably.

ALADDIN LOH – The April meeting found many members out of town but events and opportunities were discussed and finalized



by those present. The LOH carried the colors at the inaugural parade for the Clippers new Huntington Park home. Phil Pini, Bob Krieger, PC Willie Fitchett, Dick Luckay and Commander

Noble Dan Moffatt and his Lady Bonnie informed me that they are proud great, great grandparents of Taylor Moffatt of Carrollton, GA. Celebrating his birthday is our President Jim Halstead, who was 68 on March 12. The 25- and 50-year members and Distinguished Masons were recognized. There were 11 past Presidents in attendance.

Delicious refreshments were prepared by 2^{nd} Vice President Noble Wes Darling. Fellowship followed.

We were honored to have members of the Divan and their Ladies visit on April 6. A delicious banquet was enjoyed by all. After exchanging pleasantries and gifts, First Lady Ann Stainbrook spoke of her philanthropy and ladies' activities. Because of previous commitments, Potentate Stainbrook was unable to attend. An informative and entertaining presentation was given by Chief Rabban William E. Estell concerning activities at Aladdin Land. He requested that Noble B.J. Johnson approach the podium. B.J. was commended for his many years serving crippled children, and for his effort in transporting them to the hospitals. B.J. was applauded and presented with a certificate for his interest and efforts. Membership Marketing Director, III. Sir Calvin Smith, informed us of the urgent need to acquire new members. (He also reminisced about coming to Steubenvile in pursuit of his Lady, who was a former student of mine.) Dancing and fellowship followed. Music was provided by Noble Dave Hunt. It was an enjoyable evening. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

by Robert Spencer and Dick Luckay

Robert Spencer saw to it that leading the Aladdin contingent was done in a proper military manner. It was hot – but worth the effort. The Piketon Dogwood Parade was another "hot one," but the afterglow sponsored by the Pike County Shrine Club made the trip well worthwhile. A "tip of the Fez" goes to PC Dick Ollila, Bob Krieger, PC Willie Fitchett, Chester Van Horn, and Commander Robert Spencer for ensuring Aladdin was properly lead down the parade route. The Legion of Honor and the Chanters will hold a special "Moment of Silence" at the May Shrine Stated Meeting to honor the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice defending our country. LOH members and Aladdin veterans are encouraged to attend.

Special thanks go to PC Dick Ollila for his work in organizing the Legion's Tabloid Day schedule. Our best wishes go out to Dick and Nancy's daughter Karen during her recovery from surgery.

Don't forget the Utica Ice Cream Parade on May 23 and the Worthington Memorial Day Parade on May 25. They are special events well worth our full participation.

SICK CALL -- We still want to remember PC Clancy Lanthorn, PC Don Powell, and Lady Ann Nixon in our thoughts and prayers as they continue to work their way back to full recovery.

SPECIAL DAYS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE – Anniversary congratulations go to Gary and Irene Schleich (6/20), Ron and Desiree Armentrout (6/21), Fred and Genieve Webb (6/24) John and Corky Burton (6/25), Phil and Linda Pini (7/7), John and Linda Iben and Bill and Gretchen Gatton (7/12) and Robert and Betty Jo Spencer (7/14). Congratulations to all! Happy Birthday wishes go to Dave Henderson and John Hart (5/15), Jack Woodworth and Blanch Cook (5/19), Dick Luckay (5/20), Vi Snyder (5/27), PC Clyde Dames Jr. (6/6) and Bob Purtee (6/10). May the added candle not only brighten the room but the path for the coming year. Congratulations and God Bless.

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Noble Questionnaire Officers of your Aladdin Shrine Center are interested in updating your needs, desires, opinions, concerns, and seek your comments. Please complete this questionnaire so we can best serve you. It is our desire to build quality and value in your Shrine membership and hope you will cherish it forever. Thank you for responding. ~Yours in The Faith, Illustrate Potentate Dan Stainbrook Profession: Are you interested in joining either a club or unit? Club: ____ Unit: ____ If a unit, what kind? Music Marching Hospitality Audio Medical Clowns Outdoor Past Masters Senior Do you feel wanted or welcome when attending the Shrine Center? Are you interested in any type of leadership role? Yes ____No ___ Do or have you attended a Stated Meeting? What would encourage you to attend more?____ Does the Lamp inform you adequately regarding activities and what is your opinion of the Lamp? Have you ever visited a Shrine Hospital? Yes____No___ Would you like to visit a Shrine Hospital? Yes____No ___ What Can the Shrine Center do to improve your participation and how can we attract younger members? Noble: _____ Lady: _____ Address: _____ City: ____ State: ____ Cell: _____ Email Address: __

Past Masters

bu Dick Bull

Our unit participated in the Pike County Dogwood Parade on April 26 and will be in the Utica Ice Cream Festival Parade on May 23.

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We portrayed the Master Mason Degree on April 15 at Frankfort Lodge #309 and at "Masonic Night with The Shrine" on April 27.

Because the Muirfield Memorial Tournament is usually held over Memorial Day, we normally are unable to participate in the Worthington Memorial Day Parade. However, this year we will be participating because the parade is on May 25 and our parking duties for the tournament will be on June 1-7.

Remember, our May Stated Meeting for both the men and the Ladies Auxiliary will be on Monday, June 8. Executive Board meets at 7:00 p.m. and both the men's and ladies meetings will begin at 8:00 p.m. at the Aladdin Shrine Center.

Bill Hartman, Bob Diehl, Lyn Marsh, and Dick Rogers are all experiencing serious health problems and our thoughts and prayers are with them. Gary Ballou is doing well after brain surgery for vertigo problems. He took major roles in our two recent work meetings. Dottie Parsons recently had cataract surgery.

We are sorry to report Sandy Hilbinger passed away.

Daun Knox is enlisting members to assist in parking cars during the Memorial Tournament. Please volunteer whatever time you can for this important function.

Athens Shrine

by Fred Stanley

Our April meeting was Ladies Night with 50 Nobles and their Ladies, along with five widows attending. The evening began with a social hour and continued with a delectable ham diner and homemade pie.

It was chaired by Pete Couladis who arranged for Bob Lazenby, Aladdin's representative to the Cincinnati Bum Hospital, to speak about the special care it does for our kids. Mr. Lazenby showed a IWD on a family from the area whose twins were badly burned, and how the center can make life better for the patient and family when faced with this unfortunate situation.

A card was signed for Noble Roger Keller who has undergone shoulder surgery this week. Virgil McKnight's wife is recuperating from an illness. Virgil stopped in to say "hello" to all his friends he misses so much.

Nobles were reminded that volunteer help is needed for a special project, which is underway for May 15-17 at Hocking College in Nelsonville with featured entertainer, Willie Nelson. Noble J. B. Hayes has offered his Kettle Corn machine for our use. Dwight West is chairman of this activity and needs help to make this happen.

Parade Chairman Larry Bines was asked to start making arrangements for our club to participate in the local parades in the coming months.

Tabloid Days are just around the comer, June 5 and 6. Brian Robertson, vice president of our club, is the chairman and will be arranging work stations for Athens County. I will be "manning the ship" for Meigs County. Our Meigs County Nobles have always been very supportive. Every Noble who can possibly help is asked to "hit the streets" for our kids.

1 would like to thank Noble Jim Brooks for mowing our grounds (between showers). It looks great.

Our May 28 meeting will be Veterans Appreciation Night and will be chaired by Jeff Linscott (an old sailor). The dinner will be prepared by Chef Brickles in traditional Navy style. Don't forget our Green Corn Dinner will be July 23.

We are saddened by the Black Camel calling on our Noble Charles Cochran.

I want to close the news like I close my meeting with a Red Skeleton phrase – God bless and good night!

Please mail to:

Hocking Hills

by Richard A. Aldridge

We had a very short meeting this month. Thanks go to the Nobles working hard at getting ready for the upcoming Tabloid Days. Just a few minor details and we hope for a successful time.

George Dresher gave us a passionate speech on membership, the awards for top line signers, and how it is more important now more than ever to recruit new members. I want to thank George for all the work he has personally done to grow our numbers. Ask yourself these questions, "When was the last time you went to Blue Lodge and recruited a new member? When was the last time you signed for a new Noble?"

I have one last thought for all Nobles, can you remember the reason you joined the Shrine? I can, it was the joy I got from seeing a child smile!



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Pickaway Shrine

by Bill Dountz

Hi, Nobles, just a few words to let you know what's going on. We now have Ladies Auxiliary, again. They have had their first meeting with 15 present. We are so pleased this is happening. They were such a big help last time. We welcome them with open arms and know that the Shrine Club will be a better place with them on board.

The next good news I can share with you is about the building. After several donations, the money is available to get the floor in our meeting room done. The tile has been ordered and plans for getting it installed are in place. The stage has been built and the carpet is in the building and ready to be installed. It has been a long struggle but things are getting exciting. We still have a lot to do, but at a glance, things will look good, thanks to your donations. Our next project is the parking lot. For rental information on the building, call Glen McFarland, 740-474-1652.

The Ladies Egg Hunt and Bake Sale was a great success. Their next project will be a raffle with nine guns and a bow. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets may call Becky Emrick, 986-5690 or cell 740-412-2712 or Martha Dountz at 740-474-7269.

We are looking forward to doing well in our with the Tabloids. We have changed the meeting night from the fourth Monday to the third Monday of each month. Social hour is at 6:00 p.m. and meeting at 7:00 p.m. Food is being provided by different volunteers each month. This month's meeting was on April 20; next is May 18.

We are still looking for new members. We have been blessed with several new members in the past three years. Having something to offer a prospective member gives reason for joining our club. That would be fellowship and a place to have that relationship with fellow Masons and Shriners along with their family and friends. If you know someone who needs a friend, invite him to our club. If he's not a Mason, you know that can be arranged too.

Voice of Aladdin by Jim Leonard

Elephants, Clowns and Hams! With the arrival of spring came the 59^{th} Annual Aladdin Shrine Circus. Between March 19-22, our local unit of Shriners International oversaw eleven performances by the Royal Hannaford Circus. In order to ensure the safety of the crowds, the Voice of Aladdin (VOA) coordinated the communications for the event. By providing both a business and an amateur radio frequency, monitored by a single radio operator, the needs of the circus, whether it was medical or clean-up, could be quickly dispatched.

This year, the amateur communications were handled by four members of Voice of Aladdin (VOA) and nine members of the Central Ohio Amateur Radio Emergency Services (COARES). These individuals collectively gave over 250 hours of time to ensure the safety of the circus goers.

As a club of Aladdin Shrine, the Voice of Aladdin has two main projects each year. The first is to provide communications for the circus and the second is to put together the annual HAMFEST / Electronics Flea Market held on the first Saturday in August. (This year's show will be on Saturday, August 1 from 8:00 – 1:00 at the Shrine Center.)

Patrol Marches On...

Spring is here and that means a busy time for all, especially the Patrol. Coming up is the Potentate's Ball (May 16). If you haven't made your reservations, do so soon, June is busy starting with the Memorial Tournament, June 1 - 9. We need your help volunteering. Please call Chi Weber, Leo Stacy, or Jan Doss if you need information. Then, it's on to the Potentate's Visitation on June 15. The Aladdin's Stag Picnic is June 20. Once again, this will be a stag event held at Aladdin Shrine Center. The Spring Ceremonial is Friday, June 26. The Patrol breakfast at Plank's Cafe was attended by 16 people. It was nice to see Matt Long, who spends most of his time in Florida or Lake Erie, attend with his lady. John and Mary Plank and their staff always take good care of us. Thanks go to all at Plank's!

For those Patrolmen who didn't attend the April 13 meeting, Divan Representative Michael D. Tyne offered some insight on what is going on at the Shrine. If you haven't paid your 2009 dues, please do so. You must have a current dues card to attend social events. As always, this is your article. Please contact Captain Arlan, 614-475-7366, with information. See you on the Square.

Hilltop Shrine

by Ray Pendell

Happy spring to all! We are planning our Tabloid Kick-Off Steak Picnic at the Naus Club on Fisher Road. Past presidents put on this event and all monies collected go to this year's Tabloid. The meeting in June will wrap up Tabloid and finish our year.

The Black Camel took Joe Sanfillipo from us recently. Our sympathy and support goes to his family and friends.

Bill Hartman is visiting the Zangmeister Center regularly and making progress. Jim Murphy is at home trying to get back on his feet. Jim Chilcote's wife broke her leg and Jim is busy being her caregiver. Please keep them in your prayers and get in touch if others need our help.

Tabloid is our prime consideration for May, so if you're called on to help, be ready.

Our club will provide gate security on two homes at the 18th fairway at Muirfield. David Ray will contact you to assist with this project. Call him to volunteer at 539-9008 and ask your Shrine Buddy to go with you and help.

One-Day Masonic Class in May will be an excellent opportunity to get that relative, friend, or neighbor to commit and make him eligible for our Shrine. For details or call me at 614-279-2664. Thanks and THINK TABLOID!

Registrar by Buck Boyd

Hello! I am Buck Boyd and an Apprentice Registrar. I recently joined the unit and wanted to help in anyway. I was asked if I would like to write this monthly article. Since I am the editor for the newsletter at my local Blue Lodge, it seemed a natural fit. I will endeavor to keep the articles informative and enjoyable. I will need and welcome your help and suggestions. If you have any ideas for an article, contact me at 614-759-4398 or email me at tbuckboyd@yahoo.com.

Most of you know the Registrar Unit has many functions. From registering and tyling meetings, working on special outside events – the Memorial Tournament and Little Brown Jug racing event, to driving individuals to hospital visits, just to name a few. If you are the type of person who likes to help others, do good work, and have fun at the same time, then we want you in the Registrar Unit. Contact anyone you see in a bright yellow jacket or call the Shrine Center office for information on who to contact. WE WELCOME GOOD PEOPLE!

Hardin County by Ken Rossman

Our regular meeting was held on April 15 at Veteran's Memorial Park Clubhouse with 77 Nobles and one guest in attendance.

Noble Rossman opened the evening with a prayer. We dined on a great meal prepared and served by Nobles Doornbos, Clinger, Walden, Lew Hanna, Gilbert, Matteson, Heydinger, Ridgeway, Wykes, Pore, and Codee Morris. Well done, Nobles.

President Brtuzer opened our business meeting by leading us in the pledge of allegiance. We then gave a big hand to the kitchen crew for a job well done.

Our visitor from Aladdin, P. P. Calvin Smith, was going to give an award to Noble Gilbert, but Gilbert left early so P. P. Smith said he will present the award to Gilbert later.

Noble Rossman noted the item in the Columbus paper last week about some of our Shriners Hospitals may be closed. We sure hope this may be temporary at best. Rossman also noted our Tabloid Days, May 8 - 9. The sign-up sheet still has lots of empty spaces on it.

President Brutzer noted that our May meeting will be our Annual Ladies and Widows Night.

It was noted Noble Howard Watkins is now home and goes twice a week to Columbus OSU Hospital for treatment. Noble Barnes is still at Vancrest Center in Delphos. Noble Britt is at Wyndgate Center in Lima and has asked to have his name removed from our active roster. We wish these Nobles the very best and need to keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

We wish happy birthday to Nobles Wayne Barnes (89); Willis Gossman (92); and Justin Sherman (83). We wish them the best.

Noble Bill Bradley closed the evening with a prayer. We must remember, **Aladdin is Rolling for Kids.**





2009 Aladdin Parades

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Aladdin Parades* Utica Ice Cream Festival Worthington Memorial Day Imperial Parade		Line Up 10:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Step Off 11:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Baltimore Parade Bucyrus Parade	8/8	9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
	8/21	6:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
Nelsonville Parade Circleville Pumpkin Parade Washington CH Christmas	8/22 10/23 11/22	5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.
Optional Parades*	11/22	1.00 p.iii.	2.00 p.iii.
Grandview Hts Parade Licking County Baseball	5/23 July	9:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Plain City Steam Threshers	7/17	5:00 P.m.	6:00 p.m.
Coshocton Canal Days	Aug		5:00 p.m.
Marietta Labor Day Parade	9/5	9:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Marion Popcorn	9/10	5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
Grove City Parade	9/19	8:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Gallipolis Veterans Day	11/11	9:00 a.m	10:00 a.m.

^{*}Aladdin Parades - The Potentate and the majority of the Divan will attend. All units and clubs should attend.

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From The Shrine Band

by Robb Landon

The band is now under new direction, but I want to use this article to look over the history of Tom Dale. Tom joined the Shrine Band at Aladdin in 1950, but that is not where his music career started. Tom entered the armed services in the army band where he shared housing with Russ Hill, trumpet player with the Shrine band. After his service in the army, he was hired by Dan Baker, another musician with the Aladdin Band, as a music educator in the Columbus City Schools. He spent 30 years changing the lives of many young people through music.

After his retirement from the school system, Tom found himself first, the secretary of the Columbus Musician's Union and later became president. In 1959 Tom became director of the Aladdin Shrine Band, leading it to many Imperials where the Aladdin Shrine band was presented many awards. His success in directing a group of both professional and amateur musicians was most certain due to his professionalism and his pleasant, kind personality. A large amount of patience, I am sure, he helped too. During most of this time, Tom had his own professional, big band. Tom played his trombone with many other big name bands. Tom was part of the start of the Columbus Jazz Orchestra along with other musicians in the Aladdin band. We are grateful to him for remaining the leader of the Aladdin Shrine Dance Band. Many thanks go to Tom Dale for his 40 years of leadership at Aladdin Shrine.

Band Schedule:

May 19 - 8:00 p.m. Dance Band Rehearsal

May 20 - 6:30 p.m. Dixieland Banquet

May 23 - 9:00 a.m. Dixieland at Grandview

Parade (If float is ready)

May 25 - Memorial Day Parade - Worthington

May 25 - No rehearsal

June 6 - Sping Hop - Concert Band 7:15 p.m.;

Dance Band 8:00 p.m.

June 9 - Possible Rehearsal

June 13 - Grand Lodge One-Day Class

June 16 - Possible rehearsal

June 23 - Concert Band Rehearsal 8-9 p.m.

June 26 - Ceremonial

June 30 - Possible rehearsal

July 5-9 - Imperial, San Antonio

July 14 - Post Imperial Party

Aladdin's CAR CLUB by James Allen

April Showers Bring May Flowers... but they sure don't encourage one to get the car out and drive it in weather like this. No one wants to clean up a car any more than he has to. The Aladdin Car Club held April's meeting at the Shrine Center on April 15 with 19 members and guests. It was preceded by a fellowship period of good conversation followed by the caterer's famous pizza.

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Brubaker. The invocation and pledge of allegiance was ably handled by Robert Spencer in the absence of our chaplain, Dave Spangler. Ron Brubaker gave a report of the nominating committee. Tom Stauch is considering the position of vice-president. There was no opposition for the secretary, treasurer, and chaplain. If anyone wishes to run for any of these positions, contact Ron Brubaker, Lou Ardit, or Bob Harter. The election will be held at our meeting on May 20.

Bill Loomis gave us a progress report on the Aladdin Car Show preparations. The trophies have been ordered. Bill and Linda have procured the dash plaques to be presented at the show. We still need a DJ for the show. Jack Van Gundy and Fred Coventry will continue to work on this. We are looking for a DJ who plays 50s and 60s music. Kim Luckeydoo, Aladdin Shrine Center, will have the advertising flyers ready shortly. Each member will receive several copies to be distributed. You can receive more if you need them.

We planned to have several cars in the parade for the opening game of the Columbus Clippers. Hopefully the Clippers will have covered themselves with glory in their new home. It is great Aladdin had a part in this event.

We discussed the excursion to the Indianapolis Speedway last year. If anyone is interested in participating this year, please get in touch with Jim Allen at 614-736-9465 and we will see if we can set something up. It was a great trip last year, thanks to Woody Coombs.

Item of note: Dick Poston has his Corvette for sale to make way for a new Corvette. This car made the trip around the Indianapolis Speedway last year. If you are interested, give Dick a call at 614-239-7907. It is a beautiful car.

Robert Spencer closed our proceedings with a prayer.

Southeast

by Cecil Moore

Our April meeting was with the Potentate and Divan, at the MCL cafeteria. We had a fine dinner that was enjoyed by the 37 attending. I was pleased with many Divan and regular members showing up. We dispensed with the regular meeting except for Tabloid Chairman Pete asking for help on May 8-9 distributing the Tabloid and collecting money for Shriners Hospitals.

First Lady Ann discussed her worthwhile project and showed the beautiful bracelet she is selling to raise money for that project.

Illustrious Potentate Dan talked of many projects planned for the coming year, such as the Ceremonial, planned trips, Stag Picnic, and the many parades. We enjoyed his visitation and the many things he discussed.

The members of the Southeast Shrine Club had talked at the previous meeting of the possible problem with our aging air condition system at the Shrine Center. Instead of giving money to First Lady Ann for her project and money to Potentate Dan for his use, we decided to give a nice check earmarked to go into the air conditioning fund for use at the time it is needed.

The evening was enjoyed by all and we are looking forward to our next get-together; I thank all of you for coming.

AND NOW MY COMMERCIAL: For all of you who love good fish and sweet corn with all the fixings, don't forget our annual fish fry, held at the American Legion on South High Street on Friday night, August 7. Everyone buy tickets and bring all your friends to enjoy. This is our only fundraiser for the club each year. COME ONE. COME ALL!



Senior Shriners

bu Charles McLeod

On April 22, the Potentate Daniel L. Stainbrook, II, visited our club. Following his introduction by Noble President Richard C. Logsdon, the opening prayer was given by Aladdin Shrine Chaplain Noble William Stump. He also led the pledge.

Following a delicious meal, President Logsdon presented the Potentate a check from his club. The Potentate thanked the club for its generosity and gave a short speech about upcoming activities of Aladdin Shrine, including the trip for the Ladies sponsored by his wife Ann. The trip is October 2 - 4. (Details on page 7) He reminded us of the upcoming events and parades.

Potentate Stainbrook called on Noble Mike Tyne, High Priest and Prophet, to introduce the members of the Divan: Chief Rabban William Estell, our club's Divan representative; Assistant Rabban Steve Hathaway; Oriental Guide William Amspaugh; 1st Ceremonial Master Garol Rogers; 2nd Ceremonial Master David Wolfe; Chaplain William Stump; and Chief-of-Staff Art Wilson.

The Potentate reported on the Chiller Fund (air conditioning system). The original quote was \$245,000 but it has been reduced to \$170,000. Potentate Stainbrook presented President Logsdon a gift of a traveling bag for carrying his coat.

A brief meeting was then held. The secretary stated that they could read his report in the *Lamp*. He also thanked Noble Dick Snow for writing the article, as your secretary was out of town at a funeral. Noble Jack L. Allen gave the treasurer's report, which showed we have a balance of \$749.20 in the checking account and our Investments are \$90,000, a drop of approximately \$19,000. The report was moved, seconded and approved.

The president called on Noble Don Pendell, the club chaplain, to give the closing prayer. All business being accomplished, the meeting was closed in peace and harmony at 1:10 p.m.

KENTUCKY COLONELS

by Dick Phelps

April Showers are bringing more than May Flowers to our meeting dates. It is difficult to drive in all that fog, rain, and traffic. Our "fezzes are off" to those who drove in from outlying areas for our meetings. President Ron Fraser comes in from Mt. Vernon; Secretary Joe Rike drives in from Granville; Neil Neer drives from Apple Valley; John Bevins comes from Washington C. H. along with several others. That's dedication on a bad rainy day!

Of course, another reason we Nobles come to our Shrine Center is that we have one of the finest facilities in all Shrinedom to admire and enjoy. So do many other organizations, fortunately, who rent our building. In fact we had to move our meeting date up 2 weeks in April as the entire Center was rented on our regular date. That's what pays off for Aladdin. Come hot weather, we have to keep the building cool. That's why all of us need to help with the Cooling System fund. So, Colonels and other Nobles, let's all do our part.

The Potentate's visit to our club has been moved to Tuesday, May 26, Colonels, dress up in your white suits if possible. The weather will be warmer, too. Also, please call in your reservations this time to President Ron at 1-740-392-4351 because Colonel Joe and Clara Jo will be in Florida to see their granddaughter graduate.

The club voted to make the price of our luncheons \$15.00 to include tip rather than pass the hat as in the past. At our May 26 meeting, we will dine on meatloaf, Potentate Dan's favorite. Dress up, come early, mix and socialize with the Divan and their Ladies. Let's hope Past Potentate Dee is back from the Amazon.

We wish for happy birthdays to these fine colonels: Ed Kayser, Cecil Moore, Larry Riffle, Ben See, Don Strader, and Art Thomas.

It's so: he who laughs best, laughs last. He who laughs last, thinks slowest. He who laughs, last! A good laugh is like manure to a farmer – it has to be spread around!

Brutal Brothers by Tom Ruggles

Rv the time this issue of the Lamp gets to your mail box, the "Masonic Night at Aladdin" will be history. The Master Mason Degree was conferred by Aladdin's Past Masters Unit, and we want to take this opportunity to send out a big "thank you" to the Past Masters and all who helped make it successful.

Our Tabloid Day was May 9, and our guys who were able to work, assembled at the Temple for coffee at 8:00 a.m. before hitting the streets. We don't have the final numbers yet, I am confident we did well, so we send out another "thank you" to those who were able to help. Well done, guys!

For a quick glance at the calendar, Mobile Equipment Chairman Jake Sturgeon and his hard-working crew will be promoting Aladdin Shriners by way of parade appearances on May 23 at the Utica Ice Cream Festival and on May 25 at the Worthington Memorial Day Parade. If you would like to participate in any parade, be sure to let Jake know so he can plan to take sufficient equipment.

We will be working at the Muirfield Golf Tournament on June 1-7, so all members and helpers should be prepared to help.

We will have a springCeremonial on June 26. Please think about any of your Masonic friends you could invite to join the Shrine.One

very enjoyable way to generate interest in potential candidates for the Shrine is to invite them to lunch with George Bell and the Lunch Bunch any Wednesday at Aladdin from 11:30 a.m. to whenever you want or need to leave. These lunch gatherings are a lot of fun and provide a great way to introduce friends to Aladdin.

For some items of good news from our previous unit meeting, the circus tally sheets are in and the Brutal Brothers cleared \$1,564.00 on P-nut sales. We want to send out another BIG "thank you" to all who helped to make it so profitable!

Director Duane Hays (with great emphasis) reported that the Shrine Directors Association convention was "phenomenally successful," thanks to the fantastic work of the co-chairmen, the Jones Boys, all of the Brutal Brothers, and the other units which helped us.

From Chief Don Williams, there has been some discussion of buying new Brutal Brothers Unit jackets. So if you have any strong opinions or suggestions, communicate your thoughts to Chief Don or Quartermaster Aaron Langhirt.

In closing for this month, I hope everyone is enjoying the spring weather which will make it much more pleasant to come out and help us at the Memorial Tournament. Hope to see you there!. (Editors Note: Noble Ruggles has been called to the Celestial Lodge above. He will be missed by all.)

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2009 Session Set for San Antonio

July 5 - 9, 2009

- 4 Nights Lodging at the Hilton Palacio del Rio
- Daily Hospitality Room
- Welcome Party
- Final Night Banquet
- Daily Breakfast Buffet
- Parade Afterglow

Single Occupancy: \$830 per person

Double Occupancy: \$498 per person

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