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Membership Totals

Membership 01/01/08	7554
Associate Membership 01/01/08	54
Total	7608

	Current	Yr to Date
Creations	12	42
Affiliations	1	9
Restored	7	48
Associate Members	1	1
TOTAL MONTHLY ADD	21	100
TOTAL YEARLY ADD		7708
Demits	0	1
Suspensions	2	40
Deaths	26	123
Associates Dropped	1	4
Reversals	0	5
TOTAL	29	163

Membership as of 06/30/2008	7545
Net loss/gain YTD	-63
Net loss/gain Month	-8



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Tabloid Kickoff Hosted by Union County



Friday evening, June 6, was truly a red letter day for the Union County Shrine Club as they hosted Aladdin Shrine's kickoff event in Marysville for Tabloid Weekend. Previously, this event has always been held in downtown Columbus on the Ohio Statehouse grounds. This year, however, it was held here as a tribute to Union County Shrine Club for its past efforts in supporting Shrine objectives. The Union County Club has 113 members and, over the past four years, has raised over \$250,000 for the Shriners Hospitals through Tabloid sales, private donations, and the "Cans for Kids" program.



Potentate Daniel Stainbrook, II
the largest in the state, also displayed several of their small cars which are used in parades.



Marysville Mayor Chris Schmenk issued a proclamation declaring Friday and Saturday as Aladdin Temple Tabloid Weekend followed by a brief address by Illustrious Potentate Daniel Stainbrook II.

Tabloid weekend is the time Aladdin Shriners sell their newspapers and canvass areas for donations which are used to help fund the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children across this country, in Mexico and Canada. It is part of a nationwide effort by the 191 Temples in the United States, including Aladdin, and the 375,000 Shriner members to raise money to support these hospitals.

Pictured above are members of the Union County Shrine Club prepared to kickoff the Tabloid sales on Friday and Saturday, June 6 - 7. They are, left to right, Bruce Kinsey (Cans for Kids Chairman), Chris Davis (Club Treasurer) and Bill Franke (Tabloid Chairman).

~ by Bernie Vance



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Regular meetings of the Aladdin Shriners are held on the third Monday of each month except June, July and August at 6:30 p.m. at the Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio

February 18 - March 17

April 21 - May 19

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Potentate: Daniel E. Stainbrook, II

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Rolling with The Pote

by Daniel E. Stainbrook II

June was a VERY busy month; so busy, in fact, that I didn't get to write a complete message for the Lamp. I will catch you up next month.

We had a wonderful time at the Masonic Bicentennial Parade and a big "tip of the fez" and thanks go to all the Aladdin Shriners who participated. We looked great and represented Ohio well. Next is the trip to St. Louis for the Imperial Session of the Shrine. More on both of these in the next issue.

July is another very full month of visitations and activities but whatever you do, DON'T FORGET CLIPPERS NIGHT. This will be the last Clippers Night at Cooper Stadium so I would really like to see a big turnout. Come join us for a fun night of baseball, hot dogs, and Shriners!

Another reminder is for the Car Show/Chicken and Corn Roast on August 16. If you have never attended, try to this year. It is a fun night with the best food you have ever eaten, lots of good music, beautiful cars, great food, and friendly Shriners!

See you next month with lots more news. If you are in the Columbus area, stop by and say hello and check out the new photo display case in the lobby. Your picture might be in there!



2008 Activities

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MEMBERSHIP *ON THE MOVE*

by Calvin Smith / Membership Marketing Director
Masonry Only Moves Through You

Our November Ceremonial Journey Begins Today

Who is your candidate?

I remind you that our Fall Ceremonial will be held on November 8 at Aladdin. The fee is \$149.00 if a fez is not required and \$199.00 if one is needed. Both fees include the candidate's dues of \$74.00 for 2009. These fees represent significant reductions from \$204.00 and \$267.00 respectively.

PETITION DEADLINE: All Petitions must be received in the Aladdin membership office by noon, Monday, November 3. If faxed, a copy of payment must accompany the fax.

We need to give serious concentration and effort to the recruitment of new Nobles to Aladdin. It truly is that simple. Our membership needs to grow. I want you to commit to this action.

First, several of you have indicated that you do have a candidate for November. Follow through on this statement. For those of you who, for whatever reason, have not yet stepped-up, I challenge you to motivate yourself to file at least one petition for the upcoming November class. Here is a tip or two on how to get started. Do two things before you ever begin asking men of quality to become Shriners.

First, make a list of men you wish to contact. Even if it is a short list, make one. After creating your list do some homework regarding the Shrine and the men on your list. Let's talk a little more about the men you should contact about the Shrine.

Who Should I ask? They, of course, need to be lodge brothers. But the list could include relatives, Rite Brethren, fellow church members, men with whom you work or social friends. All these are possibilities. Don't leave your ladies out of this process. They can help. You are not the only man they know.

What is this homework? It's getting ready to discuss the Shrine with your prospective candidate(s). Talk to yourself about why you belong. What do you find to be fun? Why do you embrace the friendship? Why do you believe that our philanthropy is so vital? Think on these questions and write down your responses. Build your thoughts into an argument for joining the Shrine. You could also include Aladdin's social programs. Read current information about our hospitals. Has this program helped a child in your area? Try to get accurate information about this patient and use it. You also need up-to-date info on the fee to join and our annual dues. Money is important. How much do you know about the ShrineSavers Program? A new member can save on his ceremonial fee which includes the first year of membership!

Last, what is there on your list your prospects will find appealing? It probably will not be the same argument for all prospects. Use the same general conversation that emphasizes different points depending on your knowledge of the prospect in question. Be straightforward and convincing.

Contacting Your Prospective Member begins with a phone call. Tell him what you are about and ask him for a 20 minute appointment. Try to visit him in his home. Ask his lady to join in on the conversation. Make your pitch. Answer their questions. Ask him to sign a petition you have already completed except for his signature and date.

Follow-up is key. You are responsible for getting this man to the Ceremonial and for inducting him and his lady into the Shrine when you get back home. You are his friend.

Start today, not tomorrow.

A Regional Ceremonial was conducted at the Marietta Shrine Club on Saturday June 16. There were twelve new Nobles created. They are listed along with their community and top line singer. When you meet them, give them a big welcome. They are our future.

Aladdin Shrine Welcomes 12 New Members

New Member

Brett Summerville
Dewey Rose
Elbert Rose
Frederic Wood
Jame Ulmer
Ty Dierkes
Harry Freiling
Charles Gwinn
Stacy Huffman
Thomas Jenkins
Christopher Sharpe
James Swain II

Community

Marietta
Waterford
Marietta
Marietta
Marysville
South Zanesville
Mingo Junction
Athens
McConnellsville
Malta
New Marshfield
Logan

Sponsor

David Summerville
Clyde Huddleston
Clyde Huddleston
Clyde Huddleston
Bill Bumgarner
Steven Jones
David Hunt
Don West
Jeff Brock
Jeff Brock
George Dresher
George Dresher

As a side bar to this ceremonial, new Noble Dewey Rose permitted many of us to view his grandfather's certificate of Shrine membership. It was dated 1899 and was like new. He also had his grand father's 50-year Shrine membership certificate. Again, it was like new. I got goose bumps thinking of all that history.

With a final word, Aladdin has created 250 new Nobles since April 2007. Many have asked about joining Clubs and/or Units. A significant number have followed through and have joined. Are you staying in contact with these new members? A phone call to these Shriners goes a long way in keeping their interest keen. Do it today.

ROSS COUNTY

by John Malone

I've just come from our June meeting of the Ross County Shrine Club and it was a fabulous evening. The weather was around 80° but there was a good breeze and the walls were rolled up so we were very comfortable. There were 62 members present and Past President Noble Mike Haller and his stellar kitchen crew provided us with an outstanding meal featuring rib eye steaks, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, salad, rolls, and for dessert, ice cream and cookies. I tell you, when you can get all that with pleasant company and good conversation – well, who could ask for anything more? Any members who didn't make it tonight really missed out.

Next month we are gearing up for the Potentate's visit. It will be on July 19 and dress will be summer casual. We will feature chicken with a Mexican flavor. For reservations contact our secretary, H.D. Miller, at 740-773-2387. Bring your spouses and be prepared for a great time. Our regularly scheduled meeting on July 24 will not be held.

We took our Shrine Club trailer and our giant fez to Columbus for the big Heritage Celebration parade on June 21. We had around 14 members present and we stayed for the Ohio Statehouse Cornerstone Reenactment Ceremony at the Statehouse. Then we went to the Ohio Historical Society for the lunch put on by our fellow Masons. It was great to see so many Masons in one place!

Past President Noble Mike Bell gave us the results of the Ross County Tabloid totals. In spite of economic downturns and inflationary fears, the citizens of Ross County made cash donations of over \$10,600.00. All together, including all Corporate donations, we are presenting Aladdin Temple \$30,000.00 for 2008. That was a record \$9,000.00 net increase over the previous record set back in 2003. Congratulations, Mike, on your hard work and thanks to all of us who were out on the street corners and in front of stores. It's all for the kids!

The sign-up sheets are out for the Ross County Fair, August 2 – 9. If you haven't signed up for the ice sales yet, call Don Morris at 703-4979 and if you haven't signed up for the Melon Booth yet, call Jack Theobald at 703-5525.

Have a great summer and we're looking forward to seeing you at the Potentate's Visit on July 19.

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Because the Aladdin Shrine Center is a Ticketmaster Ticket Center, our members have access to special deals on certain events. Many of the deals are available at the last minute, so an e-mail will be the only way to receive the information.

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Aladdin's *Tabloid Times* by Bob Stevenson

I have always depended on the kindness of strangers.
~ Blanche DuBois

In Tennessee Williams's great play, *A Street Car Named Desire*, the above quote is given by Blanche DuBois, a woman who is in desperate need of a protector as her world falls apart. Somehow, with *Tabloid* just ended, that quote seems so very appropriate. While Tennessee Williams would not have had the Shriners Hospitals for Children in mind, his words are right on target.

When a family brings a child to one of our hospitals, it is safe to say their world has also fallen apart. In many cases, they have looked elsewhere for help for their child only to find disappointment, further eroding their confidence. They, like Blanche, are desperate. When they arrive at one of our hospitals, they find the kindness of these strangers gives them the protection, progress, and confidence they need and had not found elsewhere. All Shriners everywhere are proud to be counted among the ranks of those strangers, yet we don't stay strangers for very long. We become friends, extended family, reliable partners in their child's treatment and recovery. For most of these families the Shriner Strangers become a lifelong treasure and, in some cases, a life saver.

Like Blanche, Shriners rely on the kindness of strangers as well – when we hit the streets, when we solicit local business people, when we gain financial support from our neighbors. The pool of strangers expands greatly.

Beside this column, you will see the results of *Tabloid* 2008. As I write this I don't know how much "kindness" we gathered from all those strangers on which we rely, but I know it will be a great number again.

Just as I was a few years ago, I know we have new Shriners out there who worked their first *Tabloid* and were amazed that people would come up and thank them for things Shriners did for a family member or friend a long time ago. I know that we have Nobles already thinking about *Tabloid* 2009 and how they can get the numbers up over this year. That is exactly what we have come to expect from all these Shriner Strangers we call our fellow Nobles and our Ladies.

Also, you will find pictures taken of this year's *Tabloid*, including the kickoff in Marysville and different locations on *Tabloid* Saturday.

I want to thank the Nobles and Ladies of Union County for the work they put into the kickoff event. A thank you goes to Mayor Christiane W. Schmenk of Marysville for her recognition of the work both the Union County and Aladdin Shriners do on behalf of children in need of medical help. I also have a BIG THANKS for the Dixieland Band and our great Clowns who made the evening a festive event. And finally, the REALLY BIG, BIG, BIG THANK YOU to each and every Noble and Lady who has made Aladdin *Tabloid* the success it is today.

I doubt Tennessee Williams would be pleased with my taking his memorable line. But then, if he had been thinking about Shriners Hospitals for Children, perhaps he would have had Stanley hollering "Shriners! Shriners!" rather than "Stella! Stella!" Although not even I can see Marlon Brando doing that, but it is a nice thought!

Brutal Brothers

by Tom Ruggles



Regardless of the so called summertime vacation season, the Brutal Brothers have been, and will continue to be, pretty busy during the summer months.

First was the Memorial Tournament, May 26 - June 1, where we had a lot of our members out there helping. We want to take this opportunity to thank all of our members who were able to come out and help make our participation in the Tournament successful.

Tabloid was Saturday, June 7, and we want to send our appreciation out to all of our workers who helped make that project a success.

Then came the Masonic Bicentennial Parade which was held in Columbus on June 21, and the Imperial trip to St. Louis followed on June 29 - July 3. For these and all of the other parade events in which we participate, Mobile Equipment Chairman Jake Sturgeon and his entire crew deserve a big thank you for all of their fine work representing the Brutal Brothers and Aladdin Shrine in all of the communities where they parade to promote Shrinedom.

We occasionally hear from Chairman Jake that our mobile equipment crew needs drivers for some of the events in which they participate. When the call for help goes out, everyone who can should come out to help in this important function of Aladdin Shrine.

Our Shrine Directors Association Convention Committee continues to meet, plan, and work on all of the many aspects of holding the SDA Convention here at Aladdin in 2009. The convention planning is working well and I am confident that it will be a big success for our unit and for Aladdin. But, like any other great project, they need and deserve our complete support for this project. Please come out and help all that you can!

We have had several "remote" Ceremonials in the last three months and, as a result, Aladdin has a lot of new members. It goes without saying that we can always use a few more candidates. As we look ahead to our Fall Ceremonial, please think about any of your Masonic friends you could invite to join the Shrine. One terrific way to generate interest in potential candidates 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 they provide a great way to introduce friends to Aladdin. In addition, this luncheon provides a great opportunity to meet with other Shriners for a fun, educational, and social lunch. Everyone is welcome and I hope to see YOU there in the not too distant future.

And one last reminder for this month – since our unit does not meet during the summer months, our next Brutal Brothers meeting will be at the Aladdin Shrine Facility on September 2, at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendars and we will look forward to seeing you there.

2008 *Tabloid* Total Collections

Club/Unit.....	Total
Union County SC.....	72,692.00
Athens County SC	38,385.47
Ross County SC	30,000.00
Washington SC.....	27,000.00
Gallipolis SC.....	20,619.67
Hilltop SC.....	16,500.00
Tarhe SC.....	12,993.37
Worthington SC.....	12,000.00
Bucyrus SC	10,004.60
Baldwin County SC.....	10,004.15
Marietta SC	9,746.72
Morgan SC	8,104.73
Northeast SC	8,037.55
Hardin County SC	8,004.63
Kambri SC	7,643.40
Madison County SC	7,486.05
Gallion SC	7,130.00
Utica SC	6,483.50
Steubenville SC	5,310.37
Licking County SC	4,564.25
Zavi SC	4,413.84
Hocking Hills SC	3,925.00
Shiloh SC	3,801.08
Clinton County SC	3,500.00
Southeast SC	3,304.00
Brutal Brothers	3,000.00
Taberah SC.....	2,906.48
Coshocton SC	2,435.00
Marion SC	2,203.37
Pickaway SC	1,840.19
Pike County SC	1,834.50
Monroe SC.....	1,570.90
Motorcycle Corp	1,567.00
Gahanna SC	1,320.00
Belpre SC	1,238.80
Legion of Honor	1,234.31
Pipes & Drums Unit.....	1,192.82
Past Master Unit	1,087.92
Provost Unit	1,000.00
Lunch Bunch	572.50
Hospitality Unit.....	450.42
Nexgen SC.....	341.00
Flying Nobles	299.00
Mariners SC.....	285.08
Jesters	30.00
Enviro.....	27.07
TOTAL \$368,090.74	

ALADDIN'S LAKE ERIE FISHING TRIP



Paul Kern's Hat - \$25.00
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Pipes and Drums

by Jim Bradham

The Pipe Band was honored to lead the Bicentennial Parade on June 21, along with Dayton's Antioch Pipe Band. What a big parade it was with thousands participating. The Aladdin Pipe Band was also honored to receive the Grand Marshal Award for the best band in the Grandview Parade. Boy, what a change from the old days when we used to follow the horses and fire engines and practice in the furnace room.

Thanks go to Danny and Nona Bounds who graciously invited the band over for a cookout on July 4. There was lots of good food and Danny is a master chef on the grill.

The band held down our usual corner again this year on Sawmill Road for the Tabloid. No casualties, everyone did a good job dodging cars while collecting. Afterwards, the guys stopped to count the money at Bill's house and enjoyed good food and drink. Thanks go to Bill and Amy for their hospitality and to Bill Sr. for his help collecting. He obviously knew where the big money was.

The band enjoyed having Illustrious Dan and Lady Ann, along with the Divan, visit our group in June. Everyone enjoyed watching Dan and other guests simulate a bagpipe after dinner with Piper Mike Wilson directions. I don't know about Dan's humming ability to *Amazing Grace*. Normally, the pipes are more like geese landing; he sounded more like a duck quack. In the future, every time we play *Amazing Grace* he must stand in the middle humming.

The band is off for the summer. First practice is August 12 before the August 15 Bucyrus Parade. Keep the brotherhood of the Masons and Shrine alive and come together in harmony. Be proud of what we do.



Provost Unit

by John Rohal

Another year has been successfully completed at the Memorial Golf Tournament at Muirfield. Of course, certain incidents or individuals always find a way to be reported in print. One such person is Fearless Leader Dale Cline who lost his radio and cellphone. He later recovered both at the lost and found department.

Jim Bell should be able to tell us how easy it is to fall asleep on a golf cart in the middle of a street. And Tom Charles now knows that his "A" lot parking pass will not permit him to park in "AA" lot. Everyone should know that we had an accident-free year until the very last day when Ron (Crash) Hobensack clobbered a parked car in the parking lot where he was returning his tournament truck. In addition, it was noted that Bob Cannon returned his tournament van with a number of noticeable but unreported scratches. And, finally, before next year's tournament, George Stowe will be instructed on the proper use of a communication radio.

Dale and I would like to express our appreciation and to thank all of you who volunteered to help make this Memorial Tournament a great success. We thank, not only our own Provost Unit, but all members of the Aladdin Shriners, the various Masonic Lodges, and our ladies and friends. And a special thank you goes to our own "old timers" who are no longer able to participate but made this all possible – Bill Taylor, Jay Devoll, Danny Augg, Ted Shaeffer, Cy Leonard, and Bob McCullough. I have mentioned only a few and I know I missed many more. I am very proud to have known so many of you.

Our June meeting was mainly to recap our summer activities, including the scheduled parades, the Antique Car Show with chicken and corn roast by Director Jon Kinney, the Nationwide Golf Tour by Charles Linek, and our family picnic by Mike Gray. This meeting was very well attended and saw the return of Russ Miller who brought Nancy home for rehabilitation. Also, in attendance were Terry McLaughlin, who will have cancer surgery on June 16, and Bill Feiger who is recovering from heart surgery.

Dignitaries attending included Potentate Dan Stainbrook, Oriental Guide Steve Hathaway, and our Divan representative, Bill Amspaugh. The Potentate discussed the Imperial Council Session and other activities.

Jerame Dixon presented a black Provost lady's jacket which could be purchased for \$36.00. Even though he did a nice presentation when he modeled the jacket, it was taken under advisement. Maybe he'll model it at the picnic. Jerame explained about the unit's information being posted on the Aladdin website in the near future.

Gary Hamre reported on the recent unit fishing trip to Lake Erie. It was very successful, everyone caught their limit, and most of the fish were very large (at least 3 feet by his hand gestures).

July birthday notables include Robert C. Albright, Howard L. Beane, Michael R. Bowers, Donald C. Cox, Franklin D. Edwards, Christopher P. Fannin, Heber M. Fellure Jr., Gary L. W. Hamre, Charles D. Law, James H. Leadingham, Harry A. Lewis, James C. Light, William E. Pitchford, Jon F. Rhoades, John W. Rohal, Malcom C. Talbot, William R. Thompson, William W. VanGundy, and Arthur L. Wilson.

We have learned that Ken Corder is in the hospital after surgery and that Ted Shaeffer now has an infection at an incision.

See y'all at the picnic and have a wonderful summer.

MOTORCYCLE CORPS

by Warren Miller

Well, here it is mid-summer and I hope all of you who ride motorcycles are taking the time to check your bikes to make sure everything is in good working order. This may be a little late, but it's always good to be reminded to take care and ride safely. We have rides and parades coming up, so check your newsletter.

This month's member highlight is on Ed Evans. Ed is a Past Master of Union Lodge #172 in New Orleans. He was a past president, past secretary, and a charter member of the Motorcycle Corps. Ed has always been a big part of our fundraiser by parking cars at Muirfield. I would like to thank Ed for all of the friends he brings with him each year to help park cars. Thanks go to Fred, Jim, and John for their support of our club. Thank you, Ed, for your support, loyalty, and dedication.

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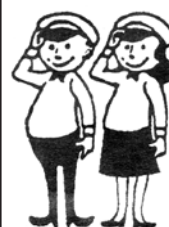
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Northeast Shrine

Summer is upon us. There is not much news to report since our May meeting was the last one before our summer break.

Tabloid Day was a success. While the official tally isn't in yet (at the time of this writing), our club had a very superior day in terms of fundraising. We will most likely beat \$8,000 in donations, thanks to the efforts of our club members who volunteered their time to this worthy cause. We were certainly bolstered by an extremely generous contribution from Anna Schaefer and her ladies auxiliary group. They generously donated their entire treasury to Northeast Shrine Club when the group disbanded earlier this year. While we are sorry her ladies' group will not continue its existence, we are certainly grateful that they voted to give their money to the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Speaking of Tabloid, it would not have been as successful without the efforts of two very hard-working Nobles: Frank Habeker, who took charge of getting the team supplies on Friday evening and Jim Rohal, who worked very hard behind the scenes lining up the breakfast and the facility to count our money. He also secured locations where we could actively solicit donations, he asked for matching gifts from the locations, and generally, he made certain things ran smoothly.

Our next event is the Annual Ed Lacy Picnic, Sunday, August 10 at the Buckeye Boat Club. We'll send out detailed information about the picnic when we get back from Imperial. We'll resume our regular meetings on September 26. Have a great summer!

MARINERS

by Jim Bradham

Mariners make history with first-time Tabloid participation...

The Mariners made history with its first-time to participate in collecting for Tabloid. Thanks go to the dedicated members who came out on a 96° degree day on Friday. We were short handed this year because of the dates. Aladdin didn't have permits to collect in Columbus on Friday and our location wasn't the best. Next year should be much better with prior arrangements.

Never plan a cookout in June. Plans for the Mariners cookout was canceled because of the rain. Little did we know that the electric would be out that day for 22 hours with the storm dropping trees around the house. Not to mention Vicki limping around the house in the dark with an injured leg.

With gas pushing \$5.00 a gallon on the water, many boaters have canceled their usual long trips during the summer for shorter cruises. When gas hits \$6.00 a gallon, I'm buying a sail boat or buy all the kids paddles.

Plan to attend the next meeting August 6 at the Scioto Boat Club. More details will follow.

KENTUCKY COLONELS

by Frank Lewis

Hi, Colonels and Ladies. I have good news! We received a new member into our club at the May meeting. He is Colonel John Ervin and his Lady Oma. Welcome to the greatest club on earth.

More good news! Do you remember two months ago, I scolded many of our members for being sick and I was running low on ink and paper? Well, you listened. I am happy to report the following:

Colonel Bill Keller and his Lady Cathy are both improved and out and about. Keep it up, you two.

Colonel Bob Handshell is doing better; his granddaughter answered the phone and said Bob was not home and feeling better.

Colonel Homer Anderson's Lady Emogene is getting along great with her knee replacement. I think she is square dancing again.

Colonel Don Shoffstall is progressing well with his knee replacement and his Lady Ann takes good care of him.

Colonel Chuck Egbert is doing well after his shoulder operation. His Lady Peggy says he could be even further along if he would do what he is told.

Colonel Sherm Seydler has his infibulator back in good running order and is doing well. His Lady Elnora takes good care of him.

Colonel Don Lynne's Lady Joan is doing much better; keep it up, Joan.

Colonel Henry Morris is going to need more time. His operation was extremely serious. Come on, Henry, get with it.

Isn't it great that so many have improved during the past two months. My ink and paper bill is much improved. It shows a good scolding helps sometimes. To avoid my billing you for the scolding service, all you have to do is attend our September meeting. Come and enjoy.

Now, it's time to walk down memory lane. Ten or twelve years ago, the Kentucky Colonels marched in ten or more parades each summer. Two colonels would lead by carrying a banner which read "Kentucky Colonels marching in formation. Usually, they were led by a drillmaster, either Colonel Herb White or Colonel Russ Douglass. Behind the marchers came our float; we were so proud of that float. It told the whole story on it. There was a hospital bed with a little girl mannequin in it and in the center of the float, a little boy mannequin stood with a walker and a brace on his leg. In front of the float was a very large fez which served as a storage cabinet and also housed a generator to power the light above the hospital bed during night parades. After the parade, our ladies joined us for a good time afterglow – usually as guests of the local Shrine club. Those were great times and I know some of you remember and enjoy reminiscing as much as I do.

Read the *Lamp* and enjoy the events which are always occurring at the Aladdin Shrine Center.

Stay well; be happy; enjoy life.

by Aaron Dominey



Shiloh

by Tim Gillis

Hi Nobles. Well, I guess I missed last month's article for you, so I will combine May and June.

May was our Potentate's visit and we had a great time and enjoyed his company. Great food, as always!

May birthdays were John Gardner, Terry Gill, Warren Lotz, Raymond Mathews, Billy Starkey, and Nick Starkey.

June's meeting which was June 12 saw more good food, a grill out, and about 15 attended. The topic of the evening was the Tabloid day we had on Saturday. A big thank you goes to Jim Rice, our Tabloid chairman, for the fine effort and participation of our members. We still have Wal-mart to hit on June 21 then our collections will be complete for this year. Good job, Nobles!

Speaking of Jim Rice, he was just awarded the third highest award from our local Lions Club, The International Lion President Certificate of Appreciation. Congratulations go to Jim.

Remember Nobles, our meeting night has been changed to the second Thursday of each month and also, we have breakfast every Thursday morning.

Birthdays for June are Charles McCoppin, Joseph Riepenhoff, Jim Riepenhoff, Bob Rose, Garfield Sager, and Wilbur Ward. Happy birthday, Nobles.

Hope to see you then at the next meeting. Attend your Blue Lodge and, remember Nobles, have fun.

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SOUTHEAST SHRINE

by Frank Lewis

Hi, Nobles and Ladies. I am going to begin with a confession. I forgot to attend the May meeting of our club. I do not have a good excuse. I have one though. There were five Thursdays in May and we meet on the fourth Thursday which is usually the last Thursday of the month. At a glance at the calendar, I assumed incorrectly that the fourth Thursday was the third Thursday proceeding the last Thursday which was the... So, You understand why I became confused.

We had a very good meeting, I am told, with 24 attending.
Preparations are being made for our annual fish fry and corn roast which will take place on August 1. Try to be there. This event supports our club for the whole year and don't forget, we need workers to come early.

Do you remember a few months ago when I listed various Divan members and Past Potentates who are also Southeast Shrine Club members as our club celebrities? Well, I am going to list another group as more club celebrities.

A few years ago the Hill Billy and Hilly May clubs were very active in Aladdin Shrine. Many of us were members, but I want to recognize a few who I call celebrities: Nobles Henry Morris, Noble Don Elkins, and Noble Chuck Egbert.

Each owned a hillbilly car. If you have ever seen one of these cars, you will never forget it. They look like they have just died or will soon die but they are in good condition. These cars were seen in many of the parades and were much fun for all. These Nobles paid all their own expenses which were considerable.

In 1999, Noble Don Elkins won the International Trophy for best car. This competition covered the United States and Canada. In addition to winning the International Trophy, Don's Lady Nancy was named International Hilly May Queen for 1999. Nancy's competition also covered the United States and Canada.

The Nobles charge for driving their cars in the parade and 100% of the money was given to Shriners Hospitals.

These Hill Billy and Hilly May clubs, country wide, have raised tens of thousands of dollars for Shriner Hospitals.

There is one more item of interest. As you know, Noble Don Shoffstall has recently gone through a knee replacement operation. I asked him why he waited so long to have it done. He said he knew that gasoline prices were going up and he knew people would be taking him places. So, the longer he waited, the higher the gas prices, and the more he would save. (Do you believe this?)

Stay well, be happy, enjoy life.

Steubenville

by Anthony Violi

Greetings from Steubenville. President Noble Dan Moffatt opened the June 5 meeting of the Steubenville Shrine Club by leading the Nobility in the pledge to the flag of our great country. An opening prayer was offered by Noble Robert Moffatt.

Noble Dan informed us that many members and their Ladies are ill. Please keep them in your prayers and may God watch over them and grant them a speedy recovery.

The Black Camel again visited our club and took Nobles Michael Morgan and George "Cookie" Rogers to their eternal resting place. Sympathy was extended to the families.

Motor Patrol President Noble Wes Darling informed us that the Patrol will participate in the Dean Martin festivities and parade in Steubenville on June 21. Dean Martin, actor and singer, was born in Steubenville. For the past 12 years, he has been honored with parade and festivities. Parade Marshals will be Deana Martin, daughter of Dean, and Vince Pastore, star of the TV show "The Sopranos."

The Patrol will also participate in the July 4 parade in Cannonsburgh, PA.
The Nobility were honored to have Potentate III. Noble Dan Stainbrook II, the Divan, and their Ladies attended our dinner -dance in our facility on May 10. Entertainment was provided by Noble Therman Riggs. Dancing and fellowship followed. A highlight of the evening occurred when the Potentate requested Past President Noble Al Dubois to approach the podium. Noble Al was presented with the prestigious Meritorious Service Award. Comments concerning Shrine activities were also given by the Potentate. A donation was given by Lady Moffatt to Lady Stainbrook to help in her philanthropy. In return, Lady Ann presented Lady Moffatt with a gift.

We were reminded that the Luau would be held on Saturday, July 26. Building Chairman Noble Jim Halsted reminded the Nobility that work parties are on Monday evenings and Saturday mornings. Nobles, offer your help in maintaining our club house and grounds.

Future events are August 9, Fish Fry; September 27, Weiner Roast; November 22, Harvest Dinner; and the December Shrine Christmas Party.

Local lodge reports were given. Past presidents and distinguished Masons were recognized.

A closing prayer was given by Noble Robert Moffatt. Delicious refreshments were available. Fellowship followed.

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Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

Our June meeting was scheduled to be held at the Portsmouth Airport, but we but we could not fly there because of the rain and low overcast; so, we didn't have a June meeting.

I want to thank Bob Beymer, Lacy Toothman, Del Kopp, and David Ray for their work on the Tabloids. We were out there at a new location trying to do better than last year. But because of the rules set by the store's management, we were gone sooner than expected. Bob Beymer is our Tabloid chairman and he did a good job. We thank Bob for his work. PC Marty Mills had the job but he had to give it up because of health reasons. Marty always does a great job for the Flying Nobles.

We had a great morning for the Masonic Bicentennial parade in downtown Columbus. It was good to see so many Masons marching together. It was good the parade was early because the heat was on the way. Aladdin was well represented and they all looked good and made you proud to be a member of such a good group of men.

Our Oshkosh trip will be here soon (July 31) and everyone is looking forward to the trip. I remember when David Ray came up with the idea for the trip and he took the responsibility for making all the phone calls and arrangements. He will be doing the driving of Big Red along with Steve Hathaway. This will be my third trip to Oshkosh. John Fleming and I flew in once and we slept under the wing of the plane like hundreds of others did. The next time, my wife and I stayed at the university's dorm which is where we will stay this time. Staying at the dorm is an experience in itself. Bring your best walking shoes and you will want to occasionally sit down to either rest or watch the airshow. So think about bringing a portable chair. If everything goes as planned, everyone will hopefully have a memorable experience from Oshkosh. Thanks go to PC David Ray.

Our next Flying Nobles meeting will be Saturday, August 9 at OSU/ Medflight. I want to say "hi" to PC George Motika in Florida from the Flying Nobles. We hope George and Nikki are enjoying their retirement in Florida. George was a great golfer who had a golf driving area in his Columbus home so Florida is the place to be if you like golf.

The Imperial Shrine trip to St. Louis is past and we hope everything went well for Aladdin. We are looking forward to San Antonio next year.

Everybody stay well and enjoy the summer and hope for blue skies on your flying days. See you next month.

WORTHINGTON SHRINE

by Bob Stevenson

As you read this, you can almost hear the ref's whistle blow and see the first and ten sign being given. Yep, summer is half gone and you know who will be doing you know what before long. While we have not had much news to report from Worthington Shrine Club, we do have a couple items of note for this month.

First is Tabloid (now why would I bring that up I wonder). We had a great year, writing a check for \$12,000.00 to Tabloid 2008! Quite an improvement from last year. We tried a new corner in Dublin; we were back at High Street and Route 161 in Worthington after two years of date conflict with the Worthington Arts Fair. Our old standbys of Henderson and Reed and Linworth and Route 161, plus downtown Powell, all brought in great results. On behalf of all the kids in our three hospitals, a big thanks goes to all the Nobles who worked and/or sent a check.

At our June cookout, a special presentation was made by two of our Past Potentates, Mike Clevenger and Calvin Smith. The honor was directed to Noble Ray Burkhart who received is 50-year pin from the Shrine and also from the Ohio Valley 32° Masons. What a great honor! In attendance was one of our Worthington Shrine Club charter members, Past President Clyde Wooley. What a fine evening and a well-earned recognition for one of our most outstanding Nobles. Best wishes, Noble Ray, and thanks for all you have done for the Worthington Shrine Club over these many years.

We will have our Family Picnic at York Golf Club again, on Sunday afternoon August 3. Look for more details in the newsletter.

Our first fall meeting will be Thursday September 4 at Brookside. Our speaker that evening will be Ken Keller, local advertising and public relations man and DJ from years past. Ken recently published a book of his radio career titled "Monkey on a Turntable: Living on Love and Leftovers in Local Radio." He will highlight some of his memorable events at local stations including WTVN, WMNI, WOSU, and WBNS-TV. You will probably recall some of the people and times he will talk about. So, join us for a great start to our fall season.

Worthington Shrine Club meets the first Thursday of each month for dinner at Brookside Golf and Country Club. For more information call Noble Frank Henderson at 614-885-0192.

NEXGEN CLUB FOR YOUNG SHRINERS

by Mike Gray

Summer has arrived and we, like most other units and clubs, are dark. We are, however, going to meet on a purely social basis on our usual third Wednesday of the month, July 16, at the New Albany Grill (formerly Gibby's, as of February). The restaurant is located at 29 South High Street in New Albany, which is on State Route 605 [Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road] between Routes 161 and 62. It has a nice outdoor patio (cigars, anyone?) and a large, semi-private game room they are willing to let us have. They have a good menu, but their Buffalo wings are worth the trip.

As always, you don't have to be a member of NexGen to come. For that matter, bring any non-Shrine friends you have to introduce them to the fraternity. We have decided to make this open to our wives, girlfriends, and children so they can all get to know each other and have some fun themselves. We look forward to spending an enjoyable evening of fun and fellowship. We'll start at 6 p.m. and go until we can't take anymore fun.

NexGen worked its first year of Tabloid this year down in the area of Nationwide Arena. Thanks go to Jerame Dixon and Brian Curnutte for their efforts, as well as the great Bill Estell for giving us his time and experience out there. NexGen contributed about \$342.00 to Tabloid this year – not bad for only four guys, I suppose.

We still are planning on going down to the Cincinnati Hospital in September to do a work detail (painting, minor repairs, etc.). It was discussed at the June meeting to combine this with an overnight stay at a riverboat or some other activity. If anyone has any ideas, we're open to them. We'll keep you posted as it develops.

HARDIN COUNTY

by Ken Rossman

Our regular meeting was held on June 25 and was our annual Potentate's visit. It was held at Don Doll's pond; total attendance was estimated at 150 including Nobles, Ladies, and 41 from Aladdin Temple.

It was a long day for our kitchen crew. The crew was Nobles Gilbert, Crock, Wagner, Doombos, Fitzgerald, Matteson, Pore, Rice, Garmon, Clinger, Bruce Michel, Tim Jolliff, Wykes, Rob Wilson, Lew Hanna, and Wynegar. Great job, Nobles.

Noble Rossman opened the evening by saying we would have a moment of silence in memory of Noble Reed Armenrout who died one week ago. Rossman then gave the opening prayer.

Since the weather did not look good, we had our business meeting before we ate our dinner.

President Homes led us in the pledge of allegiance. President Holmes presented a cash gift to the Potentate's Lady Ann for her project for charity. Lady Ann then presented President Holmes' Lady Anita with an angel pin.

President Holmes presented the Potentate a cash gift for Aladdin Temple. The Potentate noted that through the Cold Sands Ceremonials, Aladdin took in 42 new Nobles. He called on Noble Bob Gilbert to come up and he was made an Ambassador for Aladdin. He received a certificate and a new fez for all his years of service to Aladdin and Shriners. We congratulate Bob on this honor.

Our Divan Representative Bill Estell introduced all of our guests and Ladies from Aladdin. President Holmes introduced all of our officers including the Ladies.

Noble Howard Watkins gave a closing prayer to end our business meeting. We dined on the great meal prepared and served by our kitchen crew.

About the time we were finishing our meal, the wind and rain took over and those still in the tents got drenched.

We say happy birthday to Nobles Ray Peterman (91) and Bill Clinger (80). We also extend our sympathy to the family of Reed Armentrout who died a week ago, and also to Noble Bill Clinger on the recent death of his brother.

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The Clowns

by Matt "Nut" Knight

I heard a little story recently that a hobo hopped a train stationed in Columbus this past winter. I heard this hobo was trying to find warmer weather. Well, the thing is that he fell asleep and stayed asleep for quite a while.

When he awakened, he found himself in a warmer climate. He climbed off the train and saw a group of other hobos and some clowns going into a hotel next to the tracks. Well, not wanting to be conspicuous, he just went along with the other guys. They made them stand around while some strangers sat and looked at him. The next thing he knew they were giving some award for first place for all of the dirt and grime on his face. (Make-up)? Another person came to him and told him that on his way in to the hotel someone really like the way he walked and gave him another award for third place. (Paradability.) He didn't even know how to spell paradability or know what it was. He was just trying to get a meal.

As nice as this story sounds, it got just a little stranger when he was approached by a guy saying that he scored a perfect score (10) in make-up. That was the last straw said the confused the hobo and he asked the man what he was talking about. The man took the hobo and got him some coffee. You see, he thought the hobo was still under the influence from the night before, not knowing that the hobo was just confused. He told him that he was at the Florida Shrine Convention in Orlando, Florida. This confused the hobo even more but he asked the man if there was a place where he could get a warm meal. He sent him to a "hospitality room" where he got fed and then he just wanted to get out of there before anything else strange happened to him. He went to the local pawn shop and hocked the trophies and bought some new clothes and an airline ticket back to Columbus where the normal people live. Welcome back, Freddie Gischler, and congratulations on the awards. You are always number #1 with us.

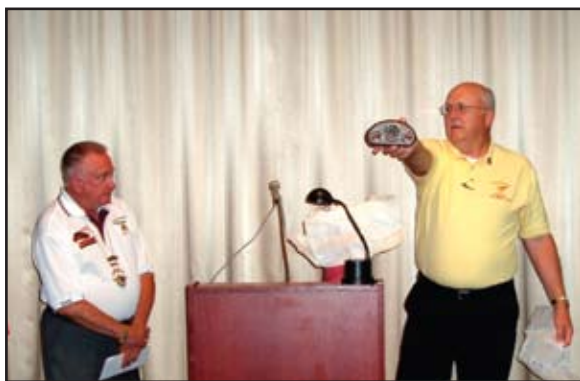
The upcoming event schedule for your clowns follows: August 2 - we will be travelling to Canton, Ohio to the Pro Football Hall of Fame Parade; August 9 - we will be performing for the Adult Hospice group at the LaScala Restaurant. For additional information on any of the events mentioned, please give one of your brothers a call and they will tell you what they know.

We have a few birthdays for June starting with John Knoepfler 6-6 and Ron Hobensack 6-9. Happy birthday to these fine gentlemen.

God Bless and enjoy the great weather.

Patrol Marches On

by G. Vaughn Doss, C.E.



At the writing of this article, it is July 1 and we are in St. Louis for the Imperial. We are staying at the Marriott Airport Hotel where we were housed for 1997 Imperial. It has been a great trip, put together by Illustrious Sir Dan Stainbrook and his travel chairman along with the rest of the Pote's staff. The staff at the Marriott has been very gracious in their desire to be of assistance. Let's just hope the Mississippi River doesn't rise anymore than it has!

On Monday morning, we attended the Shrine Patrol Association of North America Drill Competition held at the St. Louis Convention

Center. There were three drill teams competing - Antioch, with a team of 24; Medinah, with a team of 16; and Moolah had an impressive team of 48. S.P.A.N.A.'s secretary and treasurer, Don Caldwell from Medinah, has served for a number of years will step down. William Morgan, also from Medinah, was elected to fill Don's shoes. Ray Massey, from Arabia Temple in Houston, will be installed as president at the breakfast on Wednesday. We want to congratulate Ivan Clark, from Antioch Temple, on the great job he did serving as president for the past year.

The Patrol hosted the visitation by our Illustrious Sir Dan Stainbrook and nine of his guests on June 17. This year we broke with tradition and made it a stag event and was held at the Aladdin Shrine Center's Oasis Room.

By the time you receive the *Lamp*, we will have had the Appreciation Get-Together for those who volunteered at Muirfield. Another big "thank you" from you committee. Just to let you know, there were 588 hours that you volunteered!

As always, this is your article. If you have some news to share, please let me know. Until next time, see you on the square.

Bucyrus News

by Gene Diller

The Bucyrus Shrine Club meeting opened with a prayer lead by Noble Jerry Staiger. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was lead by President Noble Stan Eusey.

The Bucyrus Shrine Club had a steak fry and Nobles Rick Miller, Rob Zaebst, and Steve Bowman were the steak fryers. Noble Dave Crum made the baked potatoes and slaw. The club had ice cream for dessert.

The Black Camel took one of the Bucyrus Club's member, Noble James Barciz.

Bucyrus Shrine had a special guest, Mr. Seth Rowland. He was the club's special guide when the Bucyrus Shrine Club went to the Cincinnati Shrine Hospital.

The Tabloid Chairman, Noble Tim Miller, reported that not all money is collected by this meeting date but we did pretty good.

Past Masters

by Dick Bull

Congratulations to Jean Justus who has been nominated as one of two recipients to be awarded the Meritorious Service Award by the Valley of Columbus, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, next year at Ohio Council of Deliberation.

Our unit participated in the Masonic Bicentennial Parade on June 21 in downtown Columbus with Gary Fortner driving the van. Many thanks go to those who joined us in the celebration.

Six of our members and their spouses swam across the Mississippi River to Imperial Council in St. Louis. Some of us then continued to Branson following the convention. Thank yous go out to Charlie Neff and Jim McGruder for driving the van.

Our next parade participation is a new one for the unit: Plain City Steam Threshers. Fred Kile will be our host. Details will be in the next Unit newsletter. The date is Friday, July 18.

Our walking wounded are hopefully progressing on the road to recovery: Dave Jacobs, Don Washburn, Ginny Holsinger, Ann Stout, Mike Rector, Jimmey VanBibber, and Dee Beeman. Sandy Hilbinger had a cancerous lung removed on June 18 and we wish her the best. Ray Burkhart is in serious condition following a recent hospital stay at Riverside. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family. (Editors Note: Noble Burkhart was visited by the Black Camel and called to celestial home on July 6, 2008.)

Details will be forthcoming about our August 17 picnic and the September Potentate's visit. Have a happy and safe summer.

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Chaplain's Message

by Chaplain John Ash

Once again, I received something from one of my e-mail buddies and I just felt compelled to share with you. Again, I don't know the source or author, but this is very good. Feel free to share it with all. I know I had some Pickel Jar people in my life. How about you?

The pickle jar, as far back as I can remember, sat on the floor beside the dresser in my parents' bedroom. When he got ready for bed, Dad would empty his pockets and toss his coins into the jar. As a small boy, I was always fascinated at the sounds the coins made as they were dropped into the jar. They landed with a merry jingle when the jar was almost empty. Then the tones gradually muted to a dull thud as the jar was filled.

I used to squat on the floor by the jar and admire the copper and silver circles that glinted like a pirate's treasure when the sun poured through the window. When the jar was filled, Dad would roll the coins before taking them to the bank.

Taking the coins to the bank was always a big production. Stacked neatly in a small cardboard box, the coins were placed between Dad and me on the seat of his old truck. Each and every time, as we drove to the bank, Dad would look at me hopefully. "Those coins are going to keep you out of the textile mill, son. You're going to do better than me. This old mill town's not going to hold you back."

Also, each and every time, as he slid the box of rolled coins across the counter at the bank toward the cashier, he would grin proudly, "These are for my son's college fund. He'll never work at the mill all his life like me."

We would always celebrate each deposit by stopping for an ice cream cone. I always got chocolate. Dad always got vanilla. When the clerk at the ice cream parlor handed Dad his change, he would show me the few coins nestled in his palm. "When we get home, we'll start filling the jar again." He always let me drop the first coins into the empty jar. As they rattled around with a brief, happy jingle, we grinned at each other. "You'll get to college on pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters," he said. "But you'll get there; I'll see to that."

No matter how rough things got, Dad continued to doggedly drop his coins into the jar. The summer when Dad got laid off from the mill, and Mama served dried beans several times a week, not a single dime was taken from the jar.

To the contrary, as Dad looked across the table at me, pouring catsup over my beans to make them more palatable, he became more determined than ever to make a way out for me. "When you finish college, son," he told me, his eyes glistening, "you'll never have to eat beans again unless you want to."

The years passed and I finished college and took a job in another town. While visiting my parents, I used the phone in their bedroom and noticed that the pickle jar was gone. It had served its purpose and had been removed.

A lump rose in my throat as I stared at the spot beside the dresser where the jar had always stood. My dad was a man of few words and never lectured me on the values of determination, perseverance, and faith. The pickle jar had taught me all these virtues far more eloquently than the most flowery of words could have done. When I married, I told my wife Susan about the significant part the lowly pickle jar had played in my life as a boy. In my mind, it defined, more than anything else, how much my dad had loved me.

The first Christmas after our daughter Jessica was born, we spent the holiday with my parents. After dinner, Mom and Dad sat next to each other on the sofa, taking turns cuddling their first grandchild. Jessica began to whimper softly, and Susan took her from Dad's arms. "She probably needs to be changed," she said, carrying the baby into my parents' bedroom to diaper her. When Susan came back into the living room, there was a strange mist in her eyes.

She handed Jessica back to Dad before taking my hand and leading me into the room. "Look," she said softly, her eyes directing me to a spot on the floor beside the dresser. To my amazement, there, as if it had never been removed, stood the old pickle jar, the bottom already covered with coins. I walked over to the pickle jar, dug down into my pocket, and pulled out a fistful of coins. With a gamut of emotions choking me, I dropped the coins into the jar. I looked up and saw that Dad, carrying Jessica, had slipped quietly into the room. Our eyes locked, and I knew he was feeling the same emotions I felt. Neither one of us could speak.

This truly touched my heart. I know it has yours as well. Sometimes we are so busy adding up our troubles that we forget to count our blessings. Never underestimate the power of your actions. With one small gesture you can change a person's life, for better or for worse. God puts us all in each other's lives to impact one another in some way. Look for good in others.

The best and most beautiful things cannot be seen or touched – they must be felt with the heart. ~ Helen Keller

- Happy moments, praise God. •Difficult moments, seek God. •Quiet moments, worship God.
- Painful moments, trust God. •Every moment, thank God.



Hocking Hills

by Donald R. Farrow

President Ron Cottrill called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone,

A report of the Tabloid Days for this year was given with the club producing \$3,925.00 for its efforts. John Hockingberry presented Cottrill a check from Logan Wal-Mart manager, Susan Aldredge, for \$1,500.00 toward next year's goal. John also reported that the Muirfield detail went well with six Nobles participating each of the six days.

It was pointed out that the news/reservation letter sent to each member in past years has been reduced to postcard size to cut down on expenses. If you want news on what the club is doing or plans in the future, you will have to attend the dinner meetings.

President Ron Cottrill indicated that there has been interest shown in possible trips to the zoo, Masonic Home, Air Force Museum, ball games, brown bag auctions, and the operation of stand/trailer for fresh sweet corn/water melon sales. Again we need input from members.

Nobility was updated on the health of Nobles. Gene Gairen is doing well. John Parry is at the Logan Health Care. Wash Bowers is at the Carlin House. Lawrence Blair is out during the day and Ernest Lehman is resting on schedule, Violet is taking good care of him.

The membership voted to have the Brown Bag Auction at the August 27 meeting with a possible Disney naval captain attending.

The club also voted to rollover a CD coming due this month.

George Drescher gave a report on the Shrine Ceremonial set for November 8. The normal fee is \$204.00 without a fez and \$267.00 if a fez is needed will be changed as follows: \$149.00 fee if fez not needed or \$199.00 if fez is needed. Both will cover next year's dues of \$74.00.

George also reminded Nobles of the Athens corn roast coming up on July 24. Be there or be hungry. See you next meeting.

Thea Court

by Frances Ann Bailey

Thea Court's Ceremonial was held June 7 at the Aladdin Shrine Center and five new members were initiated into our order. New members are Eileen Colegrove, Eloise Dennis, Mary Lou Roberts, Jessica Chalfant, and Katheryn Bell.

We will visit the Ohio Masonic Home in Springfield on July 17.

We visited the Tarhe Club in Lancaster on June 25.

Sewing sessions will be on July 23 at the Aladdin Shrine Center and on August 20 at Mary Lou Stakely's home. All Thea members are welcome to come and help.



KAMBRI

by Dick Brixner

The Kambri Shrine Club took part in the annual Children's Health Fair on June 19 at our Cambridge City Park which was sponsored by Southeastern Ohio Regional Medical Center. Kambri was represented by Noble President Frank Potts and Nobles Ron LePage, Buzzy Ferguson, Russ McFarland, Joe Spilker, and Ermal Shimp. We provided handouts on fire safety, lawn mower safety, and on our Shriners Hospitals. We awarded two bicycles to Jaysun Warehime of Cumberland and Kayla Bean from Senecaville.

It was a great opportunity for the Shrine to share our story with the community. We thank SEORMC for inviting us, the six Nobles for manning the tables, and Ron LePage for providing the above information.

On Saturday, June 21, we held our annual golf scramble at the Wildfire Golf Club, in New Concord. The weather was perfect for our outing and nine teams teed off at 8:30 a.m. There were skill prizes for all five par three holes and a long drive contest for those under and over 65 years of age. The closest to the pin prizes were won by Tracey Hill, Don Hanes, Ron Harding, Chris McCormick, and Don Kasper. Brad Tilton won the long drive prize for those under 64 and Ron Harding won for the over 65 group.

The winning team consisted of Phil Paden, Kenny Ray, Dan Hanes, and Quentin Allen with a score of 58, 13 under par.

The second place team, shooting 59, was made up of Ron Harding, Bill Hammer, Wes Harding, and Dave Brill.

Following the eighteen holes of golf, we sat down to enjoy a steak dinner, baked potato, salad, rolls, and drink. A special "thank you" goes to Joe Spilker for marinating the steaks and making them very tender and delicious. Joe was assisted by Dave Black. The grill was provided by Lew Smith.

The winner of the watch was Bill Hammer and the 50/50 drawing was won by Dick Brixner.

Kambri Shrine wants to thank all the businesses which donated items toward making this event a big success and to the Shriners who collected the same.

If you are a golfer or even a hacker and sat home on that Saturday morning, shame on you. Please feel free to send a donation to Noble President Frank or Noble Treasurer Tom Fisher, and the money will be put in the checkbook to help our club do good in the community.

Our next event is a Kambri picnic to be held at the Guernsey County Fish and Game Club. Watch your mailbox for the details.

Kambri Shriners, this is your club. Come out and take part in the activities. The more Shriners in attendance, the more fun, fellowship, and great food can realized. This is what it takes to make a Shrine club grow.

Do you remember what the initials, A.A.O.N.M.S. stand for in Shrinedom? Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is the fraternity's official name.

The above information comes from the fez owner's manual, which can be obtained by sending a self addressed stamped envelope to: Membership Development, PO Box 31356, Tampa, Florida, 33631.

I hope to see you at the next Kambri Shrine event. Remember, this is your Kambri Shrine Club; make it grow.



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C. Ray Burkhart
Walter M. Burns
Clayton H. Cimpher
Russell A. Fitz
Robert A. Garn
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From The Shrine Band

by Robb Landon

It's time for a rest. A lot has been going on the past few months – 2008 Imperial, a few parades, the Firecracker Ball, and of course rehearsals for all those events. So rest during July and August and be prepared to start all over again in September. A good place to start your recovery is at the Annual Band Summer Party on July 29.

Working people frequently ask me what I do to make my days interesting now that I am retired. I tell them, "Well, for example, the other day the wife and I went into town and went into a shop. We were only in there for about five minutes. When we came out, there was a cop writing out a parking ticket."

We went up to him and I said, "Come on, man, how about giving a senior citizen a break?" He ignored us and continued writing the ticket. I called him a flat foot. He glared at me and started writing another ticket for having worn tires. So my wife called him a fat slob. He finished the second ticket and put it on the windshield with the first. Then he started writing a third ticket. This went on for about 20 minutes. The more we abused him, the more tickets he wrote. Just then our bus arrived and we got on it and went home. We try to have a little fun each day now that we're retired. It's important.

Dixieland Band Schedule:

August 15	Bucyrus Parade - 6 p.m.
August 30	Portsmouth River Day Parade
October 17	Circleville Pumpkin Parade - 7 p.m.
September 16	Lancaster Campground - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Band Schedule:

July 29	Band Summer Party	October 28	Executive Bd. Mt. - 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
August 15	Bucyrus Bratwurst Parade	October 31	Halloween Ball Band Concert - 7:30 p.m. Dance Band - 8:00 p.m.
August 30	Marietta Parade	November 4	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
September 7	Masonic Home Day Parade	November 8	Fall Ceremonial
September 16	First Fall Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.	November 11	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
September 23	Aladdin Dance	November 18	Aladdin Dance Band - 7:00 p.m.
September 30	Band Rehearsal - 7:00 p.m. Executive Bd. Mtg. - 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.	November 25	Executive Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
October 7	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.	December 9	Potentate's Visitation & Ladies Party
October 14	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.		
October 17	Circleville Pumpkin Parade		
October 21	Aladdin Dance Band - 7:00 p.m.		

PIKE COUNTY Those Faces

by Rodney Holdren

The first thing I have to say is WOW! That was some Dogwood Festival Parade. I think the Illustrious Potentate Daniel Stainbrook brought everyone from the Shrine Center. We owe a big "thanks" to the Illustrious Sir Stainbrook, for not only attending, but for making our annual Dogwood Parade the best it has ever been. We also owe a big "thanks" to all the Shrine Units that accompanied the Potentate. After the parade we had our annual Potentate's visit. The food and fellowship was absolutely wonderful. Paul and Ruth Smith were generous enough to host the dinner at their beautiful home. I ate so much I didn't feel like eating again for two days. Ha! Ha! Everyone knows I'm not going to miss a meal.

I am very proud to say that we had our first Shriners booth at the Dogwood Festival. We did face painting, balloons, and had Shriners available to answer questions about how we help children. I couldn't have done it without the help of my daughter, Danielle Holdren. She is a senior at the Waverly High School and is an exceptional artist. She sat, hour after hour, helping me paint faces, collecting almost \$400.00. We also received a lot of positive feedback from the public, many didn't even know what the Shrine is about, Our goal was not only to collect donations, but also to distribute our information in a more relaxed atmosphere. This gave us the opportunity to have a much better one-on-one conversation with people about what we do as Shrine. It was a great success.

By the time you read this article, the Nobles of the Pike County Shrine have already hit the streets participating in Tabloid. It went extremely well. Our Nobles worked diligently, even in the extreme heat. Next up is the Pike County Fair parking. It's a lot of work, usually pretty warm, but the fellowship is great. We cook out just about every day and our Ladies bring the most delicious covered dishes. We couldn't do it without our Ladies.

The work and activities that our club participates in throughout the year is pretty demanding. There have been times when I had a busy workweek, my grass needed mowed, and it seemed as if my entire weekend was completely filled with something that needed done. Then I realized there is an upcoming Shriner event. I thought to myself, there's no way I can reorganize my schedule and attend. Then I remember "THOSE FACES." The faces of all the children our Shrine has helped, saved, or made an everlasting impression on. The faces of the children from the Pike County area we helped. The two burned children from Piketon who were treated at the Cincinnati Shrine Burn Hospital. The face of the little girl who could not walk, then received spinal surgery at the Lexington Orthopedic Shriners Hospital, and was running and playing recently at our Dogwood Festival dinner.

I remember those faces of our Nobles who have passed on like Larry Hopkins, Carl Bayse, and many others who worked tirelessly to help children through our Shriners Organization. I remember the face of Norm "Buttons" Schatzman, who mentored me in the Aladdin Clown Unit. Norm had one face of a loving, inspirational Shriner and another one of the best clowns I ever had the pleasure of watching and learning from.

I remember those faces of our friends and family members who are standing and watching us in a parade with such pride in their eyes and love in their hearts. These faces are what keep me going, week after week. When I don't think I have the time, I make the time. I am asking you as fellow Shriners, when you feel there is something more important than attending or helping out at a Shrine event, just remember "THOSE FACES." I will never forget!

Tarhe Shrine

by Danny T. Meenach

I hope this finds everyone in good spirits with a wonderful fourth of July weekend. It has been a while since sitting down to the old keyboard, so, as I "hunt'n peck" my way through this, please read slowly.

Our May meeting was held at the Lancaster Inn with the James Dorr family as guest speakers. Little Jimmie had been born with a faulty valve in his heart and at about six months of age had a stroke. Doctors who were working with him at the time told his parents that he would more than likely never walk much less ride a bike or be able to play like other kids. Through the process, the Dorr family was put in touch with the Shriners Orthopedic Hospital in Lexington with the help of late Noble Bob Harris. Jimmy is 13 now and is in what they call a "transitional stage" where he is learning to walk without braces and without dragging his leg. He says he enjoys riding his bicycle, fishing, and playing basketball with classmates, as well as picking on his little brother! Stories like this, as you all know, are what keeps us going.

That, in turn, brings us to Tabloid Day and our June meeting, "Ladies Night and Brown Bag Auction." I would like to give a special shout out to the "Milkman" Ray Wetherell, "Red" Williams, Ron Hockradle, my directors in the county, and a very special "thank you" to Lady Lisa Bower. Without their help Tabloid would not have been as good as it was! The Tarhe Shrine Club raised \$10,208.42 on June 6. So, thank you, again, Nobles for your work and support. It is very much appreciated!

On June 20, we had our Ladies Night & Brown Bag Auction which raised another \$1,534.95 for Tabloid bringing us to a total of \$11,743.37. As a closing to our Ladies Night, I would like to take the time to thank the widows who attended this function: Joan Bainter, Virginia Boerstler, Mary Brandt, Barbara Jean Gilkerson, Wanda Shaeffer, Roberta Shaeffner and daughter Sherry, and Mariam Stamfle. It is my privilege and honor to know that I'm affiliated with a group that your husbands so enjoyed being a part of.

In closing I would like to invite any Noble to our July meeting which will be held at the Baltimore V.F.W., located on St. Rt. 256, July 17 for our annual Fish Fry. The cost is \$10.00 and it's all you can eat. Thanks for your time and I hope I didn't type too slow. Your humble servant!

CHARITY RIDE

Magnolia Lodge #20 will be hosting the Motorcycle Fun Run on July 19 in Columbus to help raise money for Special Olympics. All of your members, friends, and family are invited to attend.

All riders who complete an early registration will receive a special "Charity Ride" tee shirt. A limited number of shirts will be available at the final stop of the ride.

The event is open to Masonic and non-Masonic riders because it's not about us, it is about helping the athletes. If you do not ride a motorcycle we could still use your support. Festivities begin at 10 a.m. and will last through the day. It will begin and end at the Aladdin Shrine Center with several stops along the way. After the ride, there will be burgers, dogs, and cold beverages at the Shrine Center.

There will be a silent auction at the end of the ride. If anyone has an item or service you would like to donate, please contact us as soon as possible.

Participant, vendor, or sponsor information is available www.freewebs.com/magnoliadogeno20 or by e-mailing us at magnoliabikers@biderider.com

Marching WITH THE LEGION *by Dick Luckay*

GREAT DAY TO BE A MASON – June 21 will long be remembered by the thousands of Masons and their ladies who partook of the “200th Anniversary of Masonry in Ohio” festivities. The parade itself saw nearly three thousand marchers, riders, and musicians fill High Street from Nationwide Boulevard to Broad Street in a 55 minute parade that showcased Masons from the four corners of Ohio. It was great to see so many Lodges, Shriners, Scottish Rite, York Rite, Prince Hall Masons, DeMolay boys, Rainbow, and Jobe’s Daughter girls marching, looking good – and having fun. For the first time in memory, Mason’s wives were included in the parade – and they added a special significance to the event. The re-enactment of the State House cornerstone laying was another highlight of the day. It was very impressive and the crowd of thousands who watched were not disappointed in the ceremony. The subsequent picnic and old-time baseball game at the Ohio Village were merely icing on the cake. It was indeed a great day to be a Mason. I should add that the Legion Color Guard, leading the Aladdin contingent in the parade, never looked better. PC Robert Spencer and Legionobles Bob Krieger, Gary Bogart, Chester Van Horn, John Iben, and Ron Gary were smartly aligned and in step throughout the parade. PC Willie Fitchett and our newest member, Terry Kitchens, were in the jeep with all the service flags proudly flying. You looked sharp, Legionobles – you looked sharp!. Well done.

TABLOID REPORT – The Legion was not able to return to its old stamping grounds at Polaris Parkway and was reassigned to the corner of Glick and Dublin Roads on Saturday. Commander Dick Olila, PC Robert Spencer, and Legionobles Bob Krieger and Phillip Pini made their presence known. Their efforts added \$1,234 to the tabloid total – which was a very commendable amount for only four collectors. PC’s Bob Wilson and Bob Ward, together with Legionnobles Fred Kreutz and Ron Gary, assisted other Aladdin units and clubs on Friday. Their efforts added to the grand total for the two-day event. Good work for a good cause.

ANOTHER CANDLE ON THE CAKE FOR – Guy White, Sr. and Lucy Ozvat (8/5), June Bogart (8/9), Lil Woodworth (8/10), Judy Farrone and Linda Pini (8/14), Bill Gatton (8/23), Marjory Dames and Billie Hart (8/25), and Judy Wilson (8/30). Our best wishes go to all for a very special day.

GOOD NEWS – AND NOT SO GOOD NEWS – Lady Barb Faber came through her knee replacement surgery just fine. She’s off the walker and handling a cane very well. Problem is she somehow came down with a case of the hives and has been having a rather awkward time of it. Hopefully, by the time you read this, she will be fully recovered and ready to dance the night away. We’re rootin’ for you Barb!

Chanters

by Brent Wilson

You probably noticed, no Chanters article last month. Well, that’s because I didn’t write one. May was “The Best of Times,” it was “The Worst of Times. The last two weeks of the month, my company was absolutely inundated with business. Mind you, I’m not complaining because lots of business is a good thing. At the same time our beloved Yorkshire Terrier became gravely ill. The complications of her illness became too great and we had to let her go. That broke my heart and I just didn’t have it in me to write the article. You probably think I’m a wimp and when it comes to our puppies, you’re right.

Hey, wasn’t the Potentate’s Ball a ball? You bet it was! Hey, Dan, meatloaf? Yeah boy, it was great! The food was outstanding, the band was a hoot and we danced the night away. Did you notice the decorations? Pretty darned nice and a big “thank you” to Bev Nelson who always does a great job and to Roger Nelson and everyone else who made it such a fun event.

By the time you read this, we will have been to St. Louis and back. The Imperial will be a memory and the Chanters will be home with a first-place trophy, I hope. If we don’t win, it won’t be for lack of effort or for lack of practice. Our conductor, Rosemary Renshler, has been working us pretty hard, at least two nights a week for some time, and we’re sounding pretty darn good.

August is shaping up to be a rather busy month for The Chanters. One great event in August is the Chanters Golf Outing at Willow Run Golf Course. Our own Bob Larson will be chairman of the event again this year. So if you are inclined to knock the little white sphere around, eat a fine meal, have some liquid refreshments, and some brotherhood and great fun, please put a foursome together and join us. Contact: Bob Larson (614) 882-2605, 2525 Tiller Lane, Columbus, OH 43231.

On a more serious note, so far this summer we have seen a lot of Mother Nature’s fury and many people across this great land are suffering because of it. Here, in central Ohio, we haven’t been too badly affected and for that we can all be grateful. Since we’re in pretty good shape, I think it would be a great idea if each of us would send maybe \$10.00 each to the Red Cross to help those folks out and while you’re at it, you might say a little prayer for those less fortunate than us. And speaking of prayers, don’t forget to say one for our brave women and men serving in our military. God Bless them all and God Bless America!

One last thought, aren’t you glad that the Democratic primary is finally over?

Some dates to remember: August 9 - Baltimore Parade 9:00 a.m.; August 13 - Chanters Golf Outing; August 15 - Bucyrus Parade 6:00 p.m.; August 24 - Chanters Picnic; August 30 - Marietta Parade.

SENIOR SHRINERS *by Chuck McLeod*

Noble President Don Lynne opened the June 25 meeting of the Senior Shriners at noon. The opening prayer was given by Noble Chaplain Don Pendell, who also led the pledge of allegiance. President Lynne introduced the following distinguished Masons in attendance: Jack L. Allen, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio; Franklin C. Boner, Past Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Ohio and the current Department Commander of the East Central Department of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of America; and Illustrious Sir Harry Reissig, Past Potentate of Aladdin Shrine. He then asked all 33° Masons to stand and the above three plus your intrepid reporter answered the call. He next asked past presidents to stand and give their year of service if they could remember it. The following responded: Earl Gibson, Harold Kittrell, Dick Logsdon, Chuck McLeod, Bill Pratt, Harry Reissig, Corky Talbot, and O. K. Waters.

Following a delicious dinner, President Lynne introduced the speaker for the day, Joel Wrobbel, director of marketing for Westminster-Thurber Community, a member of the Ohio Presbyterian Retirement Services. Westminster-Thurber Community is located at 717 Neil Avenue, Columbus. The title of his talk was, “It’s not your grandmother’s nursing home any more.” Their mission and the service they provide is given to seven areas of care: independent living apartments, assisted living, assisted living memory care, skilled nursing care, Alzheimer’s care, rehab studios, and adult day care services.

Joel then asked the following questions and, after hearing many answers, gave the correct answers. How many Nursing homes are there in America? There are 16,000 nursing homes where patients are cared for 24hours a day. Nursing Homes provide care for how many senior adults? 1.6 Million. Nursing Homes have been regulated since when? 1960. State regulations require a ratio of 1 to how many nursing assistants? A ratio of 1 to 15. WTC provides nursing assistant coverage at a 1 to 10 ratio. State regulations require a ratio of 1 to 50 for nursing. WTC provides

nursing coverage at 1 to 14 ratio. He then noted that nuclear power plants and nursing homes are the most regulated industries in America. Every eight seconds some one in America turns 60 years of age.

Dr. William H. Thomas, M. D. founded “The Eden Alternative.” The Eden Alternative is a set of 10 principles. The first is: “The three plagues of loneliness, helplessness, and boredom account for the bulk of suffering among our elders”.

WTC is the only nursing home in Columbus to follow the Eden Alternative. There are only 17 in Ohio. The WTC Eden vision: “We envision a community of neighborhoods where people live and work to fulfill their highest purpose and potential every day of their life. We support one another in our neighborhoods to live lives where we: engage in meaningful and loving relationships; pursue life interests and goals; learn and grow as people. WTC has four neighborhoods.

President Lynne presented Joel with a beautiful plaque to thank him for this presentation.

The secretary’s report was read and accepted. The treasurer’s report will be given at the next meeting. Treasurer Gary Hilbinger had to leave early since his wife, Sandy, had just returned from the hospital.

Past President Dick Logston presented President Lynne a gavel. He said each president should use it and pass it on to his successor. President Lynne thanked him and said he used his own gavel that he had used when he was the Master of his lodge this year but would pass the Senior Shriner gavel to his successor.

Don’t forget that we don’t meet in July or August. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 17. Our normal meeting, the fourth Wednesday, is not available and we can’t meet.

Nothing further came before the meeting so it was closed in peace and harmony followed the closing prayer given by Noble President Lynn.



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