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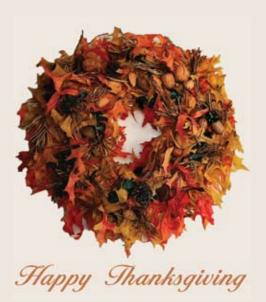
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Tabloid Funds Go Toward Helping Children

Presentation of Funds for Hospitals



Illustrious Sir Daniel Stainbrook traveled to the Erie Shriners Hospital in October to deliver two large donation checks to the hospital's board of governors. The first check, totaling \$118,542, was from the Aladdin Shriners Tabloid collections. A second check for \$140,717 was from the Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children. (Photographs Left: Assisting with the presentation was Noble Kenneth Gorney (left), the Aladdin Shriners



representative to the Erie Hospital Board of Governors. Illustrious Sir Thomas Foose (right), vice chairman of the hospital board, accepted the checks. (Photograph Right: At the October meeting to the Board of Governors of the Erie Shriners Hospital, Aladdin Ambassador Harold F. Nairn made a donation of \$2,500 to the Erie Hospital. Accepting the donation is Illustrious Sir Thomas Foose, vice chairman of the hospital's board.

Houston to Host College Football's Best at the 84th Annual East-West Shrine Game

Football and philanthropy are at the center of the 84th Annual East-West Shrine Game, which is set for January 17, 2009, in Houston, Texas, at the University of Houston's Robertson Stadium.

The football match-up, which began in 1925, features many of the best college players in the U.S. and Canada, divided by region but coming together to raise money for the children receiving care at the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children across the North America.

This year's event features two storied head coaches, Bobby Ross and Gene Stallings, who will be leading the teams for bi-coastal bragging rights.

Gene Stallings brings 18 years of NFL experience to this year's game, as well as an impressive record as a college head coach. Bobby Ross also comes to the sidelines with an outstanding NFL and college football resume, including leading the San Diego Chargers to Super Bowl XXIX.

The coaches aren't the only big names associated with the East-West Shrine Game. A total of 62 Shrine Game alumni, from Dick Butkus to Joe Greene to Gale Sayers, are featured in the NFL Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. And each year, the game adds football's future stars to its extensive roster.

"The East-West Shrine Game has always fielded

college football's best and offered a great way for the talent of tomorrow to be showcased for the public, as well as NFL scouts," said Jack Hart, executive director of the East-West Shrine Game. "Last year's game featured 44 players who were chosen in the 2008 NFL draft. This is big-time football being coached by NFL pros, which, when combined with the wonderful cause of helping the kids in the Shriners Hospitals, makes this the most prestigious college all-star football game in America."

But, it's not just the list of players who have participated over the years that makes this game "Football's Finest Hour." The Shrine Game's true purpose - helping to support Shriners Hospital for Children - is what sets this event apart from all others.

Ralph Semb, president and CEO of Shriners Hospitals for Children, said, "This game is Shriners' 'Window to the World.' It is our moment of time each year to present what we are all about on national television, giving us the opportunity to create an awareness that will allow us to care for more children. It is a great venue to promote our mission of providing specialty health care for children, and at the same time gives our members a chance to become involved and have fun."

Tickets are available at the Aladdin Center Ticket Master window or on www.shrinegame.com.

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Stated Meetings

Regular meetings of the Aladdin Shriners are held on the third Monday of each month except June, July and August at the Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio November 17 - December 15 - Annual Election Stated Dinner at 5:15 p.m.

Stated Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Elected Divan

Potentate: Daniel E. Stainbrook, II
Acting Chief Rabban: Thomas J. Colburn, PP
Assistant Rabban: William E. Estell
High Priest and Prophet: Michael D. Van Huss
Oriental Guide: Steve Hathaway
Treasurer: Kenneth Beckholt
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Rolling with The Pote

by Daniel E. Stainbrook II

The Stag Picnic appears to have gone over well with the Nobility since being at different location than the temple in many years. Looking into the future, next year you can probably plan on being at the same place again. The venue suits our needs and is a little more centrally located for the Nobles in the south

I want to thank all the Nobles who participated in the Circleville Pumpkin Parade on Friday, October 17, not October 24 as shown in the calendar. Mistakes happen even when checked with good eyes. We have just one more parade at Washington Court House on Sunday, November 23 which is the correct date. I just hope it isn't snowing. As many of you know I was the assistant parade marshall for four plus years and then was appointed to the Divan. While assistant, I always put the Washington CH fire truck at the very end of the each parade, even in their own, and they complained all



the time. When on the Divan, I told them if I ever get to be Potentate, they would be the first piece of equipment behind the symitar in their parade. So look for them up front.

I would also like to thank all the ladies who went on my Lady Ann's trip up north in October. I understand they had a good time at Bronner's and the casino. I guess some ladies were big winners, however my lady was not one of them.

By the time you receive this *Lamp*, we will have had our Fall Ceremonial on November 8. We created 48 new Nobles. To be honest, the membership committee and I were striving for a higher number but it just wasn't in the cards this year. Regardless of how many new Nobles we have, Aladdin is still heads above other temples and I don't mean only in numbers. A big thanks go to all Nobles who brought in members but also to the many who attended and worked to put the Ceremonial together. There is more to this than most know or meets the eye.

I had the honor of delivering one of our Tabloid checks to the Erie Hospital on October 14 for the amount of \$118,542.07. In addition, Noble Harold Naim presented a personal check of \$2,500.00 to the hospital which is just exceptional for him to do this. There are still two hospitals which will receive Tabloid checks in November.

DUES NOTICE ALERT! The dues notices have been sent out so you should have already received them by the time this is out. On the paper, where it should state 2009, it states 2008; this is a typo error. So get up in arms; things happen.

Please read your Lamp each month so you can catch up on what has happened or is going to happen at Aladdin.

Let's Keep Rolling!

SHILOH

by Tim Gillis

Hi, Nobles! We had a very good meeting last night, and thanks to our cook, we enjoyed a fine meal. Attendance was up and we were pleased to have as our guest, Aladdin Assistant Rabban Bill Estell. Bill updated us on Aladdin news and we were delighted to hear of the burns hospital's new skin grafting technique which will be hitting the news media soon. Hats off to the Shriners hospital doctors!

Our president, Warren Waugh, did a fine job as this was his second meeting at the helm. Things are looking very good for Shiloh this year and Warren is just what we need.



Our float at Ohillco and the Apple Festival was very impressive and appreciated by Jackson countians. We have been invited back next year. Thanks go to Warren and our Shiloh staff.

Check the above photograph of the float at the Apple Festival and the good looking Nobles riding on it. Left to right is Ken Mathews, Roger Stevensen, Harry Wolf, and Warren Waugh. Our ole buddy Wilbur Ward is hidden behind Roger and the driver was Jim Rice.

Bob Simmons rode in the Ohillco parade but was unable to ride in this parade. I am missing someone else but my memory is not what it used to be. They enjoyed both parades and hopefully we will have more riding on the float next year.

We were all saddened at the passing of one of our members, Robert Davis. Bob was active in Shiloh for many years and even served as president a few years back. Bob had been ill now for several years and we will all miss him.

Birthdays for October are Charles Gaskill, Bobby Miller, Wilson Roberts, Billy Starky, and Steve Stewart. That's about it for this month. Our next meeting will be November 13 so come and join us.

Till then, have fun and attend your Blue Lodge.

MEMBERSHIP ON THE MOVE

by Calvin Smith / Membership Marketing Director

Good golly, it's November already. It's cold and my yard still has leaves all over it and my leaf blower is down for the count. I hope you are having a better month than I so far.

When you receive this Lamp our Fall Ceremonial will have been concluded. Thanks go to all who helped. The names of our new members will be published in the December Lamp.

Membership in our great fraternity does not, nor ever will, occur without efforts on our part. There are so many Nobles to thank for their work in 2008. We could not have moved forward at all without their assistance. We all owe them a debt of gratitude. Once more, thank you!

A 2009 Grand Lodge One-Day Class - Grand Master Murphy has announced that there will be a one-day class on June 13, 2009. Watch your upcoming lodge publications and the Lamp

Restoration Made Easy - There is still time to ask inactive Nobles to restore their membership. The fee is \$94.00 and it includes the Noble's 2009 dues. Let me say that again, it includes the restored Noble's 2009 dues. Not a bad deal at all! Petitions are available in the office or on the Aladdin website, aladdinshrine.org. The deadline for submitting a petition to receive this offer is Monday, December 29, 2008.

2009 Dues Statements - The 2009 dues notices are in the mail. Please pay as early as you can. It is very important that you follow some very simple rules when sending in your payment:

- 1. It is important that you send the dues coupon at the bottom of your letter. Otherwise, if two names are identical, we do not know who to credit. This is especially true when a third party check is used to pay your dues.
- If your address or phone number has changed, tell us, please.
- Have an e-mail address? Please give it to us. It's safe!

for details

Happy Thanksgiving From The Membership Office, Your Membership Committee! - Thanksgiving is right around the corner. I pray that you have a very happy holiday. Think of our military personnel as they serve our nation and protect us from harm's way. Keep the children we help in mind. They continue to need our prayers. But most of all, smile at your family, hug each of them, and give thanks for their lives. Enjoy yourself.



Harken Ye True Sons of Allah

From the Muezzin comes the call to the Feast of Rabi'ul Auwul which to the initiated means the Annual Election: therefore peruse the following carefully and govern yourself accordingly.

Stated Meeting and Election of Officers

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2008

ELECTION NOTICE

The Stated Meeting and Election of Officers of Aladdin Shriners will be held at the Shrine Center on Monday evening, December 15, 2007 at 6:00 P.M. The election of officers for the ensuing year and to elect (4) four representatives to the Imperial Council; and to elect (2) two representatives to the Trustee Board Advisory Committee for (3) three year terms, and one (1) representative to the Trustee Board Advisory Committee for a (1) one year term, elect (3) three representatives to the Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children, Inc for (3) three year terms; To transact any business that may properly be presented.

To assist in planning for the election evening, any Noble intending to be nominated is requested to advise the Executive Director of his intentions prior to the election.

Nominations for all elective offices must be made from the floor. Nominators shall ascertain in advance the availability of his nominee and that nominee's willingness to serve if elected. In the interest of time and fairness to all, nominators are asked to be brief and shall restrict their statements to the qualifications of the proposed candidate. Robert's Rules of Order do not require seconding of Nominations.

NOTICE FROM IMPERIAL COUNCIL CODE ELECTION OF OFFICERS, ARTICLE XXV

Section 325.10 –(a) Electioneering. The printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets or other devices, by a Noble, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited. (b) Violation. For any violation of (a), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election. (c) Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election the Temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

Yours in the Faith

Attest: P. Daniel Martin, Recorder

Daniel E. Stainbrook II, Potentate

Dues Notice Alert

Correction to Dues Notice

The dues notices have been sent out and please note that the date states dues for 2008 but the notice is the 2009 dues. It is simply a typographical error.

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Aladdin's Tabloid Times by Bob Stevenson

To All Nobles and Ladies of The Aladdin Shrine

From our family to yours, a Thanksgiving prayer on behalf of all the families and children we have been blessed to serve over the years:

A FAMILY PRAYER

By Robert Louis Stevenson

Lord, behold our family here assembled. We thank Thee for this place in which we dwell; for the love that unites us; for the peace accorded us this day; for the hope with which we expect the morrow; for the health, the work, the food and the bright skies that make our lives delightful; for our friends in all parts of the earth...

Give us grace and strength to forbear and to persevere... Give us courage and gaiety and the quiet mind. Spare to us our friends, soften to us our enemies. Bless us, if it may be, in all our innocent endeavours. If it may not, give us strength to encounter that which is to come, that we be brave in peril, constant in tribulation, temperate in wrath, and in all changes of fortune, be loyal and loving

Have a blessed Thanksgiving. We appreciate all you do! Bob and Marj Stevenson

PRESENTATION TO TABLOID WINNERS













SHRINERS HELPING KIDS

Hilltop

by Ray Pendell

Our meeting on October 5 at Hometown Buffet was well attended and our speaker, Monty Chase, filled us in on some Hilltop history. Monty is the great, great, great grandson of Salmon P. Chase who was a Lincoln cabinet member in the 1860s. Later, he was chief justice of the Supreme Court in the post Civil War years. Camp Chase was named after him and there is a lot of interesting historical background about our area, including the Confederate Cemetery located at the south end of the Camp Chase area.

The November meeting was the first Wednesday of November at the York Steak House at 4400 West Broad Street at 6:00 p.m. with election of the 2009 officers and perhaps a Euchre tournament if time permits.

The December 7 meeting will be Ladies Night, Christmas Party, and the Scholarship Award Ceremony. It will be at Ann and Tony's Restaurant in West Jefferson. This is always a grand affair and the ladies get a chance to buy a new holiday dress for the occasion. Mark it on your calendar now! Details will be in your November newsletter.

Noble George Petroupolus was called to the Celestial Lodge above on October 19. He had been in a care center for some time and was a long-time resident of the Hilltop and a member of our club for many years. Our sympathy and support go to his family and friends.

Several of our members have been hospitalized and are now home recuperating. Keep them and our troops abroad in your prayers.

Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

The Flying Nobles meeting at OSU in October was moved to another room and some members thought we were not having a meeting because our regular room was empty. The people at Medflight are very good to us and we couldn't have a better meeting facility. But sometimes they have other people who come before us so they move us upstairs. The room was setup to be used for training of the flight nurses. We won't meet there again until our January meeting.

We have our new officers nominated for 2009. They are Bob Beymer, commander; Del Kopp, deputy commander; Terry Kitchen, operations officer; and David Ray, secretary/treasurer.

The November meeting was moved to the Shrine Center because it was the same day as the Ceremonial and some unit members had to be at the Ceremonial. It was decided it was best to hold our meeting there rather than to drive to the Shrine from OSU after our regular

Our December meeting will be for the installation of our officers and will be at the Shrine Center on Sunday December 7 at 4:00 p.m. It is the same day as the Kids Christmas Party. We have had that Sunday for several years and everything goes well and we aren't in the way of the party. It's nearly over by the time we get there.

Our next Shrine Stated Meeting is November 17 at 6:30 p.m. Don't forget the Masonic Lunch every Wednesday at the Shrine Center at 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.. The food is very good and you will enjoy meeting the people. I know someone who drives out from downtown to have

The Potentate is already planning for the New Year's Eve celebration at the Shrine Center, so if you plan on going, get your reservation soon.

Everybody stay well and have a great Thanksgiving.

Jnion County

by Bernie Vance

On Wednesday, October 1, the Union County Shrine Club met at Sandy's Bar & Grill in Marysville with 26 members present.

After dinner, a business meeting was held under the leadership of President Noble Fred S. Kile. Several programs and issues were discussed.

It has been a very busy summer for Union County members this year. We started the summer by working at the Muirfield Memorial Golf Tournament and then we held the kickoff for the Tabloid in Marysville on June 6 which was a first-ever event.



Pictured above with Mrs. Carmalato is her son, Tom (middle) and standing (L-R) is Bill Franke, Bernie Vance, Tom Carmaloto (Regina's son), Leland Walk, and Don Howard

Our Tin Lizzie Patrol has been

involved in numerous parades again this year, not the least of which was the annual Steam Thresher's Parade in Plain City in July. We held our annual picnic in August and had a visit from our Illustrious Potentate Daniel Stainbrook II. In September, we held our annual Sausage and Pancake Breakfast and with all these activities, we still maintained our on-going projects such as the "Cans for Kids" program.

Now, summer of 2008 has passed and we begin to think of fall, winter, and the holidays that go with them. Thanksgiving will soon be here and then it's Christmas. With that we begin to plan for the election of officers and our annual Christmas Party.

The Union County Shrine Club has much to be thankful for this year. Because of the generosity of the people of Union County with their donations, Tabloid sales, our "Cans for Kids" program, and the hard work of our members, we are once again the top contributor to the Aladdin Shrine Center for the Shriners Hospitals with a gift of over \$72,000 for 2008 and over \$250,000 in the past four years.

Noble Leland Walk announced that he had received a phone call from Dan Martin, the recorder at Aladdin Shrine Center, about a resident at the Milcrest Nursing Center in Marysville, who had spent a lot of time as a child in the Shrine Hospital in Philadelphia. She talked about this experience and her contact with the Shrine a lot. One of her nurses, Sandy Baker, wondered if it might be possible for some of our members to pay a visit to this resident. On October 8, four members of the Union County Shrine Club had the pleasure of meeting Regina Carmaloto; what a joy it was to have lunch with her and talk about her experiences with the Shrine.

Regina related that she had lived most of her life in Hershey, Pennsylvania and, as a young girl in school, was hoisted up onto a gymnastics apparatus which was suspended from the ceiling. She lost her balance and subsequently fell to the floor. She can only remember waking up in the hospital with a spinal injury that left her in a debilitating circumstance. She was unable to stand erect and walked in a bent-over position. She not only had to deal with the pain of the injury but also teasing and unkind remarks from the other students at school.

After many trips to Temple University for therapy, a neighbor with a Shrine affiliation suggested to Regina's mother that they take her to the Philadelphia Shrine Hospital for treatment. The mother was agreeable to this but said that Regina's father was an "old-school Italian parent" and would not allow anyone to touch his child. Regina was ultimately admitted into the Shrine program and spent most of the next ten years from 1920 to 1930 in the Shrine Hospital having numerous surgeries on her spine.

Mrs. Carmalato is an artist and cake decorator and worked as such for the Hershey Candy Company and said she really loved working there.

We are truly thankful to Nurse Baker for contacting the Shrine Center about this lady. Nurse Baker related that she did so because Regina talks constantly about the Shriners and how much they did for her. She remembers her doctor's name was Moore but has lost contact with him many years ago.

We hope to visit Mrs. Carmalato regularly now that we have had a chance to meet her.



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ALADDIN SHRINERS

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Provost

by John Rohal

Oops, sorry about that! Last month I reported that Dick Fogt was in the hospital with blood clots on his legs; the clots were on his lungs. Need the hearing aids tuned. He made the October meeting just to keep us properly informed. Also, in attendance at the October meeting, were our two newest members, Robert D. Laird and Bill Laff. Both are sergeants with the Columbus Police Department. Seems they both have nicknames and I can only provide the initials not the words: AH and DB.



It was nice to again have Ted Shaeffer and Cy Leonard present, along with Don and Denny Campbell, Bob McCullough, Bill Fieger, Jay Devoll, Ken Borror, and Tom Douglas. We were honored by the presence of our Illustrious Potentate Dan Stainbrook and Divan members, Steve Hathaway and Mike VanHuss (Remember him?).

The conversation at the dinner table was about the "good old days" and a certain Ceremonial when Ron Hobensack, Bob Cannon, and Norb Dubros let the then Potentate have a powder puff in the face, temporarily covering his eyeglasses so he couldn't read his prompter. I guess the laughing didn't help either.

Director Jon Kinney reminded us of the Circleville Pumpkin Show parade, and the Ladies Party in November. He also brought to our attention that some of our members are neglecting to sign the attendance roster and are forgetting that the meals only cost \$5.00. We are being billed for the number in attendance.

Russ Miller discussed the history of the Provost Unit and expressed his appreciation to Howard Beane who found a number of our old record books for the committee to review.

Divan members, Steve and Mike, deferred to the Potentate for comments, and Dan reminded us of the November Ceremonial and the election of officers in December.

Our ill members now include Gene Custer and (W) Wendell Webb who is having colon surgery in November.

Celebrating birthdays in November are Fred M. Crow, Larry A. Davis, Danny H. Leadingham, Robert L. McCullough, Russell F. Miller, Daniel K. Rannebarger, and James F. Roberts.

This was probably the last meeting this year for our departing snowbirds. Hope they don't wear themselves out playing golf. See y'all in the spring and at Muirfield.

Kambri Shrine by Dick Brixner

On Thursday, October 23, the Kambri Shrine Club held its annual steak fry at the Plumbers and Pipefitters Hall in Cambridge. We had 43 Shriners, their guests, and four members from Aladdin in attendance.

The evening began with our Kambri Shrine Club president, Frank Potts, extending a welcome to all. He introduced our Divan representative, Assistant Rabban William Estell, and his wife, Carol; and Calvin Smith and his wife, Terri. The invocation was given by Noble Tom Fisher.

The menu consisted of steaks, vegetables, salad, rolls, butter, and drinks. The steaks were grilled by Nobles Joe Spilker and Dave Black.

Assistant Rabban Bill Estell gave an overview on the research and development going on at our Shriners Hospitals and entertained questions from those in attendance.

The fall Ceremonial was mentioned and our members were encouraged to add to the total membership by inviting someone to join Aladdin. The fee is \$199.00 with a fez and \$149.00 without a fez.

The evening came to a close with Noble President Frank thanking all for attending, reminding our Nobles of the December 11 annual Christmas party, and wishing all a safe trip home.

A special note of congratulations goes out to our Noble Treasurer Tom Fisher for his recognition as a 33° Mason.

This week of October 28, several of our Kambri Shriners presented a sizeable check to Southeastern Ohio Regional Medical Center for their continuing treatment to the youth of Guernsey County. The funds were requested and given through the Aladdin Temple's hospital association. Watch for more information next month.

Kambri Shriners, have you read the Lamp? Just in case you missed reading the same, I will highlight a couple of articles. There was an article on our Shriners Hospitals recognizing our high level of trust. In a recent survey of wealthy individuals conducted by the Luxury Institute, an independent research firm, **our hospitals ranked as one of the top three most-trusted nonprofit organizations**.

Did you know that there is a Ticketmaster office at the Aladdin Shrine Center? Shriners have access to special deals on certain events. Keep this in mind the next time you need tickets to special events.

The Imperial Council has established a Shriners Disaster Relief Fund to assist those Shriners and their families in the personal recovery efforts. If you are interested in providing funds, feel free to contact Aladdin Temple for further information.

There is an ongoing need for financial support of our Shriners Hospitals. You can make a voluntary donation to our hospitals. Now, more than ever, our hospitals need our financial support. Giving annually to your hospital system will ensure that children and their families will have access to Shriners expert medical care for decades to come." You can contact Aladdin Shrine Temple for additional information at 1-800-475-3850.

Now, for a special plea to our Kambri Shriners. We need you to take an active part in all of our events. We need for you to get involved, participate, and enjoy all the fun and fellowship that comes with our activities. Please be more than a dues paying member; come out and participate. We need Shriners to step up and take a leadership role in our club. Remember, it is okay to volunteer.

Be sure to mark on your calendars, Thursday, December 11 for our Christmas party. More details will be coming to your mailbox with the time, location, program, and menu.

We will look forward to seeing you on December 11.



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SLED HOCKEY IS BACK

by Dr. George Kosbab, P.P.

Sled hockey will return to the Dispatch Ice Haus January 16-18. Shriners and their ladies are asked to attend with Congratulations go to Frank Faires in Stockport who will their families, their best friends, and guests. There is no charge for admission but the excitement of the day will bring memories and self-satisfaction to any person interested in helping physically challenged children have fun. The times have not been finalized but there will be sled hockey games on Friday night, Saturday morning and afternoon, and Sunday morning and early afternoon.

This is the Sixth Annual Aladdin Sled Hockey Tournament supported by the Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children. Several units and clubs have also given support to this worthwhile sporting event for wheelchair bound children.

Shriners are asked to wear their fez so the children know who is in the audience and they can extend their gratitude. Witnessing this event is a most heartwarming experience and is recommended for all to attend.

The Dispatch Ice Haus is located at 200 W. Nationwide Boulevard in the Arena District in downtown Columbus. Now is the time to plan to attend since winter is coming and no one wants to be cooped up indoors all winter. Plan to get out and come see the excitement and fun you will bring to children from Columbus, Cleveland, Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Grand Rapids, and Chicago.

Southeast Shrine by Cecil Moore

Another month has come and gone. Where does all the time go so fast? Before we know it will be Thanksgiving and the snow will be falling. We are hoping that everyone has a large, fat turkey for Thanksgiving, and all your most loved relatives come to help you celebrate it.

Our October meeting turned out great; we had a total of 26 in attendance. Five were past presidents and all enjoyed the meeting, the meal, and the fellowship. Our Divan representative, Michael Tyne, was present with a fine message for all. Also present was George Kosbab, P.P. who spoke on the kids sled hockey games and invited all of us to attend and enjoy the fun the disabled kids have on the ice. The club donated \$500.00 toward any safety equipment the kids need. Hope they have a safe game with no one getting hurt.

I have no report of anyone sick or in the hospital. If there is, please let me know (Cecil Moore, 759-9357) so that I might give them a call and send a get well card.

Our next meeting will be on the third Thursday, November 20 rather than the fourth Thursday which is Thanksgiving day. Let us have another great turnout for our president, Pete. He is doing a great job and deserves it.

Club dues time is here again so send Pete a check and they will be taken care of. If you send a check, you have a receipt showing they are paid.

That is all for now; maybe it will be better next month. So long for now...

Past Masters by Dick Bull

receive his 70-year pin from Grand Lodge on November 25 at 7:00 p.m. in Webb Lodge #252. Also, he and Mary will celebrate their 62nd wedding anniversary on November 10. Frank no longer drives but has two daughters living nearby who help out.

Also, congratulations go to our treasurer, Gary Fortner, on his appointment as District Deputy Grand Master of the 14th Masonic District. He is serving the second year term of Jim Van Bibber while Jim works through some serious pancreatic health problems. We wish Jim the best in his struggles.

Our unit will be portraying the Master Mason Degree on Thursday, December 11 at Westgate Lodge #623 at 7:00 p.m. preceded by dinner at 6:00 p.m. The candidate is the grandson of our Assistant Director, Emeritus, Bill Hartman. Phil Clovic and Ron Leonard are in the process of setting

We will participate with our van in the Washington C.H. Christmas parade on Sunday, November 23. Line-up is at 1:00 p.m. with step-off at 2:00 p.m.

Bob Roof is now home recuperating from two heart valve replacements. We wish him well.

Marilyn Brintlinger is taking chemo treatments for some problems in the spleen area and we wish her the best. Our unit's annual meeting and election of officers is set for Monday, November 24 at the Shrine Center. Executive board meets at 7:00 p.m. while the stated men's meeting and the Ladies Auxiliary will both meet at 8:00 p.m.

Happy Thanksgiving.



Bucyrus Shrine

by Gene Diller

The Bucyrus Shrine Club's president, Stan Eusey, welcomed Aladdin Shrine Potentate, Daniel F Stainbrook II his lovely wife Ann, the Divan, and their guests.

The special night opened with prayer, lead by Assistant Rabban William E. Estell. He also led the Nobles and guests in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The Shriners and lovely ladies and guests enjoyed ham loaf,

cheese potatoes, green beans, banana salad, and pie. The meal was served by Noble Dave Crum's Palmer House.

Bucyrus Club President Noble Stan Eusey introduced the Bucyrus Shrine Club officers and lovely wives.

President Noble Stan Eusey's lovely Lady Cindy presented the Potentate's wife, Ann Stainbrook, with a Bucyrus famous "Picking Copper Kettle."

Potentate Stainbrook talked about recent parades and coming events and introduced the elected and appointed Divan and their lovely wives, who traveled with them.

Bucyrus Noble Dr. Keith Blair presented Bucyrus Community Hospital a gift of \$1,700 from Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children. Accepting the grant for the hospital was Bucyrus Shrine Club President Noble Stan Eusey.

Potentate Stainbrook presented Bucyrus Shrine Club President Stan Eusey with the Meritorious Service Award.

Pictured in the above photographs are Bucyrus Treasurer Pete Roll, Vice President Tim Miller, Secretary Gene Diller, President Stan Eusey, Potentate Daniel E. Stainbrook II, Assistant Rabban William Estell, Oriental Guide Steve Hathaway, and First Ceremonial Master Michael D. Tyne.



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A Special Thanks Chaplain's Message

from Ron Lewis
Son of Frank Lewis

Hi, Nobles and Ladies. My mom has asked me to write a final report on the clubs, Kentucky Colonels and Southeast,

As I am sure you now know, my dad, Frank Lewis, was recently called home to now report on the Lord's work. There is no question that St. Peter had better be dotting all of his "i"s and crossing his "t"s as my dad never missed too much. His passion for detail, his integrity, and his good wit will now be an asset to the clubs in heaven now.

to the Lamp on my dad's behalf.

I can say without any question, Dad truly enjoyed reporting for these two clubs. We talked about it often. He saw the growth of the clubs as a mission for greater good.

Dad had a deep, but yet quiet faith in Jesus Christ. He saw this work as a measure of his faith and commitment.

He was very proud of the good work that both the Shrine and Kentucky Colonels performed. So much so, he encouraged me to join the Kentucky Colonels.

My Dad closed his final report, two months ago with "I'll see you around - good bye." The meaning of this was much deeper than it first appears. He knew his time was limited; he was saying good bye to those left behind, but had the optimism and faith of pointing to his future in heaven. Dad always wrote and spoke precisely and carefully; I do not believe this was by accident.

Finally, both Mom and I want to thank you for all of your calls, your cards, and your prayers that you have given to us over the past months. It was very reassuring to see the impact Dad had on the lives of others.

The Hardest Holiday

As a preacher and pastor I learned to dread Thanksgiving more than any other observance in church and the country. My dilemma is if you have to encourage or convince people to be thankful, especially people in this great land of plenty and freedom and that will still be the case no matter who wins the election and how bad the economy gets, then it is likely nothing a preacher or any other person you know can whip up Thanksgiving in their heart or soul.

Some of these attitudes I assumed were set early in life by the way we were raised, other kinds of teaching, and examples we had. Even though I crafted and dutifully presented my obligatory Thanksgiving message, there was a part of me that wondered what good it would do, especially in times of crises and distress nationally and personally.

This changed for me one Sunday, about 20 years ago, when a ministerial friend of mine, whose daughter was part of my congregation, visited one Sunday morning. Hubert was about ten-years older than I and had been retired for several years on disability

because of several health conditions. In fact, he was just out of the hospital and needed daily care. That was why he was at his daughter's.

In the churches where I have led worship, there has always been a time when people had an opportunity to share anything, especially something new or neat they had learned or had been blessed. One particular Sunday in July, I waited for someone to feel moved to share something. Hubert stood up and proceeded to thank the Lord for all the blessings in his life and gave a moving testimony on how one's personal faith and relationship with God helps one become better, rather than bitter, when life gives you a lot of thorns and rocks. Now, just so you know, Hubert was legally blind by this time and needed a walker to get around. He lived with pain daily and none of this was going to change. God had given him a loving family and church family to encourage and sustain him. He felt in his soul daily the presence of the living God, and how daily God still gave him opportunity to help others if only through prayer.

It was that day I realized Thanksgiving, like love, loyalty, and most important character and spirit qualities, are choices. We choose to have a grateful heart and to exercise that gratefulness – not just one day a year, but daily in each and ever moment. It's easy to choose to be bitter and hold back the spirit of giving for worry or fear about what tomorrow will bring. It's more difficult to choose to acknowledge our blessings and look for ways to share what we have received with others. What will you choose?



by Chaplain John Ash

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THE CHANTERS

by Brent Wilson

In my last article, I mentioned declining membership in our Masonic Lodges and the Aladdin Shrine. We need a youth movement to be sure and the Chanters could really use additional voices. What we have is pretty good, but we need more. So, if you can sing or think you can sing, come join us for a rehearsal or two and an evening of brotherhood. I guarantee you'll have fun and meet some really good fellows. Later in this article, you will see dates and times.

I missed the Pumpkin Show Parade this year for the first time since I have been a Chanter; but sometimes life deals us a hand that we can't change. Now, I'm sure the boys did just fine without me, but I hate to miss the Pumpkin Show. Can you say pork tenderloin sandwich and greasy french fries? I guess I'm healthier for not being there.

Are you all just sick of all the political rhetoric? I am, and by the time you read this, we will have a new president elect. No matter who it is, it will be time to cut out all the bitterness and support our new leader. We must hope whoever is elected will represent our country and our people in the very best light at home and internationally.

You hate to hear this, I'm sure, but winter is here! Today, as I write this, they are predicting snow in northern Ohio. They are already skiing out west, brrrrr! This weekend, I will put the snow plow, wheel weights, and chains on the garden tractor. Hopefully, I won't have to get it out this year. I've hung up my golf shoes, cleaned out the flowerbeds, and plowed under the lone remnants of our vegetable garden. How sad.

Although winter brings on cold weather, it also brings about the warmest time of the year. Our families slow down a little and we seem to gather in the kitchen more often and we have all the comfort foods. I love chili, beef stew, vegetable soup, homemade bread, sloppy joes, and roast beef. Even more important are two of our favorite and most blessed holidays – Thanksgiving and Christmas. Although it's grey and blustery outside, inside the season is most warm and glorious. Families gather for friendship, love, and a season of warmth and giving. We all know the true reason for the season.

As you read this, think warm thoughts of your loved ones and loved ones past. Please remember our brave men and women in harms way, and pray for our new leader of the free world for wisdom, leadership, compassion, good judgment, and a caring way for all of the people of the world.

Some events to remember:

November 24 7:30 p.m. Rehearsal

November 27 Thanksgiving

December 1 7:30 p.m. Sing at Oakleaf Village

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SENIOR SHRINERS

by Chuck McLeod

Noble President Don Lynne opened the October 27 meeting at noon and led the pledge of allegiance and the opening prayer.

Following a delicious meal of beef bourguignon over noodles, President Lynne introduced the speaker of the day, Noble Richard Luckay, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus Masonic Learning Center. Luckay said the center teaches dyslexic children how to read. The center was started on December 1, 1999 and 200 students have graduated.

The students are taught one-on-one with one tutor per student. The budget, which comes from the headquarters in Lexington, Massachusetts, is based on 24 students per year per Learning Center. This past year the Columbus Center had 32 students enrolled with 17 tutors.

He stated that of the 59 Learning Centers in the northern jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, only two covered their expenses as training centers. Columbus was one of the two! Some of the 59 centers have not enrolled a single student, yet they get the same amount of money for operating expense as Columbus.

The Columbus Learning Center is going to try something new this school year. It will have three students with one tutor. This comes about because the number of qualified tutors has decreased as their schools are not giving them time off to teach at the center. The schools do not recognize dyslexia as a problem, saying they are just slow learners. If they recognize dyslexia, they would have to do something about those students and they don't have the capability.

The not so good news is that the Columbus Learning Center wants to open a second learning center, but it won't happen because of the current financial crisis.

The center has an operating fund plus an endowment fund. The operating fund comes from headquarters. The endowment fund is composed of money from bequests, donations, and any contributions that specifically states that it is for the endowment fund. The endowment fund is invested and earns interest, so if there is a shortfall in the operating fund, monies can be transferred from the endowment to the operating fund.

Noble Luckay did not bring this up, but your intrepid reporter knows, from sitting at the center four hours per month, that there is a large glass jug at the center with a sign, which reads "Pennies for Paper." The students and their parents deposit pennies every time they can to offset the cost of copier paper. Anyone who would like to donate a ream of copier paper can drop it off at the Columbus Masonic Learning Center, 290 Cramer Creek, Dublin, Ohio 43017, or call and make arrangements by calling 614-766-2272.

Noble Luckay answered questions from the audience and was given a round of applause. Noble President Lynne presented Noble Luckay a plaque for presenting the program for the day.

Noble Lynne called on the secretary for his report. Noble McLeod stated that the minutes were the same as the article in the Aladdin's *Lamp*, so if you read that you got the minutes. He also thanked Noble Richard D, Snow for writing the article for the *Lamp* for the September meeting, as he was not at the meeting.

Noble Lynne called on the treasurer for his report. Noble Hilbinger reported that we had lost \$16,000 in the financial crisis but currently had \$396,876.10 in our account with UBS. It was moved and seconded to accept the treasurer's report. It was moved to pay all bills; motion passed.

Remember, our next meeting will be on the THIRD WEDNESDAY of NOVEMBER, (November 19), so it will not interfere with Thanksgiving.

The closing prayer was given by Noble Don Pendel. The meeting was closed in peace and harmony. Respectfully submitted.

Hardin County by Ken Rossman

Our regular meeting was held October 15 at Veteran's Memorial Park Clubhouse with 55 Nobles and four guests. Noble Rossman opened the evening with a prayer. We dined on a great meal prepared and served by Nobles Doornbos, Rice, Wagner, Gannon, Gilbert, Osborn, Pore, Heydinger, Cody Morris, and Wykes. Well done, Nobles!

President Jim Holmes opened our business meeting by leading us in the pledge of allegiance. We then gave a hand to the kitchen crew for our dinner.

President Holmes noted that he had a sign-up sheet to register the children for our Christmas party on December 17 at the Community Building on the fairgrounds.

We expect to have at least six or more candidates for the November 8 Ceremonial at Aladdin.

Our Divan Representative Bill Estell noted events at Aladdin and talked about the motion floor at our Erie hospital. It is the only one the country in use today. He spoke about advances at our burns Hospital and how they feel children with third degree burns on 97% of their body can be saved. He talked about new research that will improve the treatment of the burned children.

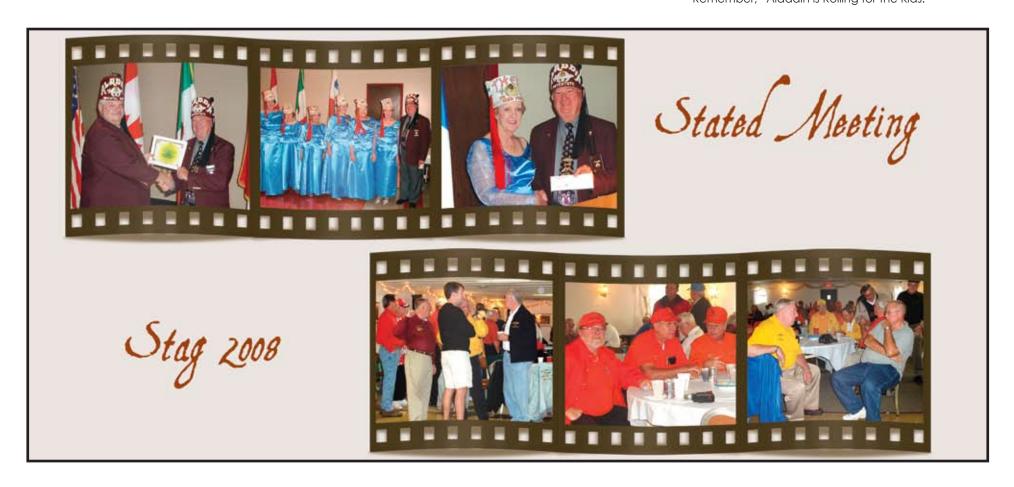
We had our election of officers for 2009: President Dave Brutzer, First Vice President Keith McKee, Second Vice President Scott Sorgen, Secretary Wes Broseke Jr., Treasurer Tim Jolliff, and Tabloid Chairman Ken Rossman.

We all gave a big hand and a thank you to Noble LeRoy Harder who started and was in charge of our "Cans for Kids" project several years ago. Due to medical problems, he is giving up the job and it will be taken over by Nobles Squire Latham and Craig Leeth. Thank you for a job well done, Noble Harder.

We wish happy birthday to Noble Lauren Hill, 80. We also wish the very best to Noble Lorenzo Guckes as he recovers from shoulder surgery at the Heritage in Findlay, to Noble Paul Heiltnan who is under cancer treatment, and to the wife of Noble Ted Breidenbach who is awaiting surgery at the Cleveland Clinic.

We extend our sympathy to Noble Burke Smith in the recent death of his wife. We wish him the very best.

Noble Rossman closed our meeting with a prayer. Remember, "Aladdin is Rolling for the Kids."



From The Shrine Band

by Robb Landon

By the time you read this, most of what we have planed for 2008 will have gone by. From the annual meeting through the parades, it has been quite a year.

Just after Thanksgiving, we will start the fundraiser with the Salvation Army. We will ring the bell again this year at the Kroger store on Sunbury Road and Route 161 in Westerville. Other than that, all we have left are a few rehearsals, the Potentate's Visitation and Lady's Party. This event will top off a very good year for the Band.

The December Lady's Party and Potentate visitation will be at the Heritage Country Club in Hilliard. Thanks go to Jim Strouse for obtaining the venue. The entertainment will be Dwight Lennox quartet. This is an event you should not miss. Invitations were sent out with all the details.

Monthly Musical Term Definition: Hidden Fifths - Performance aids that circulate in the trumpet section.

Band Schedule: November 18 - Aladdin Dance, Band - 7:00 p.m.; November 25 - Executive Board Mtg. - 7:00 p.m.; Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.; December 9 - Potentate's Visitation & Ladies Party

Worthington Shrine

by Bob Stevenson

Date Changes For Upcoming Events!

Worthington Shrine Club will have two major date changes for upcoming events. Please mark your calendars now

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2008 - CHRISTMAS DINNER - We have moved forward one day for this annual event. As always, we will ask you to bring a toy for the children at our hospitals. Refer to the October *Lamp* and the article by our Past Potentate Gary Parks. He has outlined the types of gifts most in need. This year, just bring them; they do not need to be wrapped. As in past years, the toys will be placed under the large Christmas tree in the large banquet room. Entertainment will be provided by The Buckeye Brass. What better way to get into the spirit of this special season of giving and joy!

Social hour will be 6:00 p.m. and dinner served at 6:30 p.m. at Brookside Golf and Country Club. So, get out your best holiday duds and bring a guest or two for another enjoyable evening. See the next newsletter for more detail.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009 DINNER WITH THE POTENTATE AND HIS LADY - The calendar tells us our normal meeting night is New Years Day, 2009. We made a wild guess that not many would attend that evening so we moved this meeting for Nobles and Ladies forward to the **third Thursday**. The time remains the same, only the dates have been changed to protect...oops, I'm listening to too many old time radio programs on my Sirius radio. This is always such a great evening to learn of the coming year and what to expect and what we need to do to help.

Best wishes go to all the Nobles and Ladies for a blessed and happy Thanksgiving!

Reception Unit by Aaron Dominey

I'm sure that I'm not alone in thinking, "where did 2008 go?? It's hard for me to believe that there are two short months left to this year. As I sit writing this, we are two weeks away from Halloween, three weeks away from the presidential election, five weeks from Thanksgiving and eight weeks to Christmas. By the time you get this, we'll only have Thanksgiving and Christmas left.

Oh yeah, if you're wondering where last month's article was, I took a month off. I figured you'd had enough reminders about the parade schedule.

Unit Updates - Paver sales have "officially" wrapped up. We are "extending" the paver project on a limited basis by offering the small size bricks, engraved, for \$100.00. This is to fill in the paver patio with remembrances as much as possible. However, in order to achieve best pricing, we need to "batch" future engraving orders in groups of 12-15 bricks at a time. So, if you still have an interest in purchasing a brick, we can accommodate the order, but it needs to be coordinated through Tom Keller. Please note, no bills will go out until a batch has been processed with the engraver.

The unit hosted the Potentate, Illustrious Sir Dan Stainbrook, his Lady Ann, and members of the Divan at our Potentate's visitation on September 12. We would like to congratulate Tom Keller who was awarded his Ambassador fez on this date.

Squad 51, Squad 5, Emergency! Many of you may not remember the 70s show *Emergency*, but it was one of my wife's favorites as a small child. As we received news through the month of several unit members who'd received assistance from various health care personnel since our summer break, it was hard not to think we had been pulled into a casting call for a cheesy rescue show. That being said, we are hoping that P.P. George Kosbab and Bill Bickel are in good spirits and recovering from their respective hospital stays.

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Erie Shriners Hospital Administrator Announces Retirement



With 42 years of healthcare experience and after 22 years at the helm of the Shriners Hospitals for Children—Erie, Richard W. Brzuz has announced his intention to retire as hospital administrator effective Friday, January 2, 2009.

A native of Oil City, PA, Brzuz, 62, was a hospital corpsman in the U.S. Air Force from 1966-70. Upon completion of his military service, he returned to Pennsylvania to begin studies at Gannon University while working in various positions at Hamot Medical Center from 1970-86. He became administrator at the Erie Shriners Hospital in 1986.

Brzuz earned multiple degrees from Gannon University and was named a Distinguished Alumni in 1994. He has been a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives since 1994 and served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hospital Council of Western Pennsylvania. Brzuz has also served as Chairman and Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Hospital Council of Erie County and an ad hoc member of the Board of the Hospital and Healthcare Association of Pennsylvania.

Locally, Brzuz has served as a Loaned Executive of the United Way, President of the Rotary Club of Erie from 1994-95 and Assistant District Governor of Rotary District 7280 from 1996-99. He became a Paul Harris Fellow in 1995 with the Rotary Club of Erie. He has also served as Chairman of the Erie County Children's Health Insurance Program Coalition (CHIP), Chairman of the Emergency Response Group/Regional Counter Terrorism Medical Task Force of the Northwest Pennsylvania and is the current Chairman of the Disaster Medical Assistant Team Board of Directors.

In his letter to the Erie hospital's Board of Governors, Brzuz said, "During my tenure as administrator, I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the Board of Governors, medical staff and employees of this outstanding organization. It has provided me a tremendous learning experience that I will cherish the remainder of my life."

According to Wayne J. Lachut, Chairman of the Board of Governors, the search for a new administrator is underway with the Erie Board working closely with Shriners Hospitals for Children corporate headquarters to interview qualified candidates. Lachut said he hoped the new administrator would be selected prior to Brzuz's January retirement date.

Brutal Brothers

by Tom Ruggles

For starters this month, we want to send out our congratulations to long-time Brutal Brother, Bill Dunn, for his recognition by the Grand Lodge of Ohio. On October 17, in the 199th Annual Communication of the Ohio Grand Lodge, Most Worshipful Brother Ronald L. Winnett wrote to express his appreciation to Bill Dunn, who had appointed him to the position of Junior Steward at Grove City Lodge #689, thereby starting him on his journey in "The Wonderful World of Freemasonry!"

We, in the Brutal Brothers Unit, have also benefited greatly from Bill's service and leadership. Bill has been a member of the Brutal Brothers for 36 years, having joined the Brutal Brothers in November 1972. He has served as chief in 1977 and director in 2000-2002. So, again, our thanks go out to Bill Dunn for his leadership and service to the Masonic Lodge, Aladdin Shrine, and the Brutal Brothers. P.S.: My personal thanks go out to Brian Tabit for providing

me with most of the Grand Lodge information to include in this column.

Moving on to some recent events, to the best of my knowledge, everyone had a good time at our Fall Ceremonial on Saturday, November 8 – even those who participated in our hot sands second section. We want to thank all who helped make it as successful as it was. And a "tip of the fez" goes to Director Duane Hays for his leadership and for keeping the proceedings (almost) under control most of the time.

And still another "job well done" goes to Mobile Equipment Chairman Jake Sturgeon and the entire Mobile Equipment crew for representing and promoting Aladdin Shrine and the Brutal Brothers Unit in the local communities and their parades. The Circleville Pumpkin Parade was Friday, October 17 and the next parade coming up will be the Washington Court House Parade on November 23. Our unit's mobile equipment crew always does a fine job of maintaining and parading the equipment but they can always use some help. So, if you can help, please let Chairman Jake know.

In the sunshine department, we are glad to report that after his recent colonoscopy, Bob Collier was told by his doctor that there was no sign of either colon cancer or new polyps. When I arrived to take him home, Bob was proud to brag about, once again, being a "perfect a--hole." Well, be that as it may, we are still glad that Bob is in good health and back in circulation.

On the "not so good" side of the Sunshine ledger, we understand that Clancy James is not doing so well these days and is now having to use a wheelchair to get around. Please keep Clancy, and all of our members who are having health problems, in your thoughts and prayers.

At our last meeting, we were pleased to have with us Divan Representative, Oriental Guide Steve Hathaway. Steve told us about some of the damage to Shriners and the Shrine facilities in the southwest part of the country. He spoke about some of the efforts to assist our Brother Shriners who have suffered losses and damage by some of the recent storms which hit especially hard in that area. Anyone who would like to contribute to the Shriners Disaster Relief Fund can contact the Aladdin business office or refer to the front page article in the October issue of the Lamp.

For our usual closing reminder, our next Brutal Brothers meeting will be December 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the Aladdin Shrine facility and followed on December 6 by our unit's Christmas Party and Potentate's Visit. Hope to see ya' all there!

Kentucky Colonels

by Dick Phelps

"Make new friends, but keep the old. The new ones are silver and the old are gold."

This year our efforts to interest Colonels and "wannabees" in our Aladdin Kentucky Colonels Club has paid off handsomely. These silver Nobles have all joined our club in 2008, either as Colonels or after being commissioned a Kentucky Colonel: John Ervin, Bob Faber, Ed Kayser, Fred Kreuts, Ron Leeth, Ralph Mahaffey, Ron Miner, Bill Ruth, Bill Stansberry, and Art Thomas. Welcome, Colonels, and keep coming out to our meetings each month.

So that we won't forget our golden oldies, a happy birthday in November goes to these Colonels: Don Basham, Ernie Bible, Hershal Craft, John Dilley, Don Elkins, Karl Grant, Jim Kelly, Don Lynne, Leroy McCelvey, Neal McCleary, Henry Morris, and John Price. Have many more in good health, fellows!

We welcomed a good visiting Colonel at our November meeting, John Chaney, and it was good to see Jeri Lewis out with us. Two members were reported under the weather – Nevin Finn and our top secretary, Joe Rike. Get up and get well, fellows.

President Pete Ransburgh presided over the election of officers for 2009. Ron Fraser was elected president; Neal McCleary, vice president; Roe Rike, secretary,; Don Shoffstall, treasurer; and Past Potentate Dee Mowry, chaplain. They will be installed by the Potentate in early January. We can't go wrong with these in charge.

During the winter holidays we always adjust our meeting dates. So Colonels, mark your calendars now. November will be a noon luncheon on November 18. Our Christmas Dinner Party will be December 16 at 6:00 p.m. Don't miss out; get your reservations in to Joe, 740-587-2496 or to Pete, 614-491-6276.

Remember: if your ship hasn't come in yet, swim out to it!



Marching with The Legion

by Dick Luckay

PUMPKIN PARADE REPORT – It was a beautiful night weather-wise, the crowd was large and enthusiastic, and Aladdin led the large parade (after the Mayor and a few politicians passed in review first). Aladdin was well represented with a large turnout and the Legion was in full marching and riding form.

Commander Dick Ollila, P.C's. Bob Wilson, Bob Faber, and Robert Spencer and Legionobles Bob Krieger and David Ozvat looked sharp and marched the same way as they carried the national colors through the crowded streets. P.C. Willie Fichett drove the jeep with Legionobles John Hart, Dick Luckay, and Terry Kitchens riding in comfort and greeting the crowd all along the way. That jeep with the five service flags flying in front and the Ohio, POW/MIA, and Shrine flags waving from the rear is indeed an impressive sight and makes a very powerful impression on the crowds as it follows the marching color guard.

There were times in the past when the Pumpkin Parade was not a friendly place to be when the weather was really miserable, but, this time it was a really fine experience for both the spectators – and Aladdin. The only real disappointment was the realization there would be no afterglow since the young arsonists had burned down the building two weeks earlier.

BELATED BIRTHDAY WISHES – Through no fault of their own, several Legionobles and Ladies failed to be recognized for completing yet another year on their road of life. The information will be hereby updated with apologies to all concerned. Happy belated birthday wishes to: P.C. Bob Faber (10/25), Glenn Ferrone (10/31), Ruth Dean and Pat Moore(11/1), John Lehman (11/3), Bev Powell (11/6), Gerri Prichard and Sue White (11/10), Gary Schleich (11/11), P.C. Bob Wilson and P.C. Don Powell (11/15) and Irene Schleich (11/18). It's always nice to have another year to add the one's life story – hope it was a good one and the coming year will be even better.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS – It's always a pleasure to recognize couples who will complete another year of togetherness. Legion congratulations and best wishes to: Jack and Lil Woodworth (11/22), Bob and Nancy Krieger (11/23) and Lou and Vi Snyder (12/19). May your celebration be one that can add a wonderful page to your memory book. PRESS ON!

REMINDERS – November 23 – Washington Court House Parade
December 31 – Legion Annual Dues (\$15.00) deadline

January 12 - Potentate Visitation

NOT GOOD NEWS – Billie Hart's medical condition has not improved. Please keep John and Billie in your thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.

Ross County

by John Malone

Our October meeting at the clubhouse was attended by 59 Nobles who feasted on a great fish dinner with all the trimmings. Thanks go to Bob Baranick and his crew for a areat dinner.

Mike Bell reported on the Tabloid Stag Party where Ross County Shrine Club received a small certificate signifying the 102% monetary increase over last year. That was good for third place in Aladdin Temple. We decided to have our own plague made to commemorate the occasion.

By the time you read this, we will have had our Halloween Parade. I hope many of you showed up at our post parade party that we always have after the parade.

Our Thanksgiving/Appreciation Dinner will be on Saturday, November 15. Bob Baranick is going to fix us a delicious meal of slow-cooked roast beef. Because of the dinner, we will not be having a meeting in November. Make your reservations now to H. D. Miller at 704-773-0322.

We had our annual election of officers at the meeting. The slate of officers elected for 2009 are: president – John Malone, vice president – Harold (H.D.) Miller, secretary – Jay Morgan, treasurer – Rob Coolidge. The four-year board of directors elected are Ralph Elliot and Bobby Anderson. The Trustees of the Holding Corporation elected are Ron Miner and Dan Riddle.

Our Christmas Dinner will be held on Saturday, December 20 so please put that on your December calendar. If you are going to be a Shriner, and get the most out of it, you ought to participate in as many functions as you can.

- Aladdin's CAR CLUB -

Tour to Remember - Eastern Ohio

October 25 began in an inauspicious fashion. It looked like it would be a cool, rainy day as the Aladdin Car Club assembled at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant at the intersection of I-70 and State Route 256. We did have a good crowd for Chester Van Horn's tour to eastern Ohio to view the fall colors. After a hearty breakfast, we departed in five cars. With the weather being what it was, the vintage cars were limited to Fred and Bev Coventry's "new" 1975 Ford Ranchero. Jim Allen and Larry Jarvis drove their vans and Chester and Ron Brubaker drove "modern" cars. Lou Ardit and Dee Mowry were riders. Remember there is always room if you don't have a car. Come one, come all and join in the fun and fellowship.

The route that Chester had laid out took us out State Route 256 through Pickerington, Baltimore, Thurston, to Somerset (the birthplace of Civil War General Phil Sheridan). From Somerset we turned north on Ohio 668 through Brownsville (on the Old National Road, now US 40), past Flint Ridge State Memorial, to Ohio 16. We then turned eastward again past Hanover, Black Run, Frazeysburg, the Longaberger Complex near Dresden, Adams Mills, Conesville (and its American Electric Power plant), Trinway, and Roscoe Village. It was a scenic drive with the trees in full color. The sun had appeared by the time we got to Somerset so we could have driven our vintage cars if we had been so disposed. People don't want to clean them up after a drive so late in the year, and some had already been put away for the winter.

Roscoe Village is a very interesting glimpse into Ohio's past. We have the contrast of the canal (which was the transportation system that opened Ohio to the settlers in the early 1800's) with the modern highway system that parallels it. The village is the restored brick warehouses and factories that are sandwiched in between. These structures have been converted to shops, restaurants, and craft displays of early activities of the area. It was quite pleasant since the crowds were not great this late in the season.

The Visitor Center is a very attractive building surrounded by landscaped gardens. There are active displays inside involving weaving, candle making, and tin smithing. There is a room devoted to glove making, which was the company of the Montgomery family. There was a display of some of the machinery and samples of the type of gloves produced. They apparently developed the process of coating the gloves with rubber and other materials for special purposes. The company was sold to the Australian Dunlop Rubber Company. The Montgomery family was instrumental in

by James Allen

the development of Roscoe Village. Ed Montgomery was a member of the Ohio State University Marching Band and was an arranger for the band.

We had lunch as a group at one



of the restaurants. Apparently they were not expecting such a large group all at one time. The service was slow, but the food and the company were excellent. Jim and Lois Allen ordered a taco salad and the chef must have had to call in a local Mexican on his day off to prepare them. They were quite good when they arrived. The Mexican did a great job when he got there. All in all the experience at Roscoe Village was very pleasant. It is well worth a trip over there.

After lunch we regrouped and departed for Columbus. Some of the group decided to stop in Dresden to visit the Longabeger Complex. Dee Mowry joined the Allens and Lou Ardit to return to the Cracker Barrel to retrieve their cars.

A few housekeeping details, our dues are coming in now. If you have not sent them, please do so as soon as possible. They go to Robert Spencer at 8189 Longhorn Powell OH 43065. We need to have these in by the end of the year.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, November 19 at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Let's have a good attendance. Our Christmas Party will be Wednesday, December 3 also at the Shrine Center. Circle the date on your calendar and watch the mail for an announcement. It will be important to RSVP so the caterers will know how much food to prepare.

A special thanks goes to Chester for planning the trip to Roscoe Village for those of us that went on the tour. Please remember, these are open to all members whether you wish to drive or not. Our ladies are always welcome on these outings. Join the fun!

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