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#### Membership Totals

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

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Membership as of 09/30/2008	7484
Net loss/gain YTD	-124
Net loss/gain Month	-28





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## Shriners Must Look Forward to Tabloid 2009

(6 A billion here, a billion there, pretty soon it adds up to real money. ~ Senator Everett Dicksen of Illinois

by Bob Stevenson

Given all the dire financial news of the past few months and the open government checkbook (actually our checkbook) makes this old quote from Senator Dirksen seem very timely, if sadly understated.

But I think we can modify it to something like "\$1.00 here, \$50.00 there and pretty soon it adds up to hundreds of thousands of dollars." For that is exactly what the Nobles of Aladdin Shrine, through Tabloid, have accomplished over the past several years. But now we must, I repeat MUST, look forward to Tabloid 2009. With the leadership of clubs like Union County, Athens County, Ross County, Washington, Gallipolis, and Hilltop – all top performers over the past few years. With the new leadership of groups like The NexGen Shriners who hit the streets for the first time in 2008 and with the involvement of all the clubs and units of Aladdin Shrine, we can, and must, add to our incredible results of the past few years in 2009.

It is no secret, the economy is slowing and that causes a variety of problems. Our hospitals will have tighter budgets to contend with and all those meaningful little extras will get harder to provide. We, the Nobles and Ladies of Aladdin, must help by gaining more in donations to Tabloid; holding various fundraisers; have active involvement in Tabloid 2009 on Friday and Saturday June 5 and June 6, 2009; and participate in Cans for Kids. (Did you know you can bring aluminum cans to Aladdin Temple? There is a collection dumpster by the Wolfe Building. Bring what cans you can and all proceeds go to Tabloid!)

So many families count upon the Shriners to help their children. We have been there for them for so many decades, and we need to be there twice as long from now. But it is up to all of us to be sure we are.

In addition to Tabloid money, please remember we need new Nobles to further our efforts. I believe that Tabloid can be a centerpiece for you to use in recruiting. Men today have busy lives. They no longer join things to "just belong." It there is not a good reason or hook, as I call it, they don't give it a second thought. Fraternity, social contacts, business relationships, learning opportunities to further their lives can all be found at a hundred different places. Helping kids in dire need, providing medical help are generally not available or affordable if available at all? Now you're talking! Take those left over 2008 Tabloids. Give them to men you know to be Master Masons or those interested in becoming a Master Mason. Explain the reason to not just join but to be part of something so much bigger than themselves. I believe you will find the results to be very positive.

Senator Dirksen had it right and we could really use him now. But I'll add one more version of his quote. "Five new Nobles here, ten new Nobles there; pretty soon it adds up to a lot more money for our hospitals!"

### Shriners Disaster Relief Fund

## Helping Shriners in Need of Assistance

In response to the many requests from fraternity members for information about how they can help fellow Shriners affected by the recent hurricanes, the Imperial Council has established a fund to help Shriners with immediate post-storm needs.

The Shriners Disaster Relief Fund will help in the personal recovery efforts of fraternity members. Assistance is on a first-come, first-served basis with a cap of \$500 per request. If \$500 is not sufficient to resolve the emergency, an additional \$500 can be requested, but there is a \$1,000 per Shriner/family limit. Funds must be used for legitimate "ordinary, necessary and reasonable expenses" related to post-disaster needs such as food, lodging, transportation and medication.

Shriners in need of assistance are asked to contact their temple potentate or recorder for details about the program.

Shriners and non-Shriners are welcome to make contributions. Donations to the effort can be made by mailing a check payable to Imperial Council with "Disaster Relief Fund" in the memo line, to Shriners International Headquarters, ATTN: Disaster Relief Fund, 2900 Rocky Point Dr., Tampa, Fla., 33607. For further information, please contact Bob Phillips at (813) 281-0300.

Donations to the Shriners Disaster Relief fund are not tax deductible as charitable contributions.

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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 6:30 p.m. at the Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio October 20

November 17 - December 15 - Annual Election

#### **Elected Divan**

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# Rolling with The Pote

by Daniel E. Stainbrook II

It was good to see Nobles out at the September 15 Stated Meeting since basically shutting down in May. The quickie Stated Meeting on June 23 doesn't count as it was opened and closed in about five minutes. However, it was a very important meeting to get the petition fees lower for the Fall Ceremonial and with Imperial's blessings. This is a one-time fee reduction on petitions. The Fall Ceremonial Petition Fee is \$149.00 without a Fez or \$199.00 with a silk embroidered Fez. Petitions MUST be in the membership director's hands by Monday, November 3 – no later.

With the year starting to wind down, there are only a few big happenings on the calendar. The first is the Stag Picnic which is being held at the Heimat Haus in place of the Temple. We were originally going to be at the Temple, but Brenda Springer, who takes care of rentals for us, asked if I would mind moving out of the Temple as she had a chance to rent several of the rooms



in the building that day. I agreed to move the Stag to another venue. This is how we ended up at the Heimat Haus. It will serve us well and, at the same, we will be making money for Aladdin on the rentals. I apologize if this is an inconvenience, but remember change is the only thing that is permanent in this world. Oh, by the way, this event is FREE.

We only have two Aladdin parades left for the year – the Circleville Pumpkin Parade on Friday, October 17 and the Washington Court House Parade on Sunday, November 23. I would like to see a good turn out for both of them. I know the weather at that time of the year can be unpredictable, but just wear appropriate clothing and buck up.

Please support the Ohio State Football Tailgate Parties at the Temple if you can. It is a good way to enjoy the company of other Nobles, their Ladies and guests. Plus, it is less expensive (cheaper) than going to the game and you don't have to stand in line to use the r...

To keep up to date with all the happenings in Aladdin Land, please read your Lamp each month. Let's Keep Rolling!



# MEMBERSHIP ON THE MOVE

**by Calvin Smith** / Membership Marketing Director

# Our November Cermonial journey has begun. WHO IS YOUR CANDIDATE?

Our Fall Ceremonial will be held on November 8 at Aladdin. The fee is \$149.00 if a fez is not required and \$199.00 if one is needed. Both fees include the candidate's dues of \$74.00 for 2009. They will not receive a dues notice for 12 months. These fees represent significant reductions from our scheduled fees of \$204.00 and \$267.00.

The Ceremonial schedule follows:

7:00 am	Units Report to Shrine Center	Various Units
	Candidates Arrive - Multi-Purpose Room	
7:30 am	Medical Evaluation	Medical Unit
8:00 am	Make-Up - Ritualistic Cast	Clown Unit
8:30 am	Cast Photograph	On Stage
8:45 am	Class Photograph	On steps outside Multi-Purpose Room
9:00 am	Ritualistic Personnel	In lobby outside auditorium doors
9:00 am	Brutal Bros	Move red/green tag candidates to seats
U	Band	Tommy Dale, Director
9:10 am	Chanters	Gus Ruzicka, Director
9:20 am	Shrine History	Michael Clevenger, P.P.
4	Processional	Patrol/Legion of Honor
9:35 am	Opening of the Temple	Dan Stainbrook II, III. Potentate
	Fezzing Ceremony	
11:15 am	Closing of the Temple	Dan Stainbrook II, III. Potentate
		(pipe & drums leading out)
	Aladdin's Feast & Bazaar	•
11:40 am	Pipes & Drums	Jim Bradham
	Dixieland Band	
12:00 pm	Patrol	Arlan Thorley, Captain
	Clowns	
	Introduction of all Divan Members. &. P.P	
12:30 pm	Second Section	Duane Hays, Director of Brutal Bros.
1:30 pm	Hospitality	Bob Lazenby

**Petition Deadline:** All Petitions must be received in the Aladdin Membership Office by noon on Monday, November 3, 2008. If faxed, a copy of payment must accompany the fax.

If you need a petition, you can go to www.aladdinshrine.org and print one from the Internet or you can call us and request one or more. Call us at 1-800-475-3850, ext. 10 or ext. 27 if you live outside Franklin County. If you live inside Franklin County, you may call at 614-475-2609 ext. 10 or ext. 27.

As you read this article you have approximately three weeks left to get your candidate. There is little more that I can say to you. We need new members. Only you and I can do something about this. Almost 75% of the Masons in Aladdin Land do not belong to the Shrine. We cannot complain about not having anyone to ask. So I ask you one more time, GO GET A CANDIDATE FOR THE NOVEMBER CEREMONIAL, NOW!

Have you paid your 2008 dues? Check your wallet for a Shrine dues card. Not there? Get in touch with us. There are tens of thousands of children depending on us. Keep the faith with them. Pay your 2008 dues.

Just as a reminder, have you called a new Noble this past month? Try it this week.

# Southeast Shrine by Cecil Moore

Well, summer is over and we are starting into fall. Hope everyone had a great vacation along with lots of cookouts. We are back to our regular monthly meetings, the fourth Thursday of each month, and hope to have a good turnout of members along with their spouses and/or lady friends.

We had a great fish fry in August with a good turn out of guests. We want to thank all those who showed up to give their help, especially the ladies who are always ready to do anything they can to make it a success.

We are sad to report the losing three of our good members to the Black Camel. They are Bill Farson, Vaughn Doss and Frank Lewis. They were all very good members and we will miss them very much, not only the Southeast, but all members of Aladdin temple.

We need new members in our club; if you know of anyone who is wanting to join a new club, invite him to join ours. We will be glad to have him and will treat him like family.

It is that time of year again to pay our dues. Our president, Pete, will be glad to receive them.

That is all for now, maybe more next month. So long for now!



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# Gallipolis Shrine

#### by Frank Petrie, Jr.

This will be a real hog-podge article trying to catch up on club events. Lovely Lady Carolyn and I have been on the go quite a bit this year and I have missed a number of regular meetings and special events. Among our other jaunts, we were able to visit our son and family in Sweden. It is a lovely country; hope you get a chance to visit sometime.

In July, we had a great fundraiser. It was a huge success and our Shrinettes had a dessert auction to add to the fun. Thanks go to Jennifer Dewitt, president of the Shrinettes, for getting everything organized. Oh my, there were some wonderful delicacies sold that night. Thanks go to all of the Ladies who prepared these delights and to all the spirited bidders.

At another event, we were able to burn the mortgage on our building. President Noble Carl Dewitt allowed Noble David McQuaid, who was president when the building was started, to set the fire. A mighty roar went up from the crowd as the flames devoured that paper. We are very proud of our facility. Hope everyone gets a chance to visit us sometime. Speaking of visits, we were able to "take in" 16 new Hillbillys and 11 Hillymays, including our Illustrious Potentate. Welcome, Cussins. May you always drink good corn squizens and own a good hound dog.

Another noteworthy event was Noble John Nibert's donation of a sturdy buggy seat he had built. It was auctioned to the highest bidder, Noble Roger Morgan. The funds were donated to the club. Thanks go to these generous Nobles.

I understand that the fair gate workers were treated to an old fashioned fish fry and corn roast. Thanks go to all the gate captains and their workers.

There was a Hillbilly golf tournament. I heard everyone had a great time. No other details were available.

I know that some of our Noble brothers have kept the old firetruck rolling to several parades. We wish to thank all the Nobles who have participated. Everyone is welcome to hop on board.

On September 20, the Fall Hillbilly Hog Roast was held. Apparently, most of the Cussins were off gathering crops for the winter because we had a rather small turnout. But the beans and the squizens were good. Sorry if you missed out.

On September 27, we held a "kick off" dinner to raise funds for our Tabloid collections. There were approximately 100 in attendance. Numerous people made donations during the evening. Noble Guy Guinther even auctioned off his old-time bottle collection – not the contents, just the bottles of course. We had a lot of fun with that.

We wish to thank Illustrious Potentate Daniel Stainbrook and his Lovely Lady Ann and Noble Bob Stevenson, Tabloid chairman, and his Lovely Lady Marge for attending. We were able to honor our special guest, Randall L. Adkins, the young man for whom the Shriners have purchased a wheel chair. Also, through separate donations, we were able to install a 900-yard concrete pad to get Randall from the bus to his front door. Also present was Kylie Coburn, our special poster girl. It is not possible to thank everyone who came out to support this great evening, but let's say a special thanks to Tabloid Chairman Noble Chuck Easter and assistant chair, Noble Guy Guinther. We must thank our wonderful cooks Mary Searls and Robin Martin who donated their services to prepare and serve the great food.

We wish to congratulate that old swinger, Noble Homer Hankins, for getting two holes-in-one in one week at the Cliff Side Golf Course. I understand even Paul Harvey mentioned that feat on his radio program. Atta boy, Homer.

On a very sad note, we lost a young Noble, Jay Moore, during July. He will be sadly missed by family and friends. Remember Nobles and Ladies; the only real things you can leave a children when you are gone are the ideas you put in their heads. See you for supper on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

## Steubenville

#### by Anthony Violi

Greetings from Steubenville. Autumn is in the air and football season is in full swing. Our President, Noble Dan Moffatt opened the September 4 meeting of the Steubenville Shrine Club by leading the Nobility in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of our great country. Prayer was offered by Noble Robert Moffatt, He asked God to watch over all Shriners and their families and to guide us in all we do. Once again, our club was plagued with many illnesses. May God watch over all and grant them a speedy recovery.

The minutes of the August meeting were presented by Secretary Noble Morris. In addition, the financial report was given by Treasurer Noble Jerry Williams. Both reports were accepted as presented. Building chairman, First Vice President Noble Jim Halstead, informed the Nobility that he is still working on the band shelter. He stated that because of deterioration, the entire back will need to be replaced. He informed us that the shelter kitchen has been cleaned and winterized. A new motor had to be installed on the air-conditioner. He thanked Noble Whity Bauman and his Lady Peg for their efforts in keeping our tables in top condition. Noble Dave Hunt was commended for mowing the grass and keeping the grounds clean.

Noble Calvin Smith, Aladdin membership marketing director, informed our club that membership in Aladdin is declining and that we, as well as other clubs, should make an effort to retain our members and also make an effort to acquire new members.

The writer of this article informed the Nobility that he marched in the pre-game and halftime show with the Ohio State Alumni Band at the Youngstown-OSU game last Saturday August 30. He was applauded for being able, at age 90, to participate in the band activities.

Noble Robert Moffatt informed us that our club is still sponsoring dinners on the third Wednesday of each month. He stated that the dinner held on August 15 was completely sold out.

Noble Dan Davis remarked that he has old 16-mm films showing the area of Aladdin Land being developed. He said that the shelter was being erected and that the present clubhouse did not exist. He will show the film during the October meeting.

The Motor Patrol has a parade scheduled on September 25 in Smithfield. Following the parade, the patrol will become inactive.

Noble Jim Halstead and his Lady Patty celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 31. Congratulations! Future events are Wiener Roast, September 17, Harvest Dinner November 22, and the Christmas party in December. Local Lodge reports were given and 25- and 50-year members and past presidents were recognized. Distinguished Masons III. Roger Watts 33°, Henri Albert 33°, Al DuBois MSA, Richard Stinger MSA, Jerry Williams VSA-MSA, and Anthony Violi VSA-MSA were introduced. A closing prayer was given by Noble Robert Moffatt. Delicious refreshments were available. Fellowship followed. GOD BLESS AMERICA

## **Senior Shriners**

by Dick Snow (Substituting for Charles McLeod)

The Senior Shriners met September 17 for their monthly luncheon at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Noble Don Lynne greeted everyone and had all the past presidents stand and be recognized as well as all 33° Masons including Past Grand Master Jack Allen. Noble Don Pendell led the luncheon blessing which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to our nation's flag.

Noble Lynne announced that the caterer raised the price of the lunch to \$11.25. However, the Senior Shriners and their guests will only pay \$5.00 for the noon meals for the rest of the year.

Following lunch, Noble Don introduced the speaker, Captain Cecil Potter, U.S.N. Retired, who spoke on the Tall Cedars of Lebanon. He stated that his family has been involved as members of the Armed Forces since the time of the Revolution. He also talked about the charity that the Tall Cedars of Lebanon sponsor, the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Noble Potter stated that three United States presidents were Tall Cedars; namely Franklin D. Roosvelt, Harry Truman, and Gerald Ford. Following his talk, he gave a few remarks of his duty as a Navy SEAL. He was very much involved in the search and rescue operations as a SEAL. Brother Potter is now a member of the Senior Shriners. The Senior Shriners will meet Wednesday, October 22 and will enjoy a lunch of beef bourguignon over noodles.

Charles and Charlene McLeod went to a secluded spot in Pennsylvania for their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. It was a surprise venture from their children.

## Ross County

#### by John Malone

Our September meeting at the clubhouse was attended by 58 Nobles who thoroughly enjoyed the great chicken dinner with all the trimmings provided by Chef Mike Haller and his team of motivated Nobles.

All members should try to be at the October 23 Stated Meeting. That will be the election of officers for the upcoming year. Saturday, October 25 will be the Halloween Parade in Chillicothe. We will be riding our float, as usual, and it is always a lot of fun. Come out and join us. We will be leaving the clubhouse at 5:00 p.m. Afterward, we always have an open house party at the club, thanks to the Shrine Ladies.

We also made plans for our big spaghetti dinner that is being held on Thursday, October 30. All members will be receiving their tickets and dues notices shortly. We are relying on everyone who is able to help make this a big success. If you haven't already signed up, just contact Brad Burns and he will schedule you in. If you can come up at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 29 for the preparation work, that would help also. Remember, to get the most out of being a Shriner, you need to participate and be part of the team.

If you want to see Aladdin Shriners participate in the Circleville Pumpkin Show, it is on Friday, October 17. That is always a great experience also.

## OFFICIAL PARADES

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DATE LINE-UP STEP OFF

Washington CH Christmas 11/23 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.

**APPROVED** 

Gallipolis Veterans Day 11/11 9:00 a.m.10:00 a.m

## Brutal Brothers

#### by Tom Ruggles

For this month, we want to say first that we hope everyone made it through the wind storm and power outages caused last month by the remnants of Hurricane Ike. We hope you made it through with the least possible damage and inconvenience. Your faithful scribe was without power for six days and it was difficult to write this column without electricity to power up the computer. We are back online so maybe we can get some work done.

First, and most important, on our "to do" list is the completion of our preparations for the Ceremonial Saturday, November 8. Please make every effort to come to our work meetings so we will be ready to put on a good show. And, of course, we always need more candidates to become Shriners. So if you have a

candidate, make certain that petition gets in and processed for the big show.

We want to remind everyone that time is drawing near for the Brutal Brothers and Aladdin Temple to host the annual convention of the Shrine Directors' Association on March 25 - 29, 2009. At our chief's Party last month, we were pleased to host the SDA Officers who were in town to check out our locations, events, and plans which are solidly in place for the convention.

The Jones Boys, serving as co-chairmen for the event, and all of their committee chairmen, have done a great job and have put in a lot of planning and work for this convention. They need and deserve every ounce of assistance we can give them. So, when the call goes out for help, we hope everyone is planning to participate to ensure a successful event for Aladdin.

High on our priority list of projects for participation are the local parades and the Circleville Pumpkin Show parade followed shortly by the Washington Court House parade on November 23. Mobile Equipment Chairman Jake Sturgeon and the entire mobile equipment crew put in a lot of hard work to allow our unit and Aladdin to appear in these parades. We want to send out a large "tip of the fez" to our unit's mobile equipment crew.

While we are thinking in terms of supporting Aladdin, perhaps it is time for a brief reminder that we are encouraged to attend the next (and ALL) Aladdin Stated Meetings. These meetings are held on the third Monday of each month, and we should all try for the maximum participation possible.

And for our usual closing reminder for this month, our next Brutal Brothers meeting will be November 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the Aladdin Shrine facility. Two of the hottest items for that meeting will be our unit's annual election of officers for the coming year and the final preparations for the Ceremonial on November 8. It will be important that all our members be at that meeting. Hope to See ya' all there.

## **Bucyrus Shrine**

by Gene Diller The Bucyrus Shrine Club opened the meeting with prayer lead by Noble Jerry Staiger. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by President Noble Stan Eusey. Noble Dave Crum's Palmer House catered the meal. The meal was steak, mashed potatoes, corn, banana salad and pie.

The special speaker for the night was Ms. Cindy Brooks from the Sandusky River Watershed Coalition. Ms. Brookes spoke on the Sandusky River from the start to Fremont, Ohio. In the accompanying photograph are (L-R) Divan Representative1st Ceremonial Master Michael D. Tyne, Bucyrus Club President Stan Eusey, and Ms. Cindy Brookes of Sandusky River Watershed Coalition.

Bucyrus Shrine Club's Divan representative, First Ceremonial Master Michael D. Tyne, was a special guest at the meeting. He announced the upcoming events at the Aladdin.

The Black Camel took two of our members; Noble Kenny Landes and Noble Jack Frost.

Sunshine reported that Nobles Carl Diederich, Rich Frederick, John Miller, Ned Foght and Ken Shealy are home bound. Noble Art Bell is at Heartland Nursing Home.

The next Bucyrus Shrine Club meeting will be October 27. The club will be honored with the visit from the Potentate.

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# ALADDIN SHRINERS

## An Invitation to TAILGATE

October 18 - Game Time TBA November 8 - Opens at 1:30 p.m. November 15 - Game TimeTBA November 22 - Game TimeTBA

\*NOTE: There will be no tailgate for games beginning at 8:00 p.m.



CASH BAR

\$7.00 COVER (includes Bar Snacks & Finger Food!)

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## SLED HOCKEY RETURNS

by Dr. George Kosbab, P.P.

It's a bird! It's a plane! No! It is a hockey puck and it may be coming your way.

Plans for the Sixth Annual Aladdin Shrine Invitational Sled Hockey Tournament are underway and you are invited to attend. Yes, you may come to the Dispatch Ice Haus in downtown Columbus and watch 7-16-year old boys and girls play sled hockey. They will come from several cities including Columbus, Pittsburgh, Erie, Cleveland, Buffalo, Grand Rapids, Chicago, and Jamestown, New York. Teams from Canada may arrive, too. This exciting ice hockey tournament is designed to allow physically challenged youth propel themselves on a full size ice hockey arena and play a competitive sport known as sled hockey.



Your Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children will again sponsor this tournament

and your Potentate and the Divan will be in attendance on Sunday, January 18, 2009 to present the awards to the winning teams in this most challenging sport. At the present, the competition playing times are under negotiation since several of the Blue Jackets will need the use of the ice during the scheduled tournament time. But, be assured that some teams will be ready to participate on Friday night sometime between 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. Please note this will be a new time slot if all the final arrangements can be completed. Other times will be on Saturday, January 17, 2009 in the afternoon. Specific times are under discussion for Saturday afternoon and Sunday time slots. The final blocks of time will be announced when confirmed. Please keep these dates in mind watch for the times in future announcements.

Attendance to this great Shrine sponsored event is free and parking is at a nominal fee. Shriners are asked to wear their Fez so the children know which spectators help make this ice hockey event successful. A tip of the "puck" to those Aladdin Shrine clubs and units that gave additional funds to help purchase the special sleds and equipment this past year. This financial help allows each player to have a complete uniform with pads and a sled designed to his or her special needs.

Yes, you can be a super hero just as Superman was to many of us. Catch the spirit to catch the puck as it soars toward you. A special child awaits your smile.

## SHILOH

#### by Tim Gillis

Hi, Nobles. Our regular meeting which was September 11 was very enjoyable. Attendance was low but we always expect that during the summer months.

We did, however, have our election of officers for the upcoming year. Our president, Bob Long, was unable to attend but Vice President Warren Waugh conducted the meeting and did a super job. Elected Shiloh officers are: Warren Waugh, president; Harry Wolf, vice president; Roger Stevenson, secretary/treasurer; Harry Steel, chaplain; Tony Cox, membership chairman; and Jim Rice, Tabloid chairman. I know these Nobles will do a great job for Shiloh and we are expecting a few changes and that is always good news.

We discussed the picnic but it will be over when this publication arrives to you. We are having it at the Legion park and we always enjoy our picnics.

We all signed a get well card for Bill Starky who is recuperating from a kidney stone operation. His son Billy informed us that he is doing well. Give Bill a call or a card and wish him a speedy recovery. We sure did miss him last night; just didn't seem the same.

I have not heard of any other Shiloh members under the weather but if you know of someone, let me know. Thanks to Bobby Wolf for the fine meal, stuffed peppers, pulled pork, mashed potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, and dessert. She does a great job for us.

Birthdays for September are: Chris Barber, Frank Ferguson, Ed Green, Mike Jones, Ken Knox, Terry Perkins and Richard Whiteside. Happy birthday, Nobles.

Next meeting will be under the helm of Warren Waugh and please try to join us. Lets give our new officers a fine attendance and enjoy the evening together.

Have fun, go Bucks, Tim.

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# Worthington

by Bob Stevenson

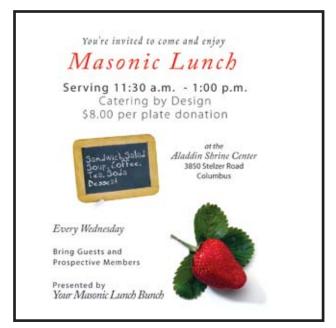
The Worthington Shrine Club year is rapidly winding up, and soon it will be time to welcome our new officers and Baby New Year 2009.

With that in mind a few notes for you. The November 6 meeting will be Nobles only and the election of officers for next year. As in years past, the dinner will be the buffet, but we will still need your reservation. Watch for the newsletter.

On December 4, we will have our annual Christmas Dinner for Nobles, Ladies, and guests. Again, this year, we ask you to bring a wrapped gift or two for the kids at one of our hospitals. Please identify it as to boy or girl and approximate age. This always is such a great beginning to our most special season of joy. Plan to attend now. More details will be available next month.

Thanks go to all for the great meetings of late. Attendance has been very good and offers each Noble a great opportunity to introduce a potential member to our group. We are pleased to welcome Noble Jack Moore to the Worthington Shrine Club. Welcome aboard Jack!

See you all soon.



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## The Chanters

#### by Brent Wilson

As we see our membership shrink in the Shrine and our Masonic Lodges, many changes are made, such as lodges consolidating, not always good, not always bad. As we see more and more of it, many of the Masonic Lodges have been sold and turned into commercial properties – sometimes razed and something else built in their place.

Four years ago, Realtor/Developer Joe Armeni, Re/Max City Center, told me he was buying the Old York Masonic Lodge built in 1914 at 1276 N. High Street in the Short North. Joe said he would convert it into a 25-unit condo project and assured me he would preserve the integrity of the front of the building. A couple of weeks ago, Joe took Nancy and me on a tour of the project.

Not only did he preserve the façade, he kept the hardwood floors and all of the stained glass windows and ceilings. We were very impressed the way the units, \$149,900.00 to \$369,900.00, were laid out and the views are spectacular. You can actually watch Red, White & Boom from some of the units. Joe said the 5-story brick building, 5 courses thick, didn't have a crack in it. They knew how to build stuff in 1914. Joe said that during construction, they opened the cornerstone and found no "National Treasure" but said there were some paper documents and a buckeye made into a pin. He turned all the items over to today's York Masons. Joe's done some 60 plus projects in the Short North and Victorian Village. Thanks Joe, for preserving a beautiful Masonic Landmark. If you happen to be looking for the old York lodge, it's just south of the northern most arch in the Short North on the east side of High Street.

Summer is finally coming to an end. Seems we've had it all this year, rain, rain, rain, drought, drought, drought, HURRICANE! What's up with that? I never dreamed we could actually have a hurricane in central Ohio, but we sure did. We think it was pretty bad at 75 mph winds. How about those poor folks in Texas? Wow, 120 mph winds! I guess we were pretty fortunate.

Even with all the goofy weather, I still love summer best and I'll miss the golf, the beautiful flowers, and all our little critters. Hummingbirds have headed south for the winter, those gorgeous yellow finches are turning dark for the cold grey days ahead, and squirrels are hoarding nuts. Maybe, just maybe, it will be a colder than usual winter. I hope not!

By the time you read this, election day will be right around the corner and I encourage each and everyone reading this to get out and vote. This may be one of the most important elections ever, not only for us, but for our children and grandchildren. This country's economic future is hanging in the balance and it will take strong leadership and commitment to right this foundering ship.

#### Some dates to remember:

November 3, Monday Rehearsal

November 10, Monday Sing Out 8:00 p.m. Dublin Retirement Center

November 17, Monday Stated Meeting
November 18, Tuesday Rehearsal
November 24, Monday Rehearsal

December 1, Monday Sing Out 7:30 p.m. Oakleaf Village

December 20, Saturday Chanters Christmas Party

## Past Masters

by Dick Bull

Our unit will be participating in the Circleville Pumpkin Show Parade on Friday, October 17. Parade lineup will be at 7:00 p.m. and step off is at 8:00 p.m. Big Red is available for transportation from the Shrine Center at 5:30 p.m. Call Kim at 475-2609, ext. 23 for a reservation.

We marched and rode our van in the Ohio Masonic Home Parade last month. It was a great turnout.

Our Ladies Auxiliary is hosting the dinner meeting on Monday, October 27 at the Shrine Center. Barb Metcalf is in charge of arrangements. Details will be forthcoming in our unit newsletter.

Gary Parks reports that Flo Stockman in Bullhead City, Arizona recently had surgeries for a leaking heart valve and an abdominal aneurysm. She is now home recuperating under the watchful eye of husband, Harry. We wish her the best.

Hap Holsinger had cataract surgery and is doing well. Bob Roof was scheduled for surgeries on two heart valves on September 23. Have a speedy recovery.

Gary and Gretchen Fortner were motorcycling out west for a month or so in September and saw a lot of beautiful scenery and visited several national parks.

We will be involved in the Shrine ceremonial on Saturday, November 8 both as candidate escorts and in the "Evoluation of a Shriner." You will be contacted for your participation.

Congratulations to Ron Winnett who received the Scottish Rite 33 ° in Providence, Rhode Island recently and to Tim Strawn who was elected to receive the same next year in Boston, Massachusetts. Both brethren are well deserving of this award by Scottish Rite of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. We are very proud of their efforts.



# Flying Nobles

Divan and their Ladies visited the Flying Nobles at the Shrine Center on September 17. The Potentate was given a check from our club and Lady Ann was presented a check for her charity. A gift from the Potentate was given to me and my Lady received a gift from Lady Ann. We had about 50 in attendance. My thanks to David Ray for his work in preparation for

Our October meeting at OSU/ Medflight will be for nominations of officers for 2009. Deputy

the Potentate's visit.



by Lee McKelvey

Aladdin Potentate Dan Stainbrook becomes an honorary member of the Flying Nobles.

Commander Bob Beymer will move up to Commander and he will do a good job as he has plans to keep things moving for the Flying Nobles.

We will have some new names willing to hold an office in our club. PC Lacy Toothman didn't want to move up, but Lacy has done his share for us and he deserves a rest. He will still be with us as much as possible but he won't be an officer. I remember when Lacy came into our club many years ago flying his Comanche with his family on board. He later got an Aztec and had it for several years. At our flyouts, Lacy was the only one to fly a twin-engine in with all our single engine planes.

It was good seeing Barry Cunningham, Bill Moritz, Don LeFavour, Joe Salyer at the Potentate's visit because we don't get to see them often enough. Roy McGrew always makes it in from Granville for almost every meeting.

The Stag Picnic is Saturday, October 18, 10:00 a.m., at the Heimat Haus in Grove City. Don't go to the Shrine Center or you will have a long drive to the other side of town.

Our next Flying Noble meetings will be November 8 at the Medflight hanger at OSU. Our December meeting will be at the Shrine Center when our new officers will be installed.

Cal Smith works hard at getting new members for the Shrine but he can't do it alone. Our Ceremonial is November 8 at Aladdin. If you know of someone who might be a good candidate, tell him of our work with the children and get a petition to him.

Everybody stay well and be careful in the traffic getting to the airport. See you next time.

## Toy Drives for Our Hospitals

by Gary Parls, Vice Chairman

### Cincinnati Shriner Hospital Happenings

The holidays are just around the corner and we want you to know about child life, the playroom of the hospital, and the benefits of the thousands of gifts received during the holidays.

Being in the hospital for any child can be a very stressful time for the family. A child life specialist helps meet the social and emotional needs of a patient during hospitalization. A child life specialist earns a college degree in studies related to child development, education and/or family development. The child life staff is part of the burn team and participates in patient assessments, team meetings, medical rounds, and committees concerned with treating the whole patient.

The specialists plan weekly cooking groups, field trips, recreational, and special events for the children. Just this month, the patients went to a pumpkin patch, saw exotic animals from the Cincinnati Zoo, and met Grammy-nominated musician Zak Morgan, who performed a private concert for the patients and families.

The activity rooms are relaxing and safe environments for the children to explore and socialize with other children and their families. Patients who aren't well enough to attend the playroom are seen at the bedside by a child life specialist.

When holding toy drives this year for the hospital, please keep in mind that these are the toys needed most: activity centers, rattles, squeeze toys for infants, blocks, stacking rings, sorting, grouping toys for toddlers, board games, musical toys for preschool kids; art/ activity kits, board games for school age children, paint by number sets, scrap booking material, books or CDs in Spanish, and game boy advance games. A toy brochure is available on our Cincinnati website page under "frequently asked questions." Visit www.

Because of the generous support of many groups, we do not need the following: hospital gowns or dresses, knitted items, infant bibs, pre-op dolls, Barbie dolls, coloring books, matchbox cars, wagons, used toys, or stuffed animals.

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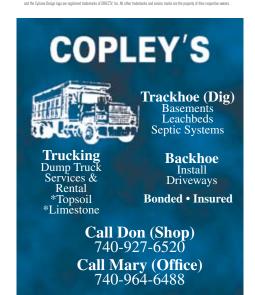
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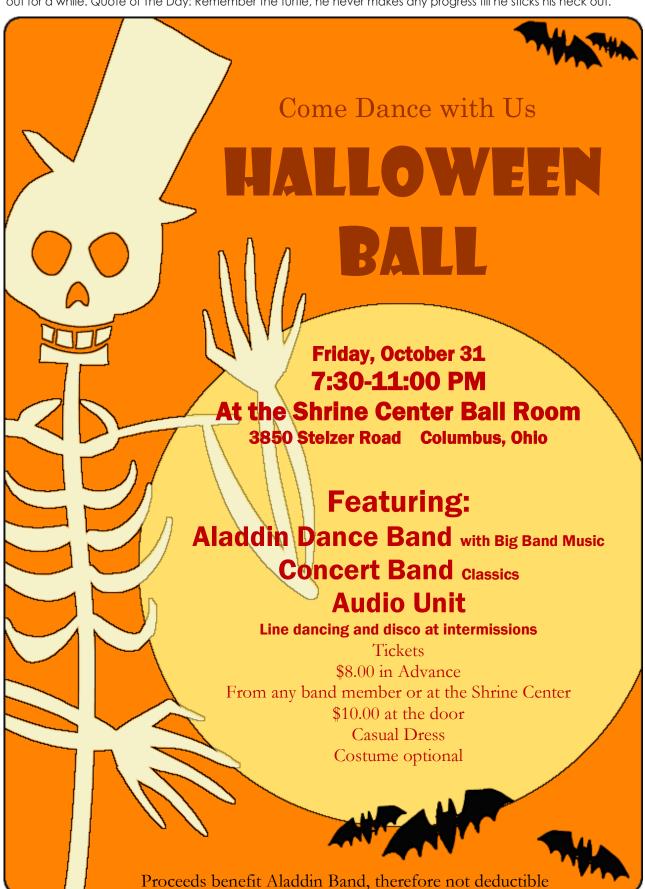
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Aladdin's Kentucky Colonel Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month for lunch at the Shrine Center along with our Ladies. The meals are reasonable and tasty and we gather early at 11:00 a.m. to socialize and greet newcomers. By the way, you are allowed to belong to more than one club. No, we don't own the chicken franchise but our dues are only \$10.00 per year. So, get started now!

We are saddened by the loss of one of our best workers - Frank Lewis. He passed away August 31 after a short illness. Frank was the glue that held our group together. He not only served as treasurer but wrote this column for many years, always keeping in touch with our members. Frank was very active in Masonry, Shrine, Eastern Star, Hillbillies and Grotto. He will be missed. Our prayers and sympathy go to Jeri, his wife of 62 years, and to his family.

At the September meeting, President Ransburgh announced that Dave Shoffstall will serve as acting treasurer and that the October 28 meeting will be the election of officers for 2009. Dave gave the club's financial report. We received acknowledgement from the Shrine Hospitals for our recent gift of \$200.00.

We would like to greet some new faces at this month's meeting plus some of you other colonels who have not been out for a while. Quote of The Day: Remember the turtle, he never makes any progress till he sticks his neck out.



## rovost

#### by John Rohal

I sincerely apologize to Harold Nairn for not having listed him as attending the 2008 Imperial Council Session. Guess that's because his roomie was Harry Lewis.

We had 47 members attend our September meeting, including Ted Shaeffer, Danny Augg with his guest Chuck Hedges, Terry McLaughlin, Bill Taylor, Tom Rice, Steve Hathaway, and our Potentate Dan Stainbrook. Missing from this meeting was Dick Fogt who was in the hospital with blood clots in his legs and Jim Rohal who was in surgery for a deviated septum.

Dick Saunders reported that Russ Duffy is improving in therapy (that's the way he said it).

The Licking County "mafia" was noticeably absent which brought complaints from Jay Devoll (for his own personal reasons). I suppose the Fairfield "fairies" will be the number one attendees now.

Director Jon Kinney reported that the unit's participation at all parades, the car show, and picnics has been very good. He reminded us of our needed participation at the Circleville Pumpkin Show and that our dues are now due.

Approved for membership were Clyde Cook, our director's father-in-law, and Robert D. Laird, a sergeant with the Columbus Police Department.

Charles Linek reported that, as a result of our work at the Nationwide Golf Tour, we were able to donate \$3,500.00 to the Children's Hospital this year.

Robert Albright discussed our fishing trip to Lake Erie and advised that next year, all monies received will be donated to the Shriners Hospitals.

Mike Gray advised that Wal-Mart is sponsoring a fall Golf Outing which will cost \$70.00 per golfer and all profits will be given to the Shriners Hospitals.

Steve Hathaway and the Potentate both thanked the unit for supporting the Marietta parade and stressed the importance of future participation.

A report was received about Russ Miller and Don Slemmer's behavior, or actions, at a recent banquet that they both attended. It seems they both thought that the A-1 Steak Sauce on their table was a new salad dressing. Don't know how their salads tasted, but the others at their table were unhappy because there was no sauce left to put on their steaks. (Thanks Bob).

Celebrating birthdays in October are Kenneth W. Corder, Russell H. Duffy, and Theodore R. Shaeffer.

A reminder that the Provost Ladies Party and Potentate's Visitation will be on Tuesday, November 11. Our director has promised a special gift for all of our ladies attending.

And now for the rest of the story... Let's save one for the next time! See y'all at the next meeting.



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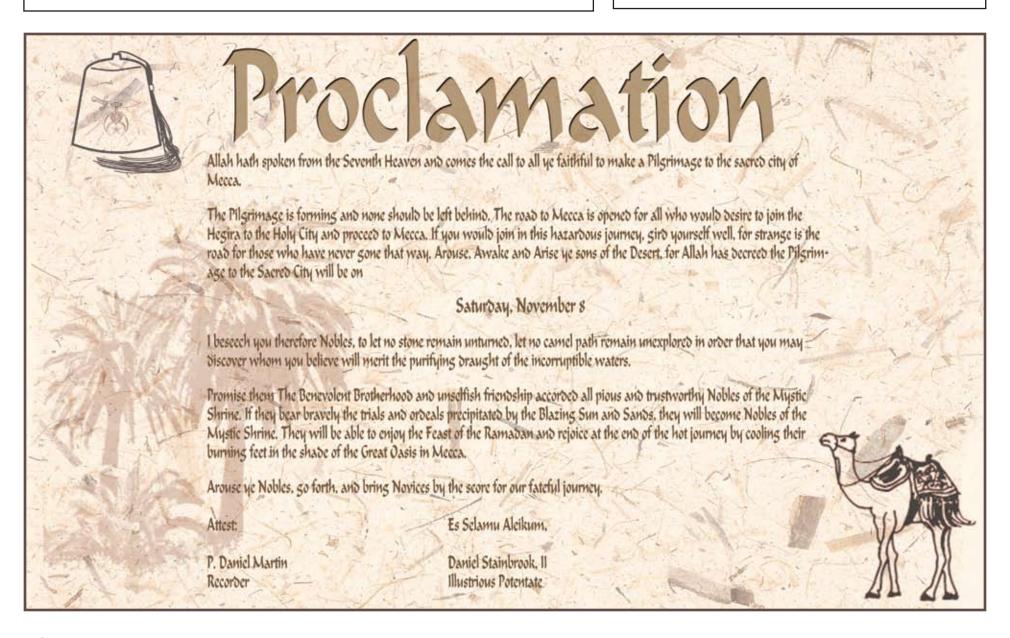
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## Aladdin's CAR CLUB

#### Car Club Hits The Road Again!

After a long summer, punctuated by a picnic at Fred and Bev Coventry's in preparation for the Car Show, and the Car Show itself, we are back "on the road" again. We held our September organizational meeting in the Oasis Room of the Aladdin Shrine Center over pizzas, veggies, and soft drinks. We had about 18 members and guests attending. It was a good showing for our first meeting of the season. Dave Spangler, our chaplain, opened our meeting with the blessing and we got right down to the first order of business – food and fellowship.

by James Allen

President Ron Brubaker brought us to order with the first item of business, our dues for 2008 - 2009. Our treasurer, Robert Spencer, reported that we were very solvent since we had raised our dues to \$12.00 last year. We decided to leave them the same for the coming year. Dues notices will be going out soon and need to be paid by December 31 to Robert Spencer, 8189 Longhorn, Powell, OH 43065.

Ron Brubaker and Tom Stauch reported on a trip to Caldwell, Ohio on Saturday, September 27 to the Soakum Festival. The reports of that trip were enthusiastic. There was an abundance of crafts and entertainment. We have it on good authority that the homemade Southeastern Ohio moonshine was of vintage quality. The homemade apple butter was also above reproach – real down home "cooking." A good time was had by all.

Speaking of trips, Chester Van Horn filled us in on a trip planned for October 25. We will meet at the Cracker Barrell at I-70 and State Route 256 for breakfast at 0800 and move out at 0900 sharp. We will head to Coshocton via the back roads and have lunch there at 11:30. We will tour Roscoe Village and stop at Longabergers on State Route 16 on the way back to Columbus. There will be more on this later. Remember, if you don't want to drive your car, contact Jim Allen (614-451-6902 or 614-736-9465) and he will arrange a ride with someone. Everyone is welcome. The more the merrier. This trip will substitute for our October meeting.

We made a slight change to our by-laws. The meeting night will now be the third Wednesday of the month unless otherwise announced. This standardizes the date so it will be easier to remember. Hopefully, this will be the last change for awhile. Copies of the by-laws and the member profiles were distributed to all those in attendance. If anyone else would like a copy, call Jim Allen and he will see that you get one.

Since 2008 is drawing to a close, we discussed a year-end party. Bill and Linda Loomis have agreed to handle the details for this event which will be early in December. There will be more on this later.

Fred Coventry gave a report on the Car Show. He thanked those who helped out. Fred announced that he would like to step down as the organizer of this event. He will be happy to continue to work, but he would like to pass the organization and supervision on to someone else. If any of you who have worked on this project would be interested, please step up. If no one comes forward, we will be around to solicit a "volunteer." We would like to get this position filled before the end of the year so there is plenty of time to get organized. Fred has done a super job and these are big shoes to fill. We have a lot of talent in the club though. Don't be bashful.

If you know of any Mason who would like to accompany us on one of our jaunts or come to a meeting, be sure to invite him. We are always looking for Masons to join the Shrine and participate in our activities.

## Hilltop

#### by Ray Pendell

Happy autumn to all and GO BUCKS! We had a delightful visit with III. Sir Dan, the Divan, their Ladies, and our Ladies on September 3 at JP's Ribs. It was a wonderful evening and the fellowship (and girlship) was wonderful.

October's meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1 at Hometown Buffet and our November meeting (election of officers) will be at the York Steak House on Wednesday, November 5. After the election, plan to come and gloat (if your candidate got elected) or cry (if he were defeated)! Crying towels will be provided.

The nominating committee may be approaching you soon asking you to serve our beloved club, (since 1944, one of the first clubs in Aladdin Land) so be prepared to answer and get more involved.

Dues cards for 2009 were mailed in September and your immediate response is appreciated.

The deadline is near for our scholarship applications, so if you haven't completed one for an immediate family member who is enrolled in college or trade school, you better hustle and get it done. Applications were mailed to every member several months ago and the funds are there to provide a boost to anyone who qualifies.

Our JUG runners continue to collect funds for 2009 Tabloid. Look for a FEZ jug at local merchants and drop in a coin or a bill and tell them how much we appreciate their support for the Shriners Hospitals.





# From The Shrine Band

by Robb Landon

We all have been busy during the last month. The Concert Band performed in the Masonic Home Parade in Springfield, the Great Lakes Shrine Parade in Lebanon, and started the fall rehearsals. The Dixieland Band performed in Portsmouth and at the Worthington Arts Festival. The Circleville Pumpkin Parade on October 24 will end the parade season. Let's see if we can fill the float.

Don't forget to plug the Halloween Ball on October 31.

We are currently planning to have the December Ladies Party and the Potentate's Visitation at the Heritage Country Club in Hilliard. The entertainment will be Dwight Lennox quartet. This is an event you should not miss. Invitations will be sent out with all the details. Remember, there is a dollar

Dwight Lennox Quartet

off the price of this event for every dance ticket you sell in excess of 4 tickets.

The monthly musical term definition - Dissidence: the musical effect created by two trombonists performing a unison passage.

#### **Band Schedule:**

October 21 Aladdin Dance
Band - 7:00 p.m.
October 24 Circleville Pumpkin
Parade

October 28 Executive Bd. Mtg. - 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m

October 31 Halloween Ball
Band Concert - 7:30 p.m.
Dance Band - 8:00 p.m.

November 4 November 8 November 11 November 18

November 25

December 9

Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m. Fall Ceremonial Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m. Aladdin Dance Band - 7:00 p.m. Executive Board Mtg. - 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m. Potentate's Visitation

& Ladies Party

# Marching with The Legion by Dick Luckay

2008 GREAT LAKES LOH CONFERENCE – The LOH clan gathered at the Park Inn in downtown Toledo, Ohio and a good time was had by all. Tying to get to the entrance of the hotel was an interesting experience – but once inside things worked out very well. Commander Dick McVey was not in the best of health when he was installed in Columbus last year, and his condition didn't improve much during the year. However, he made himself a Commander – in the truest sense of the word – and ran a very organized and well-run convention despite his physical problems. It was a display of personal determination and perseverance rarely seen, but fully appreciated by the attending Legionobles and ladies. The Friday night dinner was a good one and the entertainment (a three-piece "rag-time" band) was outstanding. The banjo playing gal was in a class by herself and her piano and bass cohorts had the troops singing, laughing, and really enjoying themselves. It was a great show. The food at the formal dinner was impressive and the change-over ceremony was accomplished without a hitch. Our new Great Lakes Commander is long-time member and our good friend Jim Pulley. It should be another good year for the Great Lakes LOH. P.S. It was quite a complement to have so many people congratulate Commander Faber for his meeting here in Columbus last year. Apparently Columbus really raised the bar for all the others to try to emulate.

BELATED BEST BIRTHDAY WISHES – With no column last month several good people were not recognized for adding another candle to their birthday cake. Better late than never wishes to: Janice Van Horn (9/4), Ray Moore (9/9), Phil Pini (9/16), Vera Evans (9/9), Nancy Krieger 9(/22), Marjorie McCoy (9/27), Katie Biers (9/29), Mac Sandusky (10/7), Shy Lanthorn (10/10), Anne Buss (10/14), Bob Krieger (10/16), Mary Knotts (10/16), and Mildred Smith (10/19). May this coming year be a good one for all of you.

WEDDING BELLS CELEBRATED -- Two LOH couples added another year to their togetherness when John and Sharron Lehman (10/20) and Jim and Karen Weimer (11/18) recalled the time and place and the events that followed their special day. Congratulations and our best wishes for your continued happiness together.

# Shriners Hospitals for Children Earns High Trust

Shriners Hospitals for Children ranked as one of the top three most-trusted nonprofit organizations in a recent survey of wealthy individuals conducted by the Luxury Institute, an independent research firm.

The New York City-based Luxury Institute conducts a variety of impartial surveys and research to guide and educate extremely affluent individuals and the companies that market to them on trends, net-worth consumer rankings, and ratings of luxury brands and best practices.

This was the first year the institute conducted its Luxury Brand Trust Index survey of nonprofit organizations, said Martin Swanson, the firm's vice president of business development.

Shriners Hospitals for Children ranked third among the most-trusted nonprofits. Children's Hospital of Philadelphia ranked first, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital ranked second.

"Being recognized as one of the top most-trusted nonprofit organizations demonstrates that the medical care provided by Shriners Hospitals is highly regarded and respected," said Ralph Semb, president and chief executive officer of Shriners Hospitals for Children. "That's a great honor for us."

Shriners Hospitals for Children is dedicated to improving the lives of children through pediatric specialty care, innovative research and outstanding teaching programs. This one-of-a-kind health care system helps kids with orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate defy the odds, at no charge.

"High-net-worth consumers are the largest donors and are expecting -even demanding - measurable results, transparency, lack of conflicts of interest and fiscal responsibility from nonprofits," said Milton Pedraza, the Luxury Institute's chief financial officer.

"We should all be very proud of the fact that Shriners Hospitals has received such a high ranking by this group of individuals," said Semb. "Their trust in our hospitals and our mission reinforces the fact that all our 22 Shriners Hospitals have been successful in honoring our number-one commitment to provide exceptional specialty treatment to children who need it, at no charge."

A sample of 1,666 consumers with an average income of \$348,000 and an average net worth of \$3.7 million was asked to participate in the online survey. Respondents rated 41 national nonprofit organizations on several factors, including trustworthiness for delivering superior quality, customer service, being innovators and leaders.



## Hardin County

by Ken Rossman

Our regular meeting was held September 17 at Veterans Memorial Park Clubhouse with 55 Nobles attending. Noble Rossman opened the evening with a prayer.

We dined on another great meal prepared by Nobles Garmon, Doornbos, Rice, Tim Jolliff, Bruce Michel, Matteson, Gilbert, Cody Morris, Pore, and Wykes. Well done. Nobles.

President Jim Holmes led us in the pledge of allegiance to open our business meeting.

Noble Wynegar reported that we netted over \$2,200.00 from parking cars at the Coon Dog Event. A big "thank you" goes to all Nobles and Ladies.

President Jim noted that we need a nominating committee by November to be ready to vote for our new officers. Since he had no one to volunteer, he appointed  $2^{\text{nd}}$  V.P. McKee and Nobles Bob Wingfield and Markley to be the committee.

President Jim reminded us of the November 8 Ceremonial at Aladdin. We hope to have several candidates for this event.

Noble Don Doll noted the new carpet and floor tile in several areas in the clubhouse. This was helped by the fact that we paid our rent one year in advance. Other changes are also in the works.

It was reported that Paul Heilman is still having health problems. Noble Jim Britt is out of the hospital and is now at Lost Creek Care Center in Lima. Both of these Nobles need to be in our thoughts and prayers.

We wish Happy Birthday to Nobles Neil Good (80) and Ken Rossman (80).

Noble Weaver closed our meeting with a prayer. We must remember, Aladdin is Rolling for the Kids.

## Chaplain's Message

Some Good News for a Bad News Month

As I write this article most of our country, and I suspect many other countries, are waiting to see what our congress is going to do about the purported credit crunch crisis that supposedly is threatening our economic life. This is just the latest in a series of "bad news" events that have over taken us since I wrote. First, there was Hurricane Ike that was touted as the "mother" of all hurricanes. Thankfully, while property damage and lives disrupted were bad, loss of life was minimal. I don't know about you, I consider that "good news."

Then there is the economy. We have a whole new bad news vocabulary since last month. There's Fannie and Freddie, AIG, and some other household names and pretty large banks that have gone belly up or have been swallowed up. It would seem some of the financial wonks weren't as smart as they thought, or maybe, they were smart like a fox, cleaning out the hen house and getting away before anyone was the wiser.

I haven't mentioned the election and all the lies and half-truths being bandied about there. Not any good news there as far as I can tell. I could mention Iran and some of the other international stuff but you've probably already thought of those kind of things. And in the midst of all this a good, many of us learned what life was like before electricity as we caught the tail end of Ike.

by Chaplain John Ash

Yes, it's pretty much been a bad news month, at least as far as the outer world is concerned. It may be you've had some bad news personally from a doctor, family member, or the state of your IRA or 401K. Thus, I thought it was time you heard some good news for a change.

My world and my life puts the inner world and the spiritual world before and above all the stuff of the outer world and so does Masonry and the Shrine. Our first order of business at all meetings is to invoke God's blessing and guidance into our affairs because we believe the Great Architect of the universe, our source and creator, and redeemer is the ultimate reality and power. As such, God is still in control.

Where do I begin? How about the vastness of His treasure and His ability to supply our needs even in the midst of trial and crisis? How about the depth and tenacity of His love for each and every person and His desire to be imminent and involved in every aspect of our lives? This is good news for every day, every moment. His word reminds us that He is our true source and security, not the government, or social security, or our 401ks, or even our military. Christian, Jew, Muslim. Yes, there are many differences, but all our traditions witness to a God of Grace and Glory whom we can trust and call upon to give us hope and help. So there is always good news about God. And there is good news about the fellowship of Masonry and the Shrine. We have brothers, kind of like a church you see, to stand by us and with us. We have a high purpose to keep fulfilling. Kids are still being helped and will continue to be healed and helped. All these things add up to some good news no matter what bad news the outer world brings our way.





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