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Memberhip Statistics

Membership 01/01/201	6265	
Associate Membership	48	
Total Membership 01-0	6313	
•	Current	Yr to Date
Creations	5	5
Affiliations	1	2
Restored	7	21
Associate Members	0	1
TOTAL MONTHLY ADD	13	29
TOTAL YEARLY with ADDS	6342	
Demits	0	0
Suspensions	1	4
Deaths	8	38
Associates Dropped	0	2
Reversals	0	0
TOTAL MONTHLY DROP	9	44
Membership as of 03/	6298	
Net loss/gain YTD		- 15
Net loss/gain Monthly		- 4

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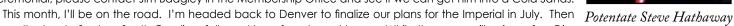
A MESSAGE FROM THE POTENTATE

Ligers and tigers and hogs - Oh, my!

Yes, the 61st Aladdin Shrine Circus has been another great event for Aladdin Shriners. Circus Director John Morris and the Circus Committee have done another magnificent job by bringing the Bret Carden Circus to Columbus. A special "thank you" goes to them for doing all the work that was needed to make this a successful event. When you see John, give him a pat on the back and a "thank you" for the many, many hours he worked putting this all together. Not to forget the clubs and units that went the extra mile during the circus parking school buses, ushering people to their seats, running sound equipment and spotlights, counting/selling tickets, giving first aid and keeping communications open. Without their help, we could not have a circus.

Cold Sands Ceremonials

We are beginning our Cold Sands Ceremonials in an attempt to accommodate candidates who may not be able to attend our regular Ceremonial. If you have a candidate or candidates who can not attend a regular Ceremonial, please contact Jim Badgley in the Membership Office and see if we can get him into a Cold Sands.



it's on the bus to Santee, South Carolina, followed by a few days at home. While there, we will enjoy a few Divan

Visitations, then off again. This time, we will be headed to Scotland and Ireland returning in May. This is why time is flying by quickly. I cannot believe we are into our fourth month already.

2011 Imperial in Denver

It's time to get your reservations in for the 2011 Imperial in Denver, CO. You will find the reservation form on the back page of the Lamp. If you go to the Imperial web site (www.imperial2011.com) they now have listed many tours being offered. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

-Steve Hathaway, Potentate

Masonic Night with The Shrine

Monday, April 25

6:45 p.m.

Aladdin Shrine Center 3850 Stelzer Road Columbus, Ohio



Host: York Lodge #563

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

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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

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Tabloid Training Day

April 16, 2011 10:00 AM 0 12:15 PM

9:30AM-10:10AM Welcome - Coffee and Donuts

10:10AM-10:30AM Introductions

Shriners Hospital 20011 Budget

Tabloid Handbook Registration - Tom Rice

10:30AM-10:40AM Cincinnati Burns Hospital - Bob Lazenby

10:40AM-10:50AM Erie Hospital - Ken Gorney

10:50AM-11:00AM Lexington Hospital - Jim Hackett

11:00AM-11:15AM

11:15AM-11:25AM State House Kick-off - Mike Gray

11:25AM-11:35AM Walmart Coordinator - Brian Schleppi

11:35AM-11:45AM Awards - Bob Stevenson

11:45AM-12:05PM Special Guest/Inspiration - Potentate Steve Hathaway

12:05PM-12:15PM Break - Lunch - Pick Up Tabloids

Ceremonial Dates Set

The Potentate has set the dates for the 2011 Ceremonials

DATE	SITE	ARRIVAL TIME	COST WITHOUT FEZ*	COST WITH FEZ
April 18	Aladdin	5:00 PM	\$157.00	\$227.00
May 16	Aladdin	5:00 PM	\$157.00	\$227.00
June 11	Gallipolis	TBA	\$157.00	\$227.00
June 21	Aladdin	6:30 PM	\$157.00	\$227.00
July 21	Stockport	6:30 PM	\$143.50	\$213.50
August 13	Marysville	5:30 PM	\$143.50	\$213.50
September 19	Aladdin	5:00 PM	\$143.50	\$213.50
December 3	Aladdin	8:00 AM	\$204.00**	\$274.00**

^{*}All Fees must accompany the signed petition for membership.

Interested Nobles or Lodge Masons should contact Aladdin for further information. Those in Franklin County call 1-614-475-2609 ext. 10 and those outside Franklin County call 1-800-475-3850, ext. 10. Candidates should plan to arrive no later than the listed arrival time.

Petitions are available at aladdinshrine.com. Scroll to bottom of the home page and select "New Petition." You will need to print both pages.



Tabloid Training Day Agenda

James P. Allen

John E. Clum

Nelson R. Cramblett

Mark R. Hawks, Sr.

Ellis L. Kirkbride

John C. Perfect

Thomas A. Thompson

Richard L. Williams

Masonic Night at The Shrine

by Dick Bull

Monday, April 25 has been set by III. Potentate Steve Hathaway for the annual Masonic Night with The Shrine in the auditorium of the Aladdin Shrine Center. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and lodge will be opened at 6:45 p.m. by the officers of York Lodge #563, F & A. M. under the direction of Wor. Bro. David Ozvat, Master of our Potentate's home lodge.

A current Blue Lodge dues card is required for admission. You may bring your own apron or one will be available at the door.

Visitors will be greeted by members of the Reception Unit while registration will be handled by the Registrars Unit. The Legion of Honor will post the colors at opening of Lodge. The Past Masters Unit will portray the Master Mason Degree upon one candidate. The sound system will be under the direction of the Audio Unit while lighting will be handled by the Brutal Brothers.

Most Worshipful Bro. Bradford A. Goebel, Grand Master of Masons in Ohio, is expected to be in attendance as well as several other Grand

Lodge should be closed by 9:35 p.m. and refreshments will be served immediately afterward. Don Lutz, director of the Scottish Rite Choir, will be organist and soloist. All Master Masons are invited to attend and enjoy the fellowship and festivities of the evening. If you have any questions, contact Wor. Bro. Dick Bull, director of the Past Masters Unit, at 614-296-9267.

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^{**}These fees include \$74.00 for the candidate's 2012 dues.

KENTUCKY COLONELS

by Ron Fraser

The meeting on March 22 had 24 in attendance enjoying a very tasty lunch. Past President Colonel Pete Ransbaugh and Colonel Don Shoffstall took care of the refreshments in their usual capable manner. Treasurer Neal McCleary and Ron Fraser were welcomed back after their health problems.

President John Bivins opened the meeting by explaining the new Shrine regulations regarding how to hold the Fez during prayers and the correct placement of the U.S. flag at Shrine functions. Following the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Past Potentate Dee Mowry, President Bivins introduced his officers and conducted the business of the club.

President Bivins invited Past Potentate Bill Estell to speak on Masonic Night, April 25 at the Aladdin Shrine Center. He stressed the need to show the Masonic Brethren what we have to offer in the way of fun and fellowship and to encourage them to join the Shrine.

President Bivins then spoke on the circus and the need for ushers to seat the patrons. Before closing he invited Colonel Dick Phelps to lead us in singing "Happy Birthday" to our club secretary's wife, Clara Jo Rike. Most of us were on key-at least part of the time!

New member, Roger Sparks, was introduced and welcomed to The Aladdin Kentucky Colonels Club. The meeting was closed by P.P. Dee Mowry giving the benediction.

PAST MASTERS

by Dick Bull

Members of our unit assisted the Reception Unit by ushering at the Aladdin Shrine Circus. Daun Knox is coordinating with the Provost Unit for parking cars at the Memorial Tournament, Monday, May 30 through Sunday, June 5. We will need lots of help, so call Daun at 885-2899 to volunteer for as many days as your can.

Phil Clouse and Neil Elam are coordinating the cast for our portrayal of the Master Mason Degree and Lecture on Masonic Night with The Shrine on Monday, April 25. Details on this annual event are elsewhere in this issue of the Lamp. (Pages 1 and 2)

Ed Dressel is looking for assistance during Tabloid Day on Friday, May 20 in downtown Columbus from 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Call him at 614-486-4730.

Since Masonic Night with the Shrine falls on our normal stated meeting night, our unit will have its April stated meeting on Monday, May 2 at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Our May stated meeting will be as scheduled on Monday, May 23.

Joe Palmer had leg surgery at Mt. Carmel West to clear-up an ongoing infection. Tom Thornton fell on the ice and broke his left arm and Linda Weber fell and broke both arms. We hope and pray they are on their way to complete healing.

Many thanks go to John Sanborn, our first vice president, for the dinner arrangements at the Florentine Restaurant for our March meeting with the ladies.

2011 ALADDIN PARADES

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

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OFFICIAL 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	
Plain City Steam Threshers	7/15	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	
Licking County Baseball	7/13 7/	3.0017/1	0.00170	
Nelsonville Parade of Hills	8/20	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	
		3.00 F/VI	0.00 F/VI	
Coshocton Canal Days	8/20	0.00 444	10.00 444	
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	12/3	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	

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An Invitation to

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Saturday, May 7

FREE ADMISSION - DRINK SPECIALS - GAMES - PRIZES

12:30 PM Until The Final Race



Just Clowning Around

by Matt "Nutt" Knigh

The Aladdin Shrine Circus has folded up its tents for another year.

The longer I am an Aladdin Shrine Clown, the more I appreciate the things others do. If you don't mind, I would like to take a moment and thank a few of my favorite people.

- I want to thank Past Director Don Tootle for his work as a ring clown and for his help with the business end of the face painting booth. I have to mention that first because that's where I spent most of my time and he did an outstanding job of keeping the flow moving so smoothly.
- I would be remiss if I did not mention our new director, Bobby Barton, who led the ring clowns to another fine example of clown entertainment. This is Bobby's first year as director and we are hopeful he will "grow" into this position. Yeah, that is a short joke.
- The next to thank are my friends Skippy Degonia and Randy Baby Bope for their hard work in keeping the photo booth running like a well oiled machine. As difficult as it is to stay put in the photo booth, there were more than a few folks who held fast and endured long hours in contorted body positions. These special clowns know who they are and my special thanks go to all of them.
- Now, I am going on to the last person/persons. It was mentioned at a meeting this year that we should have a face painting booth director and that Rodney Holdren should lead and organize it. He did an outstanding job by leading by example. Face painting is a grueling job when done for hours on end. This job was shared by just a few of us. Again, Rodney Holdren, Mike Clark, John Knoepfler, Greg Osborne and I did face painting for hours on end. I know that I have missed some special accomplishments that may have taken place, but from my vantage point, I saw into the faces of the children while I was face painting them. These were my highlights.





The circus was a great success for the clowns. The show was very good and the fellowship we shared was outstanding. Thanks go to Marylyn Heine and Judy Middendorf for the wonderful cookies that kept our sugar levels high and our energy up.

One of our fellow Joeys has been under the weather. Wayn-o has had some emergency surgery and is now recovering. He will have to go back in for another procedure sometime soon. Keep him and his family in your prayers as he faces these next few months.

I have just one last thing to mention – April birthdays: Boss Clown Bobby Barton 4-12, Circus Director John Morris 4-14, Secretary Fred Timm 4-22, and our newest face painting director, Rodney Holdren 4-17. Happy birthday, Joeys.

Upcoming Events

Easter Egg Hunt - April 23 - Aladdin Shrine Center

May 20 - Tabloid Day - Broad & High Streets

May 29 - Utica parade

May 30 - Worthington Parade

June 25 - Potentate's Family Fun Fest August 6- Pro Football Hall of Fame Parade

August 19 - The Bucyrus Parade

October 21 - Circleville Pumpkin Parade ne is taking over the job as webmaster. The update

This is a reminder that our website is up and running. Greg Osborne is taking over the job as webmaster. The updated sight should be more informative. The web address is www.aladdinshrineclowns.org. Please take the time to visit it. A special "thanks" goes out to Mike Clark for the work he did as the previous webmaster. God Bless!









Kambri

by Dick Brixner

Monday, March 28, 11 members of Kambri Shrine ventured south in a caravan destined for the Shrine Club of Marietta. It was their Annual Shrimp Feed. Nobles, if you like shrimp, this is a trip you need for your "bucket list." You can enjoy the shrimp, popcorn, cold vegetables, warm buttered garlic bread, and an endless tap, all for a reasonable cost. You can enjoy the feast, plus the fellowship of your club members and other Nobles from the surrounding areas. We had Nobles from three temples and 15-20 clubs. The entertainment was provided by the Aladdin's Dixieland Band. We met Divan Representative David E. Wolfe. Thanks go to those who drove and had a great evening. Watch for next year's date and plan to go.

Nobles, a serious concern for our hospitals was shared in Marietta. The hospital budget is \$754 million which equates to about \$2 million per day to run them. We already have a \$230 million deficit. How can we fix this problem? It is called "an all-out effort" on Tabloid Day.

Our club will be hitting the streets on Saturday, June 4. We will begin the morning with a warm breakfast at the lodge prior to hitting the streets. The more Nobles who come out, the more we can put on the streets in Cambridge, New Concord, Byesville, and Caldwell. If you cannot stand on the streets, we can use you at the lodge to count the change. Please, come and do your part. Watch for your Kambri Shrine Club flyer in your mailbox and answer the call to raise funds

for our hospitals. Don't forget to bring your checkbook for your personal donation to Tabloid.

Nobles, watch the Aladdin's Lamp for an announcement on the steak dinner kick-off for Tabloids on May 20.

Our club's Tin-Lizzie Patrol will be out in the area taking part in numerous parades and encouraging their fellow Nobles to attend. Let's get out and support them. I will publish more details in future articles.

Just A Reminder:

April 28 - Ladies Night at Southeast Med

May 14 - Potentate's Visit at The Cambridge Country Club

June 4 - Taboid Day and Breakfast

June 16 - Southeast Med Children's Health Fair at Our City Park

June 18 - Annual Golf Scramble at Wildfire Golf Club, New Concord

July 30 - Fish Fry at Cambridge City Park

October 20 - Annual Steak Fry

These are our upcoming events. Please write them on your calendars and plan to attend. As always, this is your club and we need you to come out and take part.

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Chaplain's Corner

by Chaplain Zale Maxwell

Today is another in the growing number of overcast and rainy days of this year. I know that spring has just arrived because I can see its start all around me. The snow is gone and even though the forsythia has not bloomed, the spring flowers are pushing up from the ground. The baby farm animals are running through the field and the trees are coming back to life. Yes, that is the sign of spring and it is all around us. These signs of new life are the promise of the future days to come.

Life—what an incredible word! We have many researchers who use microscopes to find new life and others who use telescopes looking to the heavens for it. As far as we know, life, as we understand it, exists only on this the third rock from the sun. However, all you really have to do is open your eyes, especially at this time of the year to see newness of life.

I was out in my bee yard the other day and was excited to find the numbers of bees increasing in the colony as they are building up for the springtime. The honeybees have survived the cold winter by clustering close together to stay warm and now they take flight searching for flower blossoms to visit. That old adage "The bees are buzzing" comes true once more as the weather warms and life springs forth all around us. Why is it that spring enables each of us to look at our world in a new and positive light? This prayer by Edward Grinnan says it all: "Father, of all the gifts and blessings you bestow on us, the greatest is the miracle of life. Let me find joy and satisfaction in every amazing, improbable moment."

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. (Psalm 36:9 NIV)



Northeast News

by Calvin Smith, PP

If you missed our March meeting, you had better have a very good excuse; you really missed

it! The food, the fellowship, the very short meeting, and the timely introduction of Sally Rice [you had to be there] were the best. But our entertainment was superb.

Harpist Anna Ellsworth was a treat to hear. She is accomplished. Not only did she display true excellence with her harp, she also educated us about the instrument. Did you know there are two principal types of harps, lever and pedal? Did you know that the latter can play the notes of the former? Well, I never knew that. Did you know not all the sounds are made with fingers or even with strings? I mean it. You missed it!

How often do you get to see an entertainer's mom turn the pages? She's a harpist because her grandfather bought her the harp. He and Grandma were in the audience. It was a great evening all around.

Our meeting on April 15 will feature Tom Rice introducing Sally [you need to be there] and Matt Clemens on the piano featuring Broadway tunes. We will be at Aladdin at the usual time.

By the by, our Roger Nelson is home and doing very well indeed. He is going to try getting out of the house soon. Perhaps he will be in attendance next month?

For those who may not know, Jay Devoll has been called to higher service. We shall all miss him. Nadine should stay in our prayers.

See you in April. Bring your appetite, thirst, and your lady for a solid evening of Shrine fellowship.

Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

The 2011 Aladdin Shrine Circus is history and we hope it was a success for Aladdin. John Morris and his hard working crew did their usual great job. Our next big project will be Tabloid Day on May 21.

The May meeting will be at OSU but at another location at the airport. Our regular room will be used by another group so we will go to a room near the reception area at the terminal. The snowbirds will be returning so we might see some sun tanned members at the meeting.

There won't be any July and August meetings at OSU. The Potentate's visit to our club will be on September 27 at the Aladdin Shrine Center.

Secretary David Ray has the Oshkosh trip scheduled and has reserved rooms at the Green Bay Hotel, south of Green Bay. The price is good, but because of the price of gas, there might be a slight increase in what Dave has computed.

The Imperial trip is to Denver this year and it should be a good trip. The scenery around Denver is beautiful, but some people have trouble with the elevation in that area. It has never bothered me but I know some who had trouble breathing. Just enjoy the trip and have a good time with your friends. The Air Force Academy is a good place to visit while you are there.

Masonic Night at the Shrine is Monday, April 25 and the Master Mason Degree will be portrayed by members of the Aladdin Past Masters Unit.

At last, spring is here and we can get out more to enjoy the things we like to do.

The next Ceremonial dates are April 18 and May 16 at Aladdin Shrine Center. If you have a candidate, get a petition to him in time for the Ceremonial.

Everybody stay well and I'll see you next time.

Pike County

by Rodney Holdren

February was not as busy as some months, but we still got a lot of work done. Club members attended a fundraiser for two brothers who suffer from (ALD), a debilitating disease. Ages 4 and 6, these little boys have some pretty rough days ahead.

I have been to many fundraisers over the years, but none quite like this. There was a chili dinner, live auction, door prizes, and a live band. Our Shrine Club



donated \$1,000.00 to the benefit, which was named "Two Boys, One Cause." We were told later that the benefit raised over \$50,000.00.

Although we concentrate on supporting the Shrine hospitals, our club also goes above and beyond by supporting local children in need. That is a testament of the love and dedication our members have for helping children.

We had our monthly meeting at the Waverly Lions Club in March. Noble President Ed Dickson held a Masonic Night that evening and invited all Masons from the area to attend. Noble Dave Crawford prepared another wonderful pot roast dinner for everyone. What a meal it was!

Speaking of Noble Crawford, he recently partnered in purchasing the Waverly Lake White Club Restaurant. He and his partner are making many changes to the interior, structure, and menu, so please come out and support his restaurant and new venture. Dave has done so much for the Shrine. I can remember watching him walk as a clown in our local parades when I was a kid. I even had the pleasure of being one of his students in high school. He truly is a great friend and a wonderful man. Good Luck, Dave!

Our club escorted around 200 kids to Columbus. They received a small snack when arriving at the show. While they watched the show, many of our Shriners stay behind and prepared 500 hamburgers. They drove the food to the Chillicothe City Park and set up a picnic area. On the way back, the buses were unloaded at the park and every child was fed hamburgers, chips, Twinkies, and pop. What a lunch! Thanks to much planning and preparation, these kids get the trip of their lives. Many thanks go to all who help. For many years, Noble Bob Brown has donated the Twinkies and buns. Without people like Bob, all the cooks, the chaperones, and everyone who helped plan this, it would not be as successful as it is. If you have never been involved with this event, I strongly urge you to go just once. You will have the time of your life.

Birthday wishes go to Mike Basye - March 10, Robert Brown - May 10, David Helton - April 16, Rodney Holdren - April 17, Paul Langhirt - April 24, Larry Oyer - April 1, and Larry Travis - May 10.

Thea Court

by B. J. Gischler, PHP

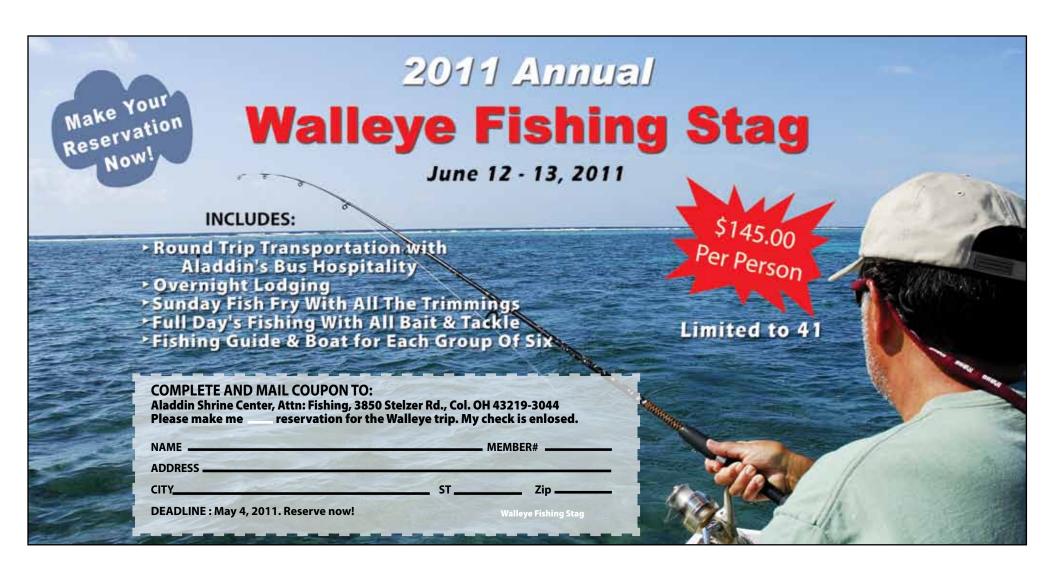
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This month starts the new year for L.O.S. – the year of Sandy's Sassy Seahorses with Lady Suzanne Knight as High Priestess. The other officers are Princess Gerre Slane, Associate Princess Mary Lou Roberts, Recorder Ginny Donaldson, Treasurer Murriel Patrick, 1st Ceremonial Lady Kris Goodman, 2nd Ceremonial Lady Kathy Amspaugh.

Fun Night is April 18, Aladdin's stated meeting night, and all ladies are welcome to join us for games or conversation. You can eat supper with us at 5:00 p.m. for \$12.00 if you make a reservation with Carolyn Dickson at 614-214-9863. Come out! We would like to meet you there.

The court meeting is Friday, April 29 because of Easter.

April 2011 Building A Man - Helping A Child





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On The Road with Potentate Hathaway

Potentate Steve Hathaway In Drivers Seat!

Potentate Steve Hathaway, in the driver's seat of Big Red III, has the bus loaded and ready to take off for the Athens Shrine Club Visitation.

Behind the wheel and with a big smile on his face for all of us, Steve drove himself to his first visitation with Big Red.







Aladdin Audio Unit's 13th Annual

In Memory of Roger Springer

Saturday, April 23

Aladdin Shrine Center Multi-Purpose Room

8:30 a.m. Registration 10:00 a.m. Hunt

Ages: 0-3, 4-5 6-8 , 9-12

Rain, Snow or Shine!

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Gallipolis

by Frank Petrie, Jr.

.and the rains fell and fell and fell upon the earth. (We have had floods here in southeast Ohio,) and then there was grass. Oh well, you know the rest -- time to get out the old lawn mower, but I still love springtime, it makes me happy. Hope all of you Nobles and Ladies find something to be happy about this spring and thoughout the year.

Speaking of happy, we had a great time on March 5 at our combined St. Valentine's/St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance. We had a great steak on the grill with all the trimmings and great entertainment by our old friend, Al Harper. We had a nice turnout and were able to enjoy the music because it didn't hurt our eardrums. Thanks, Al. Noble Root and his Lady Lue did a great job of decorating the hall. We certainly appreciate all the efforts. Thanks go to Noble Bill Johnson and Noble Mike Blaine for cooking all those great steaks. Also, thanks to our wonderful cook, Mary Searls, for adding a little heat to the occasion with some great "hot" hors d'oeuvres.

We wish to welcome our newest Noble into our oasis. Noble Jeff Golden, may you find peace and contentment and a rousing good time here among the Nobles. Also, we hope you always ride a good camel.

Our Road Runners continue to keep on the move. Thanks go to Noble Melvin Craft, Noble Jack Richards, and Noble Guy Guinther for donating their time and efforts. We wish to thank Smith Buick, Norris-Northup Dodge, and Gallia Auto Sales – each for allowing the use of a van to transport our clients to and from the hospitals. This is a great help to our Road Runners and the families they transport.

Hope everyone got to attend the Marietta Shrimp Festival. We always sent a boat load of Nobles up river. Thank you, Marietta Shrine Club, for a great event.

Please don't forget our 2nd Annual Trail Ride. It will be known as the J. C. Glassburn Memorial Trail Ride and will be sponsored by the Gallipolis Shrine Club and hosted by Rio Valley Stables at Rio Grande, Ohio on April 16, 2011. Rideout will be at noon. We have a nice horse, a saddle, and many other items to raffle off the day of the ride. If you don't have your own horse, one can be rented for the ride by calling 740-245-5342 at Rio Valley Stables. Call ASAP because they are being reserved quickly. For further information, you may call 740-224-5342. Nobles and Ladies, even if you don't ride, come on out and enjoy the fun, fellowship, and the beginning of spring. There will be carriage rides all day and, of course, lots of good food.

On April 30, we will hold our Tabloid Kick-off Dinner at the club. Social hour will be at 5:30 p.m. and we will eat at 6:30 p.m. Come on out and help us start off Tabloid with a bang.

Remember, Noble and Ladies, people may forget what you said but they will never forget how you made them feel. See you for supper at 6:30 p.m. each Thursday.

Medical Unit

by Chuck Hedges

We had our first meeting of the year on February 24 at the TAT Restaurant. Director Keith Blair, M.D. (M.D. stands for mad doctor) laid out what will be aoing on for 2011.

Members worked at the firstaid room at the Aladdin Shrine Circus in March.

Starting May 31 is the Memorial Golf Tournament at Muirfield. For us, this runs Tuesday through Sunday and is our money maker. Let's all get out and work on this.

The Imperial Trip this year will be in Denver on July 3 - 7. Read your Lamp and you will see what is going so don't be left out. There is a lot going on.

All our snowbirds are down south or out west . This year, I think everyone felt the cold.

Until next month, attend your Blue Lodge and get to the Aladdin stated meetings which are on the third Monday of the month.

Steubenville

by Anthony Violi

The March 3 meeting of the Steubenville Shrine Club was called to order by President Noble Dan Moffatt at 7:30 p.m. by leading the Nobility in the Pledge of Allegiance to our great country. Prayer was offered by Chaplain Noble Robert Moffatt.

Reported ill and unable to attend the meeting was Secretary Noble Leonard Morris. Noble Tom McNeil volunteered to write the minutes of tonight's meeting. Lady Shirley Albert, wife of Ill. Noble Henri Albert, is recovering from a stroke. She is receiving therapy and is on the road to recovery.

The Black Camel, again, visited our club taking Noble Milan Orbovich and Lady Lois Wakefield, widow of long time Shriner Noble Bert Wakefield to their eternal resting place. May the Lord watch over them and grant them eternal peace.

We were honored to have Noble Jon Kinney, 2nd Ceremonial Master, from the Divan present at our meeting this evening. He reported on the various activities occurring at Aladdin Land and suggested that if we desire more information to please read the Lamp. He discussed the plight of a few Shrine clubs, including our own. He stated that membership, finances, and attendance at meetings are of great concern. He urged us to seek new members and attempt to get present members to attend the meetings and participate in our activities. He reminded us to participate in Tabloid Day. Funds are needed to support the hospitals that take care of our children. "Nobles, remember our philanthropy and as Shriners, support it." Noble Jim Halstead, Transportation Chairman, informed us that one child was scheduled to be taken to Erie on April 12.

A lengthy discussion occurred concerning ways to get members to attend and participate in our activities and to suggest ways to raise funds to maintain our club. Also discussed was the possibility of the Erie Hospital transferring some of our patients to hospitals in Pittsburgh. This would be an advantage to our club since mileage would be much shorter, saving gas and time.

The writer of this article had the honor and pleasure to present a beautiful plaque to long time Transportation Chairman Noble B.J. Johnson for his leadership in seeking and transporting children who needed our help to get to the hospitals. He held the position for more than 27 years.

President Moffatt requested that past President Noble Richard Hazelip approach the podium. He was presented a beautiful plaque for his services as president during the past year. Local lodge reports were given. Distinguished Masons and past Presidents were recognized.

Delicious refreshments were available. Fellowship followed. GOD BLESS AMERICA.

Tarhe Shrine

by David Mowry



Tarhe's March meeting was

Jo's in Lancaster. Our speaker for the month was Jeff Bender, representing the Friends of Gettysburg. Jeff gave us an informative talk about the restoration work done by the Friends of Gettysburg, as well as some history of prominent

Masons during the Civil War. "Thank you" goes to Jeff and his wife Vicky for coming to speak to us.

Our speaker for April will be from FairHope Hospice of Fairfield County, who will present information about the organization's services. The meeting will be held on April 21 at Tammi Jo's in Lancaster. There will be a social hour at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner and the business meeting at 7:00 p.m. Ladies and guests are welcome at all of our meetings. Reservations are due by April 16. Please make plans to attend.

Keep in mind that Tabloid Days are May 20 - 21 and are fast approaching. If you would like to help and have not been contacted, please let us know.

I hope to see all of you in April!

Upcoming Meetings:

April 21 - Reservations due by April 16.

May 19 - Reservations due by May 14.

June 16 - Reservations due by June 11.

Meeting reservations can be made by calling Zale at 740-215-6849 or David at 740-503-8958, or by email at tarheshrineclub@ gmail.com.

Hospitality by Gary Harding

Hey Brothers, did you spring forward? Old man winter is tired of hanging around. The March dinner meeting was sparse but the food, drinks, fun, and fellowship were plentiful.

There has been a shift in command. Bob Laird was raised to assistant director and Dave Gohlson became the new senior bar captain. Both men are well deserving and I know they will do a fine job. Congrats to both of you men.

The month of May is Tabloid month. Can you give us a few hours on a Friday or Saturday to collect money for our cause? We could use some help. What do you say? Big Red needs a bath. Our parade fire engine is getting scrubbed Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 p.m. Just show up and give us a hand. OK?

One more thing, I have a list and I'm checking it twice, just like Santa. Have you paid your 2011 dues? They are still \$10.00. Send a check to Gary Harding, 4201 Zuber Road, Orient, Ohio 43146 or come to a meeting to get your card on the spot. I'd be happy to see ya' - first Wednesday of every month, 6:00 -8:00 p.m.

I would like to thank all the wives who let us borrow their husbands a few times a month and all my fellow Shriners who give up their time to help the kids. It is a kind and noble thing that you do. God Bless; there should be no questions about your salvation.

So long for now.

Aladdin's Patrol Marches on...

Spring is here and that means the snowbirds are returning home.

The Memorial Tournament information is either already in your hands or will be soon. Don't forget to sign up to volunteer and also talk to your spouse, golfing buddies, or friends to sign up too. We are committed to a certain number of volunteer spots and need to fill them. So, please volunteer; we do have a lot of fun – rain or shine!

Not much else going on right now. So until next month...

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Provost

by John Rohal

The March Provost meeting opened with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Tom Rice. The attendance was good and the menu was changed slightly with the approval of all. The dignitaries in attendance included Potentate Steve Hathaway, our Divan Representative Michael Tyne, and the $2^{\rm nd}$ Ceremonial Master Jon M. Kinney, our past director .

Others attending included Past Potentates John Rohal, Dale Cline, George Kosbab, Don Goodman, and Dan Stainbrook, and our Past Directors Bob Cannon and Terry McLauahlin.

It was noted that this day, March 8, was the 59th wedding anniversary for Bob and Ann Cannon. Bob attended the meeting and Ann went out for dinner with the Provost ladies. Needless to say, the topic of conversation at all of our dinner tables was about Buckeyes Coach Jim Tressel.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were both approved without comment, and the email receipt of the minutes of the previous meeting were met with very favorable comments.

Director Gene Steineman read a letter he had received from "Deanie" Devoll thanking the unit for providing the "tangerine" coated Honor Guard at Jay's funeral. She also provided a quantity of Jay's items of clothing for any of our members to have. In memory of Jay, the unit donated \$1,200.00 to the Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children (ASHAC).

Gene presented a Director Emeritus fez and a plaque to Jon Kinney, recognizing him as our past director. Jon was also given a restaurant gift card for his and Cindy's use at the Easton Town Center. In addition, Gary Hamre was presented his assistant director's fez.

Don Campbell reported on the circus and the need for help in parking the school busses as well as providing for security, etc. The Circus Daddy pins were available for those who contributed.

The 2011 unit rosters were available and were passed out at this meeting. We congratulate Jim Liebherr on a job well done.

Tom Rice reminded us of Tabloid Day on May 20 - 21, and informed us that the Shriners Hospitals are currently operating at a \$238 million deficit this year. That's getting to be almost like the operation of the federal government! Of course, we must remember that medicine is changing and great strides have been made over the years. The care of the child is of the utmost importance to us, but lengthy hospital stays are not as necessary as they were in the past. Limb replacements require only a one or two day hospital stay, and prosthetics are now done on an out-patient basis.

Jim Rohal and Dale Cline reported on the Memorial Tournament which will be held at Muirfield on May 29 - June 5. They stressed the need for volunteers at both, gate cuts and parking cars.

Don Goodman reported on his recent attendance at the Recorders Seminar at the Shrine headquarters in Tampa, Florida, and noted that we will continue to be referred to as Shrine

Potentate Steve discussed the upcoming circus, the Masonic Night on April 25, and again stressed the importance of helping and providing support to our children.

Celebrating birthdays in April are James Bodi, James A. Brown Jr., Dale R. Cline, Douglas M. Cook, Ralph B. Mason, Randall D. Smith, Thomas W. Tobin, and Stewart M. Webster.

Our sick and injured include Dave Grannon who is in critical condition in Mount Carmel West Hospital, and George Kosbab who underwent heart surgery in the Cleveland Clinic the week of March 13. Also, Shirley Kosbab's nephew, an officer with the Sandusky P.D., was shot and killed in the line of duty on March 18.

We look forward to our returning snowbirds, some of whom have already returned, and an end to the snow which still continues. (Even on March 11, 10" in Cleveland.)

Brutal Brothers

Hopefully, the spring has sprung and lots of flowers are blooming all over Aladdin Land. It has been a long and cold winter with lots of snow and ice.

That is all behind us now and it is time to think about GOLF and the Memorial Tournament. I urge all members to work as much as possible, as this is a good income for our unit.

By the time this is printed, the annual Aladdin Shrine Circus will be history for another year. We were only involved with selling peanuts this year.

At the March meeting, our assistant chief conducted the meeting as Bob Beyner was on vacation somewhere south. I am sure he didn't go north. The April meeting was to have a light meal at the Wolf Building.

Sunshine Report: Harold Linebaugh reported he fell and bruised his face and ego. PP Bill Selsam also fell and landed on his finger which broke, and I would say his ego got bruised. Dick Slagle is doing better each day from his open heart surgery last year.

Director Dave encouraged all to attend the circus and also recommended our unit soon show our new Nobles how the Hot Sands was crossed in years past.

The annual Chief's Party was held on March 12 at the York Country Club. There were 32 in attendance and good brotherhood and a great time was had by all.

The unit members' May meeting will feature a perch and shrimp fry with fries, cole slaw, and open bar all for a few bucks.

Mark your calendars now for our December 10 Ladies Party and Potentate's Visitation. We will return to the York Country Club where we will entertain the ladies and the Pote.

Licking County by Franklin C. Boner

Activities in the Land of Legend are slowly coming back to life after a long winter hiatus. Snowbirds are returning, baseball is being played, and the woods will soon beckon those secretive Nobles who claim to know where the largest morels in Licking County grow. The April lunch was at the Grotto and the subject of that day was the club activities. Noble Richard Carter, president, has challenged each Noble to bring a friend to the first Thursday lunch at the Grotto in Newark. He reminded us that the Master Mason Degree will be conferred April 25, 6:00 p.m. at the Aladdin Shrine Center.

The chairman of the Tabloid Committee is soliciting assistance with sales at all county locations and the Mound City Base Ball Chairman is soliciting assistance canvassing businesses and selling ads. We are a busy group, and if you are willing to get off the porch and join our activities, call President Carter at 740-924-3954.

Pipes & Drums by Zale Maxwell

If you have ever heard the bagpipes, you know they are loud and have a unique tone. You may also know they require a lot of air to play.

The three drone pipes that lie on the player's left shoulder produce a constant tone employing a single reed in each of the two tenor and one bass pipes. The chanter, played with the player's hands, makes the different notes for the tune, depending on the player's skill. With only nine notes, and no flats or sharps, it requires some skill.

Most members of the unit spend a year learning to play the chanter by playing a practice chanter costing from \$70.00 to \$100.00. The full set of pipes costs between \$1,100.00 and \$1,500.00 or more. The sound in both of these instruments is produced by a double reed, which unlike many other instruments, uses a dry reed in the chanter pipe rather than a wet reed in the player's mouth. Air pushed into the bag requires the player's left arm pressure to provide the air pressure to play all the reeds, which are located in the pipes. The next time you see us, say "hi" and ask to take a closer look at this magnificent instrument.

We practice on the second, third, and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Aladdin Shrine Center starting at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to learn to play Scottish Highland bagpipes, join us and we will help you get started.

Bucyrus

by Gene Diller

The Bucyrus Shrine Club opened the meeting with a prayer led by Vice-President Noble Jim Gillenwater. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was lead by President Noble Kenneth Bell. Gus's and Grog Restaurant Bucyrus catered the meal. The guest speaker was Bucyrus City Police Chief Kenneth Teets. Chief Teets spoke on some of the crime problems in Bucyrus.

President Noble Bell introduced Noble John Cline who is Right Eminent Grand Commander for the state of Ohio. Noble Cline talked about Masonic retirement homes around Medina and Toledo. Secretary Noble Gene Diller read the secretary's report. Treasurer Noble Dave Crum gave the treasurer's report.

Sunshine reported Noble John Himler and Noble Gene Linn being ill.

Noble Jim Gillenwater, 2011 Tabloid Chairman, reported the Tabloid Days are May 20 and 21. Chairman Gillenwater is planning for a big Tabloid campaign.

Reception Unit

by Don Owens

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The dust has not settled from the 2011 Aladdin Shrine Circus, so we don't know yet whether we achieved financial success; however, from an usher's perspective, we sense there may have been improvement in attendance over last year. Ancillary income from elephant rides, pony rides, and face painting appeared to have been improved. Most felt the circus was better this year with the addition of more interesting and entertaining acts.

Frank Swiatek led the Reception Unit's ushering services, strongly supported by the Past Masters and the Motorcycle Club and with individuals from various units and clubs. Things went smoothly this year. As several observed, there are bound to be rough spots when the event is held only once each year. Thanks to Frank's leadership skills, the native intelligence and willingness of the volunteer ushers, and a little luck, disasters were averted and we can declare victory once again.

Unit February events went unreported in the Lamp because the reporter beat it southward in search of global warming. One of the more important events was the induction of Tom Colburn (Past Potentate 2000) as an honorary member of the Reception Unit. Director Jack Bonn was presented with a plaque memorializing the occasion.

The unit's sales of Vidalia onions are underway and end mid-April when an order must be placed. Bill Compton, who leads the effort, urges members to submit their sales information to him in a timely way. Submission of the sheets themselves is not necessarily important, as long as Bill has firm data in hand to form the basis of an order.

Masonic Night will be held this year on Monday, April 25. Director Bonn urges all who can to attend in green coats (no fez), to report at 5:30 p.m., to greet attendees and potential Shriners.

April 2011 Building A Man - Helping A Child

Worthington

by Bob Stevenson

An ode to spring by who would want to be identified with this? "Spring has sprung, the grass has 'riz, I wonders where the Nobles is... The Nobles had better be on their way back from Florida and other warm places, as we have work to do." The end. Another 'you better' is having your taxes filed by the April 18. We don't want you in the pokey either.

On May 21, the 2011 Tabloid Day will happen. We need as many of you as possible to sign up to work two or three hours that day to raise funds for our hospitals. A special note to our younger Nobles: yes, we know you have kids who play sports and you need to be there and cannot help. Well, just suppose it was your kid who needed our hospitals and had no opportunity to play unless they got the help we can provide. You would certainly appreciate the fact dads gave up a Saturday morning to help your kid. Question: would your kids really mind one Saturday morning if you were helping other kids? I don't know, ask them. I have a hunch I know the answer already and so do you. Sign up! We have a lot of kids who need you just as much.

Memorial Tournament - We need help. This one has payback to you, your family, neighbors, friends, even people you don't like. All can volunteer to give us a half-day and the other half-day is to enjoy some of the world's best golfers. Being a Shriner is not required. Beside helping the club, you help insure one of the premier sporting events in Ohio continues its history of excellence!

Our May 5 speaker will be Dave Maetzold, of W.T.V.N. radio sports. Who knew when we booked him that so much would be going on at Ohio State - the Buckeye's NCAA run, the "issue" with Ohio State Football, how many 'one and done' basketball players, who might jump to the NFL draft rather than play the 2011 season, will there be a 2011 NFL season, the Clippers and the Crew, and PGA Golf! If those aren't enough potential topics to get you out to this meeting for Nobles and Ladies and Master Mason guests, well, I'm not sure what is. Hope to see you there.

We meet the first Thursday of the month at Brookside Golf and Country Club on Route 161.

Senior Shriners

by Dick Snow

The Senior Shriners met for a delectable lunch of corned beef and cabbage. A great meal enjoyed by all. We also had a great speaker from the Franklin County Sheriff's Department, Deputy Sheriff Zach Scott of the Community Relations Division. We all enjoyed his presentation of safety in the home.

Our next luncheon will be on the third Wednesday, April 20 when we will have a visit from the Potentate and members of his Divan. Mark your calendars for the third Wednesday. The April luncheon will have turkey and mashed potatoes.

Marching WITH THE LEGION by Dick Luckay

POTENTATE VISITS LOH – It was a great event and all were pleased with the camaraderie, food, and festivities that ensued. The Divan was well represented and 25 Legionobles and ladies made for a fine gathering of Shriners. The meal was excellent and the chocolate nut ice cream ball put on the finishing touch. Commander Kitchen was in fine form and had the pleasure of presenting checks to Lady Betsy Hathaway for her special cause and five checks to Potentate Steve Hathaway – three for the Shrine Hospitals Aladdin directly supports (Cincinnati, Lexington and Erie) and two for Aladdin special funds. The Potentate provided an informative, sobering, assessment of the state of the Shrine Hospitals and of Aladdin itself. The overriding need is increased Shrine membership. He indicated the best way to stabilize and increase members is for the current members to contact other Masons and invite them to join our ranks. Rest assured, we of the Legion, will do our best to make that happen! Thanks go to Commander Kitchen and his staff for a very fine evening indeed.

SPECIAL DAYS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE - Wedding Bells, Wedding Bells, Wedding Bells ring out again for Durward and Ruth Masters (5/19) and Jim and Linda Rock (5/25). May the day be as memorable and sweet as your original one. Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday to goes to Corky Burton (4/22), John Burton and Anne Nixon (4/23), Linda Iben (4/26), PC Bob Faber (4/27), Paul Nixon (4/28) PC Gary Bogart (4/30), John Hart and Dave Henderson (5/15). As your cake has an extra light, may your life also have an added glow. God Bless to one and all.

WELCOME ABOARD - One of our newest members is LN Dave Quinn. He became a member in January, 2011. Dave was drafted into the Army in 1966. Shortly after, he was transferred to the Marines but wound up in the Navy later the same day. He was assigned to aviation mechanic school and upon completion of training he spent the next four years as an aircraft captain for A-4 Navy fighter/bombers. He spent three years at sea, primarily in the Gulf of Tonkin aboard the aircraft carrier USS Bon Home Richard, servicing attack aircraft flown against targets in North Vietnam. "Yankee Station" was the area in the gulf the Navy conducted its offensive operations and Dave got to know the area very well. He held various jobs aboard including on-deck supervisor, night check supervisor in addition to his aircraft responsibilities. He lost track of the number of combat sorties he was involved in during his tours of duty - but the number was significant. He left active duty in 1970 and joined the Naval Reserve retiring in 1997 as a Chief Petty Officer after a total of twenty-seven years of military service. He has enough carrier related stories to fill at least two books. Welcome aboard, Dave, we're proud of your service and pleased you chose to join us.







Aladdin Shrine Band

by Dave Haney

OK, all you smart guys! Who won the "Beware the Ides of March" contest? I only had one person in the hallowed halls of memory. Kudos to those who braved the elements to be there. All for tell me the correct answer which means the rest of you either (1) are not interested in more intellectual pursuits, or (2) sent it to your congressman for an answer.

For those of you who said it was related to the "to do list" given to you each spring by your spouse, you get honorable mention of at least giving a reasonable response. By the way, if you sent it to your congressman, at best, you will get the standard response letter (I think it is congressional response letter number 6 -you know, "Thank you for writing to me about your

concerns.." Ugh! They charge you for those you know –free postage for them!

In any event, the correct answer is: "Beware the Ides of March" was said by a prognosticator, a soothsayer in the play, Julius Caesar, written by good old Bill Shakespeare. The "then known forecaster" (A prognosticator is a predictor, one who foretells things to come, not part of your car you big dummy!) approached Julius in the Roman Forum and uttered those remarks. Julius paid little attention and later in March, during the Ides of March, the Roman Senators, fearing that Caesar would become a dictator, did old Julius in. Happened in 44 BC. (I think he was trying to revoke some collective bargaining rights?) I did find out that Julius was not killed at the actual Senate chamber as some have supposed. It was at another building in the Roman Forum. The Senate chamber was being remodeled at the time. You see, not paying attention to Mrs. Caesar's spring remodeling "to do list" had some very dire consequences for old Julius.

Real Band Stuff: In case you were in a stupor, Family Night occurred on March 15. New and exciting notes were discovered. We had a new drummer in attendance - couldn't pass the age requirements though. It was Frank's fault!

Jim Allen (Editor's Note: Brother Allen was called by the Black Camel. We extend our deepest sympathies to Lady Lois and the family. Jim was a great Shriner and will be sorely missed.), erstwhile tuba player and car buff, was responsible for that "diet busting" build your own sundae. Those who brought their own bowls and very large spoons should be ashamed!

Someone actually took pictures, so you can send them to those who doubt where you may have been on Tuesday nights. President Tom was seen with Rita from Chicago, but that is a story for another time! By the time you get this epistle, the 2011 Aladdin Shrine Circus will be fading

Aladdin's Chanters by Brent Wilson

SPRING! It's here and the birds are SINGING! We had such a great time entertaining the folks at The Worthington in Gahanna on March 14. We sang songs, such as, "He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother," "I Believe," "Unchained Melody," and a medley of Irish songs. Director John Iben sang two solos, "Danny Boy" and "This Is My Country." Outstanding job by one and all. The Chanters had the honor of singing our "National Anthem" at the Shrine Circus on Friday night. I have ranted on about this before, but it just grates me no end when these "entertainers?" take liberties with and butcher "Our" anthem. It's an anthem, sing it and play it as it's written. There, I feel better now.

I am so happy to report that Roger Nelson came through his very intricate and lengthy cancer surgery with flying colors. The latest pathology report confirms, he is cancer free! Roger is recuperating at home. Don't worry about Roger, pray for Bev! Ha! Ha! Get well soon Roger.

Please know that Bob Larson and I were 1 and 3 points out of first place in our March Madness Brackets. We both had OSU going to the final. Needless to say, we will not be buying a round. Sorry.

You know the Chanters are one of the Shrine's best ambassadors, who see and affect so many people through our music. We are on the front line entertaining people throughout the year. It is our pleasure and our honor to do so. We are always looking for Shriners who can sing, or even think they can sing to join us. You might be surprised at how well you can sing. Our conductor, Rosemary Renshler, gets the best out of our old broken down voices. Please come join us any Monday night. Sit in, sign along, and see how much fun our unit is. We have a lot of FUN!

Dates to Remember:

May 2 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal

May 20 - 11:00 AM Tabloid Day

May 9 - 7:30 PM Chanter Visitation May 11 - 8:00 PM Sing out at

Clintonville Women's Club

May 23 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal - Ladies Night May 30 - 9:00 AM Worthington Parade

May 30 - June 5 - Murfield

June 6, 13, 20, & 27 - 7:30 PM Rehearsal - Imperial

Don't forget Tabloid Day is May 20. This is a very great day, not for us, but for the children. You may know this, but if not, two years ago, I was at the main intersection in Pickerington, and a lady gave me \$50.00. I thanked her for her generosity and she pointed to a young girl in the back seat (a teenage girl who was grinning from ear to ear). She was a Shriner girl. We helped her walk! It was a most wonderful moment. Guys, please pitch in. We do make a difference. By the way, the Chanters will be singing in downtown Columbus on Tabloid Day.

a very great cause! Hope everyone enjoyed the music!

Spring Ladies Night is upon us on May 3. Location: Sanese. Invitations and return cards are going out the first weeks of April and due to be returned to Doug Ballantyne by April 26. Doug said he will then leave immediately for Florida. He said something about contributions to the "Send Ballantyne to Florida Fund" ? What is a "Spring Lady" anyway? Anyone know or want to hazard a guess?

Schedule Stuff:

April 12 - Band rehearsal 8:00-9:30 p.m.

April 19 - Dance Band 7:00-9:00 p.m.

April 26 - Executive Board 7:00 p.m. Band rehearsal 8:00-9:30 p.m.

May 3 - Spring Ladies Party

May 10 - Dance Band 6:30-8:00 p.m., Concert Band 8:00-9:30 p.m.

May 13 - Spring Fling

May 17 - Imperial Rehearsal #1 Dance Band 6:30-8:00 p.m. Concert Band 8:00-9:30 p.m.

May 18 - Dixieland Band Dinner and Potentate Visitation 6:00 p.m. cocktails, 7:00 p.m. dinner, Casual. Aladdin Room

May 24 - Imperial Rehearsal #2 Dance Band 6:30-8:00 p.m. Concert Band 8:00-9:30 p.m.

May 28 - Grandview Parade Dixieland Band

May 30 - Monday Memorial Day Parade Worthington.

May 31 - No Rehearsal

A Shot Across the Bow for the Spring Fling: I don't know what we are "flinging" on May 13, but I know it's important! Dave Colburn and Larry Burgess are in charge of planning event details for this evening. The Aladdin Concert Band is "flinging" at 7:15 p.m. with music for listening. This is followed by a bunch of questionable, musical reprobates in the Dance Band at 8:00 p.m. for dancing and other raucous behavior. Put it on your calendar and plan to attend. See any band member or contact the office for tickets. It's a fundraiser for the Aladdin Band. Get them moths out of the old wallet and be thar! Put this on your calendars now and plan to attend. This is a fundraiser for the band.

Imperial Info: Director Esswein has warned us that rehearsals for the Imperial will begin on May 17. Get out the WD-40 and get ready! Denver, here we come. We have to call Denver and warn them we are coming! Gives them a chance to evacuate the regular, more civilized people!

Ross County

by David Duckworth

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The Ross County Shrine Club members had another great meeting on March 24 with 54 members and guests attending. We were honored to have with us Past Potentate Calvin Smith. He expressed the importance of finding new members and that our membership numbers are down. Every new member we bring in will ensure the existence of our fraternity and support our hospitals.

I would like to acknowledge our other guests Randy Davis, Dennis Smith, Rex Knight, and Wendell Farrar. I hope each one of you enjoyed the meeting and the great food and will want to be a part of our club. "Big thanks" go out to the Nobles who invited these Brothers to our meeting. Again, let's all invite our Masonic Brothers to attend the meetings and enjoy a great meal with us so our membership will have an opportunity to grow as it has in the past.

Speaking of great meals, Head Cook Noble Brad Burns prepared another great meal with the help of Nobles Dave Patterson, Graham Thompson, Dan Riddle, and Ron Miner. It consisted of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, and gravy, corn, brownies, and ice cream.

Noble President Morgan commenced the meeting. Our sunshine committee reported the sickness of Nobles Brett Myers, Tim Trego, Jimmy Newland, and Ralph Mahaffey. A card was circulated and signed by all in the hope for a quick recovery of each Noble.

Circus Committee Chairman Noble Mike Bell reviewed the final plans for the circus trip. A Big "thanks" goes out to Mike and his Lady Shawna for all their hard work on this event. This is not an easy endeavor and all their planning and hard work is deeply appreciated.

For the good of the club, Noble President Morgan asked for any ideas for fundraisers for this year. Last year's yard sale was a great success. Noble Ron Harper did a great job in organizing this event and hopefully we can talk him into doing it again. So if any of you have additional ideas, please share them with the membership so we can get them on our calendar.

Reminder of Upcoming Events: April 28 - Stated Meeting, May 14 - Potentate's Visit, May 20, 21 - Tabloid Days

Please remember to call in your reservations for the next meeting to Secretary Dan Riddle at 740-773-7433. Noble Bob Mossbarger will be making his famous tenderloin. You won't want to miss out on a great meal.

See everyone on April 28.

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