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Aladdin's Membership Statistics

Membership As Of 01-01-2015	**5297**
Associate Members Start 2014	50
Total Membership 01-01-2014	**5347**

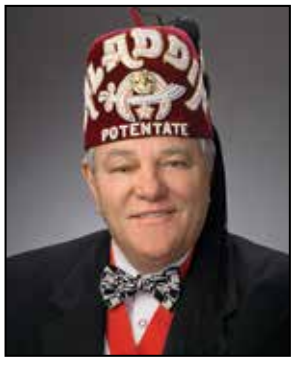
	Current	Yr to Date
Creations	0	10
Affiliations	0	2
Restored	1	35
Assoc. Members	0	1
	Total Additions YTD	**48**

	Current	Yr to Date
Demits	1	5
Suspensions	0	9
Deaths	7	138
Assoc. Dropped	0	3
Reversals	0	0
	Total Deletions YTD	**155**

Membership As Of 8-31-2015	**5240**
Net Loss/Gain YTD	**-107**

Potentate's Monthly Message

The person who is willing to adjust enjoys life the most!



David E. Wolfe, Potentate

Nobles, we are into October and many of our Masonic and Shrine entities have transitioned from the "dark" summer months and are back into full activity mode. The Fall Ceremonial is in the history books and it was a very fine day with a good showing of members. I extend my personal thanks to all involved beginning with the Ceremonial Director Aaron Langhirt, the cast, the Divan, photographers, audio, Brutal Brothers, Medical Unit, Chanters and especially John Iben for his musical contributions. This list goes on and on including the Patrol, Provosts, Hospitality and many more. If you were not able to attend, please watch the *Lamp* for the 2016 Ceremonial dates as I understand there will be two Ceremonials.

As some of you are aware, Ill. Sir Calvin Smith has worked for years as Membership Director. His efforts have always been seen and appreciated by the many Nobles of Aladdin. Calvin has made the decision to let someone else step up to the plate and try a swing at the position. I would like to be the first Noble to say, "Thank you, Calvin." The job has not come without a few struggles and challenges but you have always done a "noble" job over the years and we have all enjoyed your enthusiasm (and history lessons) at visitations.

As we are making the move to our new home in Grove City, there still seems to be a few who are still concerned that our new home should have been in the northern or eastern part of the city. Perhaps they have had not had adequate opportunities to visit a more rural setting, move through the city traffic, and enjoy some quiet time. This is a good time for reflection of material discussed at a meeting, reflect on a good joke and have some fun. The person who is willing and able to adjust is the person who enjoys life the most. (You all know the fellow who leaves work at 4:30 has to be home at 5:20, requires dinner on the table at 5:30 so that he can be done at 7:00 p.m. And if he doesn't make the schedule his life will be miserable and so will yours.)

Let me give you an example from my world. There is nothing worse, after a hard day with the temperature in the high 80s and on a Friday evening at about 4:15 p.m., than when you get that last service call. It is in an old house with a wet and dark basement in the Short North or in the Bottoms, or in the south end or out by Franklin Park where a water heater is out. Yes, it means you will be on your hands and knees working with a flashlight and yes, it is fouling your schedule. No bowling this evening, no meeting the wife and children which had been planned. Instead, who do you meet, but a little old lady or an old Shriner who doesn't have much but God's joy in her or his heart. They are so appreciative that you are taking care of them! When you leave your attitude has changed you are glad you went and hope to be that gracious in your golden years. The moral of the story is life is about change, square your shoulders and put on a smile. Plunge "n" for fun and plunge "n" into the future at our new Shrine Center. You might like it.

Aladdin's Move to New Home Begins

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Regular meetings of the Aladdin Shriners are held the third Monday of each month except June, July and August at 6:30 PM. (Dinner at 5:30 PM) Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio

Elected Divan
Potentate: David E. Wolfe
Chief Rabban: Ronald H. Leonard
Assistant Rabban: Jon M. Kinney
High Priest and Prophet: Todd Jones
Oriental Guide: Rodney L. Holdren
Treasurer: Dennis D. Feyh
Recorder: Donald G. Goodman, P.P.

Appointed Divan
1st Ceremonial Master: Zale A. Maxwell
2nd Ceremonial Master: Arthur L. Wilson
Chaplain: William R. Stump

Membership Memo

by Calvin Smith, P.P.

Our Month of Opportunity

This is our "Month of Opportunity." By this time next month we will be well on our way to full occupancy of our new building. We laid our ceremonial cornerstone on September 12 and went from there. Our last Ceremonial in our current building is now history; our newest members will be listed next month in this article.

Now for Our Opportunities.

- You can attend the first stated meeting in the Grove City facility. Your presence will be entered into the proceedings of the evening. It can never happen again.
- You can attend the first Kids Christmas Party in the new Aladdin—never to be repeated.
- You can attend our first election in Grove City.
- You can attend the first New Year's Eve Party in the new Aladdin. It can never happen again.
- You can enjoy a first time nosh in the new member's lounge. Don't repeat it too often.
- But there other events that will occupy firsts. They revolve around paying our 2016 Aladdin dues.

READ CAREFULLY! - Paying Your 2016 Dues

- Your 2016 dues notice will be mailed this month from Shriners International Headquarters in Tampa, Florida. This is being done at their request. It's a first!
- For most of us our dues will increase by $15. This is a HEADQUARTER'S increase, NOT ALADDIN'S.
- Because we are also moving to Grove City this month, i**t is critical that you only use the envelope headquarters provides** to return your dues payment. You may, of course, still pay your dues via a credit card by calling Aladdin's office.
- Beginning December 1, 2015, Shrine Headquarters will mail Aladdin dues payers their 2016 dues card. It will be plastic; Aladdin will mail you a thin paper one to use until your more durable one arrives.

- You cannot personally pay your dues at Aladdin.
- You must pay your dues using the provided return envelope or by phone and then only by use of a credit card.

Life Per Capita Membership

If you wish you may purchase a Life Per Capita membership for $450, do this by December 31, 2015 and you will never pay the new per capita tax of $30 per year. Call Aladdin for details or visit our website, aladdinshrine.org, to download a form or clip out the form that follows:

Aladdin Shrine Life Membership Remittance Form

MAIL TO: Aladdin Shrine Center, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, OH 43219

Aladdin Membership Office,

I, Noble _____, member number _____, hereby apply for the indicated Life Membership in Aladdin Shrine and the Shrine of North America.

☐ Aladdin Shrine Life Membership at the fee of $1,080. (Write check payable to Aladdin Shrine)
☐ Aladdin Shrine Life Membership for Nobles over the age of 65 at the fee of $540. (Write check payable to Aladdin Shrine)
☐ Imperial Per Capita Life Membership at the fee of $450. (Write check payable to Aladdin Shrine)
☐ Imperial Permanent Contributing Membership at the fee of $150. (Write check payable to Shriners Hospital for Children)

Enclosed is my total payment of $_____for the indicated Life Membership(s).

Get motivated; get excited; get your butt to Grove City.

Volunteers Needed

To All Nobles And Ladies

We will need your help at the current Shrine Center with packing, sorting, reboxing, and assorted other tasks in preparation for the move to our new home.

We are compiling a list to call when assistance is needed.

Please call Amber Crosby, 614-475-2609, ext. 113 or acrosby@aladdinshrine.org, with your phone number and any restrictions you might have as to the type work you can do. We will have all types of projects available from very light duty to more physical jobs.

Aladdin Shrine Center Directory

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Tabloid Times

by Bob Stevenson, Tabloid Chair

"I'll give you a daisy a day, dear, I'll give you a daisy a day" *Written by Jud Strunk; recorded by Hank Snow and Jud Strunk.*

Welcome to fall 2015 and month four of Tabloid 2016! Yup, it is time for all those neat fall activities. It's also time we look forward to our new Aladdin Shrine Center. We've had the cornerstone ceremony, seen pictures of progress in the *Lamp*, updates on Facebook (You are following us on Facebook, aren't you?) and you might have driven by to see the progress. Fall, the traditional harvest season before the calm of winter... Well, somethings are not calming down.

If you are of a certain age, and I guess we all are in one way or another, you will recognize the quote for this month. Jud Strunk wrote this sad yet happy ballad, using an old Irish folk tune for the music. Both he and the fabulous Hank Snow recorded it, but Strunk's was the major hit. It's about a man and his love for a woman that goes on, even after she is gone. If you haven't heard it for a while, you can find it on YouTube (you might need your grandkids to find it, like I did). Give it a listen.

I picked this because, by making a one word change, it becomes perfect for Aladdin Shrine Tabloid. Simply remove "daisy" and replace with another "D" word, "dollar." You might change a second word and make it even better. Change "dear" to "kids" and there you have it. "I'll give you a dollar a day, kids, I'll give you a dollar a day".

Ok! Ok! I know. Sometimes I just can't help myself. But there is something about that song. It's the melody. Those crazy Irishmen knew how to structure a tune to keep it alive. If you do go to YouTube and play it, odds are the tune will stay in your head for quite a while. And while you're singing it to yourself, please use my new wording.

Kick-Off Time: We will be kicking off "$ A Day" at the October Stated Meeting, or even before if you drop a check off at the office.

We will have the pins again in a different color for 2016. BUT WAIT, there is more! (Just like TV.) We will hold the price at the 2015 level. Yes, indeed! 2016 is Leap Year, but we will hold the price at only $365.00, the same price we've had for the past three years! Is this a bargain or what?

There really is a serious side to this. Each year we have fewer Nobles able to hit the streets and resulting donations reflect this. We also are a group of Nobles and ladies deeply committed to the kids we serve and our three hospitals, Lexington, Cincinnati and Erie. The dollars we raise during each Tabloid year help each group do those extra little things, and sometime really big things, that budgets just don't accommodate.

So please think about helping make more of those little or big things happen by writing a check to Aladdin Shrine with Tabloid in the memo column for $365.00. And Nobles, if you are lucky enough to have a special person in your life, consider a daisy just because.

This is what it is all about...

The following is a note of thanks from Chris Gordon to to Fred Gischler, Russ Ward and John Knoepfler. Chris is the father of Blaze Gordon, a young boy who needs care at the Lexington Hospital in Kentucky. Blaze has been transported to the Lexington Hospital by Aladdin Shrine Road Runners.

ALADDIN SHRINERS
ROADRUNNERS

Note from Chris Gordon:

My son, Blaze Gordon, is a patient at the Lexington Shrine Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky. On a trip to the hospital, Shriner Road Runner Fred Gischler asked me if Blaze enjoyed car racing and I said yes.

The next day Freddy and Russ Ward came to pick us up. Freddy gave Blaze a shirt that said "Blaze Gordon Racing" on it with two flames included.

I want to thank John Knoepfler for taking his time and making this shirt for Blaze. Need I say that Blaze and the shirt went to school the next day.

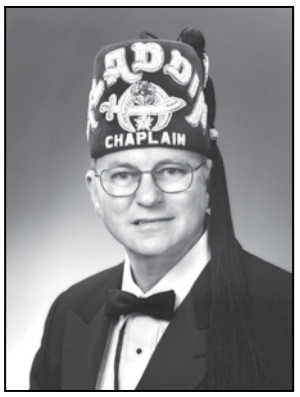
Thanks, Freddy, Russ and John. You made a little boy very happy.

~Chris Gordon

Chaplain's Corner

by William R. Stump

Here am I. Send me. Isaiah 6:8



How well do you know each member of your family and friends? Can men accurately predict what their wives are thinking? Can women understand their husbands or their children? Would any of them try to deceive you (lie to you)? Can they get away with it? Sure they can and do. We are human and we are all sinners.

We can't hide from God! He knows everything about you. Wise King Solomon, in the Book of Ecclesiastes states, "Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil." (12:13, 14 NIV)

In the New Testament book of Luke, Jesus warns the Pharisees. "He (Jesus) said to them, 'You are the ones who justify yourself in the eyes of men, but God knows your hearts. What is highly valued among men is detestable in God's sight.' " (16:15 NIV)

When we read the scriptures, do we understand what powerful messages they contain? "For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account." (Hebrews 4:12, 13 NIV) We can't hide or deny our actions, thoughts, motives and sins.

Remember Second Timothy tells us, "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness." (3:16 NIV) We do not devote enough time reading our Bibles. If we did, the world and society would be beter today.

Finally, the great white throne judgment of the lost is described in verse 12 of Chapter 20 in the Book of The Revelation. "And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books." (NIV) Read the remainder of the chapter. Remember, God knows each of us. He created us.

Auction

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Saturday, October 17, 2015

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Auction: 9:00 AM
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Erie ASC-OSCC

by Bob Stevenson & Tom McNeil

The August Board of Governors meeting was held and mid-summer reports were given. Although we know summertime is "when the living is easy" at your Erie AOS-OSCC, it just ain't so. New patient intake for July totaled 240 and for seven months totaled 1,493 (up 50 from a year prior). For the same period total outpatient encounters were 1,082 and for seven months were 6,902. That number is up from 2014 by 203 or 103%. So, as you can see, things are busy in Erie.

For those who visit or work at Erie, the new parking lot additions are underway and should be finished by the time you read this. Since the second floor was leased to the ENT group, traffic has increased but relief is at hand.

Your board also heard from Kim Lansford, Corporate Director of Compliance for Shriners Hospitals for Children. We were given a presentation of the responsibilities we have as members of the Board of Governors. One of the hallmarks of Shrine Hospitals is our attention to detail at every level of the organization. It keeps us free of negative issues, assures top quality care for our kids and concern for the well being of our excellent staff members. We appreciate having Kim on board at corporate and look for her support and guidance in the years to come.

At the close of the meeting, fellow board member Jim McKinney, PP, his Lady Linda from Rameses Shrine in Toronto and Marj and I left for Montreal. I was proud to represent both Aladdin and SHC-Erie at the dedication of our brand new, from the ground up, hospital. It replaces our current hospital that was built in 1925. It was a quite an event. The organizers expected around 500 Shriners and friends to attend, but over 2,200, yes 2,200, attended. For example, Mocha Shriners of London, Ontario, Canada came with three busses of Nobles and ladies. To say they are proud of Shriners Hospitals in Canada would be an understatement. The new building adjoins the McGill University Medical campus, called The Glen. It is six floors of the most modern and open and bright medical building you can imagine. Tours were given beginning on the sixth floor working your way down. By the time we left, our heads were swimming with all the facts, figures and just plain amazing stuff we saw.

Here are just the highlights from the dedication program:

- Easy access from major highways and all modes of transportation. It is on a rapid transit train line, several bus lines, intersections of highways at the crossing of St. Lawrence River and underground parking (rumor has it that it snows a lot there). The current building is a trick to find and parking is awful.
- Four operating rooms vs. the two in current location.
- AMBULATORY CARE INCREASED THREEFOLD to be better positioned to cater to the ever increasing number of out-patients. (More proof Shrine understands the importance of this growing area of medical services….can you say "Erie?")
- 29,000 square feet dedicated to research, compared to 15,000 square feet at current location.
- 13,000 square feet devoted to rehabilitation services, including physiotherapy and occupational therapy, representing close to three times current area available for such services.

The day after the dedication Jim and Linda took us for a tour of the hospital in use since 1925. It was like night and day. The new building is bright and airy, natural light and openness everywhere. The current building, like a dark tunnel (it is actually built into the side of a granite hill, so not much in way of windows). As you can imagine it's very crowded, as it is small by comparison and the volume of kids served is huge compared to space available.

If you are in the Montreal area you should stop and see it. I imagine we will see something quite comparable in Lexington when they move. All in all, it was a wonderful experience and Marj and I came away with a greater sense of exactly how great this philanthropy really is. We also understand how much we all can come to take it for granted. I hope you don't.

What we do is extraordinary indeed and should be a point for pride for all of us who make it happen!

As a final proof of the pride the area has in our Shriners Hospital-Montreal, as we crossed the border back to the US, the Boarder Agent asked what brought us to Canada. I said we were there for the dedication of the new hospital. He responded that he understood it was a really great new thing for helping kids and said "thanks" for what Shriners do! He was a nice man. He also knew who Curley Lambeau was, so he must be a Packer fan!

Follow us on Facebook at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Erie Facility and on YouTube, www.youtube.com/user/SHCErie.

If you meet an Aladdin Road Runner, please say THANKS!

Cincinnati Hospital

by Bob Lazenby & D. Dee Mowry, P.P.

August Board of Governors Meeting

The August meeting of the Board of Governors was a very special meeting as it was the Divan Open House. The two-day meeting began with a New Orleans Dixieland Jazz Dinner River Cruise on the Ohio River Friday evening.

Saturday's events began at the Cincinnati Hospital with a continental breakfast with all the trimmings. This was followed by hospital tours and presentations throughout the day. A hot buffet lunch was served at 11:30 a.m. The official morning program began at 10:00 a.m. with a welcome by Noble Doug Sitzler, Board Chair. An "Overview of Research and Cultured Skin" was presented by Steve Boyce, PhD. and a presentation by Dr. Christopher B. Gordon on the "Current Management of Plagiocephaly" (abnormal skull formations) rounded out the educational portion of the morning program. A patient story was presented by former patient, Alvin Chaney and his mother, who, as a young man, experienced gynecomastia which is abnormal breast development in teenage boys. His Cincinnati visit was certainly a life changing experience for this young man who is now a senior in high school earning "A" grades.

Prior to the board meeting, a time was allotted for gift presentations. Nearly $93,000.00 was presented during this time period in the form of 18 gifts, six of these gifts were from Antioch Shrine, their clubs and units. (Anitoch Shriners and their ladies came to the open-house by the bus loads.) A total of $3,000.00 (+) was designated for the research effort mentioned above.

Your board passed the 2016 pro forma budget in the amount of $22,081,888.00 and saw 74 intakes (27 non-burns) from 18 Shrine Temples and ranging in age from 6 days to 20 years.

A new DVD is available to help Shriners spread the word. The DVD, with two patient stories, is now available to get the news out about the care families receive at Shriners Hospitals for Children-Cincinnati. This DVD is an excellent tool that Shriners can use when speaking at community and church groups, fire fighting presentations, Shriners fraternal events and more. To obtain a copy call Cincinnati's hospital resource person, Debbie Harrell, Director of Professional Relations at (513) 872-6277 or email her at dharrell@shrinenet.org with any questions or requests.

It would be nice to see a larger delegation from Aladdin at future open houses. Potentate Wolfe and 1st Ceremonial Master Zale Maxwell and Lady Susan were seen at breakfast.

September Meeting Board of Governors

The September meeting of the Board of Governors began with all board members being shot….. that is, for the upcoming flu season.

Routine committee meetings preceded the regular board meeting. Of interest in particular is the Research Committee of the hospital. The research department of your hospital has a new director replacing Dr. Wes Alexander who recently retired. The new Director of Research is Dr. John vanAalst who is affiliated with Cincinnati Children's Hospital and with the UC Medical School. Dr. vanAalst is in the unique position of being affiliated with all three entities which will improve relations among the three. Shriners has lab space available which is a unique situation among the three and puts the hospital in a most favorable position.

Considerable time was spent by the committee dealing with the situation of donations to the hospital and its various departments. Much information (and misinformation) seems to be circulating among the Nobility and other related parties. The Masonic and Appendent Bodies have attached so many 'strings' to giving money to Masonically related entities that it is mind boggling!

Budget figures were slightly over the amount originally set due to an increase in the number of cranio-facial patients. New donors for the month of August numbered 66 and giving was up 11% over last year.

The Press-Ganey satisfaction report placed your hospital in the upper 99th percentile. Your hospital has again received the burn verification certification from the American Burn Association, the major accrediting body for burns and treatment.

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 28.

ASHAC

by Terry McLaughlin, President

Well, here I am again to let you know how things are going with ASHAC. The Board has been very busy during the summer with patient applications and paying our bills. But most important, our Road Runners have been very busy with their trips.

ROAD RUNNERS: In the months of May through August, there were 64 hospital trips. Aladdin Road Runners made 27 trips, Baldwin 4, Steubenville 3, Gallipolis 13, Pike County 6 and 1 by Marietta.

Again, a "BIG THANK YOU" goes to all of you for a job well done. Just as a reminder, if you are a Road Runner and have not received your training with the Road Rrunner manual, please call ASHAC Administrative Secretary Chad Dennewitz at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Remember, follow State of Ohio laws, drive safely, buckle up all in the vehicle and review your Road Runner manual when needed.

As most of the Road Runners know the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was requesting background checks on those individuals coming into that state while transporting children. Those checks were to be handled in Pennsylvania by their authorities and some of the Road Runners did get finger printed. Since then, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has notified that they are going back to clarify, as long as the child is with a parent or guardian, as in our cases, the transporter most likely will not need a background check. This information is being furnished to the Road Runners, but subject to change someday.

Since ASHAC is associated with Aladdin Shrine Center, the ASHAC Board will be moving with Aladdin Shrine Center later this year. This concludes my quarterly report and hope it was informative. Let's all work together for a smooth rest of the year and travel safely.

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Join Aladdin's New Endeavor

by Ronald Leonard, Chief Rabban

Have restaurant experience? Enjoy cooking?

We are looking for a few good men who enjoy cooking for groups of 20-70 Nobles and/or ladies. Have you experience in being a chef or have you worked in a restaurant where you gained experience in the culinary field? If so, then we need you.

We are looking at setting up a new unit or club at Aladdin once we move to Grove City. This would entail running the new kitchen, preparing meals for small groups such as the Masonic Lunch Bunch or possibly the meal before our stated meetings, setting up for those events and maintaining the cleanliness of the kitchen. This would be offered as an alternative to outside catered meals, hopefully at a lower price for Nobility meals. The name of the new unit or club will be determined by the new members once they meet.

Training to meet board of health regulations would be required unless you already are properly certified. It is anticipated this type of project could provide income for the unit or club.

At this point we are trying to determine if there are members who would like to be involved. Several have expressed a desire to see this happen. May we count on you to be a part of this endeavor? If so, please submit your name, phone number, email address and any relevant experience to the Aladdin Shrine, Executive Director Chad Dennewitz, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, OH 43219.

2015 ALADDIN PARADES

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

Aladdin Approved Parades - The Potentate and members of the Divan may attend. Units and clubs should attend when possible.

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Asst. Parade Marshall
Harold McDow
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OFFICIAL	DATE	LINE-UP	STEP-OFF
Circleville Pumpkin Parade	10/23	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Approved			
Gallipolis Veterans Day	11/11	10:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Athens Veterans Day Parade	11/11	9:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Lancaster Christmas Parade	11/21	9:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Washington CH Christmas	11/29	2:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.

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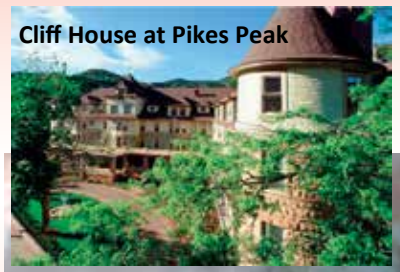

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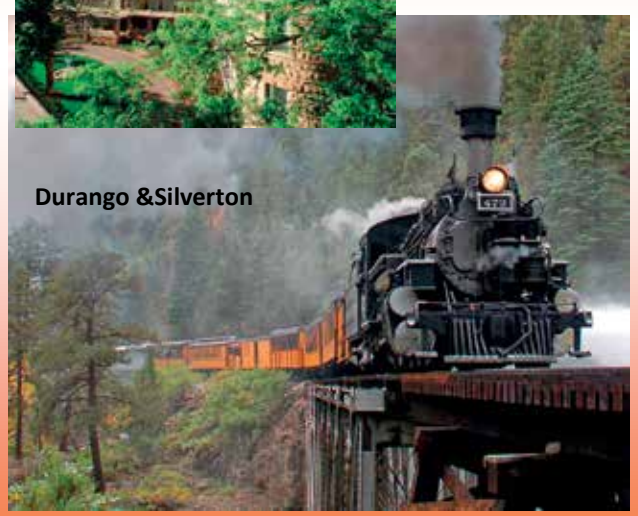

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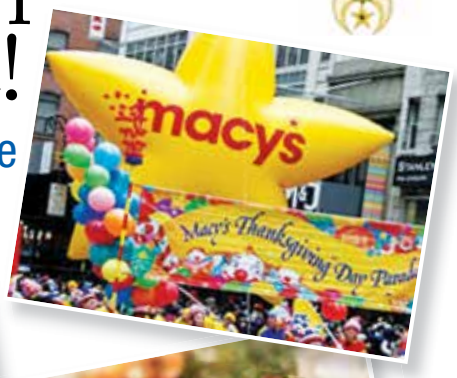

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Aladdin Car Club

by Dan Stainbrook, P. P.

Once again the Van Gundys hosted the Third Annual Car Club Picnic on Sunday, August 23 at their estate. As usual this event was very well attended by the Nobles and their ladies. A little social time was in order to enjoy the great weather before all headed for the enormous table of delicious prepared food including homemade desserts.

A quick meeting was held to discuss various upcoming items. Any member would like a set of magnetic car club signs to use in parades should contact Jack Van Gundy. Please contact Ron Brubaker if you would like a car club shirt or hat as he has arranged to get these with all the lettering, etc. at a very reasonable price.

The last car show at Aladdin is now history. (See photographs on page 11.) Where it will be next year is something that must be decided by the club in the near future.

Included are photos of club members with their cars, members only and member with the ladies.

Athens

by Fred Stanley

The Athens County Shrine Club had a float full of Nobles for the Nelsonville Parade of the Hills. Our Nobles are so proud of our float and are appreciative of all the work and care that Noble Jack Sickles and his work crew put into making it so special.

Our Green Corn Dinner was a big success! It is one of the few ways we have to make money to keep our club alive.

Our meeting was the fourth Thursday of September (September 24) at 6:30 p.m.

Nobles, the **50th anniversary of our Basketball Preview Games** will be here before we realize it. It takes a lot of work and time to make this a success. Since this is our 50th year, let's work extra hard and make this the best one ever.

NOBLES, keep your tailgate up!

Reception

by Don Owens

The last official parade of the year, the Circleville Pumpkin Parade, will take place on October 23. This is always a great parade. Even though the weather can turn famously cold and/or wet, more often it is a beautiful autumn evening in Ohio. If sufficient demand makes it practical, Clark Buck will make the eight-man golf cart available for those who want to ride. Call him SOON to reserve a seat, or if you wish, march in the parade.

Also on our October agenda was the Fall Ceremonial on Saturday, October 3, the last at the old Temple, of course. The Reception Unit fulfilled its role as greeters and facilitators. We were in formal attire with fez and white gloves.

By the time this article is published, the Reception Unit will have conducted its last meeting at the Stelzer Road address. A time and specific location for the October meeting is uncertain at present. Watch your mail and email for further information.

Still on our minds is the death of Noble Tom Keller, a hurtful loss to the unit. Tom provided a template for how to live a good Masonic life—he was a profound family man, and his Shrine brothers were extended family. He was an intelligent and capable leader and a good follower, always completing assigned tasks (which were frequently self-assigned). Tom was always good company. Nevertheless, he scolded and cajoled when such was called for, but never in a mean way. Tom may be replaced but he will never be duplicated. Our sympathy goes to Patricia and the rest of the Keller family.

The list of ill and injured Nobles and family members is not getting smaller. As this is written, Ann Stainbrook is awaiting surgery on a broken ankle. Jack Bonn is recovering from foot surgery. Clyde Yarnell's treatment has not kept him from the meetings and other events. Jim Paul is much improved after two back surgeries but still has some recovering to do.

Nobles Jack Davis and Mike Johnson have birthdays this month, along with Past Potentates Tom Colburn and Dee Mowry. Our best goes to all of you.

Marching With The Legion

by Dick Luckay

PARADE REPORT – The Legion was out in force for the recent parades.

BUCYRUS had a great parade. Yes, it was warm (almost downright hot) but there was a large and enthusiastic crowd and the Legion responded with its usual precision marching. The colors were proudly carried by PP Mike Tyne, PC's Dick Olilla and Robert Spencer and Legionoble Bob Ferrell. Commandeer Dave Quinn drove the jeep with the rest of the flags. As usual, the Bucyrus afterglow featured brats, sauerkraut, baked beans and liquid refreshments for the hot, but happy and satisfied, marchers. We always appreciate the great food and hospitality that is a hallmark of the Bucyrus community.

The BALTIMORE parade, reinstated after a year's absence, was (as always) a grand event. The crowd packed the parade route and though it was HOT it did not diminish the enthusiasm of the crowd or those in the parade. PP Mike Tyne and PC's Robert Spencer and Dick Ollila were the color bearers and Commander Dave Quinn followed with the flag bedecked jeep. The afterglow was exceptional with copious quantities of food and libations to satisfy one and all. Hats off to all those who made our visit a truly memorable one.

SPECIAL DAYS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE – Special Happy Birthday wishes go out to Legionoble Bob Krieger as he celebrates another birthday October 16. Haven't counted up the candles but this one should light up the room quite nicely. Happy Birthday and God Bless!

The Potentate's Visitation will be fully covered in the November *Lamp.*

Pike County

by Gerald Remy

If you were not there, you missed it! On Saturday August 29, Pike County Shrine Club held its first Annual Family Picnic at Noble Ben Nathan's family farm in the hills of Pike County.

It was an outstanding day with good weather, great music and karaoke by Fast Eddie, dancing, card games, fishing, trail rides, corn hole games, sack races, jumpy house and lots and lots of great food prepared by Nobles Rodney Holdren and Dave Crawford. To all the Nobles and their ladies, thank you for all the great desserts.

The children had a day with a piñata named LUCKY. Unfortunately LUCKY, after a hard beating and his legs broken, had to give up all his candy to the children.

Pike County Shrine Club thanks all the Nobles, their families from the Aladdin Shrine, widows of the Pike County Shrine, and members of various other clubs for attending this outstanding picnic.

Pike County Shrine thanks Ben Nathan and family for the use of their farm and thanks Nobles Rodney Holdren, Dave Crawford, Turm Helton, Gerald Remy, Mike Basye, Greg Nartker, Ed Dickson and Shane Smith for setting up and tearing down.

It was a day of great fellowship. Thank You, Nobles and ladies, of the Aladdin Shrine.

Licking County

by Mike Hammond

Fellow Nobles, our activities for the year (Tabloid, baseball, and fair) are now complete and we can take a short break before starting on next year's planning.

The September meeting will have passed and hopefully the *Lamp* will be out before our meeting in October. By the October meeting we will need to have next year's officers slated and ready for the members to vote.

Mark your calendar for December 4 which will be the Potentate's visitation and installation of the club's officers for 2016. I am hopeful that another fine meal will be presented and enjoyed as much as last year's meal.

I apologize for not getting an article out for the *Lamp* in September, but the renovations for the trailer and the fair itself keep me away from the computer. As you may or may not know, the club bought the food trailer that we had been renting from a lodge. With some changes, like fixing the ceiling and adding a cooking stove, it really made for some fine meals presented by Nona Bounds and delicious desserts made by the wives of Shrine members.

A big "thank you" goes to all who helped make our activities a success and I hope everyone enjoyed the picnic at the McPeek Lodge in Granville. It topped off our busy season just right.

We are now back to having noon meetings at the Grotto Hall on the first Thursday of the month, mark your calendars so you won't miss these important events. Your thoughts and comments are most welcome as the officers need your input for our future ventures.

As always, I post emails in between the *Lamp* issues—these being more urgent or more informative and timely in nature. So if there are any Nobles who want to take advantage of these emails, let me know and I will add you to my list which, at this time, has a count of 29 members.

That's all for now.

Pickaway

by Roger Fausnaugh

Our regular monthly meeting was held August 24 being called to order by our President John Demjen at 7:00 p.m. Noble Mick Riley gave the opening prayer and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. A "thanks, again" goes to our Chef Bob Baranick for another fine meal served before our meeting.

Minutes of July meeting were read by Secretary Roger Fausnaugh and a motion was made by Noble Jeff McClannahan and received a second by Noble Carl Hemming to accept the minutes. All Nobles voted in favor. The financial report was given by Noble Rusty Green and a motion was made by Noble Greg Shires and received a second by Noble Jim Willeford to accept the report. All Nobles voted in favor.

During the business meeting there were no new communications or any reports of sickness.

There were several reports on standing committees given. Noble Carl reported that the golf outing was all set and ready to be played. Noble Mick gave a report on rental of the building. Noble Asa Elsea made a spread sheet up for working the Pumpkin Show and passed it around for volunteers to sign. Noble Jeff reported on the raffle and will have tickets made and ready to be sold. We will need everyone's support to make this a successful fundraiser. Finally, Noble John reported that he was checking on prices and supplies for the Pumpkin Show.

We had a special meeting September 14 to discuss the raffle and Pumpkin Show.

We really need volunteers for the Pumpkin Show. This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. If you can work, please call Noble Carl Hemming at 740- 474-5019. It will be greatly appreciated.

There were a total of 17 Nobles at the July meeting. It was closed at 7:45 p.m. by Noble John and closing prayer was given by Noble Mick.

Past Masters

by Dick Bull

Our unit participated in the last Ceremonial to be performed at the Stelzer Road location on October 3. We furnished candidate escorts and portrayed "Evolution of a Shriner" with Past Potentate Gary Parks as the speaker. Phil Clouse was in charge of escorts and Dick Bull assembled the "Evolution" cast.

Potentate David Wolfe and the Divan will be visiting our unit on Monday, October 26 at York Golf Club. First Vice President Bruce Kinsey is in charge of dinner arrangements. We are looking forward to this annual event.

We participated in both September parades recently—the Grove City Arts in the Alley on September 19 and the Jackson Apple Festival on September 26. Gary Fortner brought the unit's van for both events.

Ray and Dottie Belfrage were both in Riverside Hospital for a while in August and early September. Roy had a fall and Dottie has breathing problems.

Bob Roof was in Riverside Hospital for tests following several falls from balance issues. He is now in rehab at First Community Village to gain strength.

Gail Lane was hospitalized recently but is now home and doing better.

Pat Walsh had to return to a hospital in Pittsburgh.

Steubenville

by O. Wayne Fulmer

August Meeting: We held our annual fish fry and meeting on August 22. We had fish, coleslaw, fries and all the fixins' plus dessert (provided by the ladies) and of course assorted beverages. Our chefs for the evening were President Noble Artie Miller, 1st Vice President Noble Chuck Van Dyne, Past President Noble Larry Sneathen and Noble Aaron Moore. Thanks for a great meal. We had a total of 38 in attendance.

The Nobles retired to the meeting room and the meeting started at 2:00 p.m. with the pledge to our flag. The prayer was previously given, prior to the meal. President Artie thanked all who came out. A great time was had by all and we had plenty of food. A big "thank you" goes to Fire Station 26 for the fish.

The report of the sick was given. We also had a motor patrol and children's report. President Artie also thanked Noble Danny Davis for the great job he did on our club wiener roast. We spent some time talking about the bylaws. We hope to have them finished by the next meeting.

The Charity Bike Ride was September 12. Prior to the ride, planning meetings were held on August 27 and September 3. We recognized 50-year members and 25-year members. The meeting closed at 3:00 p.m.

September Meeting: The meeting was held September 17. The meeting was preceded by a great meal—hot ham sandwiches, baked beans, chips, cookies and, of course, assorted beverages. The meal was prepared by 2nd Vice President Mike Woods.

The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. and was called to order by President Artie Miller. We had the pledge to our flag and the opening prayer. Reports were given by our Motor Patrol, Building and Grounds Committee, and the Children Committee. The Potentate's Visit was September 19 at 12:00 p.m. at Froelich's Classic Corner. We had a great afternoon. The Ceremonial for October 3 is all set. We should have 8 or 10 candidates for Columbus. We are making plans for a winter event called "Cabin Fever Tournament." We will have details on this at a later date.

Well that's all for now. We will have more information about our upcoming events next month.

God Bless!

Worthington

by Ed Badger

The Worthington Shrine Club met on Thursday, September 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. for dinner at the beautiful Brookside Country Club. We invited Chad Simpson, Director of Program Development for the Grand Lodge of Ohio, to tell us about Arts & Sciences Lodge #792, a Lodge that concentrates on and studies Masonic tradition, education, and personal improvement.

Chad used this as a starting point to tell us about Masonic traditions and values, and challenged us to think creatively about how we can keep our meetings and activities at both Blue Lodge and Shrine events true to our values and traditions yet keep them new, interesting and exciting for our members. It was an excellent presentation, and gave us a lot to think about.

Our October 1 meeting featured Dr. Beverly Bevilaqua, an audiologist, who spoke about our hearing, new methods of detecting hearing problems and new methods of helping people with hearing loss. Our dinner choices were beef pot roast or chicken Kiev.

This meeting included a discussion of fundraising ideas, especially for Tabloid. Every year we have fewer opportunities to collect at intersections and fewer members who are able to stand on a busy street in the sun for three hours. Fundraising for our hospitals, especially through Tabloid, is central to our mission and purpose, so we need new ideas on how to fulfil our mission.

Future meetings: The meeting on November 5, 2015 will be our annual election of officers, and our December 3, 2015 meeting will be our Officer's Installation and Annual Holiday Party.

Hilltop

by Ron Blitz

The Hilltop Shrine Club met at the York Steak House on Wednesday, September 2. The meeting was opened with eight members in attendance. Treasurer Dave Minton gave an update on club finances which included:

Salvation Army	$1,000.00	Tabloid	$9,504.50
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(Dave said that Thurns on Greenlawn Avenue does a good job.)

The payout from Muirfield parking lot work during the Memorial; Tournament was $1,472,00. This was a combined effort from members of West Gate Lodge and the Hilltop Shrine Club.

President Mike Martin noted that we will need bell ringers at Walmart this November.

Secretary Ron Biltz will get cost and menu information on the Shrine Club's Christmas Dinner that will be held at The Berwick Party House.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 12 at the York Steak House.

The meeting was closed by President Mike Martin with Chaplain Fred Rake sending everyone off with an inspirational prayer.

Steel Drum Band

by Stan Runyan

Time has a way of passing so fast that I started to write this for the September issue of the *Aladdin's Lamp*. Well, if I don't get busy this will appear in November's paper and will be old, old, old news.

We had our Christmas in July Party with our invited guests, the Drum and Bugle Corps and the ladies. After the reception, Dick Westinghouse took the microphone around the room and gave everyone a chance to pass along stories of the good old days of the unit that eventually became the Steel Drum Band. It was a delight to see the smiles on people's faces as the memories of years past once again came to life.

Many "thank yous" go to Noble Phillip(J. R.) Harbarger and his Lady Lori for all the work in setting up for this party. J. R. did extra duty grilling delicious steaks and chicken, fixing baked potatoes, and the fixin's for a very tasty dinner. Thanks again, Lori and J. R., for preparing the very nice meal and all the other items making for a great afternoon. Delicious desserts were provided by the guests and were appreciated and enjoyed by all.

In August we were in Baltimore and Bucyrus playing for their parades. In September it was off to Canal Winchester, Grove City, and the Jackson Apple Festival parades. In October we finish our parade schedule playing in the Circleville Pumpkin Festival.

We really could use a couple more Nobles in our unit. We normally practice on the second and fourth Wednesday from 7:00-8:30 p.m. We have time off when parade season is over until we start back preparing for the upcoming parades. We have a fun unit and if I can learn to play a steel drum, anyone can. I had not played any instruments before trying to play the drum and the catchy tunes like "Sloopy" or "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." You will find out what you have been missing in your Shriner's life. Please call for more information: Dick Westinghouse 614-855-8009 or Stan at 614-432-2814.

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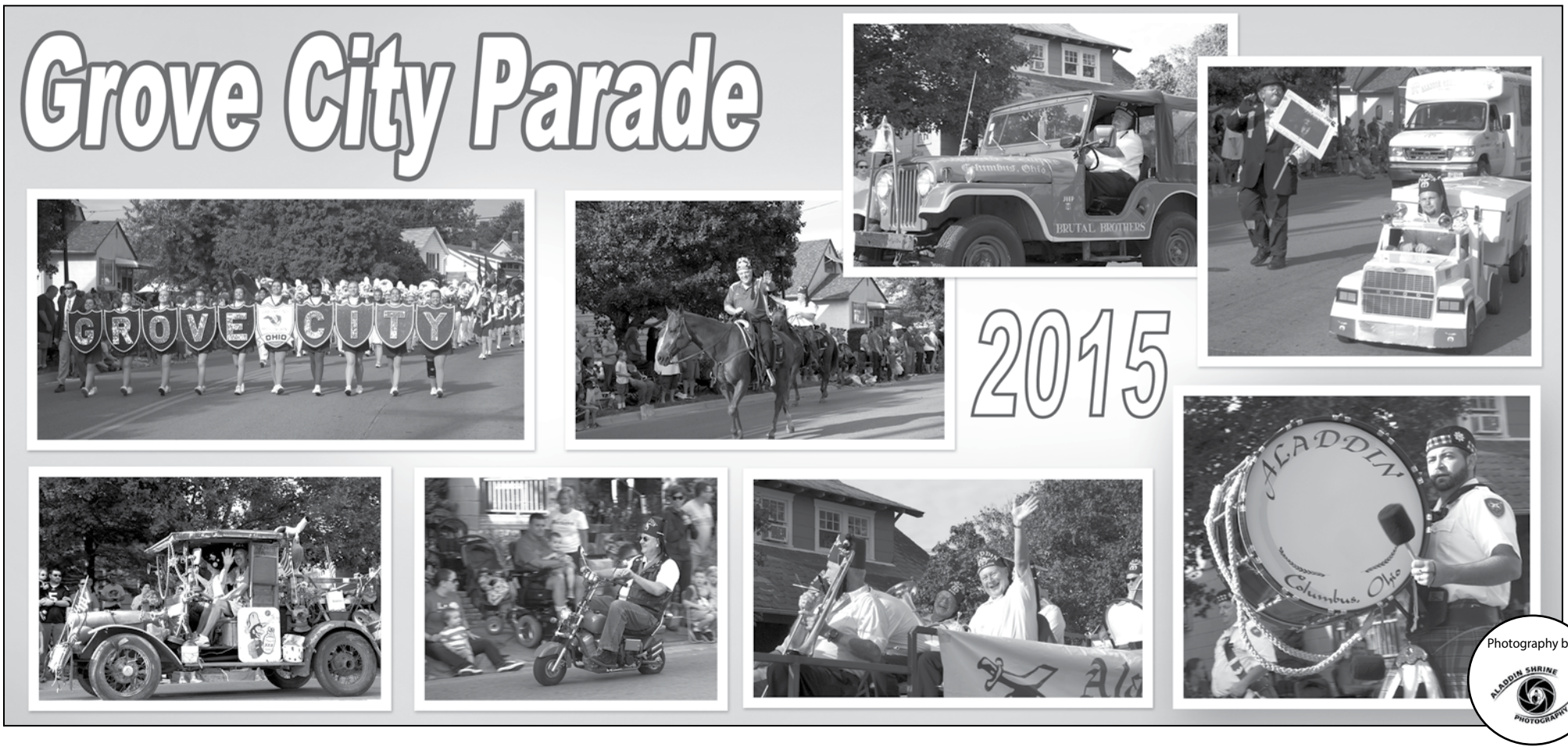

Ross County

by Roger Remy

On August 27, 2015 the Ross County Shrine Club met and was called to order by President Noble Randy Davis. The invocation was given by Noble Neil Smith followed by the pledge of allegiance led by Noble Randy Davis. Thirty Nobles enjoyed the evening meal consisting of fried chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes with gravy, rolls and ice cream with cookies for dessert provided by Noble Randy Davis and served by Nobles Jay Morgan and Dan Riddle. We had a guest, Brother George Lavender, of Logan Elm Lodge # 624 F&AM.

Nobles Clyde Warth and Charles Remy installed our new water heater. A sheet was available to sign-up for the upcoming spaghetti dinner October 29, 2015. Our Halloween Parade and Open House will be October 24. The Appreciation Dinner will be November 14, 2015 and the Christmas Party will be December 12, 2015.

Noble Don Morris is stepping down after 15 years as chairman of the ice concession at the Ross County Fair. He is passing the torch to Noble Roger Remy.

The Black Camel visited our club and took Noble Wendal L. Farrar of Orient Lodge #321F&AM,

Noble John Bivens was sent a cheer card.

Thea Court

by B. J. Gischler, PHP

Ladies, Thea Court will be busy in October and it would be wonderful for members to come and be a part of the activities that are planned.

The first occurring event is a lunch honoring the High Priestess. It will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13 at the Pataskala United Methodist Church, 458 South Main St., Pataskala, OH. The cost for lunch and entertainment is $18.00. Reservations and payment should be made to Mary Lou Stakely by Wednesday, October 7. Contact information: phone - 740-927-2546; address: 169 Bristol Drive, Reynoldsburg. OH 43068. Guests are welcome so bring your spouses or friends.

Next is our annual Fall Luncheon honoring the High Priestess, Past High Priestesses and Grand Appointments. It will be held Saturday, October 24 at the Longaberger Golf Club. The address is One Long Drive, Nashport, OH. Time is 11:30 a.m. There is a choice of two entrees. The first is apple brandy chicken breast topped with apples and golden raisin brandy sauce. The second choice is herb roasted pork loin. Both are served with garlic smashed potatoes and haricot vert, house salad, rolls and butter. Dessert will be New York Cheesecake with strawberry topping. Drinks are water, coffee and iced tea. Mary Jo Jones will be taking reservations and payment for the luncheon. Contact information: phone 740-645-4552, address 6120 Harbour Point #104. Columbus, OH 43231-7709. The cost is $15.00 for members and $25.00 for guests. This always an enjoyable occasion.

The October meeting of Court #5 is Friday October 30, the fifth Friday of the month and it will be held at Sunrise Lodge, 211 W. Johnstown Rd., Gahanna OH. Lunch will be at 11:00 a.m. and will be a potluck. So get out one of your fall favorite recipes and come share lunch with us. The meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. Wear your regular court attire—no costumes.

Hardin County

by Ken Rossman

Our regular meeting was held on September 16 at Memorial Park Clubhouse. We had 48 Nobles present. We had no visitors or new members present.

Noble Larry Weaver opened our meeting with a prayer. Then President Hinebaugh led us in The Pledge of Allegiance. We gave a big hand to our kitchen crew for another job well done.

We had no report of any Noble who is ill and could not attend our meeting.

We extend our sympathy to Noble Richard Winnett and his family on the recent death of his wife, Saundra.

Noble Rossman closed our meeting with a prayer.

We then dined on another great meal prepared and served by our kitchen crew of Nobles Codee Morris, Walden, Rice, Hinebaugh, Garmon and Ridgeway. Thank you, Nobles.

It is not too early to think about our Christmas Party on December 16 at the fairgrounds.

Our next meeting will be October 21 at Memorial Park Clubhouse.

Thebes Temple

by Terry Smith, Past Queen

I can't believe the signs for Halloween are all about in the stores. That candy will certainly be stale by Halloween. It's too early to buy and carve those pumpkins, but I can hardly wait to see what the neighborhood children will be wearing this year. I'm sure that they are busy now working on ideas.

The Princesses of Thebes have been very busy. Sewing sessions have started again on the second Wednesday of the month, the sub sale was a big success socially and financially, and we're all getting ready for our Supreme Queen's official visit on Tuesday, November 10 at 2:00 p.m.

The visit by our Supreme Queen is always one of the highlights of the year. We will be having a ceremonial to initiate several new ladies into Daughters of the Nile followed by a banquet honoring the newest members and the Supreme Queen. Our spouses and families are invited for the banquet. We hope many of you will get your reservations in early for this special evening. Our Buck-I-Nutz Unit has a skit planned to be presented that night as well.

The Annual Games Party and Luncheon is coming—Wednesday, November 18 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. This fun time is open to all women and men. Gather your friends and come play your favorite game or cards. We will have the card tables setup for playing your game of choice. We will be serving a luncheon followed by the results of our silent auction bidding. Our silent auction items will be an assortment of themed baskets prepared by our members. We had some very beautiful baskets last year and this year should be no different. There may be a surprise or two, as well. So join us for this fun day. Tickets are only $7.00. Call Sylvia Bast at 740-924-7451 or Queen Pat Kniffin at 614-581-1961 for reservations or tickets.

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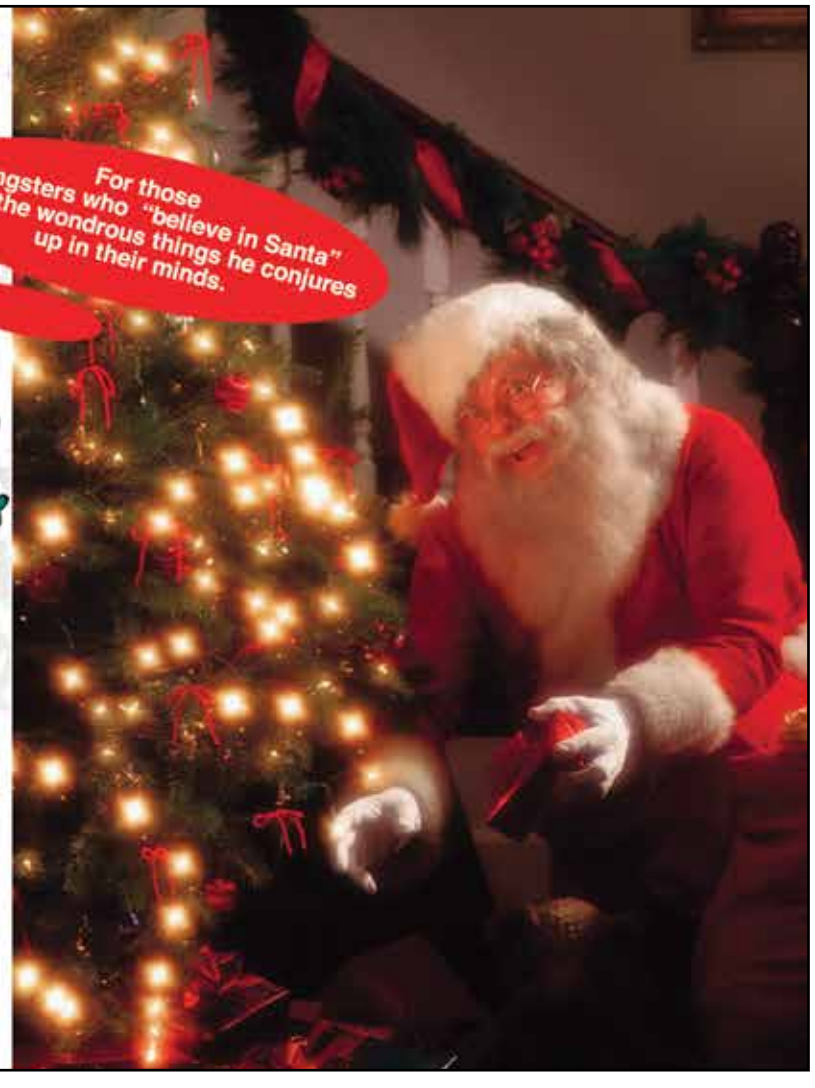

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☐ 1st Session 12 Noon ☐ 2nd Session 2:00 PM ☐ 3rd Session 4:00 PM

Name: _____

Shrine Membership #: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Name	Relationship	
1.		age
2.		age
3.		age

Number of adults coming with children: _____

Join Potentate David and Lady Glenda

New Year's Eve

MONTE CARLO NIGHT

AT OUR NEW ALADDIN SHRINE CENTER

December 31 **$75** per person

Aladdin Shrine Center
1801 Gateway Circle
Grove City

Limited Seating (members only)

7:00 PM Social - 7:30-9:00 PM Food - 9:00 -11:00 PM Gaming

Heavy Hors D'oeuvres
Midnight Champagne Toast
Silent Auction

Mention the Aladdin Shrine for a discount when making reservations at the Holiday Inn Express, 6951 Jackpot Road. 614-801-9000

Dress: Business Casual

New Year's Eve Reservation Form

Name: _____ Mem #: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Reservations: _____ x $75 = $_____ Due. [ ] Check Enc.

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp: _____

Mail Tickets: ☐ Will Pick up Tickets at "Will Call:" ☐

Mail reservation form with payment to:
Aladdin Shrine, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio 43219