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Membership Totals

Membership 01/01/08	7554
Associate Membership 01/01/08	54
Total	7608
Current	Yr to Date
Creations	0 42
Affiliations	0 9
Restored	2 50
Associate Members	0 1
TOTAL MONTHLY ADD	2 102
TOTAL YEARLY ADD	7710
Demits	1 2
Suspensions	0 40
Deaths	18 141
Associates Dropped	0 4
Reversals	0 5
TOTAL MONTHLY DROP	19 182
Membership as of 07/31/2008	7528
Net loss/gain YTD	-80
Net loss/gain Month	-17



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Recap of Aladdin's 2008 Imperial Experience

The \$25.00 round trip to St. Louis on Big Red was a real bargain and an easy, comfortable way to get there. The Marriott Airport Hotel provided large well-furnished rooms and a staff that really seemed to be pleased to have us there.

The hospitality suite was the entire ninth floor of the hotel with two large rooms connected by the libation counter – which was well stocked, well serviced, and well patronized. For the first time in memory, TWO jig-saw puzzles were being assembled at the same time.

The St. Louis rapid transit (Metro) was ideal for our location. The hotel furnished transportation to and from the terminal and for \$4.50 a day you could ride all over the city. A lot of Aladdinites took full advantage of it when traveling to the new Busch Stadium, the Convention Center, or the Arch. It was a rather unnerving sight, at the Arch, to see the American, Missouri, and St. Louis flags flying proudly, 40 feet out in the Mississippi River. The flood had started to recede but was still well out of it's banks. The clowns, musical units, and the vocal groups all came home with awards and the hospitality suite was the site of three great concerts as part of the competition afterglow. Made you proud to be an Aladdinite!

The parade was something else. For a while it seemed they simply had no idea what to do with us. At three checkpoints we were given three different sets of instructions. When we finally unloaded and wandered into position we were told we were in the wrong position and would have to move out. So, with the Legion Jeep leading four other Aladdin vehicles, we circled the block (which wasn't easy with all the congestion) and were held in place off the parade route – only to see the clown bus and two other Aladdin vehicles move into the spot we had vacated thirty minutes earlier. As we then told the marshall who was holding us back "We



must go now. There go our people – and we are their leader!" (True story.) We wound up behind the Clown Bus, but eventually, we worked our way past them and took the Legion's proper place at the front of the column. Legionoble Gary Bogart was behind the wheel of our Jeep with Dick Luckay riding shotgun throughout the chaos and confusion. Once we it got started, it was a good parade with a large, appreciative, crowd there to watch it. Thanks to PP W. Gary Parks, we marched under the banner of the "Ohio Shrine Association." To be in the parade you must have at least ten men for a Shrine to participate. Several Ohio Shrines could not meet that

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New Membership Pin for Top Line Signers



Have you top line signed a new member into your temple this year? If so, you are eligible to receive one of these limited edition lapel pins to "Catch the Spirit" and show your commitment to membership. Every new Shriner and top line signer is entitled to wear this pin. The new members will

receive his with the welcome letter he receives from the Imperial Potentate.

As a top line signer, your recorder should request your pin from the Office of Membership Development in Tampa. Contact your recorder today and ask for your Top Line Signer Pin from the Imperial Potentate. If you haven't yet signed a new member, it's never too late. These pins will be issued until July 2009 so, recruit a new Noble today!



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September 15 - October 20

November 17 - December 15 - Annual Election

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Rolling with The Pote

by Daniel E. Stainbrook II

First thing I want to do is express my and Lady Ann's grateful appreciation for everyone's prayers, concerns, cards, and gifts during her heart problem in St. Louis. She eventually ended up having two heart stents at McConnell Riverside. She is doing well but taking it easy at night. When she goes back to the doctor in August, my first question to him is, "How soon she can start cutting the grass again?" Most of you probably don't know, but she really does cut the grass, not me.

Listening to various Nobles and Ladies who went to Imperial, it appears that everyone had a good time and enjoyed the food and hospitality room. Some liked the hospitality more than others.

Those who went on to Branson said the bus trip down and back was good. The hotel was good but there was only one place close to get liquid refreshments. On the show side, only one out of three shows received any negative comments and they were about having to eat with your fingers and the smell of horses; but when you eat in a stable, that happens. All in all it sounded like a good time. Lady Ann was very disappointed not being able to be there with everyone, but there will be another time she can go because she told me so.

The Divan has attended six visitations during July and went to Lexington Hospital for a Divan meeting with the other 16 temples that support and take patients for orthopedic care.

We have three parades (Baltimore, Bucyrus and Marietta) coming up in August and one (Masonic Home Day) in September. Please try to attend them with your club or unit. As you know, we have not been to Marietta for many years and a good turnout would bolster that club. On that same thought, the Masonic Home parade should be well attended since the Grand Master is from Aladdin.

My last blast is for the Classic Car Cruise-In and Chicken and Corn Roast on August 16. It is a deal for a meal and your Lady does not have to swelter in a hot kitchen preparing it. Plus, you get to see some very nice cars from yesteryear to the present.

Don't forget to read your *Lamp*!

Let's Keeping Rolling!



MAXWELL ELECTED IMPERIAL POTENTATE

During the 2008 Imperial Council Session, held in St. Louis June 29-July 3, Douglas E. Maxwell of Chesterfield, Mo., was elected Imperial Potentate of Shriners International, making him the highest-ranking Shriner in the world.

As Imperial Potentate, he is serving his eleventh term as a member of the Board of Directors for the Shriners fraternity. Maxwell is also serving as the Chairman of the Board of Directors for Shriners Hospitals for Children, a health care system of 22 hospitals in the U.S., Mexico and Canada.

In college at the University of Kansas, Maxwell studied architectural engineering and finance, receiving his degree in 1969. He received his Master of Business Administration degree from Southern Illinois University in 1975.

In the early '70s, Maxwell joined the U.S. Air Force as a second lieutenant. He flew the world routes of the Military Airlift Command, including missions to Europe, South America, Africa, Southeast Asia and Vietnam. For his distinguished service during the Vietnam War, he received both Vietnamese Combat Service Medals and the Air Force Commendation Medal. At the end of the war in 1975, he departed the military as a captain.

Maxwell and his father began a manufacturing company in 1975, building checkout counter conveyors and speed reducers. Today, Maxwell Manufacturing Co. has grown into the third largest builder of these conveyors in America.

During his 10 years on the Board of Directors of Shriners International, Imperial Sir Maxwell has served as chairman of the International Development Committee, the Buildings and Equipment Committee and the Fleming-Florence Committee.

He has also served on the Investment Committee and the Planning Committee.

Maxwell is a Past Potentate of Moolah Shriners in St. Louis. He is a 33rd degree member of the Scottish Rite, a Knight Templar in the York Rite,

Douglas E. Maxwell and a member of Beacon Masonic Lodge #3 and the International Order of DeMolay Legion of Honor.

He is also an emeritus member of the St. Louis Shriners Hospital Board of Governors, having served on the Applications Committee and Buildings and Equipment Committee.

Maxwell is a member of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association and also the Missouri Pilots Association. He holds a commercial pilot's license and instructor's pilot's license.

He and his wife, Patricia, are high school sweethearts and have been married for 39 years.



MEMBERSHIP *ON THE MOVE*

by Calvin Smith / Membership Marketing Director

Our November Cermonial journey has begun.

WHO IS YOUR CANDIDATE?



For those who don't know, 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 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.

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 it off the Internet or you can call us and request one or more. Call us at 1-800-475-3850, ext. 10 or 27 if you live outside Franklin County. If you live in Franklin County, call us at

614-475-2609, ext. 10 or 27.

My favorite subject, my grandson, recently spent a week with me. My wife and I did an Ohio Indian history journey. We went on an overnight trip to Chillicothe to see Tecumseh, visit the Hopewell Indian Mound National Park, tour Adenda, and go through the Flint Ridge historical site near Newark. At Hopewell, he earned a Junior Ranger Award. He read and followed the directions, answered all the questions, and received his badge and certificate. At Aladdin, we, too, have an award for following our directions [see last month's *Lamp*] and petitioning a new member(s). This award could be one year's free dues. Here it is.

This incentive plan is limited to creation and restoration petitions. It is monetary in nature and is an annual program with no carry over from one year to the next unless otherwise continued by the membership office in writing. It begins January 1 of each year.

In a nutshell, we offer a Noble \$\$\$\$ for every restoration petition he would topline sign and/or a creation candidate who attended a ceremonial. We are not including association or affiliation petitions because we receive no funds from the latter and nearly all the former ask for the petition on their own.

The following scale would be used and would be cumulative to a maximum of \$54 in any given year:

- 1) \$3 for the first petition
- 2) \$5 for the second petition
- 3) \$7 for the third and fourth petitions
- 4) \$8 for petitions five through eight

THIS INCENTIVE AWARD WILL ONLY BE GRANTED IF THE RECIPIENT MAILES HIS ANNUAL DUES NOTICE AND AWARD LETTER TO ALADDIN TEMPLE. DUES SENT TO THE CINCINNATI POSTAL ADDRESS WILL NOT BE HONORED.

At Flint Ridge, Luke was able to make his own arrowhead. The process is called knapping. This eight-year-old worked for nearly an hour creating his "jewel." It was not easy but he never once gave up. He created an arrowhead. It cost me \$4.00.

Again, the lesson is clear. Do you want to work to create a new Noble or do you give up after little effort? Do you want the feeling of satisfaction or don't you care enough to try. Is \$4.00 too much to invest in another man's light or do you prefer darkness?

Work at a creation for an hour and don't give up. Knap to create; don't nap.

Start today, not tomorrow.

I want to repeat a statement I made last month. Aladdin has created 250 new Nobles since April, 2007. Many have asked about joining clubs and/or units. A significant number have followed through and have joined. Are you staying in contact with these new members? A phone call to these Shriners goes a long way in keeping their interest keen. Do it today.

Masonry Only Moves Through You

Marching WITH THE LEGION

by Dick Luckay

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER FOR: Clancy and Shy Lanthorn (9-10), Gary and Joann Bogart (9-15), Clyde and Marjorie Dames (9-20) and Dick and Nancy Ollila (9-23). Our best wishes for another wonderful year for all of you.

ANOTHER BIRTHDAY CANDLE FOR: Janice Van Horn (9-4), Ray Moore (9-9), Phil Pini (9-16), Vera Evans (9-19), Nancy Krieger (9-22), Marjorie McCoy (9-27) and Katie Beiers (9-29). You're not a year older – you're a year better! Congratulations!

ALADDIN'S NIGHT AT THE BALL PARK

It was a good night weather wise and a large contingent of Aladdinites enjoyed a food-filled, fun-filled, night at Clipper Stadium for the last time. Commander Dick Ollila, PC Bob Faber, PC Robert Spencer, and Legionobles Bob Krieger, John Iben and Gary Bogart presented the colors with precision that would rival any professional drill team. Job well done, Nobles. We'll just see if you can match that performance at the new ballpark next year.

LEATHER LIPS TRIBE IS FORMED – At the El Hasa Shrine Military Ball (Ashland, Kentucky) last month, "The International Order of One Stone", accepted the Leather Lips Tribe into full membership. Big Chief Bob Faber and (very) Little Chief Dick Luckay assumed the proper status that will enable them to expand the tribe in due time – in due form. Stay tuned. By the way, Bob Faber just received his 50-year pin from the Valley of Erie, Pennsylvania. Congratulations Bob – didn't know you were that old.



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by Bob Stevenson

\$368,090.74! GADZOOKS! ~ Bob Stevenson

Well, I didn't actually say GADZOOKS, but it was close. We were in St. Louis for Imperial when the deadline for reporting hit. I had asked our accountant, Maureen McGill, and our Tabloid treasurer, Noble John Gray, to get the tally for me and to report to Aladdin's *Lamp*. Ill. Sir Dan was as eager as I was to hear the final number, and a "big thanks" goes to Frankie Foster, our *Lamp* publisher, for "holding the paper" (sounds like a line from an old Spencer Tracy movie doesn't it?) so we could get the news out quicker than years past.

Well, all I can tell you is I was ecstatic. Not surprised or amazed mind you, but simply ecstatic, for I know how hard the Nobles and Ladies of Aladdin have worked this year; and the results are the proof. We feared, silly us, that a lot of bad economic news would hold folks back in their giving. Well, not so when our Shriners go to work.

We will be bringing to you, in the months to come, added help for PR from both local and Imperial sources. Getting our story out helps make our job easier. Also, awards will be available much sooner than before and we will let you know when you can pick them up. But remember, if you make quarterly reports, you can get the awards even faster. So, think about it.

On behalf of the kids in our three hospitals, I offer a deep and heartfelt "thank you," and only ask that you do it again in 2009 and do it even better! After all, when you put a bunch of Shriners on the job, wonderful things happen simply "because it's what we do!"

A couple of housekeeping items: Last month, I missed a "thank you" to Ted Eisleben of the Audio Unit for providing the sound for our Tabloid Kick Off in Marysville. Thanks, Ted!

Also, thanks go to The Lunch Bunch. Again, this year, they take on the task of getting the award Tabloids into the picture frames. Every year it's over 100, so it is quite a job. Thanks go to the Nobles and Ladies who perform this task each year.

Remember the Stag Picnic on October 18 when we can celebrate this success.

Come to think of it, I wish I had said GADZOOKS!

Brick Paver Last Call

The September 15 deadline to receive brick paver orders is approaching fast! The Paver Committee is busy working on the final details of cost figures, choosing contractors, establishing timelines, etc.

We will be present at the Classic Car Cruise-In and Chicken and Corn Roast on August 16 to accept orders, payments, and to answer questions.

We will also be mailing out FINAL NOTICE bills mid-August to those who have not paid yet for their order.

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SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN

Chanters *by Brent Wilson*

I love Summer! It's just the BEST! Golf! Picnics! Family cookouts! Boating! Fishing! Did I mention golf? Vacations! Swimming pool! This Summer is turning out to be very nice; especially, now that I have sold my business. Retirement, I thought it would never happen!

Well, St. Louis was a great time, even though we did not bring home the Chanter Trophy. We gave the competition all we could; they were just a note or two better. While we're talking about the Chanter competition, a "tip of the old fez" goes to the Chanter from the Moolah Shrine in St. Louis. They opened their Chanter room to all contestants and their ladies put on a very nice spread. It was very gracious of them and was greatly appreciated by all. Following the singing competition, our own John Iben conducted the SCAONA meeting where he passed the gavel to the incoming president.

As we walked through that Shrine Center in St. Louis, it dawned on me how fortunate we are at our Aladdin Shrine Center. There was absolutely no comparison whatsoever. They took an abandoned school and converted it into their center. The facilities were somewhat limited and not conducive for large events. In fact, they may have to sell because the facility is not self-supporting. As you walk through our facility, it is bright and sparkling and it is a great place for many events. It looks new and updated, thanks to Harry Webster and his entire staff. Since Harry came on board, there has been quite a transformation and Brenda Springer tells me they have more bookings than ever. I think we can be very proud of our facility.

I was unable to attend Clippers Night, but I understand we had a very good turnout and, as always, we got a standing ovation. I'm sure it was a very nostalgic night for many of our Shriner and Clippers fans as we see the end of an era in the closing of Cooper Stadium. Next year we'll be going to a brand new ballpark, but many fond memories of old Cooper Stadium will linger for years and years.

I hope everyone is having a great summer! Please remember those less fortunate and say a little prayer for those ailing. Be sure to remember our brave service men and women as they continue to fight for our freedom and protect us from harm.

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Brutal Brothers

by Tom Ruggles



I have often heard that old adage about "time flies when you're having fun." I must assume that we have been having a lot of fun over the last three months because we are now only a couple of weeks from September and it seems that the summer has indeed, flown past. And since our unit does not normally meet during the summer months, we are now only a couple of weeks from the resumption of our regular fall meeting schedule. We certainly don't want any of our members to forget that our next Brutal Brothers meeting will be at the Aladdin Shrine Center on September 2 at 7:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and we will look forward to seeing you there.

One of the most recent of those "Summer Time, Fun Times" was the 2008 Imperial trip to St. Louis, Missouri, June 29 - July 3. I have not heard from any of our members who went that they did not have a good time. And, of course, another big "thank you" goes out to Mobile Equipment Chairman Jake Sturgeon and his entire crew for their fine work getting the mobile equipment to St. Louis and for representing the Brutal Brothers and Aladdin Shrine at the Imperial.

We want to recognize and send out our appreciation to our Shrine Directors Association Convention Committee which has continued to meet, plan, and work on all of the many aspects of holding the SDA Convention here at Aladdin in 2009. The convention planning and work has continued throughout the summer, and I am confident that it will be a big success for our unit and for Aladdin. The purpose of planning ahead is so you can mark your calendars now for the SDA convention at Aladdin on March 25 - 29.

From Harold Linebaugh, chairman of the Sunshine Committee, we hear that Jim Elledge has moved to an apartment at the Feridean Rest Home, 6885 Freeman Road, in Westerville. Jim is certainly a distinguished senior statesman for the Brutal Brothers having joined our unit in 1968 and having served our unit well for 40 years. We certainly wish him well in his new apartment.

We have heard that Ralph Braun was scheduled to have surgery July 18 to correct an aneurysm. Even though I have not yet heard the results of that surgery, I want to wish Ralph a rapid and complete recovery.

One last reminder for this month: our first of the fall season Brutal Brothers meeting will be at the Aladdin Shrine Center on September 2 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Patients Thank Shriners for Helping Them Defy the Odds

Following the premiere of the 2008 patient success video, "Defy the Odds," at the Imperial Council Session in St. Louis, featured patient Brian Howard sang "Broken Vow" by pop singer Josh Groban. Brian and his twin sister, Shana, receive care for burn injuries at the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital. David Grassi, who is being treated for spina bifida at the St. Louis Shriners Hospital, is also featured in the video. The teenagers thanked Shriners for the wonderful care they receive at Shriners Hospitals for Children, which has helped them "defy the odds."



L-R: Brian Howard, David Grassi, and Shana Howard

David Grassi was born with spina bifida, a congenital anomaly affecting the development of the spinal cord. Throughout his childhood, he has received extensive physical therapy and occupational therapy at the St. Louis Shriners Hospital. When he was 11, he underwent a special surgery to keep his hips from turning in. The surgery was successful, and he is able to walk with crutches and braces today.

David, who will be a high school senior in the fall, has made a name for himself as a competitive athlete. His favorite sports include sled hockey, wheelchair basketball and wheelchair track. He participates in a local sports organization, Disabled Athlete Sports Association, and travels all over the U.S. and the world to compete. On June 28, he won a bronze medal in the 1500-meter wheelchair exhibition at the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team Trials in Eugene, Ore. When David is not in school or training, he volunteers as a counselor for St. Louis Variety, an organization that buys medical equipment for kids with disabilities. After graduation, he hopes to attend a college with a wheelchair sports team.

Brian and Shana Howard - When Brian and Shana were 2 years old, a house fire left them with second- and third-degree burns on more than 40 percent of their bodies. They spent a month at a local hospital, where they were in medically induced comas for nearly two weeks. Once the twins stabilized, they were transferred to Shriners Hospitals for Children in Cincinnati to receive expert burn care. After several weeks, they were released to their parents' care and returned regularly for outpatient visits. They have received many treatments and had several reconstructive surgeries at the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital.

The twins, who recently graduated high school, have visited several Shriners temples (chapters) over the years to share their story and thank the men for their generosity. They enjoy connecting with other patients whenever they can and look forward to mentoring burn injury survivors at a week-long summer camp for Shriners Hospitals burn patients. Brian will begin studying business finance at DeVry University in Columbus, Ohio, this summer, and Shana will pursue a degree in veterinary technology at the Bradford School, also in Columbus, this fall.

More Surprises - After Brian sang, the patients' families joined them on stage. Imperial Public Relations Committee Chairman Jerry Gantt presented Brian and Shana with iPods and David with a digital camera to thank them for sharing their stories. They also received Shriners Hospitals for Children jackets.



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2008 Imperial Recap

by Dick Luckey

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requirement and couldn't march. As part of the Ohio Shrine Association they could – and did -- some for the first time in many years. Thanks, Gary, for making it possible.

There was plenty to do in St. Louis and our troops made the most of it. Ball games, gambling boats, and Grant Farm (home of the Budweiser horses) all saw many of our Aladdinites in attendance and thoroughly enjoying themselves.

There was serious concern when Lady Ann Stainbrook, shortly after her arrival, was taken to the hospital with a heart condition. Dr. Keith Blair stayed at her bedside while the Potentate filled his mandatory duties. Thanks, Keith, it wasn't what you had planned to do but we all felt better knowing you were watching over her. We all felt a welcome sense of relief when Lady Ann was able to attend the final night banquet. And the "Still Not Ready For Prime Time" Divan Players lived up to their advanced billing.

All in all, it was a great Imperial and I believe the 231 Aladdinites in attendance would readily agree.



Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

The July meeting of the Flying Nobles at OSU had a good turnout considering it was July. Usually not many show up for the meeting because of vacations and other events going on at that time. It was decided at this meeting to fly to Portsmouth for the August 9 meeting. Plans were made to meet at Portsmouth at 10:00 a.m. for breakfast and have a short meeting after breakfast. This was planned after I wrote last month's *Lamp* article in which we were suppose to meet at OSU.

We were rained out for our June trip to Portsmouth so we'll try again but this time we could possibly get a lot of haze which usually comes in the August heat.

It was good to see PC Jack Moore at the meeting. Jack came back from his Florida home to spend some time in Columbus. With our heat here, you can imagine how unbearable the heat is in Florida.

Jim Paddock, our chaplain for several years, celebrated his 90th birthday on June 23. We wish him a "happy birthday" and we hope he has many more. When Jim was in his twenties, he was flying bombers for the United States Air Force. He can tell you many interesting stories from his flying during those years.

By the time you read, this our Oshkosh trip will be history and I can tell you more in the next *Lamp*.

The Classic Car Cruise- In, Chicken & Corn Roast is Saturday August 16 at the Shrine Center. If you are interested in seeing some beautiful old cars, try to attend and enjoy some chicken and corn. Like building a plane, these men do a great job on restoring these old cars.

Did you read the article in our local newspaper where the Shrine bought a wheelchair for the young boy who couldn't get one from Medicaid? Like Harry Webster said, "We help kids." Doesn't something like that make you proud you are a Shriner when you can help a young boy and his family? This is just one of the times kids are helped by the Shriners but that was a local story.

The Potentate will visit our club on Wednesday, September 17 at the Shrine Center. Please try to attend and meet the Potentate and the Divan members. Secretary Dave Ray will send you a reservation form prior to the meeting.

The Great Lakes Shrine will meet in Cincinnati on September 18-21.

Everybody, stay well and I hope to see you next month.

Bucyrus News

by Gene Diller

The Bucyrus Shrine Club opened the meeting with a prayer lead by Noble Jerry Staiger. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was lead by President Noble Stan Eusey.

The Bucyrus Shrine Club had a corn roast. Nobles Tim Miller, Rick Zaebst, Rob Zaebst, and Steve Bowman cooked the sweet corn. We had beef burgers, mashed potatoes, banana salad and pie.

Sunshine report states that Noble John Miller had knee surgery. Art Bell is in Heartland Nursing Home and Kenney Landes has been in the hospital.

Noble Tim Miller reported on the Tabloid. It was reported Bucyrus had \$10,004.60 collected.

The Bucyrus Shrine Club is preparing for the Bratwurst Parade with Aladdin. We are looking forward to seeing the Aladdin Shriners in the August 15 great parade.

Kentucky Colonels

by Frank Lewis

Congratulations go to Colonel Ron Montgomery who is celebrating his 90th birthday this summer. We now have two colonels in our club who have been blessed with 90 or more years of life. The second one is Colonel Bill Keller. Keep it up, you two. We love you!

Hello, again, Colonels and Ladies. I hope everyone is enjoying their summer, getting a lot of rest, having a lot of fun, looking forward to the beautiful fall season, and resuming our meetings in September. The menus have been arranged for the fall lunches and I know you will enjoy them.

As you know, this is a slow time for our club and I do not have much to talk about, especially since I no longer have the squirrel problem.

However, a new concern has arisen at our house – weeds! Most of you know my Lady Jeri. What you do not know is Jeri loves to pull weeds from our flower beds, from our garden, and anywhere they may be growing. When the weather is right, she will get out early and pull weeds all day. She loves it! I enjoy sitting in a chair and keeping her company. I am beginning to worry that we will run out of weeds soon and I may have to plant some more. We will know in time. (Ha, ha.)

Sorry for the short article, but I am on summer vacation and trying to decide if I should go fishing or golfing or just sit here in the shade.

Read the *Lamp* to know what is going on.

Three old ladies were driving down the freeway; the policeman stopped them and asked why they were only driving 35 miles per hour. The lady driving said the sign says 35. The policeman laughed and said the sign meant she was on Interstate 35. He asked why the two ladies in the rear seat looked so frightened. The driver said we just got off Interstate 95.

Enjoy your summer, stay well, have fun.

Hilltop Shrine

by Ray Pendell

The 2008 Tabloid is history and we had a great year. Our Jug Program is already under way for 2009, and two matching fund contributions are in the bank to give us a running start, over \$2,000.00, for next year.

The matching funds arrived too late to be counted for 2008. A "tip of the fez" to those who contributed time, effort, and money to this year's campaign.

Next is the Potentate visit on Wednesday, September 3 at JP's Restaurant at Bolton Field Airport. Details will be coming soon in your newsletter and WE MUST HAVE RESERVATIONS.

You have all received details (in our newsletters) on our Hilltop Shrine Club College Scholarship Program and the awards for this year will be made in December at our Christmas Party. Get those applications in now!

As this is being written, I notice many events going on at the Shrine Center that should make you want to participate and enjoy the rest of the summer. Check elsewhere in this *Lamp* and be involved as you are able.

Keep us informed of any sick or distressed members who may need our help. Call any officer with details.

Past Potentate George Kosbab addressed employees of Wal-Mart informing them of the benefits the children receive from the Shriners Hospital for Children. He spoke of the various treatments extended free of charge to the children but at a cost of \$26.00 per second. Ill. George thanked the members of Wal-Mart for their support. Hilltop members received a \$1,000 donation from Wal-Mart.



L-R: Noble Gene Dew, chairman for the Westpointe Wal-Mart on Hilliard-Rome Road; Past Illustrious George Kosbab, chairman for the Grove City Wal-Mart; Noble Dick Ham, chairman for the Georgesville Square Wal-Mart; and Noble Bill Hartman, past president of the Hilltop Shrine Club.

The Clowns

by Matt "Nut" Knight

Clowns Win Many Awards at Imperial



Well, back in late June, we sent a hand full of clowns to represent us at the Imperial Convention held in St. Louis. Our clowns performed very well.

Well, as you see, your clowns performed very well. I hope I didn't forget anyone. Oh, that reminds me, Mike Clark needs a donation, if you could, of Ginkgo Biloba. You see, I have heard that Mike had a problem remembering just about everything to do with this trip. I have included a picture of the clowns who went to the Imperial. It was especially good to see E. C. "Ears" Babbert along with everyone at St. Louis.

The results follow:

- Aladdin Clowns placed first in the skit competition and placed third in the Imperial Parade.

The individual awards follow:

- Boss Clown Toots placed first in the seniors whiteface makeup division.
- Hobe placed third in the seniors makeup.
- Randy Bope placed third in whiteface.
- Tots placed second in whiteface skit.
- The Bopes, Randy and Jack, placed third in the whiteface skit.
- Speaking of Jack, he took first place in paradability and that was out of 35 entries.

The upcoming event schedule for the Clowns follows:

- August 2 - We will be travelling to Canton, Ohio to the Pro Football Hall of Fame Parade.
- August 15 - We will be at the Bucyrus Parade.
- August 30 - We will be at the Marietta Parade.

For information on these or any of the events, please give one of your brothers a call and they will tell you what they know.

We have a few birthdays for August starting with Steve McKittrick 8-2, and Robert Harding 8-4. Happy birthday goes to these fine gentlemen.

God Bless until next time.

Support The Heritage Fund

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Aladdin does not turn away from members needing help. We try to assist when asked for help by our Shriners. Aladdin pays the Imperial fees for these men; helps with their dues and continues to send them the monthly *Lamp*.

To partially aid with this effort Aladdin has established the Heritage Fund. Please consider contributing to this fund this year. Complete the coupon below and mail it to: Aladdin Heritage Fund, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio 43219.



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For more information contact Dick Westinghouse at (614) 855-8009.



Steubenville Shrine

President Noble Dan Moffatt called the July 3 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at Aladdin Land. Prayer was offered by Past President Noble Robert Moffatt.

Past President Noble Harry Reynolds and his Lady Eleanor have been released from the hospital and are now residing at the Wyngate Assisted Living facility in Weirton. Noble Dan Davis informed us that Past President Noble Ken Gorney had a heart attack today and was rushed to the hospital for evaluation. Lady Dorothy Hindman, wife of deceased member Dave Hindman, is now residing in Carriage Inn.

The Black Camel, again, visited our club taking long-time member, Noble Merle Wassom, to his eternal resting place. Condolences were extended to the family. Motor Patrol Chairman, Noble Wes Darling, reported that the patrol will participate in two parades on July 4 – Wintersville and Cannonsburg, Pennsylvania.

Because of illness, Tabloid Chairman Noble Bill Alexander was unable to attend the meeting. His report was given by Noble Robert Moffatt. He stated that the Tabloid drive was a success and \$5310.30 was collected. He thanked all who helped.

by Anthony Violi

Noble Gene Groves was complimented for his success in soliciting local businesses and B.J. Johnson was thanked for assuming control of the activities during the absence of Noble Alexander.

We were pleased to learn that no children were transported to the hospitals during the past month.

Building Chairman Noble Jim Halstead informed us that the roof on the outdoor picnic and band shelter was in need of immediate repair. Work parties will assemble to do the work before the Luau on July 26.

It was good to see Noble Dave McCaig at the meeting. Noble Robert Moffatt was applauded for reaching his 65th birthday on July 4. Congratulations were extended to Noble Richart Stinger for receiving the MSA award in Cincinnati on June 6. Local Lodge reports were given. Past presidents and distinguished Masons were recognized. A closing prayer was given by Noble Robert Moffatt. Delicious refreshments were available. Fellowship followed GOD BLESS AMERICA.

OFFICIAL PARADES

OFFICIAL	DATE	LINE-UP	STEP OFF
Bucyrus Parade	8/15	6:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
Marietta	8/30	9:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Ohio Masonic Home Parade	9/7	TBA	
Great Lakes Regional	9/20	TBA	
Circleville Pumpkin Parade	10/17	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Washington CH Christmas	11/23	1:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.
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Coshocton Canal Days	8/16	TBA	
Nelsonville Parade	8/16	5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
Marion Popcorn	9/4	5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
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Patrol Marches On

by G. Vaughn Doss, C.E.

Recently, we had an esteemed member of our unit, who shall remain nameless, lean over to pick up some trash while mowing his yard with his lawn tractor. Maybe leaned a little too far. Well, it seems he flipped off the tractor backwards and he jumped up and ran the tractor down. He actually caught it! His neighbor was heard to say, "I've never seen him move that fast." We just thank God that there were no broken bones, only sore, achy muscles for a while. We know how funny he must of looked!

Congratulations go to our treasurer, Neal Dorsch, and his Lady Barbara for their 50th wedding anniversary on July 12. Neal and Barbara celebrated the occasion at the Aladdin Shrine Center in the Oasis Room with family and their many friends.

We had a nice turn out for the Patrol's Appreciation Get-Together held at Aladdin Shrine Center's Oasis Room on July 14. It was such a nice evening; the staff set it up out on the patio. Once again, on behalf of Chi, Leo, myself and the Aladdin Shrine Patrol, "thank yous" go to all who volunteered and to the staff of Catering by Design.

Please mark Monday, November 10 on your calendar for the Annual Patrol business meeting. Captain Arlan will send more detail to you.

As always, this is your article, please contact me with anything you would like to have in the article. See you on the Square.



Shriners International Team Championship

Dates: Oct. 18–20, 2008

Location: Las Vegas, Nev.

Teams: Consist of two Shriners and two prospective Shriners.

Every temple, club and unit are invited to register to golf.

Format: Scramble

Entry Fee: \$350 per team member

For more information, please visit the Shriners International Team Championship Web site at www.shrinersgolfteam.org.

Six-time Grammy Award-winning singer, songwriter, record producer and actor Justin Timberlake has teamed with Shriners Hospitals for Children to become the co-host of the PGA TOUR's Las Vegas golf event, known in 2007 as the Frys.com Open Benefiting Shriners Hospitals for Children. The event – now the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open – is part of the PGA TOUR's Fall Series and will be played October 13-19 at TPC Summerlin.

As part of his involvement, Timberlake will play in the celebrity pro-am and host a concert during the tournament week. Shriners Hospitals remains the beneficiary of the event, which will be televised on the Golf Channel and will reach 130 countries. We couldn't be happier that Justin Timberlake will be a part of the tournament," said Ralph W. Semb, Chairman of Shriners Hospitals for Children's Board of Trustees. "Justin's involvement will bring an unprecedented amount of attention and interest to the event, which will assist us in helping young people receive the quality medical treatment they deserve, at no charge. We look forward to the bright future of this event."

Chaplain's Message

Some "F" Words That Concern Us

by Chaplain John Ash

The so-called "F" word can be heard just about everywhere these days – in places and from people we never thought we would be hearing it. Sometimes it doesn't get bleeped from the TV, or it gets bleeped in such a way that we know exactly what was said. Sometimes the camera can focus on our favorite pitcher after he makes a mistake and we know what is said.

I suspect that most of us were raised with an aversion to the "F" word. It's vulgar and we've been taught that its inappropriate to use in polite company, or any company for that matter.

The "F" words I have in mind that seem to be more and more on people's hearts and minds these days are "fear" and "frustration." Every where you turn, people are concerned and frustrated by higher prices for just about everything. Not only does the gas pump frustrate us, but so do the grocery, the gas surtax for trash, and on and on it goes. Of course the politicians who seem as powerless as we do, despite their rhetoric, just increase our level of the big "F" of frustration.

For many people there is another "F" word that haunts us. I'm talking about "fear" or "fearfulness." Will my job be one of those that is cut? If it is, how will I pay the mortgage and put food on the table for my family? How much further will my stock portfolio fall and how will that impact my life or lifestyle? I may not be able to go out to eat as often or take that vacation I had planned. Or I might not get to retire this year like I hoped. And we all have some secret fears about outward events and conditions as well as some personal things that keep us awake from time to time.

Is there anything we can do about these "F" words? When it comes to the things we fear, studies have shown that 95% of those things we lay awake at night worrying about never came to pass. In other words, we are pretty good at borrowing trouble.

Not doing that is easier said than done. It helps to be in tune with our true source. As Masons and Shriners, our first commitment is to the one we call God, or Allah, if you wish. The one who is truly in charge and the one who has created and sustained us across the years. And the one who renews us beyond this life. The God we honor is good and faithful and sustains and blesses His people out of grace. Having basic trust in His good and gracious nature should mitigate that frustration and fear that some times grips us.

Another antidote I have found meaningful is to reach out to others and find someone whom we can help. And isn't that what we are about? Consider the kids whose problems and needs far outweigh anything we can conjure up, either real or imagined. Focus on God and reach out to others and you will find those "F" words less prominent in your life.

THE BUNNY WITH THE BACKWARDS EAR

by Richard E. Troup

Dedicated to Natalie Rae and Max Harmer

It was just before Easter and Natalie Rae and Max, her brother, were very excited. They were going with Mom and Dad, along with Grandpa Troup, to the Aladdin Shrine Temple for the annual Easter Egg Hunt!

They had really enjoyed going to the Temple for their great Christmas program where they got to see Santa Claus and tell him what they wanted for Christmas. Now they were going for the annual Easter Egg Hunt and play games and have a lot of fun with the other kids and their parents and grandparents.

They arrived in the parking lot and signed in, seeing the funny clowns doing magic tricks along with other people. They went into the big room and lined up to play the games the Shriners had. They had hula hoops that the kids could toss over an inflated rabbit or Easter egg to win a prize of candy, have their face painted, as well as getting food and refreshments.

Natalie Rae threw her hula hoop and ringed the bunny to win a prize of candy. Max threw his hoop and won some candy too. Then it was time for the Easter Egg Hunt. They were separated by ages – Natalie was in the 6-8 age group while Max was in the 3-5 age group.

The eggs were covered with straw so it was difficult for the children to see the eggs and candy under the straw. The signal to start went off and all the kids in the room began to gather the eggs and candy. Max had a soccer bag and quickly got a lot of eggs with either candy or money in them. Natalie was one of the youngest in her group and found a large chocolate bunny along with the candy in her eggs. Then it was over and everyone returned to their places.

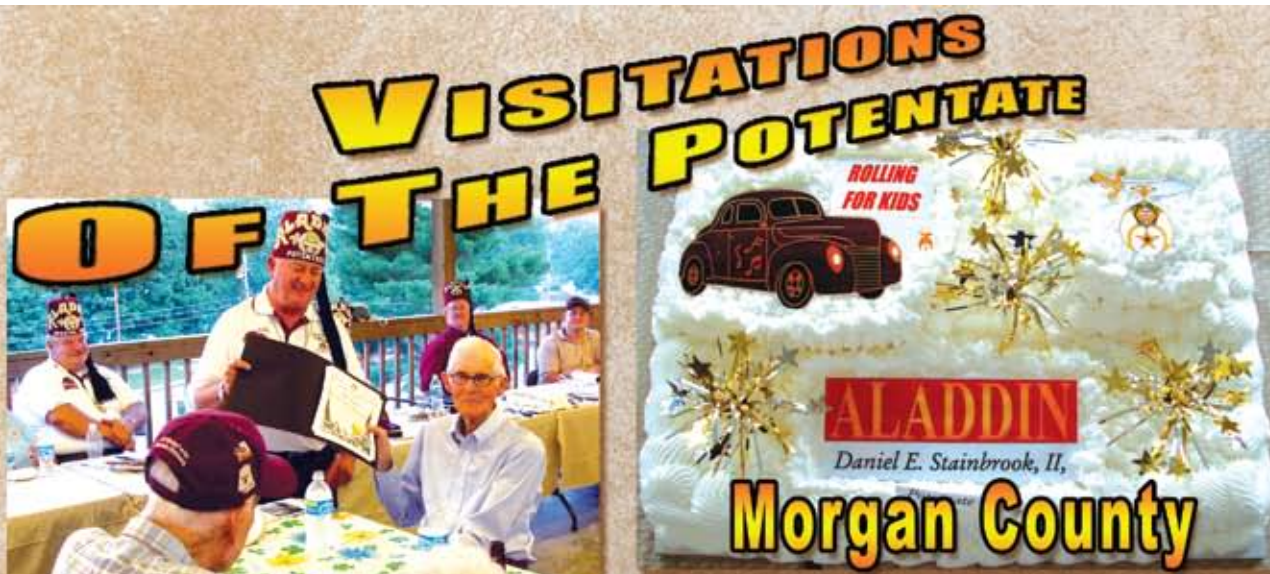
When everyone was seated, the person in charge said that if anyone had a big chocolate bunny, they had won a prize! Natalie Rae saw that she had a winning chocolate bunny and went up with her mom, Nancy, to claim her prize. She received a big light blue bunny rabbit which was almost as big as she was.

Max, her brother, was happy because he got a lot of chocolate and Max loves chocolate. Natalie was thrilled that she had won the beautiful bunny and gave it a big hug and took it to bed with her every night. However, one night while she was sleeping, she somehow pulled off one of her bunny's ears.

The next day when she saw what had happened, she asked her mother if she could help fix her bunny's ear. Her mom said she could because her mother had taught her how to sew. So, she began sewing on the bunny's ear. However, she became distracted and sewed the bunny's ear on backwards. When Natalie Rae saw this, she was upset saying, "Mom, my bunny is different from all the other rabbits!"

Natalie loves her unusual bunny with the backward ear and thinks that animals and kids who have special needs and problems are unique in God's eyes and deserve a special place in our hearts!





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From The Shrine Band

by Robb Landon



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Too late for the last article, but this is worth mentioning this month. The Aladdin Shrine Bands performed at the St. Louis Imperial this year and all bands received superior ratings. The Concert band, Dance Band, German Band, and two Dixieland Bands along with the Aladdin Bones were received well by the convention.

Thanks to Peggy Fought for the great photos of the bands at the Imperial session.

Dixieland Band Schedule:

August 15 - Bucyrus Parade, 6:00 p.m.
August 30 - Portsmouth River Day Parade
October 17 - Circleville Pumpkin Parade, 7:00 p.m.
September 16 - Lancaster Campground, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Band Schedule:

August 15	Bucyrus Bratwurst Parade	October 28	Executive Bd. Mt. - 7:00 p.m.
August 19	First Community Village		Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
August 30	Marietta Parade	October 31	Halloween Ball
September 7	Masonic Home Day Parade		Band Concert - 7:30 p.m.
September 16	First Fall Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.		Dance Band - 8:00 p.m.
September 20	Great Lakes	November 4	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
	Parade - 10:00 a.m.	November 8	Fall Ceremonial
September 23	Aladdin Dance	November 11	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
	Band Rehearsal - 7:00 p.m.	November 18	Aladdin Dance
September 30	Executive Bd. Mtg. - 7:00 p.m.		Band - 7:00 p.m.
	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.	November 25	Executive Board
October 7	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.		Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
October 14	Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.		Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m.
October 17	Circleville Pumpkin	December 9	Potentate's Visitation
	Parade		& Ladies Party
October 21	Aladdin Dance		
	Band - 7:00 p.m.		

Zavi Shrine

by Ken Sayre

July was a busy month for Zavi Shriners as they ventured into a new project on July 4, a car show, and it may have done better had it not rained most of the day. A big "thanks" goes to the Nobles who shared the holiday hours to assist.

On July 16, the Potentate and 15 Divan Nobles and wives paid the annual visit to Zavi at Prophets Park. A two-inch thick pork chop dinner was served before the Potentate gave his remarks and made a presentation to President Bob Mock. Representing Zavi were 32 persons including Noble Carl McCloud and his Lady and Mrs. Kelly Fisher. We haven't seen all three for some time and it was pleasant to have them there. We hope they will return again soon.

The Potentate mentioned the Imperial Shrine trip to St. Louis and outlined events for the next several weeks. He explained the absence of his Lady Ann was because of a medical problem. He accepted donations from Zavi for his Lady's special project, for Aladdin Shrine, and for ASHAC before closing the meeting.

Zavi's newest member, Noble Ty Dierkes, was present and was introduced. Noble Ty is a local funeral director who lives in South Zanesville and has his business on Blue Avenue. Noble Ty, you are welcome, indeed!

Zavi's picnic will be on rap for August 27, the regular stated meeting night, and will be held at Pearl Park. Please bring a covered dish and eating utensils. The club will furnish the dogs, burgers, and drinks. Watch for more details in the next newsletter and mark your calendars to be with us. Yes, ladies are invited.

Secretary Dan Manring is still getting attention for his medical problem and wasn't able to attend the Potentate's visit. Noble Rick Cornell and his Lady were able to attend, despite his situation. To other Nobles who may be experience calamity, sorrow, or bereavement, peace and the love of our Lord be with you!

KAMBRI

by Dick Brixner

The Kambri Shrine Club met on July 12 at the Guernsey County Fish and Game Club near Senaca Lake, with 15 Nobles and their families attending.

Our Divan representative, William Estell and his Lady Carol were in attendance and enjoyed the fun, fellowship, good food, and boat rides along with our Kambri members.

On Saturday, July 26, we held our annual fish fry and potluck at the Plumbers and Pipefitters Hall in Cambridge. It was a joint meeting of Kambri Shrine, Freeport Lodge #415, and Guernsey Lodge #66.

The fish was prepared by Nobles Lew Smith and Buzzy Ferguson. Thanks go to these Nobles for their efforts in preparing the delicious fish and for their unique trick in catching the same.

We had nearly 50 Nobles, Masons, and their families in attendance. The food was all very good, including salads, potatoes dishes, rolls and butter, drinks, and of course, a great variety of desserts.

Jim Irvin, Master of Lodge #66, opened the evening with greetings, followed by the invocation by Ken Warnock.

Following the meal, we had a program on "I-CARE (Independence Through Coordination Assistance Referral and Education) presented by Deanna Kinney, LSW. The program of the Masonic Senior Services of Ohio Corporation is addressing the needs of our brethren and their wives and widows through I-CARE. This program coordinates services that allow our senior brethren to age successfully at home. You can receive further information by calling toll-free, 1-888-286-0010, or emailing Deanna at dkinney@mssohio.org.

We had ten door prizes donated by Freeport Lodge 415. Thanks go to Freeport for the donation of the prizes.

Noble Ron thanked all for attending and bid them a safe trip to their homes.

Thanks to all who came, helped to set up the hall, brought the excellent choice of foods and desserts, and to those who stayed to take down the tables and chairs.

Congratulations to the Kambri Shriners who took part in this years Tabloid Day. Our club raised \$7,643.40 for our hospitals and we were 15th in fundraising for Aladdin Temple. Just think how we would do with more shriners on the streets? Please plan to help next year. It is a simple formula: the more Shriners on the street, the more money we will raise for our 22 Shriners Hospitals.

It appears that our next Kambri event will be our Annual Steak Fry on October 23. Watch your mailbox for details and plan to attend.

Kambri Shriners, plan to take part in our activities; come and enjoy the fun, great food, and fellowship with your fellow Shriners and their families. The more Shriners, the more fun; come and check us out.

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Provost Unit

by John Rohal

Let's start off this month's article with a quiz involving travel to the Imperial Council Session. Who can guess which two of our retired O.S.P. officers made ingenious plans to meet at an Ohio Patrol Post, park one of their cars there for the week, and then ride together to St. Louis. Remember, I said plans not arrangements, if arrangements had been made, they would have learned that the Post was no longer in existence and they would not have had to drive all around Madison County trying to find each other. As I said, this is a quiz so I won't identify them, but I bet Katie and Laura were more than slightly upset.

The Provost Unit was well represented at the Imperial Council Session, not only by our Potentate Dan Stainbrook and his Lady Ann, but also by Howard and Marsha Beane; Jack Bope; Bob and Ann Cannon; Dale and Katie Cline; Robert and Erin Coffman; Edgar and Dorothy Everhart; Leo and Josie Genders; Don and Kris Goodman; Mike, Carrie, Lindsey, and Mary Gray; Steve and Betsy Hathaway; Ron Hobensack; Jon, Cindy, and Kendra Kinney; George and Shirley Kosbab; Harry Lewis; James and Sara Light; Charles and Laura Linek; Angelo Marinelli; Gene and Betty Steineman; George and Peggy Stowe; Mike and Beth VanHuss; and Art and Barb Wilson.

A good time was had by all including those who also travelled to Branson. Our parade participation was the best we've had in several years, and the all-Ohio line up was great. The unit party was excellent and well attended as was the Aladdin banquet.

A special "tip of the fez" goes to Howard Beane for, not only driving the Paddy Wagon to St. Louis, but for also providing transportation to our ladies on several shopping trips and providing additional transportation to the Grants Farm Trip when the number of Nobles wanting to go exceeded the capacity of Big Red.

As an aside, how many individuals would drive an additional 218 miles to Springfield, Missouri just to purchase a newer car? Oh well, Charles Linek claims he saved a lot of money, and besides, Dale paid for half the gas.

And in the "oh no, not again" department regarding losing his cellphone, guess who was headed home, somewhere in Illinois, when he realized he left his cellphone and some other items in the hotel room in St. Louis. Good thing someone else in that newer car had a cellphone. The hotel advised they would forward the "lost" items.

Celebrating birthdays in August are Dennis E. Campbell, William P. Fieger, David R. Grannon, David S. Herb, Kelly Raines, Richard L. Saunders, George H. Thompson, Michael D. VanHuss, Wendel W. Webb, Herbert A. Wise, and David Zeis.

Our recently ill now includes Lady Ann Stainbrook who suffered some reported heart problems in St. Louis, and Bob Snyder who has been in and out of several of our area hospitals and did have part of a foot surgically removed.

Guess that's about enough for now. Hope y'all enjoy the summer months. See you in September.

ROSS COUNTY

by John Malone



Hello, everyone; we had a great special meeting on Saturday, July 19. We met to honor our Potentate Dan Stainbrook with a chicken dinner featuring a Mexican flavor and motif. Accompanying Illustrious Dan was his Lady Ann, Assistant Rabban Bill Estell and Lady Carol, Oriental Guide Steve Hathaway and Lady Betsy, 2nd Ceremonial Master Bill Amspaugh and Lady Kathy, Chief of Staff George Stowe and Lady Peggy, Photographer Charlie Linek and Lady Laura, and Staff Member Extraordinaire Chuck Egbert and Lady Peggy. We thoroughly enjoyed their attendance.

Illustrious Dan spoke on upcoming events in Aladdin including the Chicken and Corn Roast on August 16.

By the time this issue reaches you, the Ross County Fair will be over and I anticipate very successful ice sales and melon booth sales. Thanks go to all our Nobles who volunteered their time and energy for a very worth while endeavor.

Don't forget to talk to your Masonic friends and offer them a membership application for the upcoming, November Ceremonial on November 8. There is even a discounted fee this for this Ceremonial.

Come on up the hill for our next meeting on Thursday August 28. For a great meal and fraternal brotherhood, call your reservation into H.D. Miller at 740-773-2387.

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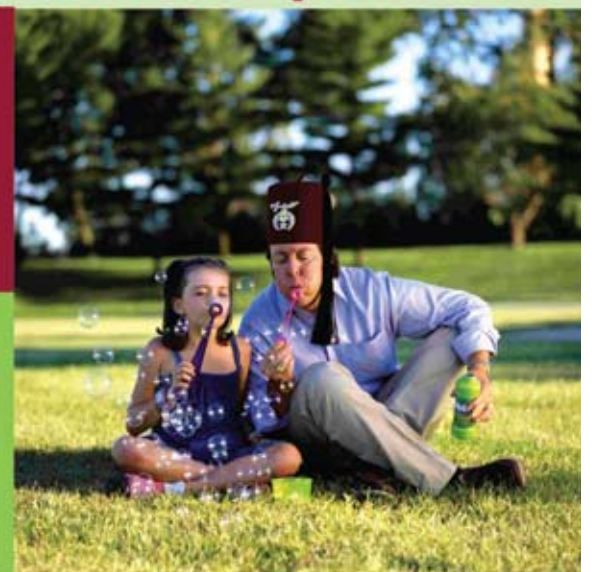
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UNION COUNTY

by *Bernie Vance*



Another Tabloid sale is behind us and we can begin to think about other summer activities.

The Union County Shrine Club held its July meeting on July 18 instead of the first Wednesday this month. This was done to coincide with the Friday night parade at the 59th Annual Miami Valley Steam Thresher's Show.

In addition to Union County president, Noble Fred S. Kile, who rode atop the Aladdin Shrine Hospitality Unit's antique fire truck, 12 members of the Tin Lizzie Patrol participated in the parade with their cars.

Following the parade everyone got together at President Kile's "Party Barn" for lots of food and refreshment. The party has become an annual event that members look forward to as much as they do the parade.

Reception

by *Aaron Dominey*

We are firmly entrenched in the dog days of summer. This can only mean one thing – parades and more parades. Upcoming parades include: Baltimore Parade - August 9; Bucyrus Bratwurst - August 15; Marietta Parade - August 30. It's especially important that we have a good showing for the Marietta Parade. Illustrious Sir Dan Stainbrook has asked that all who are able to please attend. We really need to demonstrate how extensive Aladdin's membership really is.

Other Notable Events: Be sure to mark your calendar for August 16 for the Chicken and Corn Roast and Car Show. This event is always well attended so get your tickets now.

Sunshine Committee: While most of us are enjoying (?) the sun and the heat, some of our Nobles and their Ladies are not. Lowell Robinson is recovering from heart surgery (July 17) and Ralph Vaughn's Lady Pam is recuperating from cancer surgery. John Manker's cancer has unfortunately returned and he is currently undergoing chemotherapy in a brave fight against the disease. Please keep these folks in your prayers as well as any other Nobles and Ladies who may not be feeling 100 percent.

Paver Sales: Remember that September 15 is the final day to submit your paver orders. Be sure to talk up the project and if you know of anybody who hasn't submitted their order, strongly encourage them to do so. Also, ask yourself, "Have I ordered MY paver yet?" If you haven't, get your own order in first. HAVE YOU ORDER YOUR PAVER?

Past Masters

by *Dick Bull*

Our unit plans to participate in the Baltimore Festival Parade on August 9, the Bucyrus Bratwurst Parade on August 15, the Marietta Labor Day Parade on August 30, and the Ohio Masonic Home Parade on September 7. Parade details will be in our next newsletter.

Dennen Leach has everything prepared for our Potentate's visit at Oakhurst Country Club on September 5. Jim Bontrager is planning our summer picnic on August 17 at Shelter House #4 in Liberty Park, Delaware County. (Gather at 1:00 p.m., eat at 2:00 p.m.)

The Black Camel took another of our charter members – C. Ray Burkhart. He was struggling to stay active until the very end. Fortunately, he received both his 50-year member certificates for Scottish Rite and Shrine at the June meeting of the Worthington Shrine Club. Our condolences go out to all of the family and to Lynn Porter.

Don Washburn's hip replacement is going well. He is walking with a cane and is driving.

Ann Stout is out and about following chemo for lung cancer. She says the good news is the cancer is diminishing; the bad news is that the chemo treatments have been extended.

Lou Ardit received a pacemaker recently. Dee Beeman is doing well in recovering from back surgery. Carl Diederich had a short hospital stay after he fell.

We wish all of our distressed members and "special" ladies the very best in the recovery process.

All Members: Please respond to the questionnaire which is to be returned to Assistant Director Phil Clouse. (See your July unit newsletter.)

Our unit is hoping to participate in a work meeting later this year, but details are not firm.

SOUTHEAST

by *Frank Lewis*

Hey, Nobles and Ladies! Are you getting tired of all that yard work? Mowing, trimming, digging, and spraying? Well, I am tired of it. Where are the illegal immigrants when you need them?

I checked around and found that Noble Don Shoffstall delayed his knee operation so his recovery time would be a reason not to do yard work. He also told me Ann likes to work in the yards so the work will get done. I checked on our president, Pete Ransburgh, and found he used the same approach on his Lady Velma that he used during the 20" snowstorm last winter. Pete told her he thought it best if he sits in the shade and watches out for her safety while she does the work. Pete is so thoughtful.

By the time you read this article, our annual fish fry and corn roast will have come and gone and I am sure with great success. President Ransburgh wishes to thank all who worked so hard and also thanks all who purchased tickets and supported this fundraiser. As you know, the money ends up in Shriners Hospitals.

Sorry for the short article; I am trying to decide if I should go fishing or golfing.

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P.S. My name is Frank Lewis and I approve this message.

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LICKING COUNTY

by *Harry Wilson*

Baseball Tournament Earns Prestigious Reputation

The championship game of the 64th Annual Licking County Shrine Baseball Tournament was played on July 10. This year's tournament, which began on June 7, featured 100 teams from Licking County competing in the Farm League and Varsity Divisions. This was the largest and most successful event in the long and memorable history of the tournament.

This has become the most prestigious tournament in Little League Baseball in Licking County. To quote the winning coach in the championship game, "Once you leave here, you always come back even if it is not one of your teams in it. It is a great place to play baseball. We would give up all our trophies from tournaments that we've won for this one – we wanted the Shrine trophy." His sentiments seem to reflect the overall feeling throughout Little League Baseball in Licking County.

All the games were played at the Mound City Little League Complex. We are especially indebted to the Director, Randy Fraunfelter, the tournament committee, and the Mound City staff, as well as the teams, coaches, umpires and parents for their wonderful support.

It takes a lot of hard working and dedicated Nobles to put on a tournament of this magnitude, especially in light of the other Shrine and Masonic events taking place at the same time. Our thanks go out to Nobles Cy Leonard, John Rine, Gene Gregory, Tom Cline, Ron Williams, O.K. Waters, Bob McCullough, Lewis Unternaher, Herb Wise, Boyd Black, Mel Cunningham, Terry Hill, Perry Reider, Rich Denny, Richard Wright, Wayne Ashbrook, Bobby Thomas, Fred Palmer and Lawrence Jones for their participation. Additionally, we are indebted to the Ladies of the Shrine – Barbara Cunningham, Julie Jones and Mary Rine for doing a fine job of serving the food and cleaning up on the last day of the tournament.

The pregame ceremony for the final game included the Invocation presented by our Chaplain, Fred Palmer. Noble Mel Cunningham presented a new American flag from the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) of which he is commander of the local chapter to the Mound City Little League Park. The flag was raised by members of St. Luke's Commandery, Knights Templar of Newark.

Trophies were presented to the four finalists in both the Farm League and Varsity divisions by Nobles Terry Hill, Richard Wright, and myself. It was a joyful occasion in both instances to see the excitement and happiness in the faces of all the kids. Kids having fun while helping less fortunate kids is what this tournament is all about.

An appreciation dinner at Stacey's in Heath was scheduled for Saturday July 26 at 6:30 p.m. for all the Nobles and Ladies.

Other activities scheduled include working the gates at the Hartford Fair in early August. Also, Ladies Night is coming up Friday, August 22 at the McPeck Lodge on Raccoon Valley Road near Granville. Noble Fred Palmer is organizing the event as a way of saying "thank you" to the Nobles and Ladies for all their hard work during the summer participating in Tabloid, the baseball tournament and the Hartford Fair. Social hour is from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. and entertainment at 8:00 p.m. Liquid refreshment, hamburgers, brats and sausage sandwiches will be provided by the club. We are requesting members to bring a covered dish of choice and a PROSPECTIVE MEMBER AND HIS LADY.

Aladdin's CAR CLUB

by *James Allen*



Summer is for picnics. Here, in Maine, the person from away asked a native what do they do here in the summertime. The old native replied, "If it falls on a weekend, we have a picnic." Another Maine saying is that they have two seasons: Fourth of July and winter. It really isn't that bad; in fact, this year we are having a real Midwest summer – hot weather, afternoon thundershowers and some are pretty violent. All in all, it is quite pleasant down here on the coast.

The Aladdin Car Club had their summer picnic at Fred Coventry's. There was a good attendance with 25 people showing up. The officers were represented with Potentate Dan Stainbrook, President Ron Brubaker, Vice-President Chester Van Horn, and Treasurer Robert Spencer in attendance. Besides good food, good fellowship, and a general good time, discussion and plans for the up coming car show were held. Fred Coventry seems to have things well in hand. Funds have come in well, the trophies are ready, and we are waiting for the big day. August 16 is it. I am sure Fred will need all the help he can get on that day. Please help out if you are at all able. I am sure he would be happy to know in advance if you can lend a hand. Give him a call.

If you have friends who have a car or if you know of a car club, be sure to give them a personal invitation to bring their cars and join us for a great show. There are several other car shows in town that day. Maybe they can bring their cars over after their show. A personal invitation is the most effective way of getting the word out about our show. Don't be bashful. It promises to be a great event.



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Hardin County

by *Ken Rossman*

Our regular meeting was held at Veteran's Memorial Park Clubhouse on July 16 with 57 Nobles in attendance.

Noble Larry Weaver opened the evening with a prayer. We then dined on a great meal prepared and served by Nobles Doornbos, Clinger, Gannon, Gilbert, Matteson, Fitzgerald, Bruce Michel, Walden, Osborn, and Rice. Good job, Nobles!

Bruce Michel thanked all who helped park cars for the Tree Town Festival in Forest and said he hoped we could get more help next year. They do pay the club for this job.

Noble Rossman gave a final report on Tabloid Day and again noted that we need more help to make Tabloid Day better than it has been. He also noted that he has just received a good donation from the Amish community which will be put in the bank for our 2009 Tabloid Day. A "thank you" will be sent to the Amish leaders.

Noble Musselman noted that more help is needed for the serving of breakfast for Relay for Life on July 19 at the fairgrounds.

President Jim Holmes stated that his family and several others were in the parade in Columbus on June 21 celebrating the 200th year of Masonry in Ohio. It was a good parade.

Noble Fitzgerald noted that his son-in-law, Mike Murray, has been promoted to Brig. General in the U.S. Army. Congratulations go to Mike and his family.

Noble Harder has said that due to health problems, he must give up his Cans for Kids job. He will be done in October or November but will be available to help someone take over the job. It takes four to six hours a week plus hauling the cans to get rid of them. Contact Noble Harder if you want to take over the important job. We thank Harder for his years of service since he started this several years ago.

Noble Don Doll noted that the committee for the clubhouse is trying to improve the building. He noted that if we paid our rent one year in advance, we could fix the floor in the kitchen and change the carpet where needed. A motion was made and carried to do this.

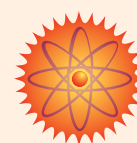
Noble Wynegar had a sign-up sheet for parking cars during the coon dog event on August 27, 28, 29, 30. Call Cliff if you can give five hours of time. This is a fundraiser for our Shrine club. He needs lots of help.

It was noted that Noble Paul Heilman is on chemo and has good and bad days. We need to keep him in our prayers. We wish the very best for his recovery.

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

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