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## Aladdin's Membership Statistics

<b>Membership 01/01/2011</b>	<b>6265</b>
Associate Membership 01/01/11	48
<b>Total Membership 01-01-2011</b>	<b>6313</b>
<b>Current</b>	<b>Yr to Date</b>
Creations	0
Affiliations	1
Restored	9
Associate Members	0
<b>TOTAL MONTHLY ADD</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>TOTAL YEARLY with ADDS</b>	<b>6275</b>
Demits	0
Suspensions	1
Deaths	15
Associates Dropped	2
Reversals	0
<b>TOTAL MONTHLY DROP</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Membership as of 01/31/2011</b>	<b>6257</b>
Net loss/gain YTD	- 8
Net loss/gain Monthly	



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE POTENTATE

Aladdin's' year of 2011 began with an excellent Leadership Seminar and Installation. Professor Susan Maxwell, our Chaplains lady, presented a program on how to properly run a meeting. It has been requested and she has given Noble Jim Badgley of our Membership Office her PowerPoint presentation. Anyone wanting a copy of her presentation should contact Jim in the office.

Lady Betsy and I want to thank all those who made the day special to us. We send a "special thanks" to our Oriental Guide David Wolfe (Leadership Seminar) and his Lady Glenda (Ladies Program) for all their work, as well as to Chief of Staff Art Wilson, Lady Kim, the staff, Audio, Legion of Honor, Aladdin's staff for their work setting up the facility, and to many more unnamed Nobles. I thought the staff of Catering by Design went above and beyond expectations for the food and service.

The Installation Program could not have run as smooth as it did without the help of some very special Nobles. A "Tip of the Fez" goes to my Shrine Pappy (who appointed me to the Divan) Ill. Sir Donald Goodman – master of ceremonies, to my Shrine Grand+ Pappy Ill. Sir John Rohal – installing officer, and to Noble Michael Johnson whose



*Potentate Steve Hathaway*

years of experience as the installing marshal kept everything on pace.

On January 14 - 16, the Aladdin Invitational Sled Hockey Tournament was held in the Dispatch Ice Haus at Nationwide Arena. This is an event you need to see to believe. The players, some of whom are our patients, do some amazing things on those sleds. On Sunday, January 16, the Provost and Registrar's Units were on hand for the excitement and afterward went to dinner at Ted's Montana Grill. A "FUN Time" was had by all.

Lady Betsy and I will be traveling to Ft. Myers to meet with the snowbirds. We are looking forward to seeing the friendly faces of Aladdin down south. As in the past, we know we will have a good time with those gathered at the Oasis of Araba.

Don't forget the Valentines Dinner February 12. George Stowe and Lady Peggy have promised good food and movie for the evening. Give those you care for a big hug (Kisses optional – yea right!) and let them know how much you love them.

The *Lamp* is how we communicate what is happening throughout Aladdin Land. Please read it and join in the fun and fellowship presented by your fellow Nobles.

– Steve Hathaway, Potentate, Aladdin Shriners



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## First Lady Betsy Hathaway's Project



For the past several years, the Lady of the Potentate has sponsored a fundraising project to benefit the children in our hospitals. This year my project is to raise funds for the cleft lip and palate program.

Approximately 5,000 children are born with this deformity in the United States each year. This problem occurs when facial soft and hard tissues fail to fuse properly. This happens to one of every 750 live births causing conditions that affect, not only the child's appearance and self esteem, but the child's ability to speak, hear, and eat properly. In 2005, Shriner's Hospitals added this program which is a long-term commitment of care from birth to adolescence.

For a donation of \$20.00, you may obtain my shooting star pin. By doing so, you help support this worthy project. – Betsy Hathaway



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### Stated Meetings

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

### Elected Divan

**Potentate:** Steve Hathaway

**Chief Rabban:** Michael D. Tyne

**Assistant Rabban:** William R. Amspaugh

**High Priest and Prophet:** Garol Rogers

**Oriental Guide:** David E. Wolfe

**Treasurer:** Dennis D. Feyh

**Recorder:** Donald G. Goodman

**Appointed Divan**

**1<sup>st</sup> Ceremonial Master:** Ronald Leonard

**2<sup>nd</sup> Ceremonial Master:** Jon M. Kinney

**Chaplain:** Zale Maxwell

# Waiting for A Change

## *the end soon or six more weeks?*

by Thomas W. Rice, Sr., Tabloid Chairman

We awaited Smith Lake Jake, Staten Island Chuck, General Beauregard Lee, Shubenacadie Sam, Warton Willie, and Punxsutawney Phil to make the annual appearances on Ground Hog Day to predict if winter will end soon or if we will have six more weeks of cold and snowy weather. Now, we must begin to consider **whether or not our 22 Shriners Hospitals**

**for Children will continue to exist as we know them today.**

This thought was made inescapably clear by Shriners Hospitals for Children President and CEO Douglas E. Maxwell in his January message to our Nobility. Chairman Douglas stated:

*"This is why the question has to continue to be asked of each of us – "with medical costs in America continuing to outpace our growth of income, can we continue to have 22 hospitals, in their present form, to balance the budget without going into the principle of the Endowment Fund to accomplish this?... The mission of this new Strategic Task Force is to determine what we can do that both makes sense and eliminates deficit spending and that will assure the presence of Shriners Hospitals for Children far into the future..."*

Chairman and CEO Douglas reported that we are currently spending 6.5% of our Endowment Fund value with a deficit of \$238 million in the 2011 budget.

While we wait for further updates on the status of our fiscal condition from the Leadership Conference held in Tampa on January 23, we have an

opportunity to seriously consider what each of us can do to help eliminate our budget deficits and increase our contributions. We can no longer wait for someone else, some other club or unit to carry the load and do the work.

We have 38 clubs and 16 units that comprise our Aladdin Shrine. Let's all start this year by having fun and fellowship with our brothers in the Shrine to redouble our efforts for the world's greatest philanthropy—Shriners Hospitals for Children. Can I count on you to do your part? The Children are!



## Tabloid Days 2011

May 20-21

## Aladdin Shrine Center Directory

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## 2011 ALADDIN PARADES

**Aladdin Official Parades** - The Potentate and the majority of the Divan will attend.

All units and clubs should attend.

### Parade Marshall

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fhabeke@sbcglobal.net

### Asst. Parade Marshall

Harold McDow  
614 614-861-5276  
614-432-5551 Cell

### OFFICIAL PARADES

	DATE	LINE-UP	STEP OFF
Utica Ice Cream Festival	5/28	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
Worthington Memorial Day	5/30	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Imperial Parade	7/5		
Baltimore Parade	8/6	9:30 AM	10:30 AM
Bucyrus Parade	8/19	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Circleville Pumpkin Parade	10/21	7:00 PM	8:00 PM

### OPTIONAL PARADES

Pike County Dogwood	4/24	2:00 PM	3:00 PM
Grandview Heights	5/28	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Licking County Baseball	7/		
Nelsonville Parade of Hills	8/20	5:00 PM	6:00 PM
Coshocton Canal Days	8/20		
Marietta Parade	9/3	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Marion Popcorn Parade	9/8	5:00 PM	6:00 PM
Grove City Parade	9/17	8:30 AM	9:30 AM
Gallipolis Veterans Day	11/11	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
Washington CH Christmas	12/4	4:00 PM	5:00 PM

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### *In Memoriam*

## Robert W. Sorenson - Aladdin Potentate - 1987

Aladdin Shriners sadly report the death of Past Potentate Robert W. Sorenson. Bob was created a Noble in Aladdin on May 19, 1962 and served as Potentate in 1987. Ill. Sir Sorenson was also a member of South Gate Lodge #692 F&AM and the Scioto Consistory. He was an active Shriner.

In addition to belonging to nearly ten Shrine clubs, he was a long-time member of the Aladdin Patrol Unit, as well as being an Honorary Member of the Brutal Brothers and Clown Units. His credits also list him as an Aladdin Ambassador, a member of the Jesters Court No. 8, and a member of Cabiri No. 84. Bob was also a recipient of Aladdin's Meritorious Service Award. He will be missed.

Robert W. Allen  
Boyd C. Black  
Harry E. Boyd  
Robert L. Browning  
Woodrow W. Clark

G. Eugene Groves  
Frank E. Gulbrandsen  
Charles T. Hirst, Jr.  
Richard S. Johnston  
Ralph W. Levi

Chester T. Loos  
William G. Rutherford  
Jimmy H. Stewart  
George R. Wassmuth  
David L. Workman

## Reception Unit

*by Don Owens*

The Reception Unit was once again on hand to facilitate the Sled Hockey Tournament over the weekend of January 15-16. We held doors, shook hands, gave directions, and provided encouragement, although not much of the latter was needed. The competitors were a high spirited bunch, displaying a high level of skill and sportsmanship. They are well deserving of the support afforded by the Aladdin Shrine.

Kelly Fenster, of the Ohio Sled Hockey Association, spoke at the unit meeting on January 27, describing the program in detail and expressing the association's appreciation for the support received from the Aladdin Shrine.

Past Potentate Tom Colburn attended the unit's January meeting to receive an honorary membership and a plaque recognizing his many contributions to the Aladdin Shrine. Tom demonstrated his energy and leadership by recording the sale of the first bag of Vidalia onions, to the bartender no less, a notoriously tough sell.

Speaking of Vidalia onions, order blanks were distributed to the sales force at the meeting. Orders must be turned in to Bill Compton, who leads the effort, by April 15. Delivery of the onions will take place about mid-May. Members who weren't in attendance may request order blanks from Bill (8111 Tree Lake Blvd., Powell, OH 43065, phone 740-917-9261).

Finally, Frank Swiatek brought us up to date on the circus usher project. Participation has been solicited from the usual suspects, and an ad appears on page 4 in this issue of the *Lamp* inviting any interested Shriner to join this rewarding work.

## THE GAME HIGHLIGHTS



*by Rodney Holdren*

In November, our club traveled to the Shriners Burn Hospital. We not only presented \$3,800.00 in donations, but also delivered over 500 lbs. of pop tabs. That's a lot of beverages consumed! We arranged to take the trip on "Big Red." We had approximately 25 people on board, including three nursing students, a paramedic, and a teaching student who accompanied us. After an extensive tour of the hospital, we stopped at the Montgomery Inn Boathouse for lunch. This was such a wonderful trip, and "big thanks" for all involved in the planning of this trip. We already had discussions of making another trip this year to the Lexington Orthopedic Hospital. If you're interested in going or know of someone in the medical field you would like to invite, just let us know. We will be sending out notices on the next trip and would love to pack the bus this time.

### Upcoming Events:

March 2 - Meeting - Will be a Masonic Night (Bring a Mason and his lady to our meeting)

March 24 - Circus Daddy Trip (Need help chaperoning to circus)

April 27 - Dogwood Parade

**Noble Birthday Wishes:** Nathan Howard - January 1, Jim Greenhill - January 8, Harold Cooper - January 25, Valentino Balestra - January 25, Edward Dickson - February 14, Roger Hoover - February 16, and Mike Basye - March 10. Happy Birthday to all !

**Remember:** You can stand no taller than when you stoop down to help a child!

*by Dick Bull*

Our next unit stated meeting is Monday, February 28 at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Executive Board meets at 7:00 p.m. while both the men's and ladies' meetings are at 8:00 p.m.

First Vice President John Sanborn is working diligently on arrangements for our March 28 dinner meeting. Details will be forthcoming in our February unit newsletter.

Carl and Lorena Long are on an extended trip to Australia and China, They went on their children's inheritance.

Unit members are looking forward to assisting the Reception Unit with ushering at the upcoming Shrine Circus on March 24-27.

Pat Whittington and Cola McGruder have both had hospital visits, but no surgeries yet, on internal problems. We wish them well and pray for them and all of our walking wounded as recuperation takes place.

Many thanks go to Gretchen Fortner who is making several larger fellowcraft robes for our craft team. It is amazing how those robes have shrunk over the years.

"Masonic Night with The Shrine" is planned for Monday, April 25 at 6:45 p.m. in the auditorium of the Aladdin Shrine Center. Grand Master Bradford Goebel is scheduled to attend that night. Details will be in the March and April issues of the *Lamp*. Ron Leonard is coordinating all arrangements.

*by Dick Phelps*

The Aladdin Kentucky Colonels were in good company at our January 25 luncheon meeting. Three Past Potentates, plus Marty Reissig, were in our midst, along with two new members and one guest Colonel. Past Potentates Bill Estell, Calvin Smith, and Dee Mowry, all Colonels, honored us with their presence. Past Presidents of our club, Don Lynne, Lee McKelvey, and Neal McCleary were also recognized as was visiting Colonel Ron Catrill.

As this was our first meeting of 2011, President Neal presided and had the pledge and invocation given by Chaplain Dee Mowry. Past Potentate Bill Estell was asked to swear in the following new officers: President John Bivens, Vice President Larry Jarvis, Secretary Joe Rike, Treasurer Neal McCleary, and Chaplin Dee Mowry. President John Bivens congratulated Neal for his excellent year and presented him a lifetime membership certificate and a Kentucky Colonel engraved walking stick.

Two new members, Gary Shoemaker and John Aston, were initiated into our club and given the charge by Colonel Dee Mowry. Past President Don Lynne reviewed the history of the Kentucky Colonel organization for them, as we all welcomed them into our club.

Past President Ron Fraser was reported to be in the hospital and we each signed a "get well" card for him. Secretary Joe reviewed minutes of the past two meetings, and Treasurer Neal reviewed our financial status. Upon hearing our financial report, Super Salesman Larry Jarvis, Aladdin's Circus ad chairman, gave a spiel about increasing the size of our circus ad. It was so impressive, we agreed to take a full-page ad in the 2011 Circus Program. Colonel Cal Smith and Marty Reissig made a monetary pledge of their own toward our club's ad. Wow! What a salesman!

After a plenteous meal and good fellowship, President John thanked us for coming and had Chaplain Dee give the benediction. Go, Bucks!

*by Gary Harding*

It is time to pay your 2011 dues. They are still \$10.00. Those of you who have already paid me and do not have your cards yet, I am working on that. As soon as I get the new cards in my hands, they will get passed out at the monthly meeting, when we work together, or I will mail them to you. If you want to send me the money, send it to G.R. Harding, 4201 Zuber Road, Orient, OH 43146. Let us not drag membership out this year. We should be able to get this done in just a few months.

We had a nice turnout at the January dinner meeting. No kidding, we really did. Thanks for coming. Brenda Springer, building operations manager, was our guest speaker. She told us all the women bartenders are no longer with us. That means we will work all the events. This is a good opportunity for some of you guys to work a smaller event for a few hours. We could really use your help. You brothers who are retired could take some of the weekday events that those who still work have a hard time covering. It really does give you a good feeling knowing that you are helping some kids in our hospitals.

I would like to apologize to Brother Gardner. At the end of our meeting we were telling some stories and I stepped on one of Tom's lines. Bad timing on my part.

The circus is coming (March 24-27). We will need some workers for sure. If you can't work, but would like to participate, check out the parade schedule. All you have to do is ride the firetruck and wave to the pretty girls. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated.

So long for now.

The job of ushering at the annual Aladdin Shrine Circus is accomplished by members of the Reception Unit, the Past Masters Unit, the Motorcycle Club, and other dedicated Nobles who enjoy the work.

We are seeking broader participation by Shriners interested in helping out and in having a good time with other Shriners. The objective is to direct patrons safely to their seats, answer their questions, and do anything we reasonably can to help them enjoy the circus.

You may participate as much as you wish, from one performance or to all of them.

Dress code is unit dress, tuxedo, or a dark suit, with fez. Parking will be free. It will be necessary to have a small flashlight. Report at the time indicated on the coupon below. There will be a table in the north end of the arena manned by Reception Unit members (green coats) who will give you your assignment.

In the meantime, we will mail more information to you, including a layout of the arena in the Celeste Center.

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**Schedule me to work the 2011 Shrine Circus as indicated below:**  

	<b>Thursday March 24</b>	<b>Friday March 25</b>	<b>Saturday March 26</b>	<b>Sunday March 27</b>
9:00	_____	_____	_____	_____
9:30	_____	_____	_____	_____
12:30	_____	_____	_____	_____
1:30	_____	_____	_____	_____
4:30	_____	_____	_____	_____
6:00	_____	_____	_____	_____



# Chaplain's Corner

by *Chaplain Zale Maxwell*



This morning, as I write this article, I have evidence that my thermometer does read temperatures below zero. It is currently shivering at -30°, yet sunny, giving the unsuspecting individual a false sense of warmth until confronted with the reality of a cold blast when you step outside.

Oh, how we love our seasons in Ohio. We love summer in the winter and winter on those 95° days in the summer. We long for those dry dusty days of fall in the rainy, wet, and muddy days of spring. Isn't it interesting how we long for something far away and so easily overlook what is all around us, things like the fun we can have in the snow or the warmth we enjoy while sitting by the fireside?

I think this is also true with life in general, for example, the people around us. We sometimes talk about those who are far away from us and overlook those standing right by our side. I am not suggesting that a loved one far from home should not be missed. Rather, I am pointing out that there is someone with you always. It only takes a moment to say a prayer and feel the warmth of God's presence.

February is the month of love and next to God's love for us is the love of your heart and your life. Remember God's love for us everyday and Nobles, show your love to that special someone in your life on Valentine's Day and everyday.

*Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.* (Deuteronomy 6: 5 NIV)

*Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.* (Colossians 3: 19 NIV)

## Aladdin's CHANTERS

by *Brent Wilson*

*I thought I retired from this job, but I was asked to come back since Derron Ponn has been called to more service with his company, Net Jets. Derron has even been sent to Spain for some of his duties. So, I'm baaaaack!*

### Recent News:

First of all, we lost one of our longtime baritones, Jack Harris. Jack was a Chanter since 1989 and his great voice and tremendous sense of humor will be greatly missed. Our heart felt sympathy goes out to his wife Gerry and the entire Harris family. Sing on Jack, sing on!

Since I have been gone from this article, some STUFF has been going on. Bob Larson is recovering quit well from his surgery. Welcome back, Bob. Welcome back! Jack Leeson is doing much better, and Ralph Hughes said he is doing much better. Of course, Ralph messes with me sometimes. Ha! Ha!

Roger Nelson is going through some extraordinary medical procedures and has been suffering greatly. Please remember Roger and Bev in your thoughts and prayers. Did I miss anybody? If I did, I'm sorry and let me know.

As we grow older, the aches and pains seem to increase, but remember to keep the faith, and you are as old as you think you are. THINK YOUNG and STAY YOUNG! Hey, I'm still in my fifties, 50-18 get it?

Be sure to support your Potentate Steve Hathaway, Divan, and especially First Lady Betsy's project, the cleft lip and palate program. Have you been close to any of these children? Be kind, be generous. Thank Betsy!

Okay! Now, I know you don't care, but since I'm writing this article, I'm going to tell you anyway that I'm going to be a grandpa again. My daughter, Mandi, and her husband are expecting a baby girl in May. Hope she looks like her and or her mother. Ha! Ha! Don't say a word!

### Dates to remember:

February 21 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal

February 28 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal

March 07 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal

March 14 - 7:00 PM sing at The Worthington Gahanna

March 11 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal

March 24-27 - Circus

March 28 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal

**Thought for the day:** Just remember, no matter where you go, there you are!

## Lady Shriners Recognized for Donation to Shriners Hospitals for Children®

The Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America was recently recognized for their contributions to Shriners Hospitals for Children®.

Members of the Thea Court (Columbus) were on hand at the Cincinnati Hospital this past month to install a plaque on the hospital's donor recognition wall. The plaque represents donations exceeding \$1.4 million dollars to the pediatric health care system of 22 hospitals.

"The lady Shriners are a wonderful group of women whose efforts are seen every day at our hospital, whether it be volunteering, tray favors, or beautiful blankets on our patient's bed. Shriners Hospitals for Children® can't express enough gratitude for all they do for our families and patients," said Jerry Hardisty, chairman of the Cincinnati Hospital's Board of Governors.

## Northeast News

by *Calvin Smith, PP*

I was browsing UTube last night looking for some music to cheer me up. I started with "Time of My Life" from the movie Dirty Dancing and then to the 1975 video of Frankie Valli and Four Seasons doing "What a Night." My mind moved to our January meeting of the Northeast Shrine Club even though it wasn't 1963.

What a Night! We had great food, a fast moving business meeting, a lot of fun during the social, and very good music and vocal presentations by R U Bound, a string group from Westerville. It could not have been a better kick-off for our year. Tom Rice put forward his best foot right out of the box.

Well maybe it wasn't the time of my life, but it was right up there. You ought to drop by and check it out for yourself. We still meet the third Friday of the month.

Please place February 18 on your calendar and get a feel for the rest of the year. March features Miss Anna Ellsworth providing a musical interlude on her harp. She has quite a professional reputation.

Have A good meal and contribute to Tabloid. Each Thursday in February, Mimi's Café at Polaris will contribute 15% of your dinner tab to Tabloid. You need a coupon. Jeff Kopp, our 2011 Tabloid chairman, has some as do our other officers. My wife, Terry, and I are going on February 10. You could get a flyer at the meeting on February 18 and then go to dinner on February 24 at Mimi's. Have some fun and help the hospitals.

Don't stay home – come join us!

## Tarhe Shrine

by *David Mowry*



Tarhe's January meeting was canceled due to snow. The speaker for the evening was to be Mr. David Kessler, who was to speak about senior protective services. We hope to schedule him at a later date. Our next meeting will be February 17. Our speaker will be Mr. Greg Eyerman from the Fairfield County Visitors and Convention Bureau. Please make plans to attend.

Reservations for all meetings should be made by the Saturday preceding the meeting. Reservations can be made by phone at 740-215-6849 (Zale) or 740-503-8958 (David) or by email at tarheshrineclub@gmail.com. The cost of the meal is \$15.00 per person.

Remember, if you have questions about meeting dates, you can check Aladdin's website to see club and contact information, as well as upcoming meeting dates. Please take a look at it at: <http://www.aladdinshrine.org/tarhe.htm>. You should also be getting reminder cards about all meetings in the mail. If you are not receiving your cards, please let us know so we can make sure we have an updated address for you.

**Upcoming meetings: February 17** - Reservations due by February 12 **March 17** - Reservations due by March 12 **April 21** - Reservations due by April 16

## Bucyrus

by *Gene Diller*

The Bucyrus Shrine Club opened the meeting with prayer lead by Noble John Miller. The *Pledge of Allegiance* was led by President Noble Kenneth Bell. Gus's Grill & Grog catered the meal.

A moment of silence was held for the armed forces.

President Kenneth Bell, Treasurer Dave Crum and Secretary Gene Diller secretary went to the Aladdin Shrine Center on January 8 for installation of officers' meeting and were installed. Past President Noble Tim Miller installed Noble Jim Gillenwater as vice president of Bucyrus Shrine Club.

The secretary's report was read by Noble Gene Diller. The treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Noble Dave Crum.

Noble Dave Crum presented the sunshine report. He reported Nobles Richard Frederick and John Himler are in the Altercare Nursing Home.

The next meeting will be February 28 with the ladies.

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## NEWS FROM ERIE

### Start Making Plans Now to Attend Hospital Day 2011

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An antique car show, a craft fair, entertainment and hospital tours are just some of the activities planned for this year's Hospital Day community open house which will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sunday, June 5, on the hospital property. All events are open to the public at no charge. Refreshments, hospital clothing and gift items will be available for purchase.

In addition to hospital tours, which will run from 9:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., many other activities are planned for your enjoyment. There will be an antique/classic car show in the hospital parking lot from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., musical entertainment from 11:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m., a craft fair and chair massage.

The formal Shriners Ceremony begins at 12:45 p.m. The hospital's volunteer Shrine drivers will be recognized as part of this ceremony. Divan members, nobles and ladies from all of the affiliated Shrine temples are encouraged to be well represented at Hospital Day. Call (814) 875-8782 for more specific information.

### New Computer Installed in Drivers' Lounge

A new computer has been installed in the Drivers Lounge at Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Erie. Put into place by the hospital's Management Information Services Department, the new computer will give all Shrine drivers easier access to such things as up-to-date weather reports, road conditions, national news and so much more.

In addition, the drivers will also be able to access the Shriners Village website and obtain the latest information from Shriners International.

### Mighty Otters Sled Hockey Team Does Well at Tourney

The Mighty Otters sled hockey team from the Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Erie, captured first place in the novice division at the eighth annual Aladdin Shriners Invitational held Jan. 15-16 in Columbus, OH. Seven sled hockey teams from Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Indiana competed in the two-day tournament. In the final game of the novice division, the Mighty Otters defeated the Mighty Penguins of Pittsburgh 2-1. LeeMar Jones scored both goals for the Mighty Otters. The Mighty Penguins are also affiliated with the Erie Shriners Hospital. Tom Markley, the Mighty Otters goalie, had an excellent tournament, allowing only seven goals to be scored on 45 shots.

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## Just Clowning Around *by Matt "Nutt" Knight*

### *A new era for the Clowns....*

Before we start into a new era, I would like to thank Don Tootle for his years of service to the Clown Unit. If some of you did not read last month's article, Don is stepping down as director of the Clowns. I know that this mention of all that he has done for our unit is not fitting, but I think he knows how I feel about him. He is a fine gentleman and a great leader. He has set a fine example of how we are to conduct ourselves as clowns and men. Thanks again, Toots, for everything.

The new Clown Unit officers are Director Bob "Tuitt" Barton, Assistant Director Charles "Yip Yap" Heine, Assistant Director Matt "Nutt" Knight, Secretary Larry "Pockets" Middendorf, Treasurer Fred "Ho Ho" Timm, and Apprentice Director Greg "Pozi" Osborne.

I have several birthdays to mention for February: Dale "The Professor" Landis 2-3, Dr. Keith Blair 2-16, Charlie "Punkin" Heine 2-29, Everett "Tex" Rainer and Ron Chiona 2-20, Chuck Hedges 2-21, and last, but NOT least, Lloyd "Skippy" Degonia 2-23. Happy Birthday, Joeys.

I'd like to take a moment to welcome back an OLD friend. Steve "Lil Mac" McKitrick is coming back to the Clown unit. Steve has been doing life in Marietta, Ohio for the last few years. Steve is working for a local RV dealer around the Columbus area as a sales representative. Give Steve a call if you find yourself in need of a recreational vehicle.

The Clowns have our own web address and it is [aladdinshrineclowns.org](http://aladdinshrineclowns.org). Please take the time to visit us.

As I mentioned in a previous article, we have two additional apprentices—Dave Quinn and Ron Choina. Both attended the Down Syndrome Christmas Party to see just what we do to try to bring a smile or two to those we serve.

On a sad note, I would like mention a passing of one of our charter members and past director, Ernie Nuzzo. Ernie passed back in September of 2010. If you need help in adding that up, that is 55 plus years of service and support. Another longtime friend and supporter of the clowns, Past Potentate Robert Sorenson passed in November, 2010. Please keep the families in your prayers. Sorry for the late notice, but the line of communication had a slight fracture in it.

As I mention our brothers and their families, I would like to request that as you say your prayers throughout your day, you try to keep our brothers in mind.

God Bless,

## Gallipolis *by Frank Petrie, Jr.*

The sun shines bright on the new fallen snow and makes the world look like a winter wonderland. But, personally, I am sick of all this snow. I am ready for spring and I know it is quite a ways off. That means I better keep busy and enjoy all the wonderful comforts that we have provided for us in these modern times.

The Black Camel has once again stolen into our oasis and made off with another fine member. Noble Bob Allen was our last 33° Mason. He passed away on January 13, 2011. Noble Bob was a personal friend, and he was always willing to take that extra step to help his fellow man. He will be sadly missed by friends and family.

### **Please mark your calendars for these important dates:**

- On March 5, 2011, there will be a Valentine's Day/St. Patrick's Day dinner and dance.
- On April 16, 2011, we will have our Second Annual Trail Ride.  
The ride will officially be known as "The J. C. Memorial Trail Ride" sponsored by the Gallipolis Shrine Club and Rio Valley Stables. The late Noble J. C. Glassburn was the one who really got our first ride going. Therefore, we wish to honor him with the new name.
- On April 30, 2011, we will hold our official Tabloid Kick-off Dinner at the club.

Remember, Nobles and Ladies, no matter how busy you are, you should take time to think of others.

## Flying Nobles *by Lee McKelvey*

We have had enough of this snow and cold temperatures and we still have several weeks to go before spring. The Flying Nobles meeting for January was canceled because of the weather and we tried to contact the members to tell them to stay home on that Saturday. We hope we have a good day for our February meeting but I'm looking at five inches of snow on the ground and eight degrees at this time. Just wanted you snowbirds to know what you are missing in Columbus.

Aladdin had their yearly seminar in January to make plans for the new year. A lot of cancellations were also made for the seminar. One of our biggest concerns is the declining membership, as you already know; but that problem is everywhere, not only the Shrine. The average age in Aladdin is 69. Not good but how can we get the younger guys interested in a great fraternal organization.

Commander Terry Kitchen is getting a little better every day since his shoulder surgery. Terry was working hard for the Legion of Honor at the seminar but he has to be careful of his shoulder.

It's best to keep the planes in the hanger this time of year, but spring will be here soon and we can fly again. There was a very good program on the National Geographic Channel on flying in Alaska. It was very interesting and it could possibly return, so don't miss it. There was also one on the Discovery Channel.

The Shrine Circus is coming in March, and if you sell enough advertising, you can get a red jacket. After the Shrine Circus is Tabloid Day in May.

The dues for 2011 are due and David Ray will accept them anytime you can get them to him. It is time to start thinking about the bus trip to Oshkosh to the biggest airshow of the year. It will be three days at the airshow and two days for travel. Dave has a few additions this year that might be of interest to you.

When the plans for the trip are complete, Dave will send a letter to everyone who has made the trip in the past and to some who haven't made the trip.

The Imperial will be in Denver in July.

If you haven't been to a meeting recently, try to get to one this year.

Best wishes to everyone and try stay well.

## Pickaway *by Jack Sauner*

Hello, Nobles. Here we are in the middle of January as I'm writing this article. We have started off with a bang. The interior of the building has a new coat of paint and looks very good. Best news of all, the lease we have had for the past few years has been paid off. It was almost half of our monthly expenses. This lease was for the furnaces and cooling units. Thanks go to the Ladies Auxiliary that held a money making project and gave the club the money to pay off this bill. We thank them so very much. Let your wives know that they can join with this small army of wives to help them help us and your club.

Membership is on the rise. If you are a member who just sends in your dues and is not taking advantage of our building, wake up. Come out and join in on the things going on. Get your friends involved who would make good Masons and Shriners if they are not already members. The building is available for rent, as well. It's a good deal for members and any friends who need a larger place to party.

We were honored to have our Ill. Potentate Steve Hathaway, his Lady Betsy, and several of the Divan join us for our installation dinner on January 14. We had a decent number of members present. There was a very good meal served and I believe all had a good time. Past Potentate Bill Estell installed our 2011 officers. Rex Emrick gave his thanks to all who have helped with the progress that has been achieved in the past two years. The club thanks Rex for his service as president for the past two years. He did very well. New President Doug Cook will also do a great job, I am sure. Congratulations go to all the new officers and trustees who were installed.

If you haven't heard, we are getting a new web page. A new member, Matt Parish, is working on it. Looks like it is going to be a nice avenue to finding out what is going on. Take a few minutes and look it over. [www.pickawayshriners.org](http://www.pickawayshriners.org) is the address. It is not completed, but is looking good.

Our meetings are on the fourth Monday of each month—social at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting is at 7 p.m.

## Patrol Marches on...

Well, hope everyone is surviving the snow and cold. Good news, spring will be here before we know it.

Congratulations go to Patrol Captain Matthew Long! Matthew and his Lady Arleen recently moved back to Ohio from Florida. Let's all give our support to our captain.

Captain Long's appointments include: Lieutenant Leo R. Stacy, Lieutenant Tim Bailey, Drill Commander Arlan C. Thorley, Secretary/Treasurer Mike Clevenger, PP, and Circus Chairman Bob Simpson.

A big "Thank You" goes to Captain Emeritus Arlan and Lady Karen for all they have done for the Patrol the last few years!

Patrolman Tony Pfarr and Lady Ruth are spending a few months in Ft. Myers and are planning to attend the Aladdin Florida Reunion. Maybe we'll have a report next month on the members who attended and the fun they had.

The Memorial Tournament Committee met and are finalizing the details for the 2011 tournament. Hopefully, the Shrine will be asked to volunteer again this year. Information will be mailed out in mid-April.

The 2011 dues are due. A lot of you have already paid, but if you haven't, please send your \$10.00 to Mike Clevenger, 46 W. New England Avenue, Worthington, OH 43085-3536.

That's all for now. Patrolmen, don't forget this is your Patrol article and if you have news you wish to share in the *Lamp*, please call or email our captain.

Until next month, "See you on the Square."



# Provost *by John Rohal*

The Shrine year had its beginning on January 8 with the installation of the 2011 officers. Our own Steve Hathaway was installed as our Illustrious Potentate, Past Potentate Don Goodman as recorder, and Jon Kinney as the second ceremonial master.

This was an excellent affair, very well attended, and whoever chose the dinner menu made an excellent choice. It was served by Catering by Design.

The exceptionally large attendance by the members of the Provost Unit provided a very impressive escort and honor guard for Second Ceremonial Master Jon and his Lady Cindy. This set the tone for the introduction of our Potentate Steve Hathaway and his Lady Betsy who were escorted by Past Potentate Don Goodman. The tangerine coats were very prominent. Also attending were the widows of two of our Past Potentates, Martha Reissig (1988) and Geraldine Cochrun (1992).

Other Provost members installed as Aladdin officers were Ron Hobensack, Ben Owings, and Mike Gray as members of the Trustee Board Advisory Committee, and Ron Hobensack, Terry McLaughlin, and Dick Westinghouse as trustees of the Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children.

The Potentate's special appointments included Art Wilson as chief of staff; Mike Gray and Charles Linek (not bad for a kid from Cleveland) as staff members; Bob Cannon and Corky Talbot to travel, housing , and special trips; Harold Nairn to special events; Tom Rice as Tabloid chairman; and Howard Beane, Jack Bope, Don Campbell, Bob Laird, and Dave Herb to the Transportation Committee.

Provost members installed as Shrine club officers included Jack VanGundy, first vice president of the Aladdin Car Club; John Bivens, president of the Kentucky Colonels; Tom Rice, president, Jim Bodi, vice president, and Terry McLaughlin, treasurer of the Northeast Shrine Club; Douglas Cook, president and Larry Mosley,treasurer of the Pickaway Shrine Club; Robert Laird, first vice president of the Southeast Shrine Club; and Jim Wray as treasurer of the Utica Shrine Club.

Of course, January means that you snowbirds can snicker again. That's right, our regular monthly meeting had to be cancelled because of that wonderful snow. Oh well, that's life in the north country.

Celebrating birthdays in February are George D. Henderson, David H. Huston, Lawrence P. Jones, Angelo O. Marinelli, Harold F. Nairn, Robert B. Radcliff, Larry N. Sanford, Marvin R. Stein, Gene F. Steineman, and George T. Thornton.

Jay Devoll continues therapy in the Columbus Colony. Bob Madill has been in and out of the hospitals more often than not with heart problems. George Kosbab remains in the Cleveland Clinic.

Hope everyone has a Happy Valentine's Day and we now look forward to a great Shrine Circus, March 24 - 27.  
Be a Kid Again!

# Marching WITH THE LEGION *by Terry Kitchen / Dick Luckay*

THE LOH IS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE POTENTATE'S VISIT – All Legionobles and their ladies should mark their calendars for Monday, March 14, 2011. This will be the monthly meeting that will be highlighted by the visit of our Potentate Steve Hathaway and Lady Betsy. There will be cocktails at 6:00 p.m. with a sit-down dinner at 7 p.m. and the program to follow at 8 p.m. The dinner will include a house salad with ranch or raspberry vinaigrette dressing, warm dinner rolls, pot roast with potatoes and carrots, green beans with almonds, cherry crisp or fruit cups, and coffee or iced tea. Let's all come out and show our support for the Potentate and his lady. It will be a great evening.

THE LEGION OF HONOR AND OUR REAR VIEW MIRROR – Our assigned mission is to be behind the parade marshall displaying our flags. During every parade, Willie and I look in the rear view mirrors of our jeep from the front of the parade and see the Potentate and the Divan smiling and shaking hands. This shows me the determination and the drive to meet our commitments to our Shriner Childrens Hospitals. I also see the units behind them keeping up with the Potentate and the Divan. We all know who our leaders are and all the units in the parade are dedicated to keep the pace in 2011. Bring on the circus, bring on Tabloid day, bring on the parades, it is our job as commanders to keep up the pace. I wouldn't trade our place in the parade for any reason. (tk)

SPECIAL DAYS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE – Let the wedding bells ring out again for Dave and Sandy Henderson (2/24), Guy White, Sr. and Sue (3/2) and PC Don and Bev Powell and Commander Terry and Valerie Kitchen (3/7). May those bells ring in another great year for all of you. The birthday cake will get a little brighter with another candle for Jean Wright and Valerie Kitchen (3/3), Ruth Masters (3/12) and Dave Ozvat (3/17). Hope you have a very happy birthday. God bless all of our special people this month.

HOSPITAL RECOVERY REPORT – Both PC Bob Wilson (motorcycle crash) and Angelo Marinelli (heart problem) continue to recover. Our prayers are for their complete return to good health in the near future.

# Licking County *by Franklin C. Boner*

The Licking County Shrine club has been visited by the Black Camel who carried Noble Boyd Carson Black, immediate past president of the club, to his eternal reward. Noble Black had been in failing health but his passing is mourned by family and all fraternal and business associates who ever came in contact with him. He will be sadly missed.

When you receive this news letter we will be looking forward to our first meeting of the year after the January and February recess at noon, March 3, at the Teheran Grotto Hall.

The next club philanthropic fundraising event will be Tabloid, May 6 - 7. Presently, Nobles are needed for Newark, Heath, Granville, Hebron, and Pataskala. All Nobles interested in participating in this year's event are requested to contact Tabloid Chairman Noble Franklin C. Boner, 740-345-0828 H, 740- 328-4035 O, 740-398-3377 cellular. This year's event will be preceded by a training seminar at the Aladdin Shrine Center, Saturday, April 16, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. which all participants are expected to attend. Call the chairman for carpool possibilities.

Many Licking County Nobles receive the *Lamp*, but because of employment conflicts, family responsibilities, etc. are unable to attend the monthly luncheons. This appeal is to all Nobles who may have the ability to donate a few hours or a day in support of the clubs philanthropies. If you are a Licking Countian and can assist in any of our endeavors, be it the circus, Tabloid, Muirfield, Mound City Baseball, and/or the Hartford Fair, your assistance will be graciously appreciated. If you are available or need more information on any of these endeavors, please contact the club secretary, Noble Ed Roberts, at 614-568-1952 and he will put you in contact with the event chairman. See you all at lunch on March 3.

# Brutal Brothers

*by Ron Martino*



Well, the fat man is in Florida. Arrived just after Christmas and found lots of sunshine and (for Florida) cool weather; but it sure feels good to this cold Ohioan.

It has been a cold December for all the people down here who suffered through it. And since we have been here,

it has been in the 80s a few days. But you continue to send cold air south and we all have to suffer through it. HA!

Our regular meeting was planned to be held on Tuesday January 11 and then because of the storm, it was cancelled for January. The February 1 meeting covered peanut packing and the date and times of the circus performances.

Peanut packing starts at 9:00 a.m. with coffee and doughnuts at 8:30 a.m. on MONDAY, March 21. The circus starts on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. for school day, and 3:00 p.m. for seniors. A complete list of dates and times are listed at aladdinshrine.org .

Sunshine Committee: Past Director Denny Feyh is still recuperating from his stay at Doctor's West. Sue is having a difficult time keeping him home long enough to rest.

Past Director of Equipment Harold Linebaugh is still fighting his back pain.

Next month, I will have news of Aladdin's Florida Reunion that was held on February 5.

# Steubenville *by Anthony Violi*

President Noble Richard Hazelip opened the meeting of the Steubenville Shrine Club on January 5 at 7:30 p.m. on a cold and snowy evening. He installed the newly elected officers. They are President Dan Moffatt, 1<sup>st</sup> V.P. Wayne Fulmer, 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. Russ Baker, Secretary Leonard Morris, and Treasurer Jerry Williams. After reciting their oath of office, they moved to their respective positions. President Noble Dan Moffatt accepted the gavel and proceeded to conduct the meeting.

Reported ill is Noble Tom Windland.

The Black Camel visited our club taking Nobles Harry E. Boyd and Gene Groves to their eternal resting place. May God watch over them and grant them peace. Gene was very active in our club and will surely be missed.

Transportation Chairman Noble Jim Halstead, who relieved long time Chairman B.J. Johnson (served 27 years), reported that one child was schedueled to be taken to Erie. Noble Russ Barker was thanked for his aid on the trip.

A letter was received and read to the membership from a parent thanking our Shrine for taking her son to Erie and for our concern for his well being.

Nobles Jim Halstead and Russ Barker worked on the tractor preparing it for snow removal. It was needed this evening.

Secretary Noble Morris read a letter from an interested party who made a donation to our club in memory of Noble Karl Myers.

A discussion transpired concerning the possibility of advertising our club for rentals as a source of raising funds. It was also approved that the dinners, opened to the public, on the third Wednesday of the month, would continue. Past Presidents and Distinguished Masons were recognized. A closing prayer was given by Chaplain Noble Robert Moffatt. Delicious refreshments were available. Fellowship followed.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!



# Aladdin Shrine Band

by Dave Haney

Greetings from the Garret!

For those of you who asked me what a garret is, it is "the room or rooms just below the roof of a house, especially when unplastered and under a sloping roof-attic." Whatever it is, the cat and I are in it and the only thing in it that is unplastered is me, and probably the cat, although I am not too sure about the cat.

Unfortunately, we have now been invaded by a very small creature that has led to much zealous planning and injury to yours truly. The mouse has now been sighted entering the house. Where that critter went and how fast it went defies the human imagination.

I was all for letting the mouse go. After all, the cat will need something to do for the winter and mice really don't eat much. WRONG thing to say! This resulted in much one sided discussion and a command decision that Operation Rodent be commenced at once!

Being of lower rank I was appointed to carry out the mission. Off to the hardware store I went with a determined look to send that rodent to the infernal regions. There are, I discovered, numerous devices that have been invented to rid one's living quarters of various rodents. There are traps that capture the things but don't kill them. I guess you do that and then take them out to the woods or to the neighbor's house. That seemed like a lot of trouble for a two-ounce mouse so the decision was "Le mouse de morte!"

I found that it was easier said than done, and after looking over various devices, I decided on the old spring-loaded "snap and done" rodent trap. I dutifully loaded it with cheese and after much discussion with the upper management we decided to put it on a shelf in the basement.

Off I went to the lower regions of the house and very slowly and deliberately placed it on the shelf. As you know these things are very sensitive with a hair trigger so they are to be handled much like nitro-glycerin. Of course, the attempt met with some interesting results. The satanic device misfired and the only thing I caught was my thumb! That led too much verbal expletives. The boss said I should not use that type of language but somehow it always makes it feel better. The cat, of course is taking all of this in with that slow blink of the green cat eyes and the "What are you human idiots up to now?" look.

## Even More From The Band... by Jim Allen



*It Was A Dark and Stormy Night...*

Well, not exactly, but this makes a good lead in. It was dark, but not stormy. Cold, yes, but no new snow. Quite a relief from recent weeks. The Aladdin Shrine Band braved the elements to hold our installation of officers on January 25 as scheduled. The meeting was called to order by President Frank Habecker, the invocation and pledge was led by Past Potentate and Band Quartermaster Calvin Smith. We had a good turnout for the event which included wives and significant others.

The installation went off without a hitch as P.P. Calvin Smith installed the

new officers, President Tom Fletcher, First Vice President Frank Henderson, Second Vice President Robb Landon, First Year Director Dave Colburn, Second Year Director Jim Allen, and the new kid on the block, Third Year Director Clyde Compton. Our repeating officers in their respective positions are Secretary Jim Shackson and Treasurer Doug Ballantyne. I might just mention that there is a heavy representation of tuba players in this contingent for whatever that is worth.

Speaking of Doug Ballantyne, our esteemed treasurer, he gave a very elucidating treasurer's report concerning what we took in and what we spent. A quick summary is that we are solvent.

## Pipes & Drums by Mark Melroy, Pipe Major

Why Do We Play?

Having been a Piper for a number of years as a member of the Aladdin Pipes and Drums, I have become used to some of the unusual questions that our members get asked every time we appear in public. The most popular, of course, is "What are you wearing under your kilt?" Just for the record, I ain't saying.

Another one, and the one that pertains to this article is "Why do you dress like that and play that noisy thing?" By the way, drums are noisy too. Well, I play because I enjoy it and there are people out there who enjoy hearing us. Our Immediate Past Potentate Bill Estell stated the cameras always come out when the Pipes and Drums come down the street when the Shrine is in a parade. Another reason is that I enjoy being in the company of a group of men who have

The next morning we immediately checked to see if Operation Mouse was a success. Alas, the cheese was gone but no mouse! I expected to see a note that said "Where is the wine and crackers?" "Enough of this," I said, "I am calling out the heavy stuff!" I resorted to Jif peanut butter. Aside from the fact that I had to reload without the use of one thumb, I got the job done. There were other misfires but the infernal device missed me! There were no results for my efforts. Peanut butter missing but no mouse. Further efforts yielded no result. The mouse didn't even bother with the trap. Probably it got bored or moved out due to the cheap and degrading menu!

We finally decided that the whole thing had turned out rather badly and the mouse was smarter than we were. The cat took all of this in with a "See I told you it wouldn't work!" attitude and slept through most of the experience. The cat is smarter than we are too! I probably should have hired a horn player to blow it out of the house!

By this time we have all had some time to recover from the holidays. The year went rather fast just like a mouse running through the house. Haul your "plumbing equipment" out of the closet and get ready for the new year for the band.

### The Schedule for March is as follows:

March 1 - Band rehearsal 8:00-9:00 p.m.

March 8 - Band rehearsal 8:00-9:00 p.m.

March 15 - Family Night and rehearsal 8:00-9:00 p.m.

March 21 - Aladdin Stated Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details later

March 22 - Dance Band 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Now, something for the attorneys in the crowd. Russ Hill sent me this from a book called *Disorder in the American Courts*:

Attorney: What gear were you in at the moment of impact?

Witness: Gucci sweats and Reeboks.

Thought for the day: Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?

I have to go now. I am working on my latest invention—exploding peanut butter!

Past President Frank Habecker gave a report on the Christmas Party. We had 58 people in attendance this past year. This was down somewhat from previous years. Hopefully we will have more of you in attendance in 2011. It was a great party. We have all year to work on this with other things coming first.

The circus is our first effort of the new year. We will need a good turnout at the rehearsals and at the performances on March 24, 25, 26, and 27.

Our next big event will be Tabloid Day in May. We plan on playing for this event this year on May 20 between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Capital Square. We would like to make a contribution to this effort in addition to our playing. If you have any ideas how the band members can enhance this project, give Jim Esswein a call and we will see if we can help in other ways as well.

Tom Dale gave a report on the Red Kettle project with the Salvation Army. We don't have a report from them yet on the final results of this drive, the band netted \$1,000 for our efforts. Tom thanked all those who participated. He only had to make one substitution. The band members who signed up to ring bells showed up on time and did their duty. It was also reported that band members Maurice Smith and Tim Keller contributed musical renditions at the Kroger on Sunbury road and got recognition in the Westerville community newspaper.

Bill Amspaugh, our Divan representative this year, was introduced. He gave pitches for our support of the Aladdin Shrine Circus and the Tabloid efforts. These are very important to the success and future of Aladdin Shrine. We welcome Bill as our representative.

The Crowning glory of the evening was pinning of the Past President's pin (very carefully) on Frank Habecker by our new President Tom Fletcher. We thank Frank for his leadership during 2010. He has graciously consented to continue keeping us up to date on activities with his emails. We look forward to Tom's leadership in 2011. Good Luck, Tom.

this same love for the type of instruments and music that we perform. The fact that we do it to help children have a better life is icing on the cake!

So, there is one of the great secrets of the Shrine that we should all be shouting from the roof tops into every Blue Lodge. If a Brother Mason has an interest in trying something, there's probably a unit in the Aladdin Shrine that can fill his curiosity. Whether it's pipes and drums, jazz band, steel drum bands, or driving miniature Tin Lizzies. In the case of the Pipes and Drums, all you need is a sincere interest; we'll do the rest.

We meet every Tuesday of the month (except the first Tuesday of the month) at 7:00 p.m. on the lower level. Come and join the fun!



# Worthington

by Bob Stevenson



*The calendar (sometimes) is your friend.*

The combination of our January meeting being held a week later than normal and the installation of Ill. Sir for 2011 being one week earlier than normal, allowed Worthington Shrine Club the honor of being the Potentate's first visit of his year.

We were pleased to have Ill. Sir Steve Hathaway and First Lady Betsy, along with many of the Divan and Ladies, present for the evening. We were updated on issues facing Shrine and Aladdin, in particular – the need

for new language when presenting information about the Shrine Hospitals for Children and First Lady Betsy's project for the year. The message also included the challenge to have a good time, make Shrine an inviting and welcoming place to be, and to help focus on membership, the life blood of ours or any other organization.

We sang happy birthday to Chaplain Zale Maxwell, but didn't have a present for him. Had we known sooner, we probably still would not have had a present.

## Washington

by Mike Flynn

Before stepping into retirement as the Washington Shrine Club's president, Jim Moser was already looking forward to his next challenge with the organization. "I think I had a good year, but not a great year, because we didn't have any new candidates for Aladdin," he said in his farewell address at the club's January 19 dinner meeting. However, Moser will be serving as the club's 2011 membership chairman and has promised to reverse that trend, saying that his goal is to have at least two local candidates for the Aladdin Shrine ceremonial.


The retiring president also issued a challenge to the club to improve its fundraising abilities during the annual Tabloid drive in early June.

Moser noted that only five percent the organization's membership turned out during the 2010 Tabloid campaign when the club posted a third place finish, lacking only \$700.00 from finishing atop Aladdin's standings. "If we would have had 24 people, we would have been number one without a doubt," Moser stated.

Tom Shields and Jim Kiger will serve as cochairmen of the June 10-11 Tabloid project as the local club will be attempting to capture its number 1 ranking among Aladdin's 38 clubs and 16 units.

Before officially concluding his term, Moser was presented with a gavel-mounted plaque from incoming president David I. Hartley and saluted his predecessor for "a fine year."

Hartley, president of the Washington Court House based Hartley Oil Company, was installed along with his 2011 cabinet by Aladdin Shrine Past Potentate Gary Parks. Other officers seated were second Vice President Renny Jamison, Third Vice President John Bivens, Treasurer Steve Simpson, Secretary Mike Flynn, Third-year Director Boyd (Sonny) Kearns, Second-year Director Brian Tabit, and First-year Director Keith Lippert. Moser will serve a one-year term on the board as immediate past president. First Vice President Tom Shields was absent.



Aladdin Chanters

### Annual Spaghetti Dinner

with Gus Ruzicka's special recipe!

**March 31**  
**5 - 8 p.m.**

**Aladdin Shrine Center**  
3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus

Tickets are available  
from any member of the  
Chanters and at the  
Aladdin Shrine Center.

**Only \$9.00 per person**

Spaghetti with Meatballs  
Tossed Salad, Ice Cream,  
Soda or Draft Beer

Lady Chanters Bake Sale  
and Cash Bar also available.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Wade Grosz did an excellent job filling in for President Bob Nevel, who selflessly went to Florida so he could represent us at the Florida Reunion. What a guy; a natural leader (probably with warm feet!).

Our March 3 meeting for Nobles and Ladies will feature our own Treasurer Wayne Miller, a retired pharmacist, discussing drug abuse.

April 7 will be one of the high lights of the year for Nobles and ladies. The Ohio Nurseryman, our own Fred Hower, will talk about weeds, dead stuff, live stuff, and give us all the "dirt" about growing stuff. Personally, I have always had mixed emotions about Nobel Fred's programs. He always gives Marj a lot of ideas she wants to do and I wind up on the business end of a shovel and rake! I'm trying to arrange for us to be out of town for that meeting.

Nobles, we have a great program year planned as you saw in your January newsletter. We need you to contact Nobles who have not attended for a while and be sure they come. Pick them up if they are unable to drive themselves. Talk to fellow Masons about the value of being a member of the Shrine. As Ill. Sir Steve reminds us, membership is the life blood the organization. We need to add to our rolls not so Aladdin has more members, not so Worthington Shrine Club has more members; neither of those are the point. **Without Shriners, the kids and the hospitals we exist for will be in jeopardy.** The world really doesn't need more guys in funny hats driving little cars and putting on circuses. **The world does need lots more of those guys doing those things and more to support all the blessings that Shriners Hospitals for Children bring to families who need us.**

You now have the message to give to Brother Masons on why they must become Shriners.

See you in March; maybe it will be warm by then.

## Ross County

by David Duckworth

The holiday season is over and we are in the middle of another cold and snowy winter. This did not deter 48 of our members from coming and enjoying the evenings events.

Noble President Terry Morris started the evening's meeting by leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Noble Neil Smith gave the invocation and it was time to eat. "Big Thanks" go out to Noble Brad Burns and his crew for preparing another great meal.

Our meeting resumed with a report from the Sunshine Committee starting on a sad note with the report of the deaths of Nobles John Dobbins and Homer Pinkerton. A moment of silence was observed for these Nobles.

Reported were the sickness of Nobles Harley Thomas, Bill Myers, Ralph Mahaffey, and William Landrum. A card and best wishes went out to these Nobles for a speedy recovery.

Under old business, Noble Mike Haller updated us on the Distinguished Shiner Award and the brick paver sales. Noble Haller, the Tabloid Chairman for 2011, updated us on donations that have been coming in so far this year.

Our Divan representative, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ceremonial Master Jon Kinney, joined us for our meeting and swore in the officers for 2011. They are as follows: President Jay Morgan, Vice President David Duckworth, Secretary Dan Riddle, and Treasurer Rob Coolidge.

President Jay Morgan took the helm and promptly asked Past President Terry Morris to come up front and was presented the Meritorious Award for his service to the club for the past year. President Morgan thanked everyone for the honor of being their president for 2011.

After a few updates on the upcoming year's events, President Morgan adjourned the meeting.

We hope to see everyone at the next meeting which is February 24, 2011. Don't forget to call in your reservation to Secretary Dan Riddle at (740)773-7433.

## Southeast

by Cecil Moore

My fellow Nobles, just to show you I am not so perfect, as I thought I was, I made a terrible mistake. My report for the new president and vice president of our club was switched. Here is my greatest apology, please forgive me, I promise to not make another mistake until the next time! Our 2011 president is Noble John Lutz. Our new vice president is Bob Laird. After my heart-felt apology, they both forgave me for the error.

Our regular meeting was held at the MCL restaurant on January 27. Fred Kreutz led us in prayer followed by the pledge and dinner. After dinner, President John opened the meeting and asked Secretary Pete Ransburg to give his report. Treasurer Kreutz gave his report and it was voted to be approved.

Past president Don Schoffstall said he had made final arrangements with the American legion to rent their hall for our fish fry on August 5. It is our only fundraiser for the year. We always need lots of help, so start thinking about it now so you can volunteer to help out. Noble Pete discussed Tabloid Day and we will need lots of help for that.

On the sad side, we heard that our good member and Past Potentate George Kosbab has been in the hospital 22 days in January with a serious heart condition and operation. Bob Wilson and his wife are in a recuperation center; Bob from a very serious motorcycle accident and his wife with a heart condition. We are thinking of you and hope for the best. If there is any one else laid up give, me a call (614-759-9357); maybe I can give them a call. So could you.

That is all for now, more next time.





61<sup>st</sup> Aladdin

# Shrine CIRCUS

Ohio Expo Center, Celeste Center

March 24 - 27



## PERFORMANCES AT

Thursday, March 24 3:00 & 7:30  
Friday, March 25 3:00 & 7:30  
Saturday, March 26 10:30, 3:00, & 7:30  
Sunday, March 27 2:00 & 6:00

*\*Child tickets - 12 years and under*

## TICKET PRICES

VIP \$25/\$13\*  
Center Reserve \$18/\$9\*  
Reserve \$16/\$8\*  
Value \$10/\$5\*

*\*Child tickets - 12 years and under*

**Be a kid again!**

**All tickets on Thursday, March 24 are \$8.00!**

## Aladdin Shrine Ticket Office

614-475-2609, ext. 23  
3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus

## January 10 - February 25

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

## February 28 - March 25

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

## March 24 - 27

Celeste Center ticket office will open one hour before each show.



# SHRINERS IMPERIAL TRIP

July 3-7 Denver, Colorado

**Single Occupancy:** \$935 per person  
**Includes**

- 4 Nights Lodging  
at Sheraton Denver Downtown
- Welcome Party

**Double Occupancy:** \$525 per person

- Daily Hospitality Room
- Parade & Afterglow
- Final Night Banquet

## Noble Information - Imperial Trip

Noble \_\_\_\_\_ Lady \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit/Club \_\_\_\_\_  
Children's Names and Ages, if attending \_\_\_\_\_  
If rooming with another Noble, other Noble's name \_\_\_\_\_

## Please Mark Selections Below

### IMPERIAL PACKAGE

	Price Per Person	Number Attending	Total Cost
KING BED	\$ 935.00	_____	_____
2 DOUBLE BEDS	\$ 525.00	_____	_____
{ } King Bed { } 2 Double Beds { } Handicap Accessible			

Arrival Date\* \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date\* \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If left blank, we will assume you are arriving July 3 and leaving July 7.*

*Rooms available for \$179 (plus tax) if you arrive early or depart later than our original scheduled trip dates.*

*Payment for rooms reserved prior to July 3 or subsequent to July 7 will be charged to you at departure.*

BIG RED \$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

*Big Red will be limited to the first 32 reservations. There will be an overnight stay each way. You will be responsible for the payment of your hotel room and meals.*

### INDIVIDUAL EVENT TICKETS (For Additional Guests)

Welcome Party	\$20.00	_____	_____
Parade Afterglow	\$30.00	_____	_____
Final Night Banquet	\$60.00	_____	_____

TOTAL

SEND FORM WITH PAYMENT TO: Aladdin Imperial Trip, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, OH 43219-3044

QUESTIONS: Contact Kim Luckeydoo 614-475-2609, ext. 23 kluckeydoo@aladdinshrine.org

## Payment Options

**-Payment in Full OR \$150 Deposit Per Person.**

**-Deposit Deadline: March 14, 2011**

**-Balance must be paid in full by May 31, 2011.**

Check Enclosed ( )

Payment in full ( )

Deposit Only ( )

Credit card ( )

Payment in full ( )

Deposit Only ( )

Credit Card

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

