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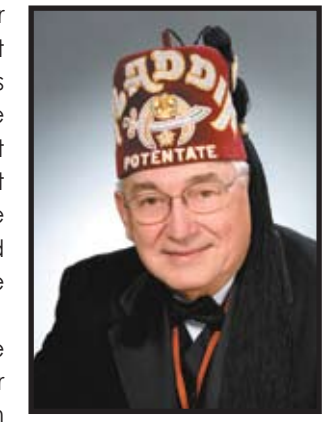
by David Dee Mowry



Summer is here!! All one has to do is to look at the thermometer. Summer also brings the usual rounds of golf outings. There was one in particular that needs to be mentioned – one sponsored by Wal-Mart. Now, the question is why is the Potentate 'advertising' for Wal-Mart? Obviously, your Potentate is not employed by Wal-Mart but a big "tip of the fez" goes to Wal-Mart employees Kristy Roark and Dave Rine and to our own Mike Gray, Provost Unit, who organized this outing at Little Turtle Golf Club for the benefit of the Shriners Cincinnati Bums Hospital. I do not yet have the financials, but based on the number of golfers, both Shriners and non-Shriners, it appears to have been very successful.

Visitations and Parades: That same evening found the Potentate and the Divan at the Zavi Shrine Club visitation where, as usual, we were served their famous grilled pork chops. Meritorious Service Awards were presented to Tim Snelling and Dan Manring (whose medal I forgot!). The next day we were at the lovely Cambridge Country Club for the annual visit to the Kambri Shrine Club and another Meritorious Service Award was presented to Don Hughes, a long time member and worker of this club. The visit to Steubenville was preceded by the Utica Ice Cream Parade. This parade has always been a favorite of the Potentate because, you guessed it, the Velvet Ice Cream. Those folks really know how to make ice cream and major thanks goes to President Bob Shaw. Besides selling cheese, he is the president of the Utica Shrine Club. They always have a terrific after glow picnic for the Shrine with great sandwiches and, of course, ice cream.

Later in the day the Potentate and Divan made a great visit to the Steubenville Shrine Club. It was a special visit as their clubhouse was almost completely destroyed by a water leak on the upper story. President Bob Moffitt reported damages in excess of $100,000.00 which were covered by insurance. Noble Jerry Williams, Sr. was presented a Meritorious Service Award. After seeing the completed work on their building, the entire club deserves a Meritorious Service Award.

Shriners and Lima Company: Memorial Day is always a special day – a time for remembering. This year was no exception and Worthington does an especially good job in honoring and remembering those who served. It was my pleasure to speak on the lawn of the Worthington American Legion and listen to our own excellent Chanters. The Marine's Lima Company attended and was presented with a check for $1,000.00 to help with their memorial. Commander Robert Spencer of the Aladdin Legion of Honor was instrumental in arranging this program which also featured Noble Richard 'Dick' Luckay doing his usual excellent job. This program was held prior to their annual Memorial Day Parade.

This was also the week of the annual Muirfield Golf Event. (I really feel like an expert on this golf thing after accompanying the Aladdin Shriners to Santee, S.C. and the 'guidance' I received from Jack Davis and Russ Miller!!) Many of the Aladdin Shriners, including your Potentate, worked at this event.

The Ohio Council of Deliberation, which is a meeting of the Ohio 33° Scottish Rite Masons, was on June 1-2. I was most pleased to hear the discussion regarding membership and to be able to speak with Ill. Bro. Jim Felliez, 33°, membership chair for the Ohio Council. We were able to meet at noon on Saturday and I am pleased that our own Ill. Sir Calvin Smith has agreed to help with the AASR membership effort.

Even More Visitations: Aladdin's first unit, the Patrol, hosted the Potentate on Monday June 4. After a somewhat eventful trip, (6 detours and road closings) we had a great visit with this fine group and its newly appointed captain, Arlan Thorley, and Lady Karen. A "tip of the fez" goes to Ill. Sir Charles "Chi" Weber, P.P., who is active and lending a helping hand with this group. Also, special mention should be made regarding Jerry and Nadine Hampson who were in attendance. Jerry has been under the weather for some time and it was good to see them. Visits to Marietta Shrine Club, the Antioch Potentate's Ball in Dayton, and a trip to the Cincinnati Shrine Hospital rounded out this week. The visit to the Aladdin Pipes and Drums was a most interesting and delightful event. The pipers and drummers in full dress is an impressive sight. The meal was excellent and included the traditional haggis. We even had a short concert after dinner. The Hardin County visit is always an excellent event. We were hosted by the President Craig Leeth at the lovely home and picnic area of Noble Don Doll, who was made an Aladdin Ambassador by the Potentate.

Tabloid Day: A major event always held in June is the annual Tabloid Day, chaired by Noble Bob Stevenson. The festivities started on Friday, June 15 at noon on the statehouse grounds. We, along with many others, were treated to the great music of the Aladdin Shrine Band, under the direction of Tom Dale, and the Aladdin Dixieland Band, under the direction of Nelson Foucht. The downtown folks got a real treat that day. Our own Noble Rep. Jim Hughes was presented the Meritorious Service Award and he presented to the Potentate a House Resolution honoring the Shrine. Rep. Larry Flowers, fellow Mason and a long-time friend of the Potenate, participated in this event. I expect to see Larry at the October 6 Ceremonial. Saturday was the BIG DAY. It started with a delicious breakfast prepared by members of the Blendon Masonic Lodge. The Potentate, along with Chief of Staff George Stowe, had the privilege of being chauffeured by CR Dan Stainbrook to search for pictures of hard working Nobles on behalf of our Shrine Hospitals. A big "tip of the fez" goes to all who worked on Tabloid and especially to Noble Bob Stevenson .

Visit Your Center: If you have not been to Aladdin lately, it is worth your time to stop in and see the improvements to the facility. You will notice new furniture, cleaned ceilings, painted walls, new plantings, plus more. There are many improvements which are not as obvious – such as roof repair and new stage riggings. The Oasis Room is now open for your enjoyment and relaxation and is running at a profit. A "tip of the fez" goes to our executive director, Harry Webster, who is instrumental in these efforts.

The Imperial Session is on the horizon at this writing and the Potentate and First Lady have become grandparents. Please keep our daughter, Joanie and husband Andy, in your prayers. Thanks.

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Wal-Mart Charity Golf Outing Brings Shrine Hospital Nearly $12,000

Aladdin Shrine would like to thank Wal-Mart for making the Cincinnati Burns Hospital its charity for this year's Wal-Mart Charity Golf Outing. The preliminary numbers show that about $12,000.00 were raised in that one day for the hospital. Aladdin's Shriners turned out in great numbers to support the event. Thanks to Wal-Mart for all of their hard work, and thanks to all of the donors, hole sponsors, and golfers who attended.

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Aladdin's *Tabloid Times*

by **Bob Stevenson**

Tabloid 2007 Totals Will Be Announced at Stag Picnic

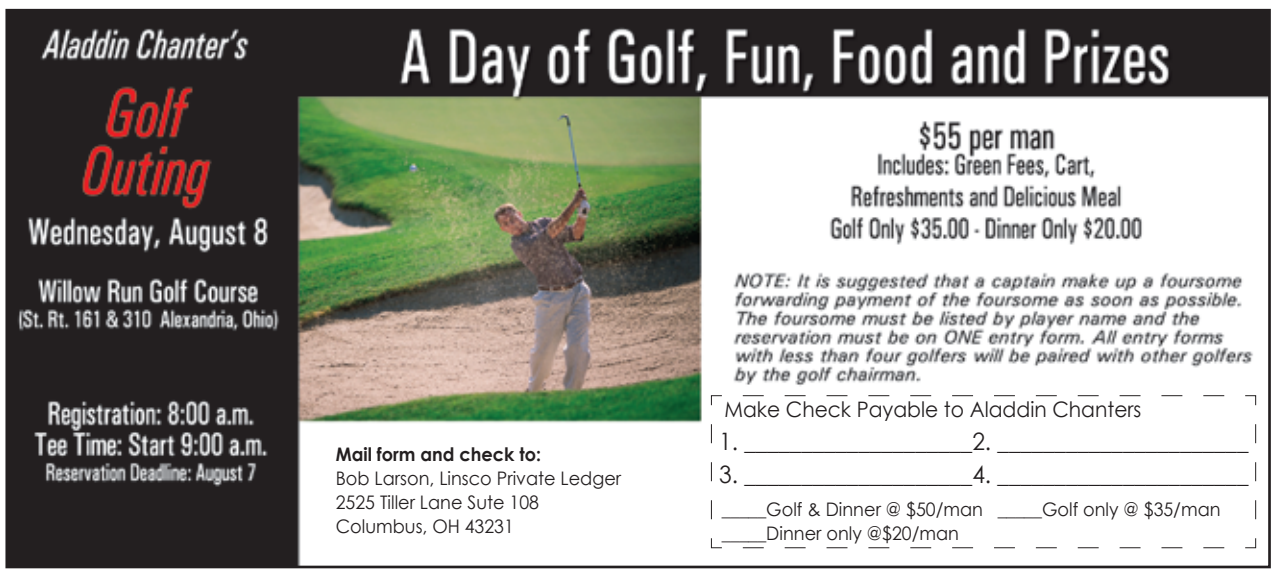
First, I must report to you that the final numbers for *Tabloid* 2007 are not in this issue of *The Lamp* as promised. The time between the close-out day for receipt of funds at Aladdin and the necessary printing schedule of the paper did not leave enough time to get the information published. I feared, that in a rush to get things printed, we might make a goof or two and that is not acceptable. Everyone works too hard to have reporting mistakes. So, please accept my regret and we will have the numbers at the Stag Picnic on July 22. They will be in the August issue of *The Lamp*.

In true planning style, its now time to begin work on *Tabloid* 2008!

In past months we have written about a couple of clubs that do things during the year for the benefit of *Tabloid*. We will resume these reports in September and hope you see something you would like to try.

Finally, I want to thank each and every one of the Nobles, Ladies, families, and friends who contribute both time and money to support our hospitals. If you want to see where the money goes, plan on a road trip to Erie, Pennsylvania for the hospital open house on Sunday, August 5, 2007. We have had great visits to both Lexington and Cincinnati, and this will round out the visits for this year. Also, did you know that Nobles are always welcome to visit should you be in the area of the one of our hospitals? When you travel, take advantage of it.

So, thanks, and I'll see you in the fall!



Baldwin Shrine News

by **Don Knouff**

Greetings from the Baldwin Shrine Club of Knox County in the "good ole summer time." Most clubs are dark during summer but not the Shrine and their "Road Runners" who have had trips to Erie, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Mount Vernon. Many thanks to the volunteer drivers and codrivers for their time and wear and tear on their autos.

Our Colonial "High Twelve" Club has elected its new officers who are Lawrence Bertiaux, president; Ronald Fraser, first vice president; John Price, secretary/treasurer; and Neal Neer, chaplain. We meet at the Ohio Eastern Star Home for our meetings which start at 11:00 a.m. with lunch at noon on the third Thursday of each month (except July and August). If you are interested, contact one of the officers or call the home at 740-397-1706.

Everyone had a great time at the June Baldwin Shrine meeting which was held at the Ohio Eastern Star Home's shelter house. Watch your July monthly newsletter for change in date and plans for a joint meeting with the Utica Shrine Club. We will look forward to seeing you all there.

The last week of July is county fair time in Knox County. Why not plan to join your friends and neighbors for a couple days and come to the fair?

Baldwin Nobles celebrating birthdays during the month of July are Nobles Rex H. Beery, Larry Bertiaux, Dr. Ed Blackburn, Randy Bowers, James Briggs, Ron Fraser, and Brian Hunter. Best wishes to all.

See you all at the July meeting.

Chess Club Being Formed

A chess club is being formed for friendly, monthly games with fellowship. Meetings will be held at the Aladdin Shrine Center.

Dennis Agin, organizer for the club, asks that all interested Shriners call 614-204-9234 or e-mail n8iln@insight.rr.com to indicate any interest in joining the club.

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Aladdin's Car Club

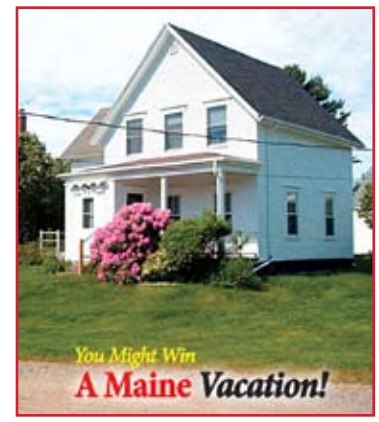
Summer is Here and Here's A Great Idea!

by ***James Allen***

How about a Corn Roast and Car Show? Mark your calendar. Tell your friends and neighbors. Bring your cars that are over 25 years old. If you have a car of interest that is less than 25 years old bring it along also. Saturday, August 11 is the day. Pray for good weather. (Details on back page.) The schedule is as follows:

Registration - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Cruise-In - 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Awards - 7:00 p.m. Chicken & Corn Roast - 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Rick Heinlein, who gets his hair cut at the car show, has been in the hospital and may not be able to attend. We wish Rick well and hope he recovers quickly.



Silent Auction Added to Event: We are adding a new feature to complement Rick's talent. We will have a silent auction for a week's vacation in a house on Rutherford Island in South Bristol, Maine. South Bristol is located in mid-coast Maine about 70 miles east of Portland on the Pemaquid Peninsula. Some of you may know a fellow Aladdin Noble, Jim Craig, who also has a summer home in South Bristol.

The house has seven rooms with a fully equipped kitchen including a microwave. All linen is provided. There are three bedrooms with two double beds and one twin bed. There is a roll-away bed. For those cool Maine nights, there is a hot-air furnace. Front and back porches provide views of the Damariscotta River and the harbor in the fishing village of South Bristol. South Bristol is an active fishing and lobstering village. There are nearby grocery stores, fish markets, and lobster pounds that will cook your lobster and clams for you to take home. There are neighborhood restaurants on the peninsula for your enjoyment. Can you taste the lobster yet?

You can reach South Bristol by car from Columbus via I-71, I-90 and the New York thruway, Massachusetts Pike, I-495, I-95, and Route US 1. This is a pretty, but long drive. You can also go to Boston and take the Concord Trailways bus all the way to Damariscotta. You can rent a car in Portland. Now you can fly Skybus to Portsmouth, New Hampshire and rent a car from there or Portland. You can fly to Portland via Newark involving a change of planes. The least expensive method is probably the flight to Portsmouth, New Hampshire on Skybus.

We will have brochures and a list of day trips from South Bristol and boat excursions from Boothbay Harbor or New Harbor available at the car show. The house will be available for seven days through September, 2007 or from June 15 - September 15, 2008. The bidding will begin at $100 and increase by $25 increments. Proceeds of this auction will go directly to benefit the Aladdin Shrine. Those lobsters and clams are just waiting for you. See you at the Car Show.

Downtown Nobles *by* ***Ray Pendell***

Nobles from the Past Masters Unit converged on street corners of downtown Columbus on June 15, to give out free *Tabloids* that tell of our work with children in the Burns and Orthopedic Shrine Hospitals. The Clown Unit covers Broad and High corners and $795.00 was turned in from donations received on this one day that lasts all year. Several Aladdin Units were contacted to participate but only the Past Masters turned out. It is a numbers game and over 30 street corners were not covered because there was no one available. Plan next year to be with us at Tabloid Day downtown and hear the stories from donors who have been through the Shriners Hospitals as parents or relatives of patients who have benefited from our services. Thanks to the Past Masters Unit for their dedication and participation.

Brutal Brothers *by* ***Tom Ruggles***

We want to send out a big "thank you" to all who helped our team work the Muirfield Memorial Tournament, and especially to Chairman Jim Carle, who did a fine job of managing our efforts. And likewise, a big "thank you" goes to those who worked the Memorial Tournament and Tabloid Day on June 16. Our Tabloid chairman, Lou McFarland, did a great job of putting together our effort for that day, including a pre-meeting at the Wolfe garage for coffee and donuts before hitting the streets. Well done, Lou, keep up the good work!

Upcoming Events and Meetings: Some announcements from our last meeting: Director, Duane Hays announced that he has tickets for the Aladdin Chicken & Corn roast on August 11. If you would like to attend, see Director Duane. We were reminded that we have no unit meetings in June, July, or August. Our annual Steak Fry will be August 5. Secretary Denny Feyh will be sending out a letter with details and a reservation form. Our September meeting will be a dinner meeting in the Wolfe Garage. Mobile Equipment Chairman Jake Sturgeon announced that he could use some help in the form of additional volunteer equipment drivers for the parades when we participate. Jake and his crew do a fine job of representing Aladdin Shriners and if you can help in this effort, please let him know so he can count on you to help.

Health and Wellness Department: We have heard that Jack Weaver's cancer treatments went fine, but he won't have definite results to report until after his next PSA test in August. His lung problem remains in remission and it will be two years this month. We have also heard that Jack Herrick went into the hospital on May 23 for pancreatic cancer surgery. Harold Linebaugh went in for another back operation the week after Memorial Weekend. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Shrine Directors Association Convention: In our last column, I promised an after-action report on the Mount Pleasant, South Carolina convention of the Shrine Directors Association, and I am glad to report that it was a terrific convention. The SDA is always a lot of fun and very educational. This year was particularly good because there were three well presented seminars on membership, fund-raising, and second section presentations. Our team of presenters, headed up by the Jones Boys, for the time and place committee did a great presentation. Based on their efforts, we are solidly on track for hosting the SDA at Aladdin in 2009. And as mentioned at our last meeting, Todd Jones showed us (and sold us a few) of the SDA 2009 theme ball caps. It really is a classy design and available in several different color schemes. So, if you would like to have one, get in touch with Todd.

Past Masters

by ***Dick Bull***

June was a busy month for our unit. Through arrangements with Harry Webster, our members rode Big Red to New Marshfield (near Athens) to perform the Master Mason Degree at Constitution Lodge #426 on June 9. George Dresher coordinated the evening. The dinner and fellowship were most enjoyable.

On June 19, we participated in University Lodge #631 Past Masters Night by performing the Second Section and Lecture in the Master Mason Degree. It was a fun evening.

Question of the month: what member of our unit almost forgot to show up on June 19 to take his part until he got a phone call reminder? (Hint, his title is High Priest and Profit).

Since Dan Upperman's death from Lou Gehrig's disease last year, his widow Patty has their handicap van for sale. It is a 1995 For V-6 Club Wagon with extended roof, green, Braun backlift for access with wheel chair, 83,326 miles. Asking price is $11,000. Looks good and runs good. Call her at 614-836-3013.

Seven of our members attended Imperial Council Session in Anaheim over July 4.

We are looking forward to participating in the Ambassadors Golf Outing at St. Albans Golf Course on August 7. Our van will be entered in the Baltimore, Bucyrus, and Nelsonville parades on August 11, 17, 18, respectively.

Daun Knox is doing very well after his heart and knee operations and has lost quite a bit of weight. Joyce Palmer still has pain from her knee joint replacement. Shirley Wiggins and Dottie Parsons are recovering well from falls a while back. Bob Obert was in the hospital briefly from a dizzy spell. Taylor Lutz is recovering from his joint replacement. Carl Raidiger and Merle Caswell have both had health issues requiring surgeries. We wish them all well. Our long-time treasurer from years ago, Brandt Marshall, passed away recently at Wesley Glen. His wife, Dorothy, had passed away only a few months previously.

Thanks to Ed Dressel who coordinated the efforts of nine of our members who distributed *Tabloids* downtown on June 15.

We welcome David Jacobs, Don Lossaso, Noel Foor, Crowell Shane, and Max Baumann as new reserve members of our unit. We look forward to working together.

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From The Shrine Band *by Dave Haney*

I believe it just might be summer. We are heading for a high of 93 today. June may be "busting out all over" and that "bustin' out" stuff generates a lot of heat. Green Eyes checks the territory by sitting in the back window on the "cat tree." Ain't goin' out in that heat. Might just waste one of those nine lives!

We lucked out for the Worthington Memorial Day parade. Not too much heat or sun and no rain! We could use some more of you trumpet players though. We only had two show up – Russ Hill and Joe Colburn in Worthington. Whar wuz the rest of youse horn player guys?

Kudos to those turning out for Tabloid Day. Great time! I tried to leave my drums there, but Frank Habeker knew how much they would be missed so he got them for me. Cost me a lunch at Phillips. Got a mind like a steel trap, you know, except the springs on the trap are getting a bit rusty!

Since we have had a very early summer, I have been encouraged to accompany my spouse to the various garden stores so we can buy plants. Now, I do not know one plant from another, but I have been made to understand that they add color and a focal point to the yard. I ain't too big on focal points either unless it is at the bottom of a beer stein. In any event, I have discovered that science has created all types of plants, trees and shrubs (those are bushes to the great unwashed). They are supposed to be impervious to disease. The last plant I bought was impervious to everything! It was plastic. As far as I know, I think it is still alive. They need to come up with a plant that will dig its own hole and doesn't need water! Of course, it will have to respond to commands to be moved. They are never in the right place the first time you know. One of my many duties is to water these things so they will flourish. I usually throw in a copy of the political column from the newspaper for fertilizer. The rabbits and other varmints eat plants and stuff if they flourish too much. I have pet squirrels and rabbits and they are all overweight from eating the plants. Of course, they grow but they all die out in the winter and have to be dug up and discarded. Maybe they should be designed to explode in the fall and winter – a kind of "Claymore Clymatus," if you will. That would be nice and entertaining. Would get rid of the varmints, too, and leave a hole for the new plant next spring. It is all kind of a strange dance of nature in which we all participate, all to the delight and profit of all of the nursery stores. Rumor has it that Fred Hower actually understands this strange stuff, but I guess baritone horn players are into strange things to begin with.

Speaking of strange stuff the parade schedule is as follows: August 17 - Friday - Bucyrus Parade; September 6 - Thursday - Marion Popcorn Parade.

I think there may be a post Imperial party cooking up somewhere. Stay tuned! It will be in July. I have it on good authority that there is gong to be a canvas top on the band float! It is all Paul Kern's fault, you know. The frame is up there and we anxiously await the arrival of the canvas top. The frame doesn't put out a lot of shade all by itself!

Now for your favorite part of the article. No deep thought or discussion with your spouse is allowed. Answer immediately and you will have to just live with it!

First Question: You are participating in a race. You overtake the second person. What position are you in?

Second Question: If you overtake the last person what position are you in?

Third question: Mary's father has five daughters: 1. Nana, 2. Nene, 3. Nini, 4. Nono. What is the name of the fifth daughter?

I leave you with the following: Ed was in trouble. He forgot his wedding anniversary. His wife was really angry. She told him: " Tomorrow morning, I expect to find a gift in the driveway that goes from 0 to 200 in less than six seconds. AND IT HAD BETTER BE THERE!" The next morning Ed got up early and left for work. When his wife awoke she looked out of the window and saw a large gift-wrapped box sitting on the driveway. The wife put on her robe and hurried downstairs and out to the driveway and tore open the box and found a brand new bathroom scale! HA! A rather "weighty" story huh?

See you next month!

Bucyrus *by Gene Diller*

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

Noble Dave Crum's Palmer House catered the meal. The Shriners, wives and widows dined on turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, banana salad, green beans, and pie.

President Noble Mike Sand ask for moment of silence for our troops in harms way. He had Nobles and guests introduce themselves and made an announcement of the upcoming August 11 Chicken and Corn roast and Car Show.

Bucyrus *Tabloid* Chairman Noble Stan Eusey gave a report of this year's *Tabloid* fund days. He reported that before tonight's meeting we were at $10,230. There was a special presentation from Amvets Ladies Post 27 by auxiliary representative Ruth Kibler. She presented Noble Stan with a check for $500. Noble Wayne Erwin presented Noble Stan with a check for $500 from a local citizen. The present total is over $11,230.

Noble Scott Hastings was in charge of entertainment and announced it was a patriotic program. The Nobles participating were John Himler, Dale Hoyles, and Ron Sand. They did an excellent job as they reflected on our freedoms, sacred documents, and the work our forefathers and other great men and women who have created and have spoken. They are based on three important documents: *Declaration of Independence, Constitution,* and *Bill of Rights.*

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Marietta *by Brad Mason*

Friday evening, June 8, the Big Red Bus from Aladdin arrived at the Marietta Shrine Club with 20 Nobles and Ladies from Columbus aboard. They were welcomed by a large contingent of Marietta Shrine Club Nobles and their Ladies. We enjoyed an excellent prime rib dinner prepared and served by a hard-working group of Nobles and their Ladies in the kitchen. Thanks go to all those who put together this great meal. I think our guests from Columbus were impressed!

After dinner President Vince Jett presented Potentate David Dee Mowry with a gift to Aladdin of $500.00 from the Marietta Shrine Club. We enjoyed a very humorous and informative talk by Potentate Mowry, and First Lady Kathy Mowry let us know of some upcoming events for Ladies at Aladdin. It was a very enjoyable evening for Nobles to share with their wives. Please watch for the date of the Potentate's visit next year and plan to attend.

The 2nd Annual Marietta Shrine Club ATV Ride was a huge success. We had 75 bikes register for the ride with close to 100 people in attendance. The ride was held on June 2 at the Harold and Dora Weppler farm near Stanleyville. Thank you to all the Nobles who came out and helped. Special thanks go to the Weppler and Wetz families for all the time and effort they put in to organizing the event.

Best of all, we raised over $500.00 dollars for the Marietta Shrine Club *Tabloid* which directly benefits Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Friday evening, June 15 and all day Saturday, June 16, over 40 Nobles hit the streets of Marietta to raise money for Shriners Hospitals. In just a few hours we raised over $4,000.00 dollars. This money will be added to other funds raised by the club throughout the year for *Tabloid*. Many thanks to all Nobles who took time out of their busy schedules to help with this great cause.

The Marietta Shrine Club Holding Corporation has decided to pursue a fundraising project to purchase and erect an "Editorial Without Words" statue in front of the Marietta Shrine Club Building. The holding corporation has made an initial donation in the names of all deceased past presidents of the Marietta Shrine Club to get the project started. A committee was appointed to design and implement a fundraising campaign to raise the remainder of the funds needed to complete the project. Committee members are Noble Lee Scott, Noble Elvin Tenney, and Nobel Ed Flanders. Please watch for details of this fundraising campaign and how you can help in upcoming newsletters.

Our regularly scheduled meeting for July is on Monday, July 23. As is customary, this meeting will include family and friends. The Marietta Shrine Club will be renting the Marietta Aquatic Center (next door) and it will be open for all Shriners and their families. We will meet at the Shrine Club for dinner at 7:00 p.m. and then go next door to swim. Please bring your family and enjoy the evening.

Northeast Shrine Club *by Aaron Dominey*

Another Tabloid Day has passed and once again the Nobles of Northeast Shrine Club had a successful day. Although the final results weren't available at press time, our efforts show great promise. We were especially honored to have Illustrious Sir, Potentate Dee Mowry and Chief Rabban Daniel Stainbrook join us for breakfast before we "hit the streets." Many thanks go out to the Nobles (who are too numerous to name individually) who volunteered their time both Friday and Saturday – we COULD NOT have done it without you.

Northeast Shrine Club sends a special "thank you" to Noble Jim Finley for his extremely generous *Tabloid* donation. We sincerely appreciate his contribution to the Shrine Hospitals on behalf of Northeast Shrine Club. Catching up on past events, we celebrated Jim's retirement at our May meeting. Jim and his lady Bobbie have moved to Springfield, Missouri to be closer to their family. Jim was very active in Aladdin Shrine, serving in the Reception Unit and as secretary/treasurer of Northeast Shrine Club for many years. Jim will be especially missed by Blendon Lodge regulars on the first Saturday of each month, because his "secret" sausage gravy and biscuit recipe is also retiring. Their spirit, friendship, and contributions will be greatly missed by all.

Northeast Shrine will not be meeting in July, but will meet in August for our annual picnic and to celebrate the first annual "Ed Lacy Day" at the Buckeye Boat Club. Ed was the life-force behind the picnic and we will celebrate his memory in addition to catching up with dear friends. We look forward to seeing everyone. Details will be forthcoming.

Clowns Beat The Heat *by Matt "Nutt" Knight*

Well, we are in the middle of the busy season. The weather is hot and the clowns are off and running. Let's start off with what we have already accomplished. We had Tabloid Day and the Scioto Reserve Family Day where we entertained the members and their families. We traveled to and performed at the Cincinnati Burn Hospital and we had a face painting seminar and the Dublin July 4 parade.

The events coming up are The Good Guys Show where we will do some face painting and balloons for the kids. We have our monthly dinner/business meeting at Logan's Steak House at Easton on July 17. Then there's the annual Shrine Stag Picnic on July 21. August starts off with a bang with the Pro Football Hall of Fame parade in Canton, on August 4. On August 9 we have our Ladies Party which I will have further details as they become available. August 11 brings us two events: the Baltimore Parade and the Downs Syndrome Picnic. Our last event is always one of our favorites; it is the Bucyrus Parade on August 17.

July birthdays are Jeff–Randy "CJ" Carter, July 12; Freddy "Hobo Freddy" Gischler, July 13. Happy birthday, Boys.

There is a lot more going on but this is all I have the time to share for now. I look forward to seeing time with all of you soon. I do apologize to all of my brothers for my time away from our events, but I am beginning to see a light at the end of the tunnel. Please keep me in your prayers that my life can continue to move forward and be in the will of our Lord Jesus Christ. God Bless.

Lost in The Desert

The following Nobles are Lost in the Desert, and we need help in finding them. We know that some have moved but no forwarding addresses have been given to us other than "moved" and marked "undeliverable." There is also a possibly that some may have passed away and we have not been informed of their deaths.If you know any of these Nobles and there whereabouts, PLEASE INFORM US. Please call The Aladdin Shrine Center, Jim Badgley, membership coordinator, 800-475-3850, ext. 10.

Baker Bart A
Brookhart George R
Cameron Marion E
Carr Guy E
Copley Don W Ii
Copley Donald W Iii
Corbin John C
Crouch Mike
Dixon Arlo L
Eastwood Lucas E
Eberhard John A
Elliott Burt M
Giese George F
Glass William A
Greenlee Fred R
Hamilton Vincent
Hardesty Michael K
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Knotts Paul J
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Maxwell Jerrard R
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Wood Craig A
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Hardin County Reports...

by **Ken Rossman**

Our regular meeting was our annual Potentate's visit to Hardin County. We met at Don Doll's pond with total attendance of 135 including 33 guests from Aladdin Temple.

A big "thank you" goes to our kitchen crew of Nobles Doornbos, Clinger, Gilbert, Don Doll, Fitzgerald, Matteson, Jolliff, Osborn, Krock, Bruce Michel, Ryan Michel and Lew Hanna. A job well done!

The evening started with Potentate Mowry giving a prayer and leading us in the pledge of allegiance. We all gave a big hand to the kitchen crew. Noble Rossman gave a brief report on Tabloid Day and noted we could use more help for this important fundraiser for our Shrine Hospitals.

It was noted that Noble Frank Bondi is back in the hospital again. We were requested to send him cards. We need to keep him in our thoughts and prayers. It was also noted that P.P. Bill Leeson is having health problems. We pray he will recover soon. He is in the hospital.

President Leeth introduced our honored guest Potentate Mowry, who noted that large checks were sent to 4 Shrine Hospitals as a result of Aladdin's annual Tabloid Days. He also noted the hospitals will spend $37 million on research this year. So far this year, 139 new Shriners were take in by Aladdin.

P.P. Calvin Smith gave a brief statement and then presented a plaque to Noble Gene Good as Aladdin's Membership Award. Noble Good thanked Noble Bob Gilbert and Noble Don Doll for their help on membership.

Potentate Mowry introduced all of our guests from Aladdin including the Ladies. He presented a Fez and certificate to Noble Don Doll as an Ambassador for Aladdin. We congratulate Don for this Honor,

The Potentate's Lady Kathy did not make the trip as her father had some surgery. We pray for his recovery, Kathy's project is Educational Fund and butterflies are available for $20.00 with the profit going to the Shrine Hospitals. A butterfly was presented to President Leeth's Lady Susan. President Leeth gave a cash contribution to Kathy's project from our Shrine Club.

President Leeth gave a check to the Potentate from our Shrine Club to the general fund of Aladdin. Noble Rossman closed our meeting with a prayer.

We also wish happy birthday to Nobles Arnold Lange (98) and Ray Peterman (90). We wish the best to both Nobles. We must always remember Aladdin Lights the Way.

In Memoriam

Alfred Abood
Carl Albert, Jr.
William D. Alder
Jack S. Alkire
Eugene Anders
Joseph F. Armstrong
Carl E. Bailey
Phil B. Baldwin
Noble D. Bare
Robert L. Barney
Dean M. Barton
Richard A. Basil
Robert E. Beckwith
Kay O. Black
Dean S. Blackstone
James N. Blower
Randall T. Bradley
William B. Brashear
Ralph Brock
Harold F. Brown
James M. Brown
George V. Brown, Sr.
Stanley Burke
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Charles C. Caine
Edgar R. Calahan
Charles Calhoun
Henry Kelly Conklin
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Ralph L. Gaster
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Gary R. George
John S. Graham
Paul .R Greer
Ralph E. Hammond
Eugene Harmon
Robert E. Hartner
Robert U. Hastings, Jr.
Howard Hawkins
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John D. Lewis
E. Jay Loy
Wm. Brandt Marshall II
Watson McCoy
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Robert H. McManaway
Francis Roush
John F. Schoedinger

MEMBERSHIP ON THE MOVE

by **Calvin Smith** / *Membership Marketing Director*

It's July. How was the fourth? To me it's a great day; one of the best. Family, friends, food and fire works; the four f's of fun. I want you to take note of the following list. These are the 139 men who joined Aladdin during our recent Regional Ceremonials. Know any of them? Be sure to say hi and welcome when next you seem them. Watch the Lamp in August for a very special announcement.

Columbus Ceremonial

Earl Abernathy - Granville
Robert Adams - Columbus
Andrew Benevati - Chillicothe
Brian Berendsen - Westerville
James Bowen - Columbus
Quentin Boyd - Bucyrus
Scott Bradley - Baltimore
Kimmer Callahan - Columbus
Michael Campbell - Columbus
Rob Carlisle - Columbus
Richard Cartwright - Gahanna
Danny Clifford - Lewis Center
Sostene Codispoti - Dublin
Robert Coffman - Columbus
Chris Davis - Plain City
Harold Flagler - Westerville
Fred Forbes - Dublin
Jason Harral - Circleville
Lee Henson - Mt Gilead
Paul HurLes - Chillicothe
Duane Ison, Sr. - Chillicothe
John Knoepfler - Johnstown
Timothy Lawlis - Batlimore
Mark Layman - Pickerington
Luke Lumsden - Worthington
Arnold Malech - Westerville
Jerry May - Grove City
Jonathan Meenach - Dublin
Paul Menser - Columbus
Sam Messerly - Columbus
Barry Moffett - Marysville
Michael Myers - Pickerington
Jason Nicholson - Gahanna
Gary Orr - Columbus
Bill Paige - Grove City
Luther Paige - Columbus
Wayne Petkovic - Delaware
Chris Pichler - Dublin
Philip Pini - Pickerington
Dennis Robertson - AthenS
John Russo - Columbus
Doug Scott - Austintown
Richard Shanks - Chillicothe
Dale Sipe - Oceola
Thomas Steltenpohl - Greenfield
Brent Tackett - Hilliard
Freddie Tomlinson - Circleville
Clarence Tuller - Marysville
Troy Walton - Dublin
Stewart Webster - Columbus
Allen Wharton - Lewis Center
James Wright - Glenford
Kenneth Yoakman - Newark

Cambridge Ceremonial

Gregory Bigler - Steubenville
Gerald Booth - Dillonvale
John Conn - Hocking
Joeseph De Ardo, Jr - Wintersville
Daniel Downs - Pickerington
Chad Flowers - Marysville
Richard Mcconkey - Byesville
David Murphy - Marietta
Terry Ramage - Cambridge
Jamie Tredway - Mcconnelsville
James Vodvarka - Steubenville
Terry Walburn - Pickerington

Marietta Ceremonial

Tony Allen - Marietta
Isaac Beardmore - Marietta
David Bobo - Millfield
Phillip Casto - Marietta
Wm Cogar - Pomeroy
Patrick Molden - Marietta
James Moore - Glouster
Bryan Nichols - Marietta
Rodney Paxton - Waterford
Ronald Reed - Waterford
Brian Robertson - Logan
Jason Wellper - Marietta
Steven Westfall - Marietta

Kenton Ceremonial

Joel Cramer - Russels Point
Paul Cramer, Jr. - Dunkirk
Vernon Frater - Dunkirk
Charles Fulkerson - Belle Fountaine
Thomas Jolliff - Kenton
Ross Lohrber - Kenton
Keith Mckee - Forest
Michael Mermann - Kenton
Ryan Michel - Forest
Murrell Pryor - Harrod
Brian Wingfield - Columbus
Michael Wood - Kenton

Washington Court House

Thomas Barnes - Chillicothe
David Bender - Washington C.H.
Bernard Bost - Chillicothe
James Brown - Chillicothe
Bruce Davison - London
Carl Davison - London
Johnny Davison - South Chareston
Earl Detty III - Chillicothe
David Duckworth - Chillicothe
Scott Flynn - Washington C.H.
David Huggins - Chillicothe
Charles Hughes - Washington C.H.
Frank Johnson - Washington C.H.
Thomas Kellenberger - Chillicothe
Keith Lipert - Washington C.H.
David Medert - Chillicothe
Charles Mick - Washington C.H.
Jeffery Muncy - Mt Sterling
Steven Ray II - Waverly
James Riepenhoff, Jr. - Westerville
James Riepenhoff, Sr. - Wellston
Edward Robbins - Piketon
Frank Shewalter - Chillicothe
Rick Swain - Waverly
Glen Thompson - Chillicothe
Andrew Tomlinson - Chillicothe
James Valentine - Chillicothe
Chris West - Bloomingburg
Mark Wical - Sabina
Fred Yingling - Chillicothe

Gallipolis Ceremonial

Philip Baird - Gallipolis
Larry Betz - Gallipolis
William Eblin - Gallipolis
Harold Erlewine Sr. - Gallipolis
Anthony Haner - Gallipolis
James Harris - Gallipolis
Wesley Houck - Gallipolis
Robert Kalish - Baltimore
Dennis Lui - Galloway
James Noe - Gallipolis
Richard Patterson - Gallipolis
Garrett Rife - Cheshire
Gabriel Saunders - Bidwell
Keith Spurlock - Patriot
Chris Vinson - Gallipolis
Roger Warren II - Gallipolis
Charles Williams - Gallipolis
Raymond Wimmer - Pt. Pleasant
Robert Woodward - Thurman

Aladdin's Pipes & Drums

by **Mark Melroy**

Ye Powers, wha mak mankind your care,
And dish them out their bill o fare,
Auild Scotland wants nae skinking ware
That jaups in luggies:
But, if ye wish her grateful prayer,
Gie her a Haggis!

With words from poet Robert Burns, quoted by Nobel Piper Michael Wilson, the annual Divan visitation and dinner began with the Ceremony of the Haggis and procession lead by Nobel Piper Mark Melroy, followed Nobel Piper Zale Maxwell as the bearer of the Haggis, and Nobel Drum Major Kenneth Spalding as sword bearer. Portions of the Haggis were served to Potentate Dee Mowry and other guests by Nobel Pipemaster Jim Bradham who also acted as master of ceremonies for the evening. Following the opening, a grand buffet was served by the catering department of the Aladdin Shrine.

Noble Bradham introduced his club officers and their ladies and presented checks to Potentate Mowry for his charitable fund and for First Lady Kathy's fund for educational tools in the hospitals.

Potentate Mowry introduced the Divan and their Ladies. He expounded on the importance of the *Tabloid* sales and their proceeds in the continued effort to maintain the excellent treatments by the many Shrine Hospitals. Following his remarks, Nobel Mowry took the time to present Noble Drummer Danny Bounds of Newark with the Meritorious Service Award. Danny has been a Mason since 1974 and joined the Aladdin Shrine in 1978. He has been active in the Pipes and Drums since 1982. The festivities were rounded off with a brief recital by the members of the Pipes and Drums. Since this dinner, the Pipes and Drums have participated in Tabloid Day and continue to practice each Tuesday evening in their room on the lower level at 7:30 p.m. The band has three Shrine parades in the next few months for which they are practicing and can always use new members. Pipes, drums and uniforms can be provided for new members. Interested Nobles can contact Jim Bradham at 614-889-1177 or any bandsman.

The band asks fellow Nobles to keep Noble Drummer Michael (Mickeli) Smith in their thoughts and prayers as he recovers from some heart troubles and Jeanne McFee, wife of Nobel Piper Ray McFee, as she recovers from a head injury received in a fall at home.

Steubenville

by **Anthony Violi**

The June 7 meeting of the club was called to order by President Bob Moffett in our Aladdin Land. He led the Nobility in the pledge to the flag. Prayer was offered by Noble Harry Williams. May minutes were given by Secretary Noble Leonard Morris. The financial report was presented by Treasurer Noble Jerry Williams. Both reports were approved. Welcomed was newly raised Noble Joe DeArdo. It was good to see Past President George Bogard. He has been plagued with various health problems and was unable to attend our meetings. Past President Noble Dave Hunt was thanked for mowing the grass and he and his wife were thanked for planting flowers around our newly repaired facility. Noble B. J. Johnson, transportation chairman, informed us that a young boy was transported to the Cincinnati Burn Hospital June 6. He was seriously burned in a house fire.

Those Who Are Ill: Reported ill is Past President and very active Noble, Ken Gorney Sr. who suffered a stroke today, June 7. He is in Trinity West. Noble Jim Halstead informed us that his dad is on oxygen and is improving. He is now able to drive. Noble Rick Williams wife is ill and on oxygen. The writer of this article will have surgery on June 22 at Mt. Camel East in Columbus to correct a double hernia. The Nobility wishes all a speedy recovery.

Black Camel Visits: The Black Camel visited our club taking Noble Donald Paden and Lady Gracie Williams, wife of Noble Harry Williams, to their eternal resting place. May God watch over them and grant them peace. Condolence was extended to the families.

Upcoming Parades: Motor Patrol President Jim Halstead, said the Patrol would participate in a parade June 16 in Steubenville at the Dean Martin festivities - an event honoring Dean Martin who was born in Steubenville. The Patrol will appear in Cannonsburg, Pennsylvania on June 9 and in Scio in a parade on August 17. Nobles were urged to join the Patrol. Bikes are available. Participating in the parades helps expose our philanthropy to the public.

Potentate's Visit: We were honored to have Potentate David Dee Mowry, his lady Kathy, the Divan, and their Ladies visit our lodge on May 16. He commented on the beautiful repairs made to our facility after it was completely gutted because of a frozen water pipe break. He reported that Aladdin was supporting three hospitals. He continued his remarks by giving an informative dissertation on events at Aladdin Land.

Meritorious Service Award: Potentate Mowry requested Jerry Williams approach. Jerry was honored by being presented the Meritorious Service award. Our members found the Potentate to be a friendly and "jolly" guy. A gift was presented to his Lady Kathy by Lady Donna Moffett, wife of President Ken Moffett, to help further her philanthropy.

We were also honored to have a large contingent of Past Potentates and their Ladies from the Osiris Shrine to enjoy our festivities. A delicious dinner was served by Lady Clara Morris, wife of Secretary Leonard Morris, proprietor of the "Rose," a beautiful dinning facility in Steubenville. Music for dancing was played by DJ Noble Dave Hunt.

Report on Clubhouse Repair: Noble Jim Halstead, who has done much work to get our clubhouse back in top condition, stated that 98% of the repairs are complete. A new stove, microwave, and hot water tank are being installed and work needs to be completed in the back storage room. He is being aided by Noble Larry Sneathen. Halstead is building a heavy duty cart to facilitate the moving of tables. Noble Russ Barker, building chairman, said he appreciated all the help offered in maintaining the grounds. Noble Whity Bauman and Bill Bell were always available.

Luau Date: Potentate Mowry said that all had a great time and enjoyed visiting our club. The Nobles were reminded that the Luau will be August 25 in order to accommodate members of the Divan who plan to attend. Nobles and their friends are urged to join in the fun. Distinguished Masons Ill. Harry Williams 33°, Henri Albert 33°, Jerry Williams MSA, KYCH, Russ Barker MSA, and Anthony Violi MSA were recognized. There were 12 past presidents in attendance. A closing prayer was offered by Ill. Noble Harry Williams. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Kentucky Colonels

by **Frank Lewis**

Hi Colonels, I am writing this article in mid-June. I hope you are enjoying our summer break. I don't know which of the following is correct. Are we supposed to spend our time having fun and traveling or are we supposed to rest and relax so we can return in the fall full of energy and ready to go? Maybe, some of each?

We are experiencing 20 or 21 attending our meetings which improved over the past few years. We are looking forward to increasing this number. You are doing great; let's keep it up!

As you know, our club no longer works Tabloid as a club but many of our colonels belong to other clubs and participate with them. Silent partners, so to speak!

Dues fellows. How about it?

We lost a dear friend in June; James Kelly passed away having lost the battle with cancer. He was a great supporter of our club for many years. We will miss him very much.

Our sick list follows. Our president's Lady Joan is trying to buildup strength for a heart valve operation. Hang in there Joan. Colonel Bob Hanshell is still fighting fluid buildup from congestive heart failure. Whip it, Bob! Colonel Bill Keller's Lady Cathy is still suffering from serious back pain. She is now trying acupuncture. Hope it helps you, Cathy. Colonel Bill Keller decided he should adjust the awning over his patio. Rather than getting a ladder, he decided to stand on a 4-wheel cart! Yep, you guessed it. The cart rolled and Bill fell. He is now sporting an ankle brace. You must realize that Bill is only 91 years old and needs more experience in this sort of thing. Right, Bill?

Please let me know of any sickness so I can pass the information along. Goodbye for now.

Senior Shriners

by **Chuck McLeod**

The Senior Shriners Club of Aladdin Shrine held their meeting on June 27 – the last meeting before going dark in July and August. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 26 and the speaker will be Coach Bill Conley of the Ohio State Buckeyes. This should be a very interesting meeting, so mark your calendar now! The meal will be chicken and noodles.

The June 27 meeting was opened by Noble President Kittrell. The prayer was given by Chaplain Dick Bull, followed by the pledge. After a delicious meal of baked Swiss steak, the speaker was introduced by First Vice President Don Lynne. The speaker, Dr. Matt Jones, an optometrist. gave a lively talk about eyesight, including eyesight and sport vision. He asked if everyone knew his or her dominant eye? It is very useful in golf and shooting. He talked about Ted Williams and how his far sighted helped him see the ball better when batting. He said a 95-mile an hour fastball only takes 3.9 seconds to go from the pitchers mound to the batter. However, when Randy Johnson, a 6' 9" pitcher steps off the mound it is only about 54 feet to the batter and the ball arrives in two seconds. This only gives the batter 1.9 seconds to decide if it is a ball or a strike. He said he gets calls from Ohio State University about sports and science. With practice you can change your reaction time. He said static visual acuity is reading the eye chart at the doctor's office and dynamic visual acuity is used in golf and shooting. He also talked about transition lenses, which change automatically when going from dark to light. They can now be used in plastic lens. Noble Lynne presented Dr. Jones a plaque for presenting the program at the meeting.

The meeting was closed in peace and harmony at 1:45 p.m.

Provost Unit

by ***John Rohal***

The 2007 Memorial Tournament is now history, and some things never seem to change, including nicknames, i.e., Dumb and Dumber, etc.

As in each of the previous years, someone always turns in a Muirfield security jacket which resembles an admissions jacket, but this year there was an added touch. A Provost Unit jacket was turned in with the Muirfield traffic jackets.

By now everyone should know that Jim Cooper drove about 180 miles each day to work all seven days of the tournament.

Michael Gray announced a change of location for our annual picnic. Because of the pending sale of the F.O.P. Lodge, the picnic will be held at the Westerville V.F.W. on Route 3, north of Westerville, on August 4. Steak and chicken will be served and there will be games and prizes for the children and the adults.

Mike also reported on the Wal-Mart Golf Tournament which raised about $12,000.00 for our Cincinnati Hospital; final figures were not available for this report. Congratulations go to the Provost, Past Masters Unit, and Northeast Shrine Club who were our only Shrine sponsors for this event.

Charles Linek reported on the Nationwide Golf Tour to be held at the O.S.U. Golf Courses, July 10-15. The Provost Unit will assist with the ticket taking and will receive $1,100.00 which will be donated to ASHAC.

Director Jon Kinney discussed the summer activities and stressed the importance of our participation: the Parade of the Hills, Baltimore Parade, and the Antique Car Show and Corn Roast.

Dale Cline thanked everyone for their participation at Muirfield and congratulated our older members. He announced that the appreciation dinner would be held at the Shrine Center on Friday, July 13, for those who qualify.

Celebrating birthdays in July are Robert C. Albright, Howard L. Beane, Michael R. Bowers, Donald L. 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, Donald D. Pruden, Jon F. Rhoades, John W. Rohal, Malcom C. Talbot, William R. Thompson. William W. VanGundy, and Arthur L. Wilson. '

Ernest Rodgers is in Friendship Village recovering from quadrupile by-pass surgery on May 30, may be able to go home. His wife, Virginia, is also in Friendship Village and may remain there until Ernie is completely recovered. We wish a speed recovery to both.

Chanters

by ***Brent Wilson***

Summer is nearly two-thirds over, and that is a very disappointing thought because I love summer. My favorite thing: golf, cook-outs, golf, picnics, golf, summer concert (picnic with the Pops), golf...okay. Okay, I like to play, so maybe I should move to the Carolinas where you can play all year long. The only good things about summer ending are Ohio State football and the approaching changing of the leaves when God uses his brush strokes to paint one of the most beautiful natural canvases ever witnessed by man. But, I will still miss the golf.

Speaking of golf, the Chanter golf outing is August 8 at Willow Run Golf Course. This is a really nice outing (see ad in *Lamp*) and for a very reasonable price. The Chanters are not limiting this outing to our unit only, so if you would like to put a foursome together, please contact Bob Larson at 882-2605 and join us for a very fun event.

Some dates to remember: August 8 - Chanters golf outing, Willow Run; August 11 – Baltimore Parade; August 17 – Bucyrus Bratwurst Parade; August 18 – Legion of honor, Aladdin Shrine Center; and September 15 – SCAONA board meeting, Aladdin Shrine Center.

I always enjoy writing this article, but one part is difficult for me; however, I feel it necessary to report on our fellow Chanters and their Ladies who are ailing. I know we're getting older. No matter the age, body parts wear out and break from time to time, but I don't have to like it. As you are probably aware,

Ralph Hughes has been going through some very tough treatments and his lady, Betty, is recovering from sciatica. It is sad, that the first time in 40 years, Ralph was unable to attend the Imperial. Troopers that they are, they were at the Clippers game for Shrine night. By the way, we sang the national anthem, and as always, received a standing ovation. Jack Harris, who has had a horrible infection, has finally returned home and is hopefully out of the woods. Don Filmer is still not able to join us for singing as he is still on oxygen. Frank Ingram has sold his home and moved to an assisted care facility. Bill Kutsbach's Lady Jan is in rehab for knee surgery, a very painful rehab I understand. Howard Porshinsky's lady, Gwen, is still having some immune system concerns, but Howard says she is improving. Finally, Tom Colburn appears fully recovered from his surgery. I hope I haven't missed anyone and please remember all of these people in your thoughts and prayers as well as all of our wounded and ailing service men and women.

Thought for the day: youth is wasted on the young!

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Hocking Hills

by ***Donald R. Farrow***

Well the Nobility made it through Muirfield with very little rain this year; good turn out of members to handle the details as assigned. President Downour thanked Gene Garren and the crew for the great job at Muirfield in "area Usage."

John Hockingberry had the *Tabloid* group out on Friday and Saturday. The jugs did fair this year. A check was cut for $4,200; could have been better if we had more Nobles on the streets both days. Downour also thanked Venus Chapter of OES for the fine breakfast they had for the Nobles.

Since our last writing, our chaplain, The Rev. Robert McManaway, passed away on May 26. Masonic Services were held by Mingo Lodge 171 at Cardaras Funeral Home.

In opening the meeting of June 27, President Downour introduced his officers; 1st vice president, Ron Cottrill; 2nd vice president, Terry Woltz; secretary, Don Farrow; and treasurer, Dwight Scott and all their wives. Past Presidents were Introduced: Don Farrow '90-'91, John Hockingberry '03, Gene Garren '05, and Rod Carr '06.

Dates to remember are Stag Picnic July 21, Cruise-In August 11, and Parade of the Hills.

Club has been discussing other activities that members may be interested in. Your input would be helpful. Let us know of any interests –possibly bus trip to Cincinnati or Lexington Hospitals?

Those on our sick list to think of are Virginia Gano, Ralph Moorehead, and Larry Walker.

Those with birthdays in July are Howard Beane, July 3; Bob Daubenmire, July 9; Tom Davis, July 19, Scott Vemmillion, July 23; George Edwards, and Frank Downhour, July 29. Missed in June were the anniversaries of Terry and Fay DeVassie on the June 21 and Fred and Gertieve Webb on the June 24. Best wish's to these Nobles.

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Patrol Marches on...

by ***G. Vaughn Doss, C.E.***

Oops, sorry about not having an article in the June *Lamp*. The computer died and I'm not sure if I didn't too! Won't let that happen again.

The Patrol had their Ladies Party on June 4 which was also the Potentate's Visitation. Illustrious Sir David Dee Mowry, his Lady Kathy, and several Divan members were in attendance. We were honored to have Chi Weber, P.P., Bill Leeson, P.P. and his Lady Bobbie, and three of the Patrol Sweethearts, Bev Gease, Lois Reed, and Theta DeLong (who was accompanied by her daughter), Sharon Neff. We were very pleased to see Captain Emeritus Jerry Hampson and his Lady Nadine out for the festivities. We are very proud of our Patrol Ladies who have given of their time so that we men may give time to the Shrine. Captain Arlan Thorley presented Illustrious Sir Dee with a gift for Shrinedom and he also accepted a gift for the Butterfly Fund.

We would like to send out our congratulations to Jerry Sutermaster and his Lady Ginny for their 60th wedding anniversary. Also, we congratulate Jack Sproul and his Lady Sandy for their 50th wedding anniversary. Well, forgive me, but I do have to say a special congratulation to Ginny and Sandy for putting up with the guys that many years! Sorry Jerry and Jack. A BIG "happy 89th birthday" goes to Fred Bornstein. Here's to many more!

The Patrol was visited by the Black Camel in June, Patrolman Don Kiser had a long and courageous battle with cancer. Our condolence and prayers goes out to Don's Lady Mary and family. Don was a member of the Patrol for 31 years.

The Memorial Tournament has come and gone and the Patrol golf committee wishes to thank all who volunteered their time. We had 55 volunteers. What can you say except "WOW?" A great job was done by all. There was a late start on Sunday, but the weather held out long enough to finish the tournament without a downpour.

The Imperial Council Session will be over by the time you read this. However, if any Patrolmen attended the Imperial in Anaheim, please share your adventures with us.

Patrolmen, don't forget this is your Patrol article and if you have news you wish to share in the *Lamp*, please call or e-mail me. Until next month, see you on the square.

Hospital Receives $10 Million

Donor to Cincinnati Hospital Remains Anonymous

Imperial Sir Gene Bracewell and local attorney, Patrick Weber show off the plaque honoring the $10 million donation to the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital.

You always like to know who your friends are, but in some cases, it just isn't possible.

In December 2006, a local attorney called then chairman of the board Glenn Huber with amazing news. "He called me and asked for the hospital's federal ID number," recalls Huber, who served on the hospital board for more than 10 years. "A client had recently passed away and the attorney was beginning to process the estate."

Curious, Huber asked how much of a bequest was coming to the hospital. The attorney asked Huber if he was sitting down and then informed him it was a $10 million donation - the largest single donation ever given to the Cincinnati hospital.

"I was flabbergasted," recalls Huber. "It was a great day for our hospital and all the children we help." The anonymous donation was recognized during a ceremony at the hospital on May 23. A plaque honoring the donation has been installed on the hospital's philanthropic wall in the hospital lobby.

Ross County News

by ***Don Jones***

Tabloid Days 2007 was another great success for the Ross County Shrine Club. President Mike Bell personally managed the campaign and got very respectable results. Total receipts were approximately 11% above 2006. His Lady Shawna also put in a lot of time and effort on the project. It's normal to see her on hand when there is work to do. The Club Members shouldn't pat themselves on the back too hard. Mike would have produced an even better result if a few more had stepped up and given a couple of hours of their time. Some of us apparently don't understand the importance of Tabloid Days. It is not only a shot in the arm for Hospital financing, it is the one opportunity we get each year to get out in the public and spread the word about Shriners Hospitals for Children. The occasional feedback I get from a donor makes it all worthwhile. Friday, a young man drove up to the stop sign where I was working. As he was pulling out the money he said, "I was a patient at Lexington when I was a child." I asked "Are you OK now?" He replied "Oh yes, the doctors did surgery and I am fine. As you might guess, that exchange put me on "cloud 9" for the remainder of my shift.

USEC corporation presents the Ross County Shrine Club with a $500 donation for 2007 Tabloid drive.

Our next major event requiring volunteers is the Ross County Fair in early August. We will again be selling ice and operating the melon concession. If you don't get up on the hill for the July meeting, call one of the officers for information on how to get on the schedule. The committee chairmen would much rather not have to twist arms to fill the schedules. The Potentate and Divan will be visiting July 14 and our Stated Meeting is July 26. Make your reservations with Secretary John Malone at 775 0322 or j-malone@horizonview.net. You are guaranteed to have a good time.

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Hilltop News

by ***Ray Pendell***

Tabloid Days on the Hilltop, in Grove City, and Hilliard were successful. It all started with the Steak Fry Picnic with steaks provided by Noble George Buttrick and the rest of the food provided by the past presidents of our club on June 6. Crew captains, Gene Dew, Dick Ham, and George Kosbab organized the "troops" for three Wal-Mart stores in those areas with other Nobles covering various stores and areas. A total of $6,202.50 was collected and turned in along with $6,453.00 from our JUG program. The JUG program is all year and Noble Duane Hivnor and his helpers, Nobles Jim Chilcote and David Ray, have JUGS on merchant counters all over our area. If you see one of these FEZ JUGS, drop in a coin or a bill and thank these merchants for their support. Thanks and a "tip of the FEZ" to all who participated and don't forget the free ticket for the Stag Picnic. Special thanks go to Dick and Paula Mowery and their daughter, Sonia Wolfe, for providing the goodies and Sloppy Joe sandwiches for the weary troops at Mowerys Collision Service.

The Hilltop Shrine Golf Outing is scheduled for July 19 at Mentel Memorial Golf Course. Tee times start at 9 a.m. for this 4-man scramble. Contact Noble Gene Dew at 614.734.9974 for details or check your last monthly news letter. Bring a door prize please.

As this goes to press we learn of the death of Noble Paul Greer. He was a staunch supporter and participant in the Hilltop Shrine Club activities and he will be missed. Our sympathy and support to his family and many friends.

Shiloh News

by ***Tim Gillis***

Hi Nobles, our July meeting is history and we had a good turnout for what was our cold cuts meal and everything was very good. We got the final total on our Tabloid contributions and it looks like we matched last year. Job well done, thanks to Jim Rice, our chairman! All who worked that day will be admitted free at the Stag Picnic which is the July 21. Thanks to all who participated.

Our president, Mike McManis, has set a date for a Noble and family picnic which will be September 6 and we are planning to use the American Legion shelter house, but that is not confirmed as yet. Our next meeting will be August 2 and we will have all the news for the picnic then. Let's don't forget the upcoming election of officers of which Bob Long will be taking the helm and the other officers will be elected. I think we do that at the September meeting but that will be decided by President Mike. Anyway, please try to attend our August meeting so you will know what's going on at Shiloh and also for a fine meal.

Birthdays for July are for Sam Barnhouse, Jim Collins, Gilbert Hartley, Greg Hogue, Hayden Oiler, Charles Remy, and Scott Thompson. Birthdays for June were Charles McCoppin, Joseph Riepenhoff, Bob Rose, Garfield Sager, and our ole buddy, Wilbur Ward. Happy birthday, Nobles.

Hope everyone enjoyed the Fourth. Lets keep praying for our troops and for an end to terrorism.

Till next month, have fun.

The Chaplain

by ***Don Pendell, Chaplain***

Last month I reported on the LOH Shrine gift of $1,000 to the Lima Company's Mid-Ohio Marine Foundation to help erect a monument at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base. The presentation was made by our Potentate David Dee Mowry during a special ceremony preceding the Memorial Day Parade in Worthington – one of the largest in Ohio. On this occasion I read the words to "Taps" which few people know.

Taps

Day is done, gone the sun
from the lake, from the hill, fron the sky.
All is well safely rest. God is nigh.

Thanks and praise for our days
"neath the sun, 'neath the stars, 'neath the sky.
As we go, this we know. God is nigh.

You may wish to clip and save this article and always remember the message of peace each time you hear the bugler play "Taps" at memorial services. Truly, this we know, God is nigh.

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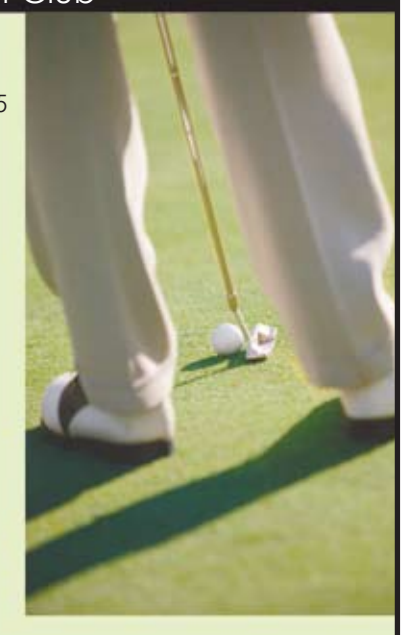

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Tarhe Shrine

by Zale Maxwell & G. Vaughn Doss

The Tarhe Shrine Club held its Annual Brown Bag Dinner & Auction on Friday, June 15; if you missed it, you missed a good one! This year all proceeds from the auction went to the *Tabloid*. Our auctioneer, E.C. Babbert, was in rare form. This year our Illustrious Potentate Dee Mowry had the winning bid on a brown bag and after opening it up, much to his surprise, found, his own Fez! It takes a great auctioneer, along with the help of Clark Buck and Vaughn Doss, to sell the Potentate back his own Fez. And being the good sport he is, he only paid $20 for his Fez. It was great to see Jerry and Nadine Hampson out and about. Scott and Crystal Bradley were also in attendance, along with Jonas. It's always nice to see Jonas having a good time with everyone. Thanks go to all who brought items and participated in the auction, as the Brown Bag Auction raised $784.00 for the *Tabloid*.

A big "thank you" goes to all who worked the streets for the *Tabloid* sale on June 16. Everyone worked hard to attain donations for the *Tabloid*; however, Ray Wetherell made sure he had all the donations he could drum up in the pot. Through the efforts of everyone of the Tarhe Shrine Club, we were able to send a check for $11,100.00 for the *Tabloid* sales to Aladdin Shrine. After the sale was over, Dan Meenach invited all to his house for an "after glow." Thanks, again, to all!

Don't forget our big event on August 4 – The Lancaster 1/2 Mile Motorcycle Race at the Fairfield County Fairgrounds. Gates open at 8 a.m. Race starts at noon. We need help, so make your calendar and plan on volunteering.

Watch for details on the up-coming Baltimore Parade and Afterglow on August 11. Our next meeting will be the Stag Fish Fry at the Baltimore VFW on July 19. Make sure you get your reservation in, as you don't miss this one.

Thea Court #5

Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America

Greetings Ladies! There are a lot of important dates coming up and some changes as well. Mark your calendars!

September 21 - Court Meeting, Aladdin Shrine Cetner
Lunch - 11 a.m. - $6.00 (No Reservations Needed.)
Meeting 1:00 p.m.

September 27-29 - Great Lakes Unit Meet
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Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

The Flying Nobles flew 6 planes to Portsmouth to hold our June meeting. After a good breakfast at the Airport Restaurant, we moved to a nice conference room and Commander Marty Mills conducted our meeting. We have flown to Portsmouth in past years to meet and have breakfast but this was the first in many years and we enjoyed the short trip. Our thanks go to Bob Beymer and George Bell for making the arrangements for us. The restaurant even baked a Flying Noble cake for us courtesy of George and Bob's request.

We had 11 in attendance including 2 Shriner guests. Garol Rogers, a long time Flying Noble brought a friend in his Cherokee 180. Garol has flown to the last 2 meetings and it is good to see him join us. Give the members what they want and they will show up. Red Skelton said that a long time ago pertaining to another subject and I always remembered him saying it. I mention Red in this article because he was a Shriner. Years ago I was invited by a clown friend to join their unit and see Red perform at the Palace Theater. Red was a good man who never had anything in his act to embarrass anyone. A good Shriner who is missed!

Our newest member, Del Kopp, didn't want to be a member of the Flying Nobles without owning a plane. So he bought one. Del describes it as a souped up Cherokee 140. Del is going through the process of getting checked out and building some time to feel comfortable in the plane. I knew Del would be an asset to our club. Del and I started out on Tabloid Day and he stayed on to take another shift because we needed more help. Marty thanks all the guys who came out on Tabloid Day to help. Marty was alone at the end of the day so Lacy Toothman returned to help him so he had company.

Marty organized our *Tabloid* distribution for the Flying Nobles because we didn't have our own location and we helped other clubs until recently. Marty also delivers blood for the Red Cross and drives to several cities in the state when he is called upon. We thank Marty for all his good work as a Shriner.

September 8 is our planned trip to the Air Force Museum at Dayton. If you want to go, send your check to Marty Mills. It is very reasonable and you can't beat the price. David Ray has sent a NOTAM to the members so don't get left out. Family members are welcome. Also, there is the Gathering of Mustangs and Legends at Rickenbacker on September 27 - 30. I already got my ticket.

Aladdin's Stag picnic is July 21 at the Shrine Center. If we have any sick members we hope you get well and enjoy the summer. If you are well, then stay well. See you next month.

Marching with The Legion

by Dick Luckay

PICNIC REPORT – It was a beautiful day and the Whitehall VFW was an excellent host for the annual Legion of Honor picnic last month. Thirty Legionobles and Ladies attended as did Potentate Mowry and Bill and Carol Estell from the Divan. The food was delicious and plentiful and the libation tap was fully utilized. Commander Spencer kept things rolling on a preplanned timetable that insured everyone had something to do throughout the afternoon. Bingo was a mainstay with ice cream eating and water balloon tossing adding to the festivities. It should be noted that during the balloon toss, P.C. "Butterfingers" Bob Faber made it abundantly clear why neurosurgery was not his chosen profession. It was a time of good food, good fun and good fellowship. There was enough food that everyone could take some home and enjoy the picnic again – a day or so later. Thanks, Commander Spencer and Betty Jo, for a very special afternoon.

HOW ABOUT THAT! – Legionoble Don McCoy has been a golfer for many-a-year (actual years is classified information). But, on June 18 at Mill Creek Golf Course, on the 110-yard third hole, using an 8 iron, he watched his shot disappear into the cup for the second hole-in-one in his golfing career. His first "ace" was August 24, 1988 on the 145-yard 16th hole at York Country Club. He has the golf balls, scorecards and official "hole-in-one" certificates from golf authorities to document his accomplishments. Let's face it, two holes-in-one is a significant achievement and Don is to be congratulated for his skill and perseverance in attaining that lofty goal. Of course, now he is planning to really distance himself from the rest of the crowd as he goes in search of a "three-Pete". Go for it Don – and good luck!

NOW WE ALL KNOW (WE THINK)! – For quite a while there has been discussion in the Legion ranks as to the proper order the military service flags should be displayed during a parade or indoor ceremony. The Senior Service flag should be on the right with the others --arranged by seniority—to its left. That is where the problem arises. There is no question the Senior Service is the United States Army -- it was formed by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1775. The Continental Navy was authorized on October 13, 1775. The Marine Corps was established on November 10, 1775. The Coast Guard came into being in 1790 (as the Revenue Marine Service) and the Air Force was authorized as an independent Service by President Truman in 1947. That should make it easy enough for anyone to line up the flags. But, to quote Paul Harvey, "This is the rest of the story". After the Revolutionary War, the Continental Navy was deemed "unnecessary" and it was abolished by Congress -- with its last ship being sold in 1785. For over 13years the United States had no Navy! But, in 1798 Congress realized there was indeed a need for a naval force and The Department of the Navy was duly established. For nearly 175 years, 1798 was considered the year the Navy was founded. This made it the youngest of the (then) four military services – junior to both the Marine Corps and the Coast Guard. But, in 1972, Admiral Elmo Zumwalt, Chief of Naval Operations, (apparently tired of playing fourth fiddle) declared that the 1798 date was invalid and the Navy would henceforth recognize October 13th, 1775 as its official birthday – making it the 2nd oldest Service ahead of the Marines and Coast Guard.

So there you have it.— and our problem remains unresolved. Do we display the Service Flags based on continuous service (Army, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Navy, Air Force) or interrupted service (Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Air Force)? Guess you'll have to attend a parade or ceremony and we'll all find out.

Gallipolis Shrine

by ***Frank Petrie, Jr.***

Things have been hopping at the Gallipolis Shrine Club. Starting May 18, we had a spaghetti dinner to kick off our *Tabloid* collections for this year. Thanks go to all of the hard work of Tabloid Chairman Noble Guy Guinther and the many volunteers who worked to help our kids; it was a huge success. On May 19, the Hillbiilys held their Spring Ceremonial. Welcome to all the new Hillbillys and Hillymays.

Also, on May 19, my lovely Lady Carolyn and I attended the Potentates Ball at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Joining us at our table were Noble Charles Jones and his lovely Lady, Mary, and Noble John Nibert and his lovely daughter, Mickey. We certainly enjoyed a fine evening of dining and dancing. It was nice to see and chat with many of our old friends.

Starting the Memorial Day weekend, May 26, we had a nice turn out of Nobles at the Centerville Bean Dinner Parade. And, on May 28, we had a smaller turn out of Nobles for the Gallipolis Memorial Day Parade. Thanks go to all the Nobles who came out. Everyone is welcome to join in our parades.

Our *Tabloid* collections were conducted on June 1 - 2 at various places throughout our membership area. We sincerely wish to thank each and every Noble who gave of their valuable time to collect money for our kids. Hopefully, next month's *Lamp* will have amounts collected. We always hear some great stories each year and Noble Dan Henderson told this one this year. While we were collecting in the Gallipolis area, a little boy came by on his bicycle. He watched as people put money into our collection bucket. Finally, he asked us what we were doing with that money. Noble Dan explained about how the money goes to help our kids. The little boy left but returned in a few minutes with one of his prized comic books. "I don't have any money," he said "but I want to give my comic book." He deposited it into our collection bucket. Thanks, little fellow, wherever you are.

On June 16 we held our annual fishing derby. It was a great pleasure it was to see the smiles on the faces of all those 136 little anglers. They caught a lot of fish this year! A tremendous "thanks" goes out to Noble Bob Donnett, his family, and the legion of Shriners who came out to help make the day such a huge success. We had an estimated crowd of 350 people. Refreshments were served to all and, of course, each little fisher person got a very nice rod and reel to take home. We hope we are making great memories for these future Shriners.

On June 7, Past Potentate Noble Gary Parks paid a visit to our humble oasis. Noble Gary shared some words of wisdom with us and he was saluted with a standing ovation. Thanks for stopping by Noble. You are always welcome.

We wish to welcome the following new members into our club. They are Nobles Phil Baird, Larry Betz, William Eblin, Harold Erlewine, Jr, Anthony Haner James Harris, Wesley Houck, James Noe, Garrett Rife, Gabriel Saunders, Keith Spurlock, Charles Williams, and Robert Woodward. May each of you find peace and contentment at our oasis; may you have 10,000 children and may you always ride a fast camel.

Don't forget to volunteer to help on the Gallia County Junior Fair gates this year.

Remember, Nobles and Ladies, don't be afraid to try new things, even if everyone says "we've never done it that way before." See you for supper on Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.

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by ***Dick Brixner***

First of all, I hope that our members read the June edition of The Aladdin *Lamp* and saw the great pictures of our club officers and the Divan, both with the article and on page 15. Thanks go to the Potentate and editor for the coverage.

Our Tabloid Day was Saturday, June 9. Thanks to the 24 Nobles who "hit the street" to raise money for our hospitals, and to the seven Nobles who helped with the counting of the money. "OUR" efforts raised nearly $5,000.00.

It is disappointing to realize that our membership is at 160 plus and we only had 31 Nobles giving up three to four hours to raise the money. Just think of the money we could raise if we had another 40 Nobles. You can do the math. Remember *Tabloid* next year, and come out and help.

It is not too late to send in a check to help "our" hospitals! A special thank you to John Lanning, his restaurant, and staff, for feeding us prior to hitting the street for *Tabloid*.

In our *Daily Jeffersonian* newspaper on June 3, there was a great article on Michele Lewis, a burn victim who was helped by our Shriners' Hospital in Cincinnati. She had burns on over 70% of her body. She was sent to Columbus and then to our hospital in Cincy, where she stayed for nearly three months. She is very appreciative to Shriners for her recovery and to have a future. She has graduated from high school and is planning for her future.

On June 11, in the *Daily Jeffersonian,* there was another article from a "Shriner Kid," Stephanie Fluhart, who was helped by our Erie Shriners' Hospital. She stated her thankfulness for Shriners and made a great statement; "I would like to remind everyone to help those in need, help your favorite charity, or even a Shriner. Your contributions will help someone in need."

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