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Membership Statistics

| Membership as of 2/2 | 8/2013 | 5680 |
|------------------------|----------|------------|
| Net loss/gain YTD | | -24 |
| Net loss/gain Monthly | | -16 |
| | Current | Yr to Date |
| Creations | 2 | 2 |
| Affiliations | 0 | 1 |
| Restored | 3 | 12 |
| Associate Members | 0 | 1 |
| TOTAL MONTHLY ADD | 5 | 16 |
| TOTAL YEARLY with ADDS | | 5720 |
| Demits | 0 | 0 |
| Suspensions | 0 | 1 |
| Deaths | 21 | 39 |
| Associates Dropped | 0 | 0 |
| Reversals | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL MONTHLY DROP | 21 | 40 |
| Membership 01/01/201 | 3 | 5656 |
| Associate Membership | 01/01/13 | 48 |
| Total Membership 01-0 | 01-2013 | 5704 |
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New Time for Stated Meeting

by William R. Amspaugh, Jr., Potentate

February has come and gone, but not without the Nobles of Aladdin having fun. The Florida Reunion was a great success with eighty-three Nobles and their Ladies in attendance. Three great visitations with Worthington Shrine Club, LOH and Athens Shrine Club were held in February. We had a great time.

I hope everyone enjoyed the changes at the Stated Meeting in February. I heard many positive comments about the entertainment and the food. We will try to keep it up. There was a request voiced at the February Stated Meeting to change the time we start the meeting. After several conversations, I have made a decision – the meal will start at 5:30 p.m. and the Stated Meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. This is accommodating everyone and especially those Nobles who work till 5:30 and those who are out of town.

The March Stated Meeting will feature a slide presentation during the meal. The slides are from a Ceremonial held in Washington Court House in the mid 1970s. These will bring back many memories and shine light on those of us who were not Shriners in the mid 1970s. Please come and enjoy some history, dinner and fellowship. Remember, we are voting on the ballroom lighting this month.



I recently received a letter from Warren Hopkins, Chairman of the Board of Governors Shriners Hospital for Children – Lexington. He has asked that I publish in our Lamp three misconceptions and their clarifications that were raised at the Board meeting.

Misconception: Many Nobles do not understand why the hospital needs money as they are under the impression that the hospital can function off the endowment.

Truth: For about the past eight to nine years, the endowment has been shrinking because all 22 hospitals pull money out faster than it can be replaced. This is because of rising costs in healthcare and the general state of the economy.

Misconception: Many Nobles think we have fewer patients than in the past.

Truth: Shriners Hospital-Lexington currently has nearly 11,000 active patients. Whereas care in the past was primarily done through an inpatient stay at our hospital, it has shifted drastically to a more outpatient focused care. We are still doing just as many surgeries, but the length of stay has diminished to as little as one day.

Misconception: There is also a misconception in our community, and perhaps in the Temples as well, that the Lexington Hospital is closing and becoming a part of UK.

Truth: We will remain open and more than likely be serving more patients in the future once our new Ambulatory Surgery Center is open. Shriners Hospital will be located on the UK's hospital campus, but will function independently.

Don't forget to keep working on your "One-on-One Replacement." Take advantage of all the opportunities we have provided with ceremonials on April 20 - Gallipolis, May 11 - Aladdin, June 8 - Cambridge, McConnelsville and Belpre. The cost is \$80. This is the lowest it has been in a very long time. Your goal should be no less than a "One on One Replacement.

To quote a song, "ain't too much sadder than the tears of a clown when there's no one around." The Aladdin Shrine Circus is coming to town March 21-24. Please attend and sell tickets. Please help prevent this clown from being the clown in the song. Let's fill the stands and make all the clowns happy. It is a perfect time to bring out your inner child and remember "Miles of Smiles for Every Child."

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For the past several years, the Potentate's Lady has sponsored a fundraising project to benefit the children in our hospitals. This year I am raising funds for the Brachial Plexus Injury Program at the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital.

The brachial plexus is a group of nerves responsible for sensation and motor control of the shoulder, arm, and hand. Injury to these nerves can occur as a result of trauma during birth or an accident. The Brachial Plexus Injury Program is a new directed donation program at the Cincinnati Hospital. The children in this program need braces as part of their treatment. They don't have a fund set in place for that yet and want to build one to make the program solid.

For a donation of \$20.00, you will receive a sparkling bead bracelet and a lighthouse lapel pin. Your generous contribution will go a long way to help support this worthy project.





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Regular meetings of the Aladdin Shriners are held the third Monday of each month except June, July and August at 6:00 PM, Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer

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2013 Tabloid

by Thomas W. Rice, Aladdin Shrine Tabloid Chair

"We must re-examine our opportunity to support Shriners Hospitals for Children."

Tabloid this year will be held on June 15, 2013. Training Day will be held on April 13, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. Tabloids can be picked up after lunch. "No man ever steps in the same river twice." -Heraclitus, c.535BCE-475BCE

Almost 90 years ago, our brother Shriners determined our organization needed a cause, a purpose. Something that Shriners could be known for, something that would set a course, a mission, a strategic direction, a core value. Something that would say: "Who we are, what we do, and who we do it for," something other than a group of men dedicated to just having fun, fellowship and association. Something that would set us apart from others.

With great vision and foresight our brothers established one of the greatest philanthropies in the world--Shriners Hospitals for Children! As a Noble of Aladdin, you are such a vitally important part of this storied tradition that has served thousands of children in need, regardless of their ability to pay for services provided by our hospitals.

Tabloid Day is truly the greatest day of the year in Aladdin Shrine. This is the most concentrated effort that our Shrine has, where 100% of the net proceeds go to the operations of the world's greatest philanthropy, our Shriners Hospitals.

Every Noble in Aladdin Land should view Tabloid Day, not as an obligation, but as an opportunity to take part in a great philanthropy. The very successful story behind Tabloid is the result of many Nobles who continually give of their time, talent and resources to make this program the huge success that it has become. For many years, many of us were of the belief that just one day-Tabloid Day-would meet our financial needs.

With a declining membership and never-ending increases in healthcare costs, we have found that just one Tabloid Day per year does not allow us to meet the challenge of properly funding the needs of our hospitals. Many Shrine clubs and units work the entire year to maximize their club or unit contributions.

Last year, our Potentate Michael Tyne established two Tabloid awards for Aladdin. The Total Contribution Award was won by the Union County Shrine Club. Union County contributed \$30,900.00 to Shriners Hospitals for Children! The Per Capita Award established was won by the Utica Shrine Club. With just 11 members, the Utica Shrine Club contributed \$8,198.67. On a per capita basis, each member of that club contributed over \$745.00! To say the least, this was an outstanding effort by every member of the Utica Shrine Club to support the life changing results that happen every day by the child centered care of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The Utica Shrine Club's efforts this past year, and for many years, serve as an example to all of us regarding how important it is to make a commitment and of how important each Aladdin Noble is in carrying on the philanthropy our brothers established so many years ago.

Each of us must answer this question: "As Nobles of Aladdin Shrine, what value do we hold in our hearts and minds for our philanthropy-Shriners Hospitals for Children?" Is that value worth \$.50 per day, a \$1.00 per day, \$2.00 a day? Well, as we can see for every member of the Utica Shrine Club, their contribution was over \$2.00 per day!

So, what is our philanthropy worth to you as a Noble of Aladdin?

This year our Potentate created a Tabloid incentive award program called the "Aladdin Tabloid \$1.00/Day Club." To become a member, just clip the copy of the pledge card contained in this month's Lamp and mail your pledge card and check made out to Tabloid for \$365.00 to: Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio 43219--marked Attention: TABLOID \$1.00/day CLUB. Please designate a specific club or unit on your check so your club or unit will be credited with your contribution. Once your club card and check are received, we will send you an Aladdin Shrine Tabloid \$1.00/day Fez lapel pin to proudly wear throughout 2013.

In today's economy, \$365.00 is a significant amount of money. However, if we look at the year, day by day, we all usually have about a dollar's worth of change in our pockets at the end of every day. Let's take that extra change and make it count! Make those quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies we have at the end of each day a \$365.00 contribution to the greatest philanthropy in the world-Shriners Hospitals for Children!

Will you join me in becoming an Aladdin \$1.00/Day Club member? Be the first in your club or unit to wear the \$1.00/day pin on your lapel. Make a "path" for others to follow in publicly demonstrating your year-long support for our hospitals.

Thank you for your continued support of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and thank you so much for your 2013 pledge of \$1.00/day! Are our hospitals worth just one dollar per day to each Noble in Aladdin?

We must step forward and make a difference in the lives of the children who need us and are counting on us.

| Aladdin Shriners \$1.00/Day Pledge Card |
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| , (print name) pledge to support Shriners Hospitals 2013 Tabloid @ \$1.00/Day. It I can designate my pledge of \$365.00 to the club or unit of my choice by writing the name of my club or unit on o understand that my pledge is in addition to any funds that I may help to collect on any Tabloid Day approved ate. |
| SIGNED BY NOBLE: |
| DATE: |

Masonic Night with The Shrine

Monday, April 22

6:45 p.m.

Aladdin Shrine Center 3850 Stelzer Road



Aladdin's Past Masters Unit will confer the Master Mason Degree

Current Blue Lodge Dues Cards Must Be Presented Aprons Will Be Provided

Host: University Lodge #631

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A Membership Memo

by Calvin Smith, PP

2013 Aladdin One-Day Membership Plans **Ceremonials**

| DATE | CITY | TIME | SITE | FEE |
|----------|------------------------|----------|--------------------|------|
| April 20 | Gallipolis | 5:00 PM | Shrine Club Bldg. | \$80 |
| May 11 | Columbus | 4:30 PM | Aladdin Shriners | \$80 |
| June 8 | Cambridge | 10:00 AM | Guernsey Lodge | \$80 |
| | McConnellsville | 1:00 PM | Valley Lodge | \$80 |
| | Belpre | 4:00 PM | Belpre Shrine Club | \$80 |

Candidates should plan to arrive at least 15 minutes before the listed starting time above: April, May and June only.

Fezzes may be purchased at the time of the ceremonial or at a later date. The cost is \$70.00 for a gold embroidery fez and \$137.00 for Fully Jeweled fez.

Restorations: Currently, inactive members may be restored through September for a fee of \$50. Beginning October, the fee will be \$94 but will include the Noble's 2014 dues of \$74.

Petitions are available online at aladdinshriners.org or by calling Aladdin at 1-800-475-3850 or 614-475-2609 ext. 103.

Remember: If you intend to bring a new Mason into a one-day class, your Lodge secretary is your best friend. Your Lodge must investigate, vote and transmit his eligibility to the Grand Lodge by March 1 for Gallipolis and by April 1 for all May 11 classes: Cambridge, Steubenville and Aladdin. You may call me at 614-580-1220 if you need help. Leave a message and I will return your call. GO FOR IT; MASONRY NEEDS OUR HELP!



Parade Marshall



2013 ALADDIN PARADES

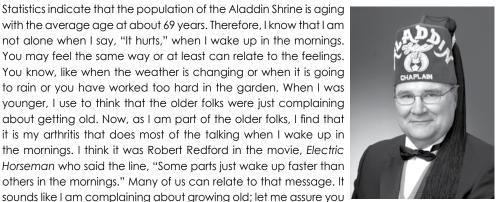
Aladdin Official Parades - The Potentate and the majority of the Divan will attend. All units and clubs should attend.

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| OFFICIAL Pike County Dogwood Parade Worthington Memorial Day Imperial Parade Baltimore Parade Marysville Balloon Festival Bucyrus Parade Great Lakes Shrine Association Jackson Apple Fesival Circleville Pumpkin Parade Athens Veterans Day Parade Lancaster Christmas Parade | DATE 4/28 5/27 7/1 8/10 8/14 8/16 9/14 9/21 10/18 11/11 11/23 | 2:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. | 3:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:45 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. |
| Optional Utica Ice Cream Festival Grandview Hts. Parade Masonic Home Day Nelsonville Parade Marietta Labor Day Parade Marion Popcorn Grove City Parade Gallipolis Veterans Day Washington CH Christmas | 5/25 5/25 6/9 8/17 8/31 9/5 9/14 11/11 11/30 | 10:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. |

Chaplain's Chat

Statistics indicate that the population of the Aladdin Shrine is aging with the average age at about 69 years. Therefore, I know that I am not alone when I say, "It hurts," when I wake up in the mornings. You may feel the same way or at least can relate to the feelings. You know, like when the weather is changing or when it is going to rain or you have worked too hard in the garden. When I was younger, I use to think that the older folks were just complaining about getting old. Now, as I am part of the older folks, I find that it is my arthritis that does most of the talking when I wake up in the mornings. I think it was Robert Redford in the movie, *Electric*



by Chaplain Zale Maxwell

that is not the case. Rather, I am enjoying life today more, as I approach retirement, because I can appreciate and value every day.

Author George Matheson writes about the rose flower by comparing it to the blessings in our lives and the beauty that it shows to the world. We tend to thank God every day for the blessings in our lives and forget that it is the pain in our lives that brings us closer to that all knowing, all seeing, Great Architect of the Universe. George points out that even the rose has thorns and they make us value the beauty of the flower, even more. It is the aches and pains in life that should remind us that there is a better life to come. Whether it is heartbreak or joint pain, we should give thanks for those as our reminders that He is with us. We are not expected to carry those burdens of life alone for He is with us, beside us, to carry us through if we will just ask and let him in to our lives in those moments of pain and sorrow. Let me close with a quote from George Matheson, "My God, I have never thanked You for my thorns. I have thanked You a thousand times for my roses, but never once for my thorns. Teach me the glory of the life I bear; teach me the value of my thorns. Show me that I have climbed closer to you along the path of pain. Show me that, through my tears, the colors of Your rainbow look much more brilliant."

Praise God for your roses; thank Him for your thorns!

My bones are pierced in me in the night season: and my sinews take no rest. By the great force of my disease is my garment changed: it bindeth me about the collar of my coat.

Job 30: 17-18 (King James)

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passing away... Revelations 21:4 (King James)



In Memorium

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Florida Reunion

by Ron Martino

Cecil and Judy Knapp hosted another fine dinner and program. Eighty-one Nobles and ladies attended the 20th annual reunion on February 9 at the Araba Shrine Center in Ft. Myers, Florida.

The camel's milk and conversation started flowing at 4:00 p.m. We enjoyed a fine beef or chicken dinner with all the trimmings which was followed by "chocolate cake to die for."

After dinner we heard from the 2013 Aladdin Potentate William (Bill) Amspaugh, Jr. and First Lady Kathy about

their plans for the upcoming year. Traveling with them from Columbus was Chief Rabban Garol Rogers and Lady

Dixie. For some reason they sat on the tarmac at Port Columbus and then flew to Cleveland before coming on to southwest Florida. Sad part is they flew back home on Sunday.

By far, the largest group from Aladdin Shrine was the Hilltop Shrine Club, led by Noble Ray Pendell. They had 13 members present.

There were four past Potentates present along with their lovely ladies.

The Brutal Brothers had three members present,

Ralph and Barb Braun, Ron Martino and Lady Bev, and our lifetime honorary member Cecil and Judy Knapp.

Next year's reunion will be held February 8, 2014.

The Noble who started all this was present–John Rankin and Lady Marilyn. He is still enjoying the sunshine of southwest Florida.

Araba Potentate Troy Cail and Lady Katie gave the greeting from his Temple to ours.



Masonic Night at The Shrine

by Dick Bull

III. Potentate William R. Amspaugh, Jr. has set Monday, April 22 for the 21st annual "Masonic Night at the Shrine." It will be held at 6:45 p.m. in the auditorium at Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer Road in Columbus.

All Master Masons in good standing are cordially invited to attend and enjoy an evening of fellowship while witnessing the Master Mason Degree being performed on a candidate from University Lodge #631, home lodge of the Potentate. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m.

The work will be exemplified by the Past Masters Unit under the direction of Dick Bull, Phil Clouse and Neil Elam. The Reception, Registrars, Legion of Honor and Audio Units will be assisting. For the first time, the Pipes and Drums Unit will be involved and we look forward to their participation. Refreshments will be served following the closing of Lodge at approximately 9:35 p.m.

Most worshipful Bro. James Easterling, Jr., Grand Master of Masons in Ohio, is planning to be present along with several other Grand Lodge officers and Past Grand Masters. This should be a fun evening for all. The only requirement for admission is a current (2013) Lodge dues card. You may bring your own apron if you wish, but aprons will be available at the registration desk. We hope you will attend and bring a brother with you.



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Bucyrus

by Gene Diller

Bucyrus Shrine Club invited their ladies and widows to a great, fun dinner party. Noble Tim Miller opened the meeting with prayer. President Noble Dean White led the pledge. Gus's Grill & Grog in Bucyrus catered the meal of chicken, cheese potatoes, green beans, salad, chocolate fudge cake and cream of cheese pie.

The Bucyrus Shrine Club and guests played Crazy bingo. Noble Tim Miller called the bingo numbers. Everybody brought a wrapped white elephant gift for prizes. All had a great fun time! The next regular meeting will be March 25, 2013.

Medical Unit

by David E. Mowry

Greetings, all! The medical unit held its January meeting at La Scala in Dublin. Thank you goes to all the nobles, ladies and guests who were in attendance. We would also like to extend a special welcome to Illustrious Sir Dick Yardley and his lady, Carolyn, who were made honorary members at this meeting.

Our March meeting was held at the Buckeye Hall of Fame Grill. Due to the deadline, I haven't actually attended this meeting, but I'm sure it was excellent as usual.

The main orders of business discussed at these meetings were the circus and Muirfield. We had a lot of volunteers sign up, but we are still looking for a few more. If you can help out, please let Rodney Hemming know as soon as possible. If, by the time you read this, the circus is over, the medical unit is looking for volunteers to work the 2013 circus. Please let Rodney Hemming know as soon as possible.

Medical Thought For the Month: A man went into a doctor's office and informed the physician, "Doctor, I feel like a pair of open curtains! Please help me!"

The doctor responded, "Pull yourself together man!" See you all next month!

Lexington Hospital

by Jim Hackett

In this report I will continue the conditions we treat at the Shriners Hospitals. The condition this month is Legg-Calvé-Perthes.

Legg-Calvé-Perthes disease is a childhood condition where the ball-shaped head (femoral head) of the thighbone loses its blood supply, causing the femoral head to collapse. This disease causes the hip joint to become stiff and painful.

TREATMENT OPTIONS:

Anti-inflammatory Medications - Medicines containing ibuprofen can help relieve pain associated with disease and help reduce swelling.

Physical Therapy - Range-of-motion exercises can help with the mobility of the child's joints and may be part of a home physical therapy treatment.

Bracing, Casting, Traction - In some cases the child's doctor may recommend temporary immobilization of the bone as part of their treatment. This can be done through braces, casts and traction, where a pulling force is applied to the bone.

Surgery - If the groin muscle has shortened as a result of limping, it may have to be surgically removed from the bone. The child may be in a cast up to eight weeks after surgery to allow the muscle to arow to a normal lenath. In other cases, surgery is needed to replace the hip ball within the socket or reposition the hip socket.

In other news, we are getting closer to building the new hospital at the University of Kentucky. Thanks go to all of you for your support of this great charity.

Cincinnati Hospital

by Bob Lazenby

Ongoing meetings with Cincinnati Children's Hospital about leasing space at the Shrine hospital is, and I quote Chairman Hardisty, "We have come a long way but we still have a long way to go,"

Construction on the additional parent housing units is well under way. Everyone is looking forward to their completion. I thought I would take this opportunity to remind everyone there is more than just burns being taken care of at Cincinnati Childrens Hospital.

Conditions treated at the Cincinnati Hospital: Burn Care:

Burn injuries

Inhalation injuries

Burn reconstruction & rehabilitation

Plastics & Reconstructive Conditions:

Congenital ear deformities Congenital hairy nevus

Cleft lip and palate Brachial plexus injuries

Congenital hand malformation

Gvnecomastia Congenital breast deformities

Hidradenitis

Post trauma deformities

Complex Wound & Skin Conditions:

Purpura Fulminans Necrotizina Fasciits Stevens-Johnson Syndrome Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis Port wine stains

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Northeast

by Calvin Smith, PP

Our February meeting was over the top. The social proved to be just that, 60 minutes of conversation, laughter and super fellowship. President Jim Bodi called the meeting to order with our opening and then led us to a truly scrumptious buffet dinner. He disposed of the business session in good order.

President Bodi had a dance floor installed and had recorded Valentine love songs for our dancing and listening pleasure. With help from our friends in the Audio Unit, a very nice time was had by all; it could not have been better. When George Stowe and his Lady Peggy took the floor we all knew the evening was a success. As a topper, the ladies received gifts and pictures were taken of each couple with a large ice sculpture as a backdrop.

I went home tired, happy and looking forward to our next meeting. Look for Frank's e-mail notice and respond. You'll love it.

One last word: if you are reading this message and you are not a member of the Northeast Shrine Club, call an officer and ask about our next meeting: Jim Bodi at 614-818-2677, John lben at 614-527-0435, Frank Habeker at 614-975-0433, Terry McLaughlin at 614-890-7804

Athens

by Fred Stanley

The February thaw was here, rain one day and snow the next! The wild goose that got stuck on my pond earlier in the month has thawed out and gone on to a warmer climate.

My wife and I made bean soup and cornbread for the last directors meeting. It was warm that evening and the Nobles didn't need to turn on their electric blankets that night! Their wives thought they had gas fired blankets!

Our annual Potentate's visit was February 28 combined with our Installation of officers. The Divan and their ladies enjoyed a great dinner of pork, baked potatoes, green beans, slaw, rolls and pie. It was a packed house with entertainment from a local disk jockey and a lady singing the national anthem along with some Patsy Cline hits who made you want to cry in your "Diet Pepsi!" Elvis showed up in his appropriate attire singing "I'm All Shook Up.'

Potentate Amspaugh gave suggestions how we can work to recruit new Shrine members. Aladdin is scheduled to be in more parades this year to make themselves known. I think the Athens Club should also participate in more parades to make the public aware of what Shriners are all about. Potentate

Amspaugh also commented on how the Shrine Hospitals are changing with the times.

Charlie Adkins, our new president, did a marvelous job putting everything together for a very enjoyable evening with the help of his wife Vicky making the cole slaw and cake.

It was really great to see so many Nobles doing different tasks to help out and even some of their wives washing dishes! Larry Hines looked like an Eskimo the way he was all bundled up to be outside in the rain and snow, cooking the meat on the grill!

Charlie had a great idea to ask all the Nobles to dress up and wear their FEZ. It was very impressive. Four widows of our nNobles who had been called by the Black Camel were also in attendance.

Last, but not least, David E. Wolfe, Assistant Rabban, got to meet his long, lost mother, Agnes Wolfe!

Thanks go all the Nobles working together to make a great meeting!









Join First Lady Kathy Amspaugh for a fun-filled day trip to

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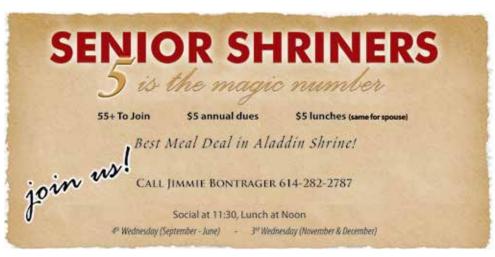




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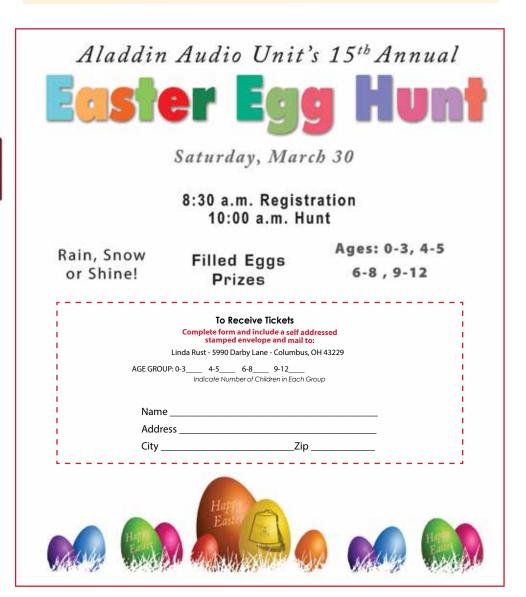
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Chanters

by Deron Ponn

We begin a new year with a new slate of officers. The officers for 2013 are Director John Iben, Assistant Director Ralph Hughes, President John Ash, Vice President Bill Wirsching, Secretary Arnold Fuller, Treasurer Don Diurba, and Librarian Andy Kalan. They are an outstanding group of men and I'm looking forward to some areat things happening this year.

I would like to publicly thank Jack Leeson for providing the entertainment at our Christmas dinner. Jack performed a one-man performance of the Charles Dickens classic, A *Christmas Carol*. Jack recited the story from memory and brought Ebenezer Scrooge, Bob Cratchit, and all the other characters to life. It was a great way to put us all in the Christmas spirit. Thank you, Jack.

We are still meeting on Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. If you are Jack Leeson as Ebenezer Scrooge interested in joining our group full-time or even on a temporary basis, feel free to stop by and join us. So far, this is what we have scheduled:

March 22 - Singing National Anthem at Circus

April 1 - Singing at the Masonic Home in Springfield

April 22 - Singing for Masonic Day

April 26 - Spaghetti Dinner

April 29 - Singing at Dublin Retirement Center

July 2 - Competition at Imperial in Indianapolis

November 18 - Singing at Dublin Retirement Center

The Spaghetti Dinner is our biggest money maker of the year. Start spreading the word now so we can have a great turnout.



NEW LEADERSHIP: Left to Right, David "Dee" Mowry is swearing in the 2013 officers John Iben, Ralph Hughes, John Ash, Bill Wirsching, Don Diurba, and Andy Kalan.

you don't want to commit to singing with us all year, you should consider joining us for practices in May and June as we prepare. Last, but most

Since the

Imperial is a mere

3-hour drive away,

we are hoping

that a larger group

can participate in

the competition

with us. Even if

important, I would

like to thank all of you for helping me throughout my term as Chanter president. Each and every Chanter helped make the year a success. A special "thank you" goes out to John Iben, Ralph Hughes, Brent Wilson, and Danny Clifford for giving lots of advice and encouragement throughout the year. Ralph was a big help in keeping me in line and making sure I was "going by the book." Most of all, I would like to thank Arnie Fuller. Arnie was the glue that held it all together.

Hardin County

by Ken Rossman

Our regular meeting was held on February 20 at Memorial Park Clubhouse with 32 Nobles present. Noble Rossman opened the evening with a prayer. President Mankey led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. He reminded us of the "All The Way in One Day" set for May 11 and noted it would be a good time to get someone into the Shrine at a good price.

Tabloid Day is now set at June 15. If we can change this to another day, Morris Johnson will chair our Tabloid day for our club. President Mankey will check on this.

Noble Don Doll noted we will again sell our onions. All orders should be in ahead of time to Don. Questions were asked about the pictures for Aladdin's yearbook. President Mankey will find out if they will be taking pictures at Kenton Blue Lodge.

There was a moment of silence in honor of Noble John Bradshaw who died a few weeks ago. We gave a big hand to our kitchen crew for another good meal. The crew included Nobles Osborn, Gilbert, Wagner, Heydinger, Garmon, Rice, Morris, Hinebaugh and Rob Wilson. Well done, Nobles. Thank you.

Noble Larry Weaver closed our meeting with a prayer. We then dined on our good meal, prepared and served by our kitchen crew.

We wish a happy birthday to Noble Everett Bushong who is 90; we wish him the best. Our next meeting will be March 20.

Brutal Brothers

by George Bell

Snowbird Cecil Knapp reports that 80+ Nobles and their ladies enjoyed the sun and sunset of the Gulf Bay. Maybe our Aladdin stated meetings should move south to improve attendance.

York Masonic Country Club is the site for our annual Chief's Party. Join the Spring Fling on March 16 as Chief Aaron Langhirt and his lady Mandy are host and hostess to our members and their ladies for the evening.

Illustrious Potentate William R. Amspaugh, Jr. has chosen to help find more work for the Brutal Brothers Unit, making it FUN to represent Aladdin

Shrine in the parades. Help wash and wax.

Unit Director Robert Beymer shared detailed updates about Muirfield, The President's Cup and he thanked Duane Hays for editing the Brutal Brothers new directory.

Past Brutal Brothers Chief C. Todd Jones, 1st Ceremonial Master, is checking on those attending the SDA in Knoxville, Tennessee next month. You should learn new material for our 2nd Section to improve future ceremonials. Larger groups of new members are coming from Lodges and Rite bodies into Shrine Membership. We need new material for full ceremonials.

The unit meeting this month was on March 5. Plan to be at the meetings to keep current. The Aladdin Stated meeting will be March 18. Light meals are served beginning at 5:30 p.m. The agenda usually is short.

It was a treat to meet with our Divan Representative David Wolfe, Assistant Rabban, who shared news of circus highlights and Shrine opportunities.

Membership growth is uppermost in our minds this year and the May 11 Grand Masters Class is at the Aladdin Center-your first and best opportunity to meet new Masons. They join the parade route into all Lodges: Rite Bodies and the Ancient Arabic Order; Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in North America. We can help move all that way in one day to be a full Shrine Mason with pride and be ready to work.

Circus assignments start after packing peanuts on March 18–come help. The nine circus shows are March 21-24. Some shows are as early as 11:00 a.m. and the evening show 7:30 p.m. except on Sunday which is 5:00 p.m. We need your help this year. Please come.

Our unit sends its sympathy to the family of Noble Bob Schaffer. Robert was taken by the Black Camel last month. He had suffered a short illness followed by the flu-like difficulties.

III. Sir William "Bill" Selsam, PP of Aladdin Shrine Center encouraged all to keep the work of our Imperial Shrine focused upon quality and honor. He was very pleased to share the evening with everyone. Be sure to attend Masonic night for another of the Past Masters Unit work.

Yearbook photographers were busy last week. You may find a way to catch up by calling the office for a make-up schedule. Make-up is optional. See a clown.

Any Brutal Brother who wants to help with parades needs to see Jake and sign up for those dates. Our first will be April 28 in Piketon. Guests riding with drivers must wear a Fez to be in the parade. There may be more opportunities for parades during the summer of 2013.

The Derby Party is May 4 at Scioto Downs and, yes, new prospects for the May 11 ceremonial can be invited to join us for the event. Send your personal invitation to them to come have fun.

The Imperial Council site for 2013 is in our neighboring state of Indiana; the host temple is in Indianapolis. This is a short trip for this annual June/July event. Check calendars now.

Our apprenticeship line is forming; we now have four awaiting completion of their training to full active member status. Anyone who can make every monthly meeting and ceremonial show for two years may contact Duane Hays for a new member form.

Gallipolis

by Frank Petrie, Jr.

Our trail ride committee is hard at work on the Fourth Annual Trail Ride (In Memory of J. C. Glassburn) on April 27, 2013, at the Rio Valley Stables, Rio Grande, Ohio. We will ride out at 12 noon. This is a large undertaking and we need plenty of help. We also need lots of items to be awarded off on that day. If you can donate or have someone donate an item, please let me know.

We would like to express our appreciation to Salem Center United Methodist Church and Mt. Zion Church for their continued financial support of our Shriner Children Hospitals.

Noble Herb Moore made a monetary donation in honor of his son, Jay. Thank you, Noble Herb. Thanks go to Noble Larry Whobrey for donating a nice clown picture. Thank you, Noble Lawrence Theiss for preparing frames and plaques to be used at the club for many of our pictures.

Great big thanks go out to President Ray Haines, First Vice President Noble Ed Godsey, and Secretary/Treasurer Ross Thomas of the Marietta Shrine Club. On January 31, they visited our club and delivered a variety of items from our former, now deceased member, Noble Earnie Sheesley. These items had been dropped off at their club last year. Noble Earnie was very active in the Clown Unit and several of the items were clown prints. We now have quite a collection of clown pictures on our walls. Thanks again, Nobles, for delivering these items.

On a sad note, the Black Camel passed through our oasis and claimed Noble Gene McCulty on January 18, 2013. Noble Gene was very active for many years until ill health kept him away. He will be sadly missed by friends and family.

Remember, Nobles and Ladies, as an old cowboy philosopher once said, "Don't squat with your spurs on." See you for supper on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

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Just Clowning Around

by Wayne "Wayno" Shriver

In 1963 gas was 29 cents a gallon, a loaf of bread was 22 cents, a new house was \$12,650.00 and a bedroom air conditioning unit was \$149.95. The country mourned as President John F. Kennedy was assassinated.

In 1963 Fred "HOBO FREDDY" Gishler became a Mason. At the 2013 Aladdin Shrine Reunion at Fort Myers, Florida, Fred Gishler was presented with his 50-year service pin. His presenter was none other than MWB Jim Easterling, Jr., Grand Master, Mason of Ohio. With Fred was his lovely wife, B.J. and fellow clowns - E.C. and Hobe.



When you see Fred, please give him a hearty handshake and bump on the nose. Well done my friend, well done.

Hospitality

by Gary Harding

Greetings, Brothers! We had a great dinner meeting. Attendance was up and the guest speaker was informative. He spoke about robotic cameras and how they are used in our infra-structure.

We added a couple projects. The money raised goes straight to Tabloid. Brother Jose Hatlestad gave two sacks of money for Tabloid collected at his businesses. We are also trying to have our April meeting at Mott's Military Museum.

The unit has a new phone and address book. If your phone number or email has changed, call me at 614-871-1711 so we can have the correct info.

We send thanks to two of our founding members-Brothers Dick Waller and Dwight Rife.

I am still looking for some workers and dues money. Dues are \$10.00; working a shift is still free. $I \ want \ you \ to \ keep \ Brothers \ Gary \ (Gus) \ Grissom, Don \ Shoffstall \ and \ Ralphy \ Hughes \ in \ your \ prayers.$

One final thought: A hundred years from now it will not matter what kind of car you drove or the house you lived in or how much money you had in the bank. But the world will be a better place because you took the time to be important in the life of a child. This is what the Shrine strives to do and it feels good. So long for now.

Licking County

by Franklin C. Boner

The first Thursday noon lunch at the Grotto is behind us. Noble President Danny Bounds, officers and members of the Shrine club are finalizing plans for a very busy year! Our Saturday, April 6, Big Red trip to the Cincinnati Burns Center is limited to 40 and is filling up fast. If you are planning to go, contact Nobel Ed Roberts ASAP.

Tabloid Days are May 17-18! Contact Nobel Rich Denny for Newark, Nobel Mike Hammond for Heath, Nobel Richard Carter for Granville/Johnstown, Nobel Richard Wright for Hebron, and Nobel Ed Roberts for Pataskala. These very busy Nobles have agreed to be the point men in these communities and need Nobles to man the many sites. Don't hesitate to call and offer your service for this great philanthropic endeavor.

For all of us sea food lovers, Nobel Ed Roberts is spearheading a club caravan visit to the Marietta Shrine Club for its March 25, \$15.00 Shrimp Fest. We will need to give them a number, so again, contact Nobel Ed Roberts if you are interested in making the trip south.

There is a lot going on in March. Don't forget to spring forward one hour on March 10 and to welcome the first day of spring on March 20, Holy Week March 25-31, and Easter on March 31.

Take a moment from your busy schedule to remember in your prayers our less fortunate Nobles and families who are dealing with illnesses and other problems, and give thanks for all our blessings.

Kentucky Colonels

by Ron Frazer

Vice President Joe Rike chaired the meeting because President Bivens is recovering from back surgery. Past Potentate Dee Mowry gave the invocation and led us in the pledge. Twenty members and guests enjoyed a good meal. Vice President Rike asked the club officers to introduce themselves and their ladies. Past Presidents Neal McCleary, Jim Smith and Ron Fraser stood and gave the year they were president. Secretary Ron Fraser read the minutes of the last meeting. Treasurer Neal McCleary gave the audit report and the financial report.

There was no old business and under new business a motion was made and passed to make a donation to the Potentate and his Lady at the Potentate's Visit on April 23. Cards were passed around and signed for President Bivens and also Marty Reissig.

Vice President Rike spoke about the Kentucky Derby Party at Scioto Downs on May 4 and encouraged the Colonels to attend.

Vice President Rike introduced our guest speaker, Ronald Craven, who gave an informative talk on the Order of the Eastern Star and the need of more men to join the Order.

The meeting was closed by Vice President Rike asking P.P. Mowry to give the benediction.

Ross County

by Bobby Jones

Greeting, Nobles. We had another great meeting this month with 34 nobles coming out. We had another great meal as always. Noble Brad Burns prepared baked spaghetti, salad and ice cream. We welcomed our newest member, Noble Tad Hendershot.

There are some special days approaching very soon. Tabloid Days will be held June 14-15. There will be a sign-up sheet. Please come out and help support the children. We have the okay to work Sam's Club for both days this year. I have been in touch with the people in charge of the Farmer's Market for us to be able to work there on Saturday. We need your help. If you are unable to stand for a long period of time, we will provide you with a chair. We have a lot of members and we need all of your help. Remember we do it for the kids. If you have any questions please call me at my new number at 740-779-6143. If you cannot work, maybe you can make a donation.

Once again we will be taking the kids to the Shrine Circus on March 22. Noble Mike Bell said he has a lot of spots for Nobles to ride the buses and needs your help. Please give Mike a call.

Noble Brad Burns announced that the annual spaghetti dinner is going to be changed to October 17. He will be bringing it up at the next meeting. Noble Brad Burns also announced that on April 17 we will be holding the bowling banquet. If you can help, give Noble Brad a call. Thank you, Brad, for all you do for the club.

As you can tell, we have a lot of things going on so why don't you take advantage of them and help out? The new officers this year are President Dan Riddle, Vice President Bobby Anderson, Secretary Noble Randy Davis and Treasurer Mike Haller. On behalf of all the Nobles, we would like to take this time to thank Noble Rob Coolidge for all of his years as treasurer.

Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

The Flying Nobles meeting was held at our usual room at OSU Airport and not many were in attendance. Several of our members went to a warmer climate for the winter. Some went to Alabama, some to Florida and one went to Hawaii for six weeks. I guess if you need to go to Hawaii for six weeks, you need to grin and bear it. The part that isn't good is packing to come home. You hate to leave that warm weather.

The circus is March 21-24, and a lot of tickets and ads need to be sold. Send your Flying Nobles dues to me if you haven't done so already. The Shrine Ceremonial is May 11, the same day as our meeting at OSU. The next day on Sunday, May 12, we are having a BBQ at Commander Wayne's hanger at OSU Airport. Just bring a covered dish and come to enjoy the friendship of the Flying Nobles and their ladies. More about the cookout next month when we get closer.

Did anyone read about the Lancair Evolution? One beautiful plane: 327 mph cruise, 750 hp turboprop. The bad part is \$1.3 M price tag and 35 gallons per hour-168 gallons fuel capacity. It would break the bank just filling the tanks.

The new light sport aircraft is in the \$150K range and none is in the Columbus area. When I was at Oshkosh, I saw a new Champ that had a price tag of 110K. They are slowly eliminating General Aviation when you figure the gas price.

If you have a potential Shrine candidate, get his application in soon for the May 11 Ceremonial. My Lodge (Rickly) has been getting a few EAs, and that helps because they are needed. Our officers are young and that is good for us as they are hard workers who try to keep things going at the Lodge. One of our PMs has attended about the last 75 consecutive Lodge Inspections. Stay well and I hope to see you next month.

Motorcycle Corps by Larry Bell

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Newly Revitalized - Growing with New Life and Vigor

April showers bring spring flowers and an itch to get on the bike and go like the wind.

GREAT NEWS! The Shrine Motorcycle Corps has been revamped with capable and energetic leadership to make great things happen in 2013.

New Website Coming for Members: We will soon have a great meet-up site for all members where each can register, communicate with each other and receive ongoing, timely announcements of events, rides and other corps business.

I am pleased to announce that Bernie Noel has accepted the role as membership director and will keep all advised of our membership and listing of all events. Please contact Bernie at 614-459-9312 for sign-up and registration. You can contact him at Bernie@CareerMentorsLLC. com for details. Bernie is a seasoned rider and a member of multiple groups.

We welcome your suggestions on the preference of rides and events you enjoy the most.

We are eager to have you join in this revitalized group.

In addition to a few parades, we will have breakfast/lunch, half-day rides, all-day rides and trips of up to two-three days.

Our goal is to have 100 active members by July 4 and we would like to reach 250 in 2013. The Aladdin Shrine has 6,000 members, so if we can reach 10%, we will be 600 strong. All brands/models of bikes are welcome.

Please call with any questions. Larry Bell, President: home: 614-506-4737 or email tbird19599@ hotmail.com

Provost

by John Rohal

The February meeting of the Provost Unit was well attended even though many of our faithful were enjoying the pleasant weather in the deep south, including our Treasurer Charles Linek (makes us wonder).

Director Gene Steineman opened the meeting with his usual humor. He waived the treasurer's report for the obvious reason but did present the audit committee's report which was accepted. The secretary's report from our previous meeting was presented by Bob Laird, acting secretary for that meeting.

Don Campbell gave the circus report and had a volunteer sign-up sheet. Tom R i c e reported on Tabloid Day, June 15, with a training day on April 13. Of interest was Tom's presentation of a program explaining that if each Noble would contribute \$2.13 per day to our hospitals, or \$365.00 per year, the hospitals would gain dramatically.

Approved for membership was Harold J. McMahan of Columbus; he is a regional manager for the Standard Parking Company.

Gene distributed our new Potentate's lapel pin as well as our 2013 roster books. He also informed us that our unit will participate in eleven parades this year which will begin for the unit on April 28, the Pike County Dogwood Parade.

Bob Albright gave the sunshine committee report which included John Bivens recovering from back surgery. Bob Madill is improving. Tom Steltenpohl is recovering from wrist surgery as a result of a fall. John Demjen's wife, Teresa, is recovering from knee surgery, and Bud Light's father recovering from cancer surgery. Bob said that he is doing well after a heart problem.

Gene said the paddy wagon will be going to the Imperial Council Session in Indianapolis. He reminded us of the the Kentucky Derby Party at Scioto Downs, and the fishing trip to Lake Erie.

Russ Miller sent his report on the Temple's Florida Reunion in Fort Myers on February 9, which was attended by Provost Nobles and their ladies. Those attending were Bob and Ann Cannon, Russ and Nancy Miller, Dale and Katie Cline, Don and JoAnn Slemmer, Denny and Barb Bueno, Ron and June Hobensack, and Warren Davies.

Gene introduced Ronald H. Leonard, Aladdin Temple's 2013 High Priest and Prophet who will be our Divan representative this year. Ron welcomed us all, advised that he would try to resolve any problems we may have and encouraged our attendance at stated meetings.

Celebrating birthdays in March are Thomas E. Douglas Sr., Rex A. Emrick, Jon M. Kinney, Douglas E. Marine, Terry D. McLaughlin, Kevin T. Moore, Larry M. Mosley, Robert M. Shaw, Thomas J. Steltenpohl, Albert W. Taylor, and Alan S. Witherspoon.

So went another month; hope to see all of you at our future meetings and functions.

Marching With The Legion by Dick Lucka

THE POTENTATE'S VISIT – On February 11 the Potentate and the Divan paid their official visit to The Legion of Honor. It was a goodly group that gathered in the Aladdin Room for the hospitality time, and from the din of conversation it was a very friendly and spirited gathering.

The meal was delicious with large helpings that saw a significant number of "doggie boxes" in the hands of the departing attendees. Commander Ozvat used his naval background to welcome Potentate Amspaugh in a most impressive and memorable ceremony. Eight Leginobles faced each other in two lines of four (required when an Admiral came aboard a ship). The Commander (using his bosun's pipe), then piped the Potentate "aboard" through the honor guard of saluting Legionobles. It was one darn impressive moment in the history of Aladdin's Legion of Honor – and the Potentate seemed pleased as well.

Once the room settled down, Commander Ozvat presented Lady Kathy a check for her charity, and provided the Potentate with checks for the Shrine Hospitals in Cincinnati, Lexington and Erie. Potentate Amspaugh's message to the Legion was both complimentary and challenging. He praised the Legion for being Aladdin's "best foot forward" at the parades, the circus and other Shrine events, and he is counting on the same high-level of performance this year as well.

But, he also urged the Legion to step up its membership efforts. He re-stated his "one-on-one-replacement-goal" for this year. He stressed the need for each member of the Shrine to bring one new candidate into our fraternity—so we could quickly double our membership. That is a lofty goal – but it can be obtained if each of us does his part. It was indeed a very memorable and enjoyable evening.

SPECIAL DAYS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE – Ding-Dong-Ding – the anniversary wedding bells are ringing again for: Commander Dave and Lucy Ozvat (4/4), PC Bob and Barb Faber (4/8), Ron and Elaine Leonard (4/16) and Glenn and Judy Ferrone. May the day begin a new year of special memories of your lives together. HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU: PC Willie Fitchett (4/1), PC Jim Rock (4/6), PC Robert Spencer (4/9) and Gail Kreutz (4/10). Don't shy away from that helping of birthday cake – you've earned it. God Bless you all.

COMING EVENTS – If you thought we were busy last year–just wait 'til this one gets into full swing. The circus at the end of March and 11 (plus) parades in the coming months will keep everyone on-the-go. That's for sure. So shine up those shoes, press those uniforms and let's make sure the Legion is ready to continue being Aladdin's "best foot forward. PRESS ON!

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Well, for those of you who have not noticed, it is tax time. Now, if you were really paying attention and look at your paycheck stub, you will notice an increase in your taxes. That was not supposed to happen if I remember the latest statements from our fearless leader. I guess all of us are now "rich." Get ready! More to come.

Educational Stuff: In an effort to make this article more educational, I have decided it is time we revisit our government class studies. You remember those. It was where we learn that the members of our government all wear "undertaker clothes" and speak in "undertaker tones" and haven't said anything interesting in the last 25 years. Maybe that was the Supreme Court.

Pursuant to my efforts, I was reading a book by Dave Barry, Dave Barry Hits Below the Beltway, Ballantine Books, New York. Here are some thoughts on the Constitution: pages 33-34:

ARTICLE 1:

Section 1: The Legislative branch shall consist of a congress consisting of a Senate and a House of Representatives, which shall cancel each other out.

Section 2: The House of Representatives shall be composed of people who own at least two dark suits and have not been indicted recently. They shall be elected every two years following a campaign lasting at least two years and they shall be elected forever as long as they can continue to provide their districts with massive, unnecessary highway projects paid for by taxpayers from other districts.

Section 3: The Senate shall be composed of people who wish to be president and have developed a vision for America in the form of at least three media consultants.

Section 4: If anything ever happens anywhere in the world, every member of both Houses of Congress shall issue a press release about it within two working minutes. Then there shall be hearings. We shall continue this government education process in coming articles. You can keep it as

a spare in the bathroom!

Question of the Month Stuff: Speaking of football did any of you plumbers come up with the name of the quarterback who really set the tone for NFL quarterbacks? Well, his name was Sammy Raugh. "Slingin' Sammy Raugh" for all of you purists. Some records for you begin counters: Most

Baugh, "Slingin' Sammy Baugh" for all of you purists. Some records for you bean counters: Most passing yards 22,085. Most passing yards in a season 2,938. Best completion percentage season: 70.3%. The seasons were much shorter then. They wore leather headgear so they could not stay conscious long enough to play any more games!

Schedule Stuff:

March19 - Exec. Board 7:00 p.m., Band 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.

March 22 - Dixieland Band - 2 p.m. March 22 - Band - 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. March 23 - Dixieland Band - 2:00 p.m. March 23 - Band - 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. March 24 Band - 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

March 28 - Dance Band 7-9 p.m.

A Note At the End: A tip of the hat to Russ Hill. (If it ain't funny it is his fault!)

Thea Court

by B. J. Gischler, PHP

Ladies, Friday, March 22, will be the last meeting of the year of The Egyptian Ladies, with Lady Gerre Slane as High Priestess. Let's all turn out to show our appreciation for the officers work and dedication. This will also be the meeting where we honor those who went to join the angels during the year. Remember, lunch is at 11:00 a.m. and the meeting starts at 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 20, at 2:00 p.m. will be the installation of officers for the new year. These ladies will be Explorers. Come witness the ceremony, then after, enjoy visiting with the newly installed officers and all of your L.O.S. friends.

The regular April meeting, will be Friday, April 26. Hope to see you there.



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Past Masters

by Dick Bull

Congratulations go to Don Lund who was awarded his 65-year Grand Lodge pin at Blendon Lodge on February 5.

Our unit will be conferring the Master Mason Degree for Lockbourne Lodge on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m. This will also serve as a tune-up for "Masonic Night at the Shrine" on Monday, April 22. More details on "Masonic Night" are in a separate article in this issue of the Lamp.

Our annual March dinner meeting with the ladies this year is planned for a buffet at China Bell Restaurant in Grove City on Monday, March 25. Details are in our February and March issues of the unit newsletter. Roscoe Smith is handling the arrangements.

Five couples from our unit attended the Potentate's Cancun trip recently: Jim and Judy Moser, Ron and Elaine Leonard, Harriet (Allen) and Jim Gahman, Carl and Lorena Long and Bill and Carol Estell.

The Past Masters will be assisting the Reception Unit at the Shrine Circus again this year for ushering duty.

Jim Moser was in Mt. Carmel West for several days with irregular heart beat and some fluid on his lungs. He has recovered well. May Lou Stewart fell on January 14 and went to the hospital for nine clamps and some stitches in her head. She is now staying at a friend's home for a while. Yvonne Allen has been slowed down with some cardiac problems. Dee Hedges had successful back surgery on February 14 and is now home and doing well. We also keep Al Pettigrew, Ken Sparks, George Roloson, Bob Diehl and Jim Krinn in our thoughts and prayers.

Aladdin Car Club

by Jack Van Gundy

As we get past the cold, snowy weather, Aladdin Car Club members are looking forward to spring. We are cleaning the dust off our cars, getting ready to roll into a great year.

Our next meeting will be March 20 at MCL Westerville. We plan to eat at 6:00 p.m. with our meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m.

If you have not paid your 2013 dues of \$10.00, please bring them to the March meeting. Activities for the coming year will be discussed so bring any ideas you have for tours to the meeting. Hope to see members and wives attend.

Worthington

by Bob Stevenson

I was thinking about our April 4 dinner meeting and the great program we have for you. My mind then wandered (not just then, but most of the time If I wandered that much, I'd either be 25 pounds lighter or hopelessly lost someplace! Oh, oh! There it goes again.) and thought of the old saying "he's dumber than a box of rocks." Well, that is certainly NOT our speaker. Our speaker is actually SMARTER THAN A BOX OF WEEDS! Yes, Nobles and ladies, It's time for our very own Ohio Nurseryman, Noble Fred Hower. If Fred shows up, can spring be far behind? Let's hope not!

Every year Fred is our most popular speaker with thoughts, ideas and answers to almost any question you might have – perhaps even what to do with that box of dumb rocks. This year there will be a lot to go over – a very long and very hot summer; drought; hot and cold winter; why didn't the Green Bay Packers do better... oops, sorry! Plan to attend this rite of spring; bring along guests who might enjoy this special evening.

Our February meeting was the first visitation by our Potentate III. Sir Bill Amspaugh, Jr. and his Lady Kathy and members of the Divan. We got a look at some of the new things coming this year. Again, I suggest that there is at least one thing scheduled that every Noble and lady will enjoy. Follow the *Lamp* and join in the fun. Note especially the upcoming Kentucky Derby outing. It's in the *Lamp*; it will be fun, come out and join us.

Looking Ahead to Two Special Events: First is the Memorial Tournament; we need workers to staff our locations. It can be Nobles, ladies or anyone else. Remember that in addition to being our primary funding event for the year, it's just a good time. You see the greatest golfers in the world, you get to watch the people (which most times is more fun than watching the golf) and you help, not just our club, but help make a world class sporting event in our community a reality. When you are called, please respond.

Tabloid - Saturday, June 15: You all know why it's important. To say our Children's Hospitals are the main reason for Shriners to exist is not an overstatement, it is just plain fact. But here is why we need everyone who can to help us.

Years ago when I took over as Tabloid Chair, we covered a lot of locations. Most of them are gone. For example, Northwest Blvd. at Lane --GONE- Henderson at Reed -GONE- Tremont, Fishinger, Northwest -GONE- Riverside Dr. at Fishinger -GONE. We are down to High at 161; Linworth at 161; downtown Dublin. That's it! Why? Age of our members; Nobles lost to the Black Camel; younger members not able to make three hours in a year available to us; lack of new nobles.

I hope you can find 10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 15 open on your calendar. I know there are many things that call upon our time. I have the same issues. But I also know there are few things I do in a year that are better than helping raise funds for our hospitals. And if you truly cannot be available, please write a check to Tabloid.

We look forward to seeing you on April 4 and bring a bag of weeds!

Thebes Temple

by Terry Smith, Princess Royal

I received this in a note recently and it seems to fit this month: "When angels sense you need them, and angels always do, they come, unseen, from everywhere to help and comfort you. They hover close beside you 'till all your cares are gone....." I have certainly felt their presence these past weeks when I was helping my mother, Virginia Donahue, make the adjustment from being able to live independently to living at the Westminster-Thurber Community. As I write this article, she is doing well and is in the rehab section for evaluation and assistance. Nile has been a big part of her social life since moving to Columbus in 2006. She has met so many wonderful ladies and made so many friends. Things are changing for her, but at this point I don't know how much. Thank you to all who have sent prayers, cards and thoughts. I love you all.

This is the time, too, for the change of officers in Thebes Temple. Our new officers were installed on Saturday, March 16 Queen, Terry Smith; Princess Royal, Katharine Brewer; Princess Tirzah, Patricia Kniffin; Princess Recorder, Gerre Slane; Princess Banker, Sarah Platt, PQ; Princess Marshal, Julie Tucker; Princess Chaplain, Shirley Kosbab; Lady of the Keys, Eleanor Alkire; Lady of the Gates, Vi Dubros; Princess, Nydia Elinor Baker; Princess, Zulieka Meredith Brewer; Princess Zenobia, Marilyn Rowley; Princess Zora, Dianne Huff; Princess Zuliema, Margaret Hivnor; Princess Musician, Barbara Brooks, PQ.

The first stated session for this new year will be Wednesday, April 3. Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. and session at 1:00 p.m. Our monthly sewing session will be held Wednesday, April 10 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come for the fun and help; you don't have to "sew." There are many things that can be done to help. You will get to know some very fine ladies and have fun while helping the kids.

We changed the date of the Nile Knowledge Day from April 20 to a later date, yet to be determined. I will announce that date next month. One of the new events that I am planning for this year are some short day trips. Watch for details next month!

KAMBRI

by Dick Brixner

Kambri Shrine Club held its annual Ham and Bean Supper and Euchre Party on February 21, at King Pin Lanes, with 19 Shriners in attendance. Special thanks go to Noble Lew Smith for the use of his facility and to Noble Ron LePage for making the delicious ham and bean soup. Kennedy's Bakery supplied the corn bread. We had all the fixings to make the meal very good, including onions, ketchup, horseradish and cookies. Following the meal, eight of our Nobles played Euchre. The top scores were shared by Nobles Wayne McCracken and Dick Brixner.

Nobles, do you know any Masons who would make great Shriners? We have a golden opportunity on June 8 to induct them at our Guernsey Lodge. The cost is only \$80.00. Your candidate will report at 9:30 a.m. and be done by 11:00 a.m. If the candidate needs a fez, the cost is \$70.00 for the gold embroidery fez or \$137.00 for the fully jeweled fez. You can get petitions from Nobles Tom Fisher or Ron LePage. This is a bargain price and the ceremony is local. Our Aladdin Shrine will bring "Big Red" and its members to induct the new members to our great organization. Get those applications in as soon as possible.

Our upcoming Kambri Shrine events for your calendar are Ladies Night at our local hospital will be Thursday, April 4; our Potentate will visit us on May 2 at the Cambridge Country Club; Chicken Barbecue will be May 18 opposite County Coins; June 1, this is Tabloid Day; June 15 will be our Annual Golf Scramble and on June 20 we will participate in SEORMC Health Fair.

Nobles, all the above dates are very important and we encourage your attendance.

Please plan to support our Tabloid Day on June 1, starting with breakfast at Guernsey Lodge and hitting the streets from 9 a.m. - noon. We need all the Nobles out–the more on the streets, the more we raise for our hospitals. And remember to bring your own personal check for the buckets.

We will need to gather door prizes and hole sponsors for our June 15 golf outing. Start today and drop off the items at the Lodge office.

Nobles, when you see Lew Smith, be sure to thank him for all he does for our organization and to include the donation of the propane cooker to the club.

If you like shrimp, join us on March 25 at King Pin Lanes, and we will form a caravan to the Marietta Shrine Club for all the shrimp you can eat. It is a night you will not forget. If interested, contact Noble Ron LePage.

Did you read the Lamp for February? The Potentate's Santee Golf Trip is on April 7-11; the Walleye Fishing Trip is June 9-10; First Lady Kathy's trip to historical Lancaster is June 13 just to mention a few events. You can contact Aladdin for the details.

First Lady Kathy Amspaugh's special project benefits our Cincinnati Shriners Hospital. You will have the opportunity to support the same during the Potentate's visit on May 2.

Special thanks go out to our Road-Runner Noble Buzzy Ferguson for his recent trip to our Erie Shriners Hospital last month. Thanks go to all who have given their time to make a trip, and if you would like to volunteer, contact Noble Ron LePage.

Mark your calendars for March 26 (10:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.) and March 27 (noon-8:30 p.m.). We will have the opportunity to have our photos taken with our fezzes for a photo album of Aladdin Shriners. There is no fee unless you would opt for personal photos. Watch for details.

Nobles, watch your mailbox for future flyers with the details on upcoming events and come out and enjoy the fellowship. It is your club, and you should take advantage of its activities. See you at the next meeting.

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