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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

Elected Divan

Potentate: David Dee Mowry

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2nd Ceremonial Master: Michael D. Tyne

Chaplain: Rev. Don Pendell

Note from the Pote

by David Dee Mowry

There is a great deal of activity at Aladdin, be sure you are part of it!

The Shrine Year 2007 is off and running. What a great turn-out for the Seminar and Installation! The attendance topped 500 for the installation and the dinner following. My personal thanks to Ill. Sir Owen Johnson, 33°, for performing the installation ceremony. Owen appointed me in the Divan line in 1999 when he served as Potentate. He and Joyce are now spending time in Florida as Owen recently retired as medical vice president of United Healthcare.

It was a specific pleasure to see a number of widows in attendance, many of whom were friends of my parents, Dave and Betty Mowry, I was able to visit briefly with Janette Hughes, widow of former Medical Unit president, Al; Vi Lamb, widow of Tom Lamb who was also a past president of the Medical Unit; Jeri Cochran, widow of Hal, Past Potentate and a fellow Chanter who sang with my dad; Roberta Schaffner and daughter, widow of Bruce, Past President of Tarhe; Dee Beeman, widow of Ed plus more of whom I am sure I missed seeing. Their continued support is sincerely appreciated.

Approximately 100 ladies were in attendance at their session and heard, among others, a few words from Crystal Bradley, mother of Jonas, who was severely burned a few months ago. Jonas is now a patient at the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital.

A big "tip of the Pote's fez" goes to Oriental Guide, Mike VanHuss and Lady Beth, for chairing this event as well as to George Stowe, Peggy Townsend, the staff, the Patrol, Audio, Registrars, Legion of Honor, Reception, and the personnel of Aladdin for a great day.

Lady Kathy and I had the honor of presenting the trophies to the winning teams of the Ohio Sled Hockey Tournament which was held at the Dispatch Ice Haus at Nationwide Arena. The events were held on the Saturday (of our installation) and on Sunday, These games are known as the "Aladdin Invitational" as they are sponsored primarily by the Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children. Orthopedically challenged players, unable to stand and skate, power their sleds across the ice by shortened hockey sticks with picks on the end. Their upper body strength is unbelievable. These players are truly an inspiration. An additional \$500.00 donation was presented by Dan Hoops on behalf of the Southeast Shrine Club. What a terrific investment! A "tip of the Pote's Fez" goes to the "Kutschbach Boys," Bill and Bob, and to the entire Aladdin Mariners Club for their work with this project. Andy Mollica, Athens, is the president of this group. He will be invited to speak at one of our stated meetings.

Lady Kathy and I had the honor of being in Houston for the Annual East-West Shrine Football Game. Immediate Past Potentate Don and Lady Kris were honored. I will admit that neither Kathy nor I know a home-run from a foul ball about football but meeting the players and seeing their interaction with the patients at the Shrine Hospital in Houston was an event to be remembered. These players were real gentlemen.

We were hosted by the Aladdin Car Club at their official Potentate's Visitation and had a delightful time. It was my honor to present the Meritorious Service Award to President Ron Brubaker and a second MS award to Secretary Jim Allen. There is one more award to be presented to a member of this club who was not in attendance. You will have to come to the meetings to find out who it is.

There is a great deal of activity at Aladdin, be sure you are part of it! IT'S GREAT TO BE A SHRINER!



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MEMBERSHIP *ON THE MOVE*

by Calvin Smith / Membership Marketing Director

Masonry Only Moves Through You

Asking a man to become a Shriner is personal – very personal.



From time to time I get this question, "How do I get someone interested in the Shrine?" I have answered it in various ways; "talk about the hospitals, relate how much fun we have, tell men about our fraternity, our clubs, our units."

It's too general, isn't it? I have come to believe that asking a man to become a Shriner is personal, very personal.

You are asking him for his time, his money and his talents. You are asking him for him and all he brings to the table of community service. Try this approach for size.

Take 20 minutes of your time and list the five reasons you pay your dues to Aladdin

as well as five other reasons Aladdin is a good place to be. Last, build a convincing statement about our hospitals, even if you have already listed them. Take a good look at this list. Polish it a little and then get ready to use it. The next time you ask a man about becoming a Shriner and he says, "why," you will be ready to tell him why it is personal to you. His response will become personal and you can help him far better with this important decision.

There is no better time than now to try this approach. The Grand Lodge's One-Day Class is almost upon us. There are men who are prospects. They need to now why you think Aladdin and the Shrine is important to them, their families, communities and Masonic way of life.

Aladdin is offering seven opportunities for men to join. I have offered you this listing before. I offer it again. Do something with it. You are the focus of this effort. Do something right now! Take 20 minutes. Tell yourself why Aladdin is important to you and then tell someone else.

The fee is \$157.00 if no fez is required and \$217.00 if one is needed.

Individual Regional Ceremonial Sites & Time Schedules

Aladdin Thursday - April 19, 2007

Registration 6:30 – 7:00 PM
Ceremonial 7:15 – 8:15 PM
Hospitality 8:30 – 9:15 PM

Cambridge Saturday May 5, 2007

Registration 1:30 – 2:00 PM
Ceremonial 2:15 – 3:15 PM
Hospitality 3:30 – 4:45 PM

Hardin County(Kenton) Wednesday May 16, 2007

Bus Departure..... 4:45 PM
Registration 6:30 – 7:00 PM
Ceremonial 7:15 – 8:15 PM
Hospitality 8:30 – 9:45 PM

Gallipolis Saturday May 12, 2007

Bus Departure..... 11:30 PM
Registration 1:30 – 2:00 PM
Ceremonial 2:15 – 3:15 PM
Hospitality 3:30 – 4:45 PM

Marietta Saturday April 14, 2007

Bus Departure..... 11:30 PM
Registration 2:00 – 2:30 PM
Ceremonial 2:45 – 3:45 PM
Hospitality 4:00 – 4:45 PM

Newark Thursday May 3, 2007

Bus Departure..... 4:45 PM
Registration 6:30 – 7:00 PM
Ceremonial 7:15 – 8:15 PM

Washington Court House Friday April 27, 2007

Bus Departure..... 4:45 PM
Registration 6:30 – 7:00 PM
Ceremonial 7:15 – 8:15 PM
Hospitality 8:30 – 9:15 PM

Ceremonial

Sites/Times

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Aladdin Shrine Fish Fry

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Fish Fry Reservation - February 23

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Dixieland Band

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Aladdin's *Tabloid Times*

by **Bob Stevenson**

Why Can't We Have Christmas the Whole Year Around?

Perhaps you remember this phrase that was added to the great old folk carol, "We wish you a Merry Christmas," for recordings by The Weavers, Peter, Paul & Mary, and The Kingston Trio, to name just a few. My age and music preference is showing, isn't it? Well, my guess is that would be way too much Christmas for any of us to handle. The suggested ongoing spirit of giving, sharing, good wishes and concern, however, is a truly great idea.

The *Tabloid* sale has been called "The day that lasts all year." But many of our units and clubs asked the question, "why can't we have *Tabloid* the whole year around?" (See, there was a tie-in after all.) Then they went about making it happen.

We all know the funds raised under the umbrella of *Tabloid* are so very important to our hospitals. But just getting donations on one day really does not get the job done. We need to do more. What can a group do? What if help is limited? What if, what if, what if...

A long time ago I learned that all of us are smarter than any one of us, and I have learned that Shriners are willing to share knowledge that ultimately benefits the kids in our hospitals.

Well, in the months to come, we will feature those in Aladdin who are making things happen "the whole year around." We will get a glimpse of what big and small alike are doing, with success, to add to the *Tabloid* total each year.

A lot of neat things are going on – successful Jug programs, business solicitation, Cans for Kids, and much more. So, watch for these articles and when we feature a group you will also get a contact name and number for more information.

If you would like your group featured, please call me at 614-846-2523 or e-mail at rfsworth@ameritech.net. I will arrange to meet with you, get your story, and get it out to the rest of Aladdin. I'm looking forward to hearing about all our successes, both large and especially small. When we put them together, we will see larger checks going to our hospitals.

Nobles, keep June 15 and June 16, 2007 committed to *Tabloid* 2007! And, by the way, what if your group does not have a *Tabloid* chairman? Well, get one! There is a lot of year ahead of us!

One last thought. If you have not visited one of the Shriners Hospitals for Children, make a point to do so. They work miracles every day and that's truly having Christmas the whole year around!

Flying Nobles

by **Lee McKelvey**

All the officers of the Shrine clubs and units were sworn in at the Shrine center on January 13. Thanks go to Past Potentate Goodman for his work in 2006. David Mowry was installed as our Potentate for 2007 and he has many exciting and enjoyable events planned for this year. David is a very friendly and personable man and when you meet him you will agree. David and Lady Kathy will do a good job for Aladdin Shrine in the coming year.

The first Shrine trip will be to Switzerland in April and the Imperial in July will be held at Anaheim, California. Both trips sound good if you are interested.

Steve Hathaway, who is the 1st Ceremonial Master this year, is our Flying Noble Club representative. Steve is a pilot but never joined our club. He is a retired sheriff's deputy and also was a driver for Big Red. I know Steve personally and he is a good man for the job.

FN Joe Salyer flew FN Garol Rogers to the Quad City airport at Moline, Illinois so Garol could pick up the Shrine display trailer so it could be ready for the seminar. Joe made the 400 mile trip in 2 hours and 30 minutes to Moline and 1 hour and 30 minutes on the return trip. Strong winds! We like the wind on our tail. You get home much faster.

Some of our club members are in Florida and Texas for the winter, and I know they are enjoying their nice weather.

PC Del Johnson had back surgery recently and was back to work soon after. You can't keep a good man down. Stay well Del.

Our club is thinking about making a trip to the Air Force Museum on Big Red. If we can't get enough of our members to fill the bus we can go outside our club to get Shriners who are interested in making the trip. I have been there many times but I'm ready to go again.

Our club agreed to get a brick around the statue in front of the Shrine Center. It will be engraved with the Flying Nobles name. Anyone can get a brick in their name and there are two sizes available.

PC George Bell is encouraging everyone to come to lunch at the Shrine Center on Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. George worked hard getting this started and it is a good time to meet your Masonic and Shrine friends. Ladies are always welcome.

Our next Flying Noble meeting is on March 10 at the OSU Medflight hanger at 9:30 a.m. for coffee and our meeting is at 10:00 a.m.. You enter the airport off Rt.161.

I just received sad news today that PC John Fleming passed away. John was commander in 1981. He had Parkinson's disease for several years. He was a charter member of our club and loyal member of the Flying Nobles. John had a real nice Cessna 170 that he was real proud of owning. John and I flew to Oshkosh in 1982 and that was my first time at Oshkosh. The 170 got us there and back home safely. We flew together a lot and I will miss him. He was a good, kind hearted man who would help anyone whenever he was needed. You couldn't have a better friend.

Everybody stay warm and get to your Blue Lodge when possible. Get active in the Shrine and enjoy your membership with some really good men.

Hope to see you next month.

Aladdin's New Divan Member

MEET MICHAEL D. TYNE

Michael D. Tyne has been appointed to the Divan line by Potentate David Dee Mowry. Mike was installed as 2nd Ceremonial Master of The Aladdin Shrine for 2007 at installation ceremonies held on January 13.

Mike is a Franklin County, Columbus native and a graduate of Columbus North High School. Mike earned his BS at The Ohio State University, and his MBA at California Western University. He served in the Ohio National Guard as a Medical Service Corps Officer for nine years.

Mike served as chairman and CEO of Karlsberger Companies, a national health care design company, until his retirement in 2005. Karlsberger Companies designed hospitals and health care centers across North America, including eight of the Shriner Hospitals. Mike was involved in the planning and design of these hospitals and is especially proud to have been involved with our Lexington Shrine Hospital.

Mike started his Masonic life in 1971 in the Westgate Lodge and became a Shriner the following year. He was awarded 33rd Degree Scottish Rite in 2000. Mike is in the Medical Unit, a past president of the Ambassadors Club, and a Jester. Mike has served on the ASHAC Board for 17 years and serves on the Valley of Columbus Learning Center Board and the Springfield Masonic Community Board.

Mike also serves his community in other capacities. He is a former member and past president of the Children's Hunger Alliance Board. He has been active in the Simon Kenton Council of the Boy Scouts of America for 17 years and is a past president of the Council. He is a member of the Ohio Health Foundation Board and serves as chairman of the Doctors Hospital Development Board.

Mike and his wife Rebecca live in Galena. They are both avid SCUBA divers. They have three daughters, six grandchildren and a great grandson is due to arrive February 14.



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Notes from the Shrine Band

by Dave Haney

Hey! Congratulations! You made it through another year and the New Year is now off and running. Green Eyes is sleeping the whole thing off! In celebration of your survival the new schedule is out and we have a new Potentate, Dee Mowry. Congratulation is due to the new fearless leader and the ernst while staff of elves and others. At the same time a "tip of the hat" to Don Goodman and his staff. It twas a very good year! More to follow I am sure.

Since this will be another political year filled with the ads that we have come to love, I thought you could use a little Political Science 101. You remember political science, don't you? That is where you are supposed to start learning how to do unto others before they do unto you. In any event, here is the basic Political Science for Dummies course:

Democrats: You have two cows. Your neighbor has none. You feel guilty for being successful. Barbara Streisand sings for you.

Republican: You have two cows. Your neighbor has none. So?

Socialist: You have two cows. The government takes one and gives it to your neighbor. You form a cooperative to tell him how to manage his cow.

Florida Corporation: You have a brown cow and a black cow. Everyone votes for the best looking one. Some people who actually like the brown cow accidentally vote for the black one. Some people vote for both. Some people vote for neither. Some people cannot figure out how to vote at all. Finally, a bunch of guys from out-of-state tell you which one you think you might have voted for.

Italian Corporation: You have two cows but you don't know where they are. While ambling around looking for them you see a beautiful woman. You break for lunch. Life is good.

German Corporation: You have two cows. You engineer them so they are all blond, drink lots of beer, give excellent quality milk, and run one hundred miles an hour. Unfortunately, they all demand 13 weeks vacation per year.

Taliban Corporation: You have all of the cows in Afghanistan, which are two. You don't drink milk because you cannot touch the creatures' necessary parts to get milk. You get a \$40 million grant from the U.S. government to find alternatives to milk production but use the money to buy weapons.

Bureaucracy, American Style: You have two cows. Under the new farm program the government pays you to shoot one, milk the other, and then pours the milk

down the drain.

And last but not least my very favorite:

American Corporation:

You have two cows. You sell one, lease it back to yourself and do an IPO on the second one. You force the two cows to produce the milk of four cows. You are surprised when one cow drops dead. You spin the announcement to all of the analysts stating you have downsized and are reducing expenses. Your stock goes up and your stock options in the corporation are worth millions. However, due to an accounting mix-up, you find that your stock options were illegal and the government is looking for you. You blame all of the other people in the corporation, claiming insanity as a defense. You take your golden parachute out of the company worth millions of dollars and retire to the federal country club prison for 90 days. In prison you take a political science course on honesty and integrity taught by members of Congress. Life is good.

By the way the attorneys in the crowd tell me that I have to announce that no cows were injured during the writing of this article. (Personally, I feel that is a bunch of bull!)

The schedule follows:

February 6,13, 20 - Rehearsal 8:00 p.m.(All Tuesdays, you dummy!)

February 27 - Tuesday - Exec. Board at 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal 8:00 p.m.

March 6 - Tuesday - Rehearsal 8:00 p.m.

March 13 - Tuesday - Rehearsal Family Night. 8:00 p.m.

March 20 - Tuesday - Exec. Board 7 p.m. Rehearsal 8:00 p.m.

March 22-25 - Aladdin Circus details will follow.

Notice how the notes in all of those marches are getting smaller?

March 27 - Tuesday - Dance Band Rehearsal only 7:00 p.m.

Note that on the evening of February 23 and again on March 27 there is a dance at the Center in the Multipurpose Room. It starts at 8:00 p.m. and goes to 11:00 p.m. Nelson Foucht and a group of malcontents will be holding forth.

By the way, if we are to light the way you better light up that old instrument of yours and get to work. I leave you with the following: If you are older, your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.

Potentate David Dee Mowry & Lady Kathy presents...

TINSEL TOWN

The Potentate's Ball

Starring

Daniel Steinbrook
& Lady Ann

Gary Schuen
& Lady Patti

William Estell
& Lady Carol

Michael VanHuss
& Lady Beth

Kenneth Beckholt
& Lady Alice

Daniel Martin
& Lady Ann

Steve Hathaway
& Lady Betty

Michael Tyne
& Lady Rebecca

Rev. Don Pendell
& Lady Jane

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6:00 P.M. - 11:30 P.M.
Aladdin Shrine Center

ENTERTAINMENT BY:
The Paul Clark Band
Dave Harnack's Reel Time Films

Notes From The... Tarhe Shrine

by V.P. Zale Maxwell & G. Vaughn Doss

The January 18 meeting of the Tarhe Shrine Club had 30 Nobles present. Seven of those attending were past presidents and one was past potentate. The meal was baked steak and fish with all the fixings. The business meeting started with an update on the Bradley family and the photograph is Jonas opening his presents on Christmas morning. We would like to thank all those who helped the Bradleys and thanks to all of you they are now looking to a brighter future and have become ambassadors for the Shriners and the Shrine Hospitals.



A motion was passed to suspend the reading of the secretary's report. Red Williams gave the treasurer's report and it was accepted. President Zale reported that the Children's Hospital bill for Jonas, which was considerable, has been forgiven.

The Tarhe Club's fundraiser, Lancaster Half-Mile Motorcycle Race, will be held August 4. We are looking forward to a bigger event than last year and will need more of our Nobles to help to sell advertising, put up posters and work the event. With your help, this will be the biggest yet!

The circus is coming to town on March 22-25 and Fred White and Chuck Hedges told the Nobles all about this year's circus. Fred explained how you are able to get your circus tickets at the Ticketmaster Outlet located at the Aladdin Shrine Center. If you need more information on the Ticketmaster outlet, please call the circus office at 614-475-2609, ext. 24, or visit the web site www.aladdinshrine.org. The club has once again purchased a bicycle and plans to have members present the bike to a child at the circus.

Mark your calendars for the Tabloid Days for June 15-16. Tarhe Shrine Club's meeting on May 17 will have a Tabloid special presentation. Plan to volunteer for this event and derive the fellowship that can be had from helping either Friday or Saturday with the Tabloid.

The Tarhe Shrine Club 2007 officers are Zale Maxwell, president; Dan Meenach vice president; and W. "Red" Williams, secretary. Just as a reminder, if you haven't paid your 2007 dues, please do so.

The next Tarhe Shrine Club meeting is Thursday, February 15 with Ron Hobensack of the Clown Unit, as the featured speaker. Please note that unless you are notified of a change, all meetings will be held at the Lancaster Inn.

Brutal Brothers by Tom Ruggles



Greetings this month from Jefferson City, Missouri! While attending a music awards convention here, I was trapped for four days by the huge ice storm that hit Oklahoma and Missouri in mid-January. This proved to me, quite conclusively, that the Florida Snowbirds are smarter than we had previously given them credit for being.

But the icy weather here and in Ohio makes me confident that we will all appreciate the warmer climate of Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina, April 17-22 when we will be attending the Shrine Directors Association Convention there. It bears repeating that the SDA convention is always a fun and

educational good time, and we want to encourage all members of the Aladdin Divan and all members of the Brutal Brothers to attend this Convention. The latest information I have on this year's SDA convention states that there will probably be at least five members of the Imperial Divan in attendance and there will be a significant emphasis on the membership recruitment seminar. Reservations forms were turned in to our director, Duane Hays, at the January meeting. But if you didn't get your reservation form submitted, and now find that you can go with us, contact Duane immediately to see if you can still get a reservation in the headquarters hotel.

During and immediately after our return from the SDA, we will begin a series of seven regional Ceremonials: April 14 in Marietta, April 19 in Columbus, April 27 in Washington Courthouse, May 3 in Newark, May 5 in Cambridge, May 12 in Gallipolis, and May 16 in Kenton. That will surely be a busy month for all concerned and we will need all the help we can get to make it happen; so, please come out and help all that you can.

And for some notes about business conducted at our last meeting: Director Duane Hays officiated at the swearing in of our new officers for the coming year. Our 2007 officers will include: chief, Clay Jones; assistant chief, Shawn Funk; sergeant-at-arms, Dave Curnutte; quartermaster, Don Williams; secretary, Denny Feyh; treasurer, Jack Brand; and for a three-year term, the new member of the screening committee, Art Andre. The two "carry over" members of the screening committee are Dave Curnutte and Juergen Klimke. Our thanks go out to each of these individuals for agreeing to serve. They will need and deserve our support, so when you are asked to help, please do so willingly and enthusiastically.

In other business conducted at the last meeting, upon a positive recommendation of the screening committee, by a vote of the membership, Robert Schaeffer was voted in as our newest apprentice. Welcome aboard, Robert! And a motion was passed to donate two bicycles for the give-away program at the Shrine Circus as we did last year. It was also announced that this year's chief's party will be February 24 at the Barley Smoke House, 1130 Dublin Road. So get ready to kick off the new year with a great party. Hope to see you there.

Bucyrus Shrine

by Gene Diller

Noble John Miller opened the Bucyrus Shrine Club meeting with a prayer. The pledge of allegiance to the flag, lead by Noble President Mike Sand, followed.

Noble Dave Crum's Palmer House catered the meal of baked steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, banana salad and pie. Bucyrus Police officer Al Williams gave a talk on scams.

Noble Pete gave the sunshine report. Noble Jack Frost is a resident at Heartland Nursing Home.

Noble President Mike Sand reported the Shrine Individual Regional Ceremonials in the spring during April and May.

Noble President Sand reported he needs chairmen for committees. He asked for but received no volunteer for membership chairman. Lady Judy Perrin is going to be in charge of the widows. Noble Ron Sand and Noble Robert Leonhardt are in charge of the golf outing. The Tabloid chairman is Noble Stan Eusey. Circus chairman is Noble Pete Roll. The Bratwurst Feed chairman is Noble Rob Zaebs. The Bucyrus Shrine Bratwurst parade chairman is Noble Paul Kibler. The Chaplain for 2007 is Noble John Miller.

President Noble Sand brought up the article in the *Aladdin Lamp* of engraved bricks for the Memorial Walkway. It was tabled until next meeting. Noble Ron Sand asked for suggestions for speakers and entertainment for our meetings.

The next meeting will be a valentine party with the ladies on February 26. Entertainment will be crazy bingo with everybody bringing a white elephant gift. Meeting adjourned.



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FROM THE CHAPLAIN... *by Don Pendell, Chaplain*

February has been designated Brotherhood Month which is in keeping with the Masonic teaching of "the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man."

I recently found myself at Broad and High streets in Columbus and experienced an out-of-body revelation which materialized itself in verse form. I pulled over, wrote down the verse and called it *If I Were Not I*.

While driving downtown through a rush-hour crowd,
I found myself wond'ring and thinking aloud:
Just look at these people – they're swarming like flies,
Some wearing old clothes, some suits and ties,
Ladies wheeling babies – old folks, there are some.
Fat girls in t-shirts, wild hair and bubble gum.
But the traffic light changes – and cars zoom ahead
To meet at the next light, which just changed to red.
And another procession of people goes by;
by Richard Troup
Each life is a drama in which it plays lead;
It has its own cast; it has its own speed.
Each life has its own plot – its problems to meet.
A hundred life stories have just crossed the street.

It's strange I am I, and not one of those
People out there with different clothes,
With different outlooks, and of different races,
With different dimensions, and different faces,
With different backgrounds and different ambitions,
On different errands and different missions.

It's strange I was born in the land that I was,
In the place, at the time, in the family I was.
Then my mind like a telescope brought near far-away
People in lands like Japan, Uruguay,
In Africa, Asia, Tibet, Pakistan,
In India, China and Afghanistan...
And I saw street scenes there quite similar to those

With turbulent crowds – few landscapes and trees –
But thousands of people – and each one unique;
It's Christian compassion of which I now speak.

If I were not I, then who would I be?
Would I have been born near the Indian Sea?
Would I have been raised in an Eskimo home?
Would I now be living in Juneau or Nome?
And then a thought hit me that gave me a jar:
Could I have been non-white? Most People are!
Yes, five out of six on this earth born each day
Are not white, that's what the statistics all say.
Am I better? Or luckier? Or just different from those
With a toasted brown skin, or a prominent nose?

For God made us all,. Whatever we're like
He loves us, He's our Father, whether we're black or white,
Whether bronze or yellow, whether olive or tan,
And that makes us brothers, in one family of man.
For we had no choice in which land we were born,
We did not choose our skin, or our sex, or our form.
It just happened that way – God willed – it was done!
We're millions of His children – each different – yet one
In praising our God for just what we are:
His children – all brothers – nearby or far.

And so, when processions of people pass by,
Think: "Each one's a person as much as am I,
And each one is my brother; for us all did Christ die!
I might be that person, if I were not I."

Have you ever experienced this sensation? Let me know by fax how it has helped you to feel closer to people who are of different age, sex, race, or religion from you. It is our only hope for peach in this world! ~*The Sermonator*: 614-433-9955

Gallipolis Shrine *by Frank Petrie, Jr.*

Now 2007 is in full swing; so, hang on for another great year. We hope 2006 was good for you and 2007 will be even better. Noble Jack Richards and I installed our Noble officers in fine fashion at our annual Christmas party. Outgoing President Noble Charles Meadows was given a nice plaque and hearty thanks for his year. As Noble Charlie said "I hit a few rocks during the year but kicked them out of the way and went on." Atta Boy Charlie! We had a nice turnout for the Christmas Party. We wish to thank Nobles Mike Blaine, Bill Johnson, Scott Reuter, and their cooking crew for a great dinner. The evening concluded with dancing and karaoke. I don't want to say too much about our local talent, but we found out that our new president, Noble Rodney Fulks, can belt out a pretty nifty tune.

We have gotten new tires on the old fire truck. Those darn things are expensive. We wish to thank the Harley Hogs for a nice donation toward the tires. We have also passed the hat and still don't have enough to pay them off. If any Nobles wish to contribute, please contact President Noble Rodney Fulks. We wish to thank Noble Mike Brandeberry for his assistance in getting those new tires on the old fire truck. I hear it was quite a difficult job. Wonder how long those old tires had been on?

Several Nobles and Ladies ushered in the New Year at the club. Those attending the party said they had a nice time. There is a hot and heavy pool tournament going on at the club. It is a double elimination thing; so, stay tuned for the announcement of the winners.

The Hillbillies and Hillymas are serving breakfast at the club on the second Saturday of each month from 7-10 a.m. I can vouch that they serve a great breakfast for a mere \$5.00. You won't go away hungry. Keep up the good work, Cussins.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our Valentine dinner and dance on February 10. I hear we are having a prime rib dinner. Also the Cherry Ridge Band will be providing entertainment. Sounds like a great evening. Bring your special Valentine and come on out.

We are sorry to report that the Black Camel has once again stolen into our Oasis. Noble Wayne Evans died on January 13, 2007. We wish to offer our sincere condolences. He will be sadly missed by family and friends.

I wasn't going to mention this anymore, but I just received a photo from Noble Guy Guinther of our 1985 president Noble Gary Bane, which will be proudly displayed on our wall of past presidents. If anyone can help me come up with any more pictures, it will be greatly appreciated.

We wish to congratulate Noble Gordon Roth for receiving his 50th year Masonic pin. Atta boy, Noble Gordon, may you have 50 more great years in Masonry.

Remember, Nobles and Ladies, be a happy giver. The giver gets a double blessing: the joy of giving and the gratitude from those receiving.

See you for supper at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

In Memoriam



Dale E. Balser
Samuel M. Buffington
James W. Chakeres
Leslie Combs
William H. Coyle
Richard L. Davis
Earl Downey
Harold F. Drew
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James W. Wright

LICKING COUNTY

by Melvin Cunningham

January's meeting was opened by President Harry Wilson. All officers were present but one. The prayer and colors to the flag were given by Fred Palmer. We had a good lunch and, as always, we recognized the cook we had hired.

There were ten past presidents in attendance and they gave the year they served. There were no 33's attending. We had 36 members present. Bob Thomas was elected treasurer for 2007 but Ron Williams is still taking the dues. If you have not paid your dues, please send them to Ron right away.

Harry Wilson opened our February 1 meeting and all officers were present. The prayer and colors to the flag were given by Otto Teele. Lunch was served.

There were eight past presidents and 32 members in attendance. The secretary gave his report and read cards from the hospital's burn unit. The club had presented them with approximately \$5,000 in December. The treasurer gave his report. Both reports were voted to be accepted. A vote was given to donate the money for a banner at the circus. Money was also given to the Little League for three banners.

Two officers, the treasurer and first vice president, had not been installed so Melvin Cunningham installed them.

Hope to see more of you at the March meeting.

Thea Court

by Frances Ann Bailey

Officers and members of Thea Court attended the installation of Aladdin's new Potentate, Dee Mowry, on January 13. Some of the Thea officers attended Dendarah Court's ceremonial on January 27.

At this point in time, all philanthropic reports should have been submitted to Thea Court, but if some of the ladies still have information and want it to be included into the court's records, they should contact B.J. Gishler.

The installation of new officers will take place April 7. Look for the time and place in Thea Scribe.

Steubenville Reports...

by **Anthony Violi**

The meeting on January 4 of the Steubenville Shrine Club was called to order by outgoing president, Noble Dave Hunt at 7:30 p.m. at Aladdin Land. He led the Nobility in the pledge to the flag of our great country. Prayer was offered by Ill. Noble Harry Reynolds. He asked the Lord to watch over all the new officers and to grant them compassion, wisdom, and understanding as they lead our club during the coming year.

Noble Dave gave special thanks to Nobles Leonard Morris and Ken Gorney for their counsel and good advice during his term. He said, "it has been a great experience and that I would not have missed it for the world." He congratulated the new officers and wished them well.

Ill. Noble Henri Albert, assisted by Ill. Noble Roger Watts, proceeded with the installation and informed them of their responsibilities and charged them to carry out their duties to the best of their abilities. The officers are President Bob Moffatt, First Vice President Fred Gorney, Second Vice President Ken Gorney Jr., Secretary Leonard Morris, and Treasurer Jerry Williams. Motor Patrol officers are President Jim Halsted, Vice President Larry Sneathen, Captain Wes Darling, Co-Captain Dan Moffett, and Secretary/Treasurer Dave Hunt.

Past President Hunt was requested to approach the podium. He was presented with a beautiful plaque for his outstanding service to our club during the past year. He was warmly applauded. Noble Dave then displayed a plaque that was to be presented to Dr. Vodvarka for his interest and his contribution to our Shrine. Because of the flu, the doctor was unable to attend the meeting but Noble Dave, who works for him, is making arrangements to present the plaque to him. Also of interest, the doctor requested a petition to join the Masonic order.

The Black Camel again visited our club and took Noble Henry P. Wietfield to his eternal resting place. May he rest in peace. Condolence was extended to the family.

Reported ill was Past President Noble Harry Williams who had triple by-pass surgery. He is recuperating at his daughter's home.

Motor Patrol President Noble Jim Halstead informed the Nobility that the bikes were being checked and winterized. He also informed us that Nobles Shawn Smith, Chris Brown, and Joe DiCarlo have joined the patrol. Noble Jim also said he checked the heaters and reconditioned the water filtration system in the rest rooms and installed a new lock on the back door. In addition, he installed a new "dawn to dusk" light on the corner of the building.

Noble Bill Alexander reported that it was a good year for Tabloid and he is working on getting more help in the future. In the absence of B.J. Johnson, Transportation Chairman Ken Gorney stated that two children received evaluation and treatment during the past month; one in Erie and one in Columbus.

The status of the camper, which we are not using, was discussed. It was recommended that it be put up for sale. Contact any Shrine officer for more information. Noble Roger Watts and his Lady JoAnn are the proud grandparents of Gabriel D'Ortenzio who recently graduated from the University of Akron, majoring in management information systems and human resources. He is returning to Akron to start on his masters degree in business management.

The Nobility were reminded of the Appleby's Breakfast on February 17. This is a major fund raiser. Offer your services. Local Lodge reports were given. Past Presidents, 25- and 50-year members were acknowledged. Distinguished Masons. Ill. Henri Albert 33rd, Roger Watts 33rd, Harry Reynolds 33rd, and Anthony Violi, Meritorious Service, were recognized.

Noble Fred Gorney was complimented and applauded for preparing delicious food during the past year. A closing prayer was offered by Ill. Noble Harry Reynolds. Refreshments were available. Fellowship followed.

GOD BLESS AMERICA.

HARDIN COUNTY by **Ken Rossman**

Our regular meeting was held on January 17 at Veterans Memorial Park Club House with 40 Nobles in attendance. Noble Rossman opened our evening with a prayer. We dined on a great meal prepared and served by Nobles Doornbos, Matteson, Williams, Rice, Michel, Gilbert, Jolliff, Osborn, Wynegar, and Clinger. Well done, Nobles.

President Williams led us in the pledge of allegiance to open our business meeting. He turned the meeting over to our new President Craig Leeth, as all of our officers were installed by Noble Wes Broseke. The new officers are President Craig Leeth, First Vice President Jim Holmes, Second Vice President Dave Brutzer, Treasurer Tim Jolliff, and Secretary Wes Broseke, Jr.

We gave a big hand to the kitchen crew for another good meal. President Leeth read several letters of thanks for gifts given at our Christmas party. He also read a "thank you" from Kenton Blue Lodge for our cash donation.

Noble Rossman noted that we have almost \$2,400.00 since Tabloid day in our Cans for Kids project. We gave a big hand to Noble Harter and helpers for their continued help on the vital project. A motion was made and carried to donate \$500.00 to the Project Imagination Library Fund. A motion was made and carried to send Aladdin \$35.00 to buy a bicycle to be given away on the first day of the Aladdin Shrine Circus.

President Leeth mentioned Program Life Saver, serving autistic children, Alzheimer patients and other handicapped people. We may be asked to make a contribution for tracking devices to put on these people. President Leeth will get someone to come to our next meeting to explain and demonstrate this equipment.

Treetown Festival, held the second week of July, wants volunteers to assist in parking cars. We will get more information at our next meeting.

It was good to see Noble Dale Morris at our meeting after one year of absence. We wish him well as he continues to recover from health problems.

It was reported that Noble Ray Peterman will be leaving the Heritage in Findlay. We are not sure where he will go. We hope and pray it will be a good move for Ray as he has some health problems.

President Leeth noted that our annual Potentate's Night will be moved from the third Wednesday in June and it will be held on the second Wednesday of June at Don Doll's pond.

We wish a happy birthday to Noble Burke Smith who is 82 and we wish him the very best.

Noble Rossman closed our meeting with a prayer.

SHILOH

by **Tim Gillis**

Hi Nobles. Despite the cold weather our Illustrious and the Divan visited Shiloh last night, February 1. We had a very enjoyable evening. Food was great, thanks to Bob Long once more. Potentate Dee Mowry enlightened us on Aladdin upcoming events and projects. What a speaker he is and he keeps you smiling. Dee has always been a friend of Shiloh and attends our meetings periodically. We would like to thank the entire Divan and extend to all a welcome to visit us anytime. Big Red is very impressive and it must be fun to travel in it.

Our evening was dedicated to our late Bill Coyle and the black ribbon was draped for the evening. Bill left us but will not be forgotten. Also a plaque will be dedicated and displayed in Bill's honor.

We would like to express our congratulations to John and Carolyn Gardner on their 50th wedding anniversary on January 26. True lifelong love is rare anymore but some of us still believe and uphold our vows.

As usual, Mike McManis and his lady Tammy did a superb job as the whole evening was enjoyed by all.

Our birthdays for February are Dewey Canada, Thomas Clark, Jerry Collins, Thomas Delay, Bill Fitch, Jack Jenkins, and Jon McMillen. Hope I didn't miss anyone.

Shiloh's project right now is a new carpet which is badly needed. If you would like to make a donation please send to: Shiloh Shrine Club, 119 West Broadway, Wellston, Ohio 45692.

Next meeting will be March 1 so please try to join us. Have fun!

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CAR CLUB SITS ON THE POLE FOR 2007 DASH

by James Allen

Aladdin Car Club pulled up to the pole position for the 2007 dash. We began the year by hosting Potentate "Dee" Mowry and 17 of his Divan members at Tommy's Pizza on Dublin-Granville Road in Dublin. There were 43 total in attendance. As usual, a good time was had by all. The meeting was opened by our Chaplain George Buttrick with the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance. This was followed by serious eating of Tommy's famous pizza, subs, and salads.

While we were waiting for the food to appear, Secretary Jim Allen gave a short review of an article in *Auto Restorer* magazine by author John Gunnell. Mr. Gunnell had taken on the challenge of attempting to restore a 1994 Pontiac Sunfire that had been crushed by a tree. The project began with the idea of providing fun and a learning experience. The fun part quickly disappeared since the car was very difficult to disassemble because of the manner in which it was built. Many of the fasteners and clips were put together in such a way that they could not be opened or replaced once they were removed, and replacements were not available or were difficult to find. Another challenge was that, thanks to computer aided design, there was a sequence in which the parts were installed, and so it was difficult to replace them in the proper sequence since, in many cases, robots were used for the original installations. Because parts have been made much lighter to save weight and thus increase fuel economy, the parts have been secured by using more bolts of varying sizes for the same part. Special tools were often required for the removal and installation of these bolts. The end result of the learning part of this exercise was that the 1990s cars are essentially non-restorable. If you prefer a 1990s car, the advice is to find a low mileage car that fits your fancy and put it away for 20 or 25 years and wait and hope it really becomes collectible.

Following the sumptuous repast, Potentate "Dee" Mowry gave us an overview of the activities planned for Aladdin in 2007. Stress was placed on the part each of us need to play in promoting the Shrine and making an effort to bring the fraternity to new members and new members to the fraternity. A check was presented to the Potentate by our president, Ron Brubaker. Distinguished Service Awards were presented to President Ron, Fred Coventry, Car Show chairman, and Jim Allen, club secretary. A picture of Ron receiving the award from the Potentate is featured. I think everyone at the meeting had a good time. Thanks for a good turnout by our membership on a cold evening.

Our next meeting will shift to our new schedule of the second Tuesday of the month. The February meeting will be for the officers only as a planning meeting for 2007. Our March meeting for the membership will be March 13 at a place to be determined. You will receive a card announcing this. Mark your calendars and watch the mail.



Hocking Hills

by Donald R. Farrow

The club was fortunate to have at the January meeting a member in good standing to substitute for our chaplain who was ill. Noble Dee Mowry took over and lead the group in prayer and the pledge thus opening the festivities.

Kathy Mowry, first Lady of Aladdin, reviewed some of the activities she has planned for the coming year, programs, trips, shows, and speakers. There are some very nice things for the ladies to consider. Get your men out so you can take part in the events.

Our Divan representative, Gary Schuen, presented club president, Mike Downour, with a plaque for the club's activities during the past year in supporting the Aladdin circus. He gave updates on Aladdin's One-Day Class for new Nobles and the seven different locations that will host one of the classes suitable to each candidate's home area. Gary noted that this year there will be no tickets sent to Nobles for the circus. Members will receive vouchers which can be used to purchase tickets at Aladdin since Aladdin is now a location for Ticketmasters where we receive commission on purchases.

Fred White, circus director, gave information on the new Shrine circus for this year. Show producer will again be Tommy Haniford and will start with the Kids Morning Show on March 22 at 12:00 noon. Nobles, the club has been in contact with local schools and transportation supervisor to make arrangements. We just need our local Nobles to attend with us and assist on the buses with the students.

Downour introduced his officers for the year: Ron Cottrill, first vice president; Terry Woltz, second vice president, Don Farrow, secretary; and Dwight Scott, treasurer. Also, committee chairmen were named for 2007 projects: John Hockingberry, Tabloid; Gene Garren, Muirfield; and Tom Davis, circus. It was noted that Venus Chapter of the Eastern Stars plans to prepare breakfast for the Nobles on Tabloid Day. Nobles, come on down, have breakfast, and help shake the jug. Mary Scott, Worthy Matron of Venus Chapter of Order of Eastern Stars, was introduced as were the past presidents of HHSC, Rod Carr, '06; Gene Garren, '05; John Hockingberry, '03; and Donald Farrow, '90-'91.

The club president asked Dee Mowry, Potentate 2007, for his remarks for the evening and he will help guide us down the path in the hollow and to the end of a memorable year for Shriners.

The dictionary states that a divan is a couch without back or ends, if Dee is head of the divan just where does he sit? Good Night Mrs. Calabash where ever you are!

Mariners

by Frank Henderson

Though it certainly doesn't seem like it, we are half-way through winter. Some places are having way too much snow, while we here in the midwest are (so far) are just getting rain. Oh well, I guess we don't have to shovel rain! You can tell, however, that spring is on the way because of all the boats shows going on now!

The Christmas Party at the Ahlborns was another success with lots of good food and drink and the attendance was great.

The meeting in January was cancelled because of other meetings going on at the Center.

Once again, the Mariners Club helped with Sled Hockey at the Chiller next to Nationwide Arena. It's amazing watching those kids fly across the ice! We also had a group attending the installation and dinner for the new Potentate, Dee Mowry. Good luck to you and the Divan for the coming year, Dee!

There will be a lot of programs and items to attend to this year so stay tuned by the *Lamp*, e-mail, and by telephone.

Chanters

by Brent Wilson

Brrrrr! Winter finally got here and in fine fashion I must say. Snow, sleet, and temperatures below freezing! I do complain about the winter and I don't like snow. However, Nancy, my wife, and I were talking about how mild this winter has been and it dawned on us that a mild winter is actually very expensive for a lot of folks. Those with snow removal equipment, ski slopes, gas and fuel oil suppliers, snow shovels and related equipment at hardware stores, salt suppliers, just to name a few are not making income that they had projected. This also cuts into tax revenues and, Lord knows, we have to feed the MONSTER, our government. So I guess we could be a little more tolerant about the winter weather. So, Let It Snow!

This mild winter has played tricks on old Mother Nature. Our butterfly bush has blooms and some of our bulbs are sprouting up. Yesterday I saw two robins, a little unusual this time of year. Our bird feeders have attracted a lot of attention and with the snow, it was a beautiful sight to see five pairs of cardinals and two blue jays. Their brilliant colors were only more intensified with the pure white snow as a background. You know spring can't be too far away as the Ohio eagles are pairing up and sometime in March there will be many eaglets born. Whoever picked that majestic bird as our national bird was a very bright fellow. It is my

understanding that it was almost a turkey. WOW!

It was my pleasure to host the President's Dinner on January 16 at Shade's on the Canal in Canal Winchester.

We had an excellent turnout for the event, 30 in all. We were privileged by the attendance of two past potentates, Tom Colburn and Gary Parks, and our next year's Potentate, Dan Stainbrook. I must say that everyone had a great time and the food was excellent.

Many of our Nobles either have gone south or will be leaving soon. We wish them well and ask that they send a little Florida sunshine our way.

Last month we didn't have much to report from sick bay, but we do this month. I am most pleased to announce that Bob Larson had some major surgery and it was successful. Bob is well on the road to recovery and he will be ready for golf season. Also, Ray Bell was hospitalized recently and will be having a surgical procedure on January 29. We pray for a successful and speedy recovery.

Speaking of Ray Bell, he and his Lady Betty recently celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary. Ray and Betty are a testament that true love really can last a lifetime. Congratulations!

Please, do not forget to say a little prayer for our brave military men and women.

CHANTERS DATES TO REMEMBER

March 5	Monday Rehearsal
March 12	Monday Rehearsal
March 14	Kennington Pl. 7:00 p.m.
March 19	Stated Meeting
March 22-25	Aladdin Circus
March 26	Monday Rehearsal
April 2	Monday Rehearsal
April 9	Monday Rehearsal
April 16	Stated Meeting
April 17	Tuesday Rehearsal
April 20	Hyatt Reg. Nat. Assn. NAAP, 7:00 p.m.
April 23	Monday Rehearsal Ladies Night
April 27	Spaghetti Dinner
April 28	Sing/Susan Dennis Install.
May 2	Potentate's Visitation
May 7	Dublin Retire. Village 8:00 p.m.
May 14	Rehearsal
May 21	Stated Meeting
May 22	Rehearsal - Ladies
May 28	Worthington Parade
May 18-June 3	Memorial Tournament
June 4	Rehearsal
June 10	Rehearsal
June 17	Stated Meeting
June 18	Rehearsal
June 26	Clippers Night

Past Masters

by Dick Bull

Members of the unit are diligently preparing for the portrayal of the Master Mason Degree at the Grand Master's One-Day Class for the 14th Masonic District. This will be held on Saturday, March 3 at the Aladdin Shrine Centers. Phil Clouse and Ron Leonard are formulating the cast.

The Past Masters will again be assisting the Reception Unit for ushering at the Shrine Circus in the Celeste Center at the Fairgrounds. Our unit will be sponsoring a bicycle again this year which will be given to a lucky winner.

We are saddened to report the death of one of our reserve members, Jerry Stephens, who had been in serious health for much of last year. His Masonic funeral service was very well attended. Condolences go out to his wife, Barb, and the other family members.

The mother of Daun Know recently passed away. She had been in poor health for some time. Our thoughts are with the family.

Our surgery recipients are home and recovering well – Bob Anderson (heart) in Marion and George Dresher (colon cancer) in The Plains. Joy Lattaner had recent heart surgery and is improving.

Paul Greer reports that he takes "one day at a time." He tries to attend meetings when he feels strong enough.

It was interesting to note that all of the responses from other Masonic bodies at the Potentate's installation were given by members of the Past Masters Unit: Ron Winnett, Deputy Grand Master of Masons in Ohio, representing Grand Lodge; Franklin Boner, Past Grand Commander of Knights Templar in Ohio, representing York Rite; and Ronald Leonard, Chairman of Valley of Columbus Board of Trustees, representing Scottish Rite.

We welcome Kevin J. Gilbride as our newest reserve member of the unit.

Mark April 30 on your calendar to attend the annual Masonic Night at the Shrine. More details will be forthcoming. Our Grand Master will be in attendance.

PATROL MARCHES ON...

by V. Vaughn Doss, C.E.

Winter has finally arrived in Ohio. Hope all of you snow birds are enjoying the warm weather where you are. Captain Arlan wants to remind everyone of the upcoming events. The circus will be held March 22-25 and the Muirfield Golf Tournament will be May 28 - June 3. As you know, Don Fosco was a big part of both of these events and with his passing, that leaves some "big shoes" to fill. Please mark your calendar for the events and plan on helping the Patrol make a good representation.

The Potentate's Ball will be held on May 19 and the Imperial Trip to Anaheim, California will be July 1-5 and ending with an Imperial post-cruise with Antioch Shrine.

Don't forget, the S.P.A.N.A. Mid-Winter Meeting, hosted by Rameses Patrol of Toronto, is being held this year in Niagara Falls, Canada, on March 29 - April 1. If you haven't been to a Mid-Winter Meeting, you have missed a great time and a lot of fun! If you would like more information, contact Arlan, Dave Wolfe, or myself.

The East-West Shrine Game was held in Houston, Texas on January 20. Dave Wolfe and his Lady Glenda were able to attend along with Nobles Dennie Jackson and his Lady Elaine, Ray Massey and his Lady Cathy of Houston's Arabia Patrol. A good time was had by all. We understand that Dave was high bidder on a Pittsburgh Steeler's helmet at a silent auction that was held at an awards banquet with approximately 900 in attendance.

This year, in order to encourage membership in the Patrol, Captain Arlan has set the dates of Monday April 2 and April 9 for anyone who would like to come out and step into line along with those of us who enjoy the regimentation of drilling. Start thinking of fellow Shriners who would make a great fellow Patrolman. Also, check the *Lamp* for dates on the One-Day Classes.

A new addition to the Shrine Center is a Ticketmaster Outlet. Please call the circus office at 614-475-2609, ext. 24, or visit the web site, www.aladdinshrine.org, for further information.

Don't forget the Oasis Room is now open on Monday through Friday in the evenings, and on the last Friday of the month, they have music. Come out and support the Oasis.

If you have an e-mail address, please e-mail me at JstrVaughn@sbcglobal.net. This is a great way to keep up on what's going on between receiving the next Aladdin's *Lamp* and your fellow Patrolmen who

Worthington Shrine

by Bob Stevenson

Things sure get quiet at Worthington Shrine Club when winter arrives. The key reports are who went to Florida, when did they go, and when do we expect them back. Although this has been an easy winter so far, as this is being written it is cold, windy, and three kids down the block are a few bucks richer for shoveling the first snow off my driveway and sidewalks.

But that is not to say nothing is going on. We look forward to our March 1 dinner meeting for Nobles that will feature a program about the air war in the Pacific in WWII. We are getting Nobles lined up for the Memorial Tournament which is only 100 or so days away. Mark the calendar for May 28 - June 3 and say YES when called. And while you have the calendar handy, mark June 16 for this year's Tabloid sale. We need many helpers to cover some choice locations again this year. We will be contacting you.

Nobles, there are many activities planned by Ill. Sir Mowry for this year. If you have not participated in an Aladdin activity lately, give one a try. Also, stop in and see the updates to the building and furnishings. The Center is looking better than ever.

Although it is a quiet time of year, it's a good time to reflect upon how you can help the Shrine help our hospitals help our kids. Tabloid is a great way, but not the only way. Another is to introduce a Master Mason to the Shrine or introduce a man to the Masons and Shrine. We need to expand our ranks and every new Shriner is another set of hands to help. See this issue of *The Lamp* for more information on membership.

As always, if you have ideas for social activities, call President Frank Henderson or any of our officers. They will be glad to hear from you. Worthington Shrine Club meets the first Thursday of the month at Brookside Golf and Country Club for dinner.

Ross County

by Don Jones

"Out with the old, in with the new." The 2007 officers of the Ross County Shrine Club were duly installed at our January meeting. Mike Bell is president; Keith Barnitz is vice president; John Malone is secretary; and Rob Coolidge continues as treasurer. With the usual fantastic support of our members, these men will lead us through another great year.

Our first and highest priority is membership. Time is running out to get petitions approved for the Grand Master's One-Day Class, but don't let that stop you. Your Lodge is ready and able to do the degree work. Aladdin has scheduled six regional Ceremonials. Some are on weekday evenings and others are on Saturday afternoons. We should be able to find at least one that will work for each of our candidates.

President Mike Bell will soon present his 2007 activities schedule. I haven't seen a draft but I know he will keep us busy. We will be doing early planning for Tabloid Days. We have been doing a good job for several years but there is room for improvement. Each additional Shriner we can put on the street means additional dollars for Shriners Hospitals. The ice and melon concessions at the Ross County Fair and our annual Spaghetti Dinner are the projects we depend on to bolster our club treasury. Support for these projects has been and will continue to be excellent.

Thanks to all of the Ross County Shrine Club members who attend our meetings and support our club. If you are a member whom we haven't seen for a while, come on up to 500 Belleview Avenue on the fourth Thursday of the month. We gather in around 6 p.m., have a very good, affordable dinner at 7 p.m., and hold a short business meeting after. If you are someone who can't get out let us hear from you. Our mailing address is: Ross County Shrine Club, PO Box 371, Chillicothe, OH 45601.

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KENTUCKY COLONELS
by Frank Lewis

I have great news to report! We have a secretary for our club and that makes yours truly very, very happy. He is Joseph Rike, wife is Clara Jo, from Granville, Ohio. Joe and his Lady Clara Jo are very busy people working in many Masonic bodies. We welcome them whole heartedly. Please show Joe your support by sending in your dues on time to: Joe Rike, 32 Buywood Circle, Granville, Ohio 43023.

We are thankful that our sick list is shrinking. I must remind you, we still need a president for the club. How about you? We have two new members – Pete Ramsburgh (Velma) and Steve Cokonougher (Judy). We welcome you both.

Our meetings will be a noon one in January, February, and March in case of bad weather. It also reduces the need to drive at night.

I sometimes have trouble understanding your phone messages so please talk slow and clear so these old ears can pick it up. (614-209-5184)

I enjoy writing this article each month and would welcome any suggestions you have to improve it. Some of the news may seem late, but keep in mind that the articles are written a few weeks before the publishing date. So, please bear with us.

You are most cordially invited to attend
The Open Installation of Officers
of
Thebes Temple #87, Daughters of the Nile
Wednesday, March 21, 2007
Prelude Music - 7:00 p.m.
Musical Selection - 7:15 p.m.
Installation 7:30 p.m.
Luther B. Turner Masonic Temple
2933 Valleyview Drive
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Princess Mary Jo Daugherty will be installed as Queen
A reception will follow the installation of officers
and will be hosted by Turneretts.
Queen - Janet May; Princess Recorder - Norma Gladwell; Queen-Elect - Mary Jo Daugherty

Marching with the Legion

by Dick Luckay

Changing of The Aladdin Guard – It was quite an occasion as the leadership of Aladdin passed from (now) Past Potentate Don Goodman to the capable hands of Potentate Dee Mowry. A large gathering of Nobles and their Ladies were on hand for the brief but impressive ceremony. Good food and camaraderie were in ample supply and the evening could be classified as an unqualified success. The Legion looked sharp in their civilian attire and under the command of P.C. Willie Fitchett, Commander Robert Spencer, and Legionobles Bob Krieger, Dick Luckay, Dick Ollila, and Chester VanHorn presented the National Colors and the Ohio flag with precision and the proper military bearing. It was a great evening with the promise of an outstanding year for Aladdin. We welcome the newest member of the Divan, Mike Tyne, and look forward to meeting him and Lady Rebecca at a Legion function in the near future.

Dates to Remember

March 22-25 -----	Circus	April 29 -----	Dogwood Parade
April 30 -----	Aladdin Masonic Night	May 2-6 -----	IALOH Convention, Indianapolis
May 28-June 2 -----	Muirfield	June 15-16 -----	Tabloid Days
August 16-19 -----	GLSALOH, Columbus		

Sick Call – Unfortunately some of our Legionobles and Ladies are behind the power curve health-wise. A card or phone call would be in order to let them know they are in our thoughts and prayers. Kenneth Athey, Marjorie Dames, Bill Griffin, Billie Hart, P.C.Marion “Mike” MacCall, Ray Moore, J.P. Morgan, Mildred Smith, and Bill Smith are all under the weather. We wish them all a speedy return to health and Legion activities.

Proudly We Serve – Legionoble Clancy Lanthorn, P.C. Aladdin LOH and GLSALOH, entered the (then) newly formed United States Air Force in June, 1949. After basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas he was assigned to Keesler AFB, for communication/control tower advanced training. His first duty station was at Port Huemema, California – a Navy Base -- where he lived in a Marine barracks. His control duties centered on the USS Norton Sound, the Navy’s first guided missile ship. Tracking missile launches and guiding aircraft to the splashdown points were part of his duties. After a year of rather plush duty he was sent to the Northern Japanese Island of Honshu and the tiny base at Wajami. His unit was the first group of Caucasians the natives had ever seen. He was responsible for guiding aircraft into and out of the Korean war-zone and directing “lost” aircraft safely to their home base. Several TDY’s to Air Base K-77 and the capitol, Seoul, on the Korean Peninsula gave him an up-close-and-personal impression of the country. While off duty at his home base, he volunteered as an English language instructor at a local school. He served in Japan from January 1951 through December 1952 when he then returned to civilian life. Clancy Lanthorn has served his country, and Aladdin LOH, with dedication and honor. We are proud to have him as a member of our unit.

SENIOR SHRINERS by Chuck McLeod

The following Officers were elected at the December meeting of the Senior Shriners and installed by Noble Past Potentate Harry Riessig: president, Harold L. Kittrell, Jr.; first vice president, Donald M. Lynne; second vice president, Richard C. Logsdon; treasurer, Gary D. Hillbinger; secretary, Charles F. McLeod; and assistant secretary, Richard D. Snow. January’s meeting was opened by Noble President Kittrell and was followed by the opening prayer and pledge of allegiance by Noble Chaplain Dick Bull. The chaplain also stated that we had recently lost a long time member, Noble Leslie H. Combs, 96 years young, and asked that we remember Leslie and his family in our prayers. Following the dinner, Noble Don Lynne introduced the speaker, Mr. Alan Veach, LLD, attorney-at-law. Mr. Veach spoke on estate planning or leaving something to the children. He said everyone should have a will, durable power of attorney (with your child as the designee), health care power of attorney (grant someone else to make all health care decisions), a living will (expresses your desire to not to be kept alive by artificial means). He stressed to have all of these things available and give copies to the person you named as power of attorney. You can get copies of all of these forms online at the Ohio State Bar Association's web site. If you can avoid probate, it is less expensive when someone dies. He stated that probate and estate taxes have nothing to do with each other. He also said life insurance does not go through Ohio estate tax if the beneficiary is still alive. So, it is good to check your policies periodically. He said to have both husband and wife on all bank accounts, insurance, CDs, etc. Noble Don Lynne presented the speaker a plaque from the club for presenting the program at the January meeting. The secretary and recorder's reports were read and approved as read. The chaplain gave the closing prayer and the meeting was closed in peace and harmony.

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WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE *by Mike Flynn*

Aladdin's Past Potentate Dale Cline has installed officers for the Washington Shrine Club for an unprecedented 16 straight years. So, when Cline offers his annual observations about the organization, you know he's speaking from a vast experience with the local club.

While most keynote speakers would just sing to the choir, Cline shoots straight with his yearly sermons and this year's message touted the abilities of Charlie Stevens to serve as the club's 2007 president.

"Anything you ask Charlie to do will be done. Anything he gets in his head will get done. He just knows how to get it done," Cline told the crowd of nearly 50 members attending the ceremony and dinner meeting, January 24, in the Mahan Building on the Fayette County Fairgrounds.

Stevens, a local used car dealer, has been a member of the Washington Shrine Club since May 4, 1996. In addition to serving as the club's membership chairman for a number of years, he also serves on Aladdin's membership team.

"Charlie has an excellent staff of officers and with that and his leadership, you've got a lot to be proud of with this Shrine club," said the former potentate, whose first appearance as installing officer for the Washington Court House club was back in 1992 when he seated Hal Haymaker as president.

Other officers installed were Butch Witherspoon, first vice president; George Giammarino, second vice president; James Moser, third vice president; Robert Cannon, treasurer; Mike Flynn, secretary; and David Harley, Tom Shields, and Kenneth (Dick) Rogers as directors.

In his initial remarks to the club, Stevens applauded the efforts of Billy Lucas, the 84-year-old immediate past president who struggled with health issues throughout his term.

"Billy really gave the effort and I think this is really what kept him going," said Stevens, who also commended the assistance received from Past President P.R. Marshall during 2006 when Lucas was absent.

Aladdin Chief Rabban Dan Stainbrook, who served as installing marshal for the ceremonies, reviewed plans for a series of 7 "cold sands" Shrine Ceremonials in April and May. The Ceremonials will be staged following a one-day Masonic class on March 31.

A seven-county ceremonial is scheduled for Friday, April 27 in Washington Court House.

In addition to the local ceremonial, several other events that dot the 2007 calendar were outlined at the meeting. Stevens announced that former Cincinnati Reds pitcher, Jeff Shaw, will be the keynote speaker for the February 28 meeting. Aladdin Shrine Potentate David (Dee) Mowry will be making his visitation on Saturday, March 10. The Tabloid Kickoff dinner will be held May 23 in preparation for the June 15-16 fund drive. Local Shriners will be manning admission gates at the Memorial Tournament at the Muirfield Village Golf Club, May 28-June 3.

Kambri Shrine News

by Dick Brixner


Recently, our Kambri Shrine Club president, Noble Bill Davis, and immediate past president, Noble Ron LePage, made a presentation to our local hospital, Southeastern Ohio Regional Medical Center. The presentation of a check in the amount of \$4,194.95, took place last year and the items were purchased and accepted last month.

The hospital's rehab unit was able to purchase a "Sensi-roll" to help children with balance problems, a "Tumble-Form 2 universal corner chair" to assist children who cannot sit without support, an "Edutray" that fits onto an "Enducube Chair" to promote reaching and develop fine-motor skills, and a "Gymini Super Deluxe Electronic Zoo Play Mat" to promote reaching motions and encourage "tummy-time" for infants.

This recent donation to the hospital, thanks to Aladdin and Kambri Shrine, brings the grand total of \$81,026.70 that has been donated to our hospital for the purchase of equipment for the children. As a member of the Kambri Shrine Club, you need to take pride in being a Shriner and feel good that your financial giving is going for a great cause.

Noble President Bill Davis and your board of directors are in the process of putting programs together for this year. If you have suggestions, please call Noble President Bill. He is in the phone book, listed under "Bill Davis."

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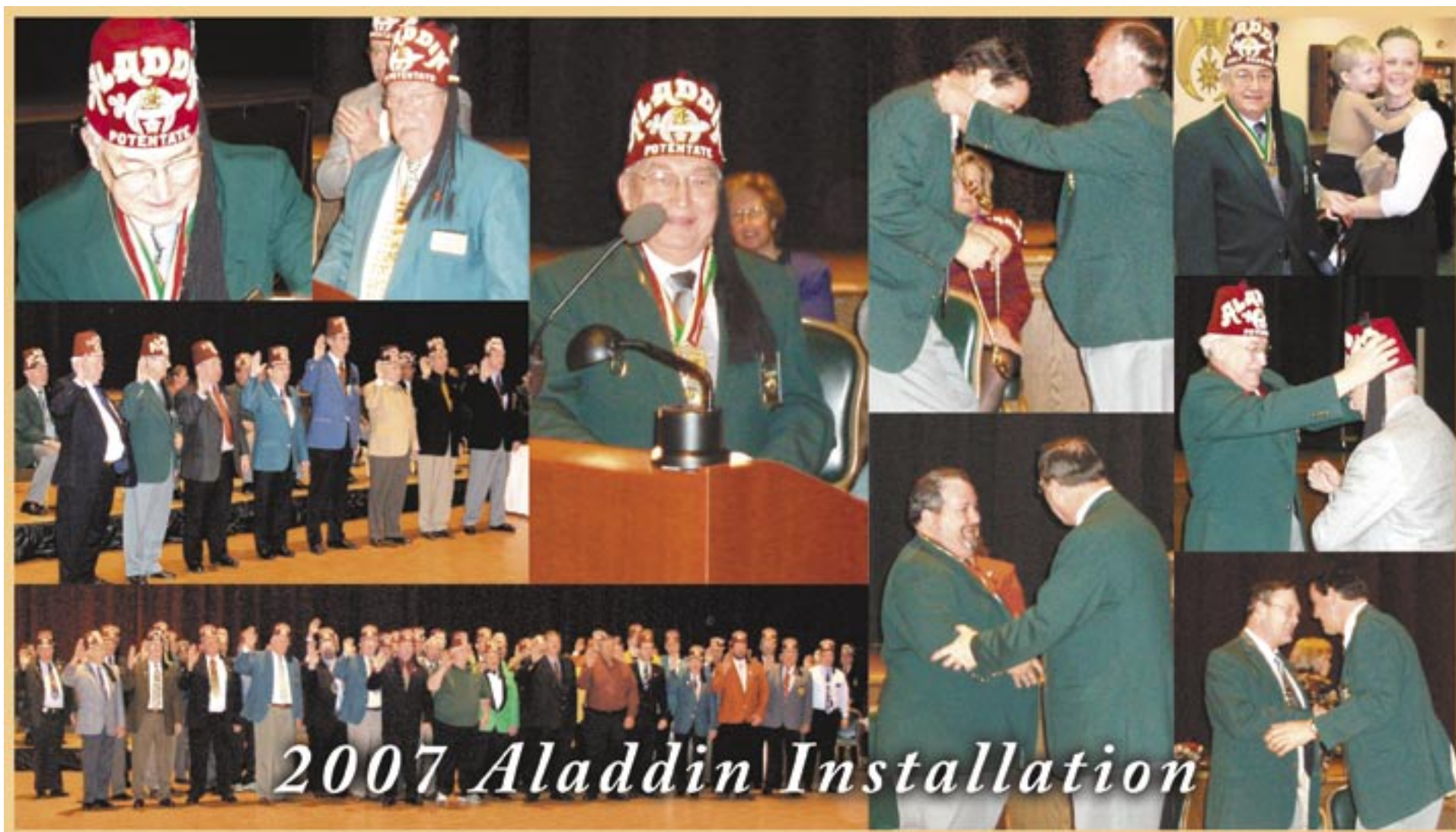
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So, come join us for a wonderful lunch with this fabulous speaker. Plan to bring all your lady friends.

For more details on how you can register for this delightful September luncheon (complete with a book signing if you wish), look for details in a future edition of *Aladdin's Lamp* and at www.aladdinshrine.org.



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