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Aladdin's Membership Statistics

Membership 01/01/2011	6265
Associate Membership 01/01/11	48
Total Membership 01-01-2011	6313
Current	Yr to Date
Creations	0 67
Affiliations	1 3
Restored	0 36
Associate Members	1 2
TOTAL MONTHLY ADD	2 108
TOTAL YEARLY with ADDS	6421
Demits	2 7
Suspensions	0 4
Deaths	22 136
Associates Dropped	9 3
Reversals	0 0
TOTAL MONTHLY DROP	24 150
Membership as of 10/31/11	6271
Net loss/gain YTD	-42
Net loss/gain Monthly	-22



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Update From The Potentate

Let me start this article with a "thank you" to Art Wilson and the staff for a great Halloween "**Weenie Roast.**" Over 300 guests attended this year's event. Even the weather cooperated with us. It was a bit cool, but no rain. Once again, Jim Conrad came up with a tractor and Ed Roberts a hay wagon for a ride around Aladdin's grounds. The kids, as well as the adults, loved it. The clowns thrilled the children with balloons and their usual hijinks. Thanks go to Bob Barton and the Clown Unit.

Circleville Parade: We had our last parade for 2011 at the Circleville Pumpkin Parade. Jake Sturgeon and the Brutal Brothers managed to get the generator started so we had a lighted scimitar for the Divan to ride. The Chanters made a return to the parade circuit in their float.

Visitation to Cincinnati: The Divan traveled to Cincinnati for the Divan Visitation at the Burns Hospital. We toured the hospital and attended the board meeting where we presented the hospital a check for the sum of \$94,886.97. Checks of an equal amount had been presented to both Erie and Lexington Hospitals. This is where our Tabloid funds go. Thanks go to Noble Tom Rice and the other Nobles who gave of their time and efforts for a very successful Tabloid event.



Visitation Trail: We are still on the visitation trail. Lady Betsy and I cannot express just how much enjoyment we get from the visits where we and the Divan can have fun and renew acquaintances. The number of visits remaining gets smaller and smaller reminding me how fast 2011 is coming to an end.

2012 Election of Officers: At our December stated meeting, we will be electing officers for the year of 2012. At the 2011 Imperial in Denver, CO, there were new regulations passed on the election of officers. For your review, I have included the new wording with this article.

§ 325.11 Election Regulations

(a) Electioneering. A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office a résumé consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.

(b) Expenditures Prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

(c) Violation. For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

(d) Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

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Regular meetings of the Aladdin Shriners are held
the third Monday of each month except June, July and
August at 6:00 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

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1st Ceremonial Master: Ronald Leonard

2nd Ceremonial Master: Jon M. Kinney

Chaplain: Zale Maxwell

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Security Desk**

Do You Know What ASHAC Represents?

by Terry L. DeVassie, P.P. 33°

As members of Aladdin Shrine, we all know our greatest humanitarian effort as Shriners is our support of Shriners Hospitals for Children. We are, indeed, proud of the 22 hospitals in North America that care for children with orthopedic problems and those who have been seriously burned. But we also care for and treat cleft lip and palate deficiencies and spinal cord injuries and defects as well.

However, Aladdin Shriners have gone above and beyond in its humanitarian quest to provide better lives for children. For the past 70 years, Aladdin has been treating children locally with those same problems right here in central Ohio through a very special organization called Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children, (A.S.H.A.C.) This association was established to support Shriners Hospitals for Children throughout the world but to also care for children in Central Ohio – all the while spreading the message of the benevolence of Shriners.

This organization does not, in any way, compete with the 22 Shrine Hospitals, but complements their endeavors. A.S.H.A.C., in collaboration with Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children, maintains an operating fund from which the interest and dividends from this fund provide the money to pay for care and treatment of children in Aladdin's jurisdiction. These children may suffer from burn injuries, orthopedic problems, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate deficiencies in addition to providing wheelchairs, prosthetics and patient care support.

At the end of each year, after all the bills are paid, A.S.H.A.C. takes the remaining amount of money received from interest, dividends, wills, bequests, and outright donations in excess of the amount it is permitted to maintain in the fund and disperses the money as follows:

- A minimum of half is returned to Shriners Hospitals for Children (by dividing the amount into thirds and giving these thirds equally to the Lexington, Cincinnati and Erie Shrine Hospitals).
- The remaining half is divided and given to health care institutions throughout Aladdin's jurisdiction upon written request to and approval from the trustees of A.S.H.A.C. that support patient care within the guidelines set forth by the trustees of A.S.H.A.C. and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The ability of Aladdin Shriners to be able to care for and treat children within our own jurisdiction is unique and a source of pride for all Aladdin Shriners without diminishing our efforts on behalf of Shriners Hospitals for Children nationally.

So, my fellow Nobles, give yourselves a hearty pat on the back, you deserve it.

Now, are Aladdin Shriners special? You bet!

Reception Unit

by Don Owens

Thanksgiving is still a few weeks away at this writing, but it seems appropriate to reflect upon the many reasons that we have to be thankful, both individually and as members of the Shrine Reception Unit. While we have lost members this year, and others have been forced to reduce their involvement, we have also gained a few---not enough, but a valued few. We remain a viable unit, earning enough to contribute meaningfully to our cause, the Shrine Hospitals, and to support our purpose---to have fun. Those of us who retain our good health are blessed; those who do not are remembered and supported in accordance with our Masonic principles. For all these things, we are thankful.

Jack Bonn states that we will repeat our Vidalia onion sales caper next year, taking advantage of lessons learned to increase our profit. Income from the circus ushering activity has been restored, and income from volunteer activities at the Muirfield golf tournament remains significant. All in all, the unit is on a satisfactory financial footing. Attendance at the last few meetings has been a little above average. It may not be coincidental that our ladies have been invited to these meetings.

Members are reminded that the Columbus Blue Jackets are supporting the Ohio Sled Hockey Association through an Ohio Sled Hockey Awareness Night on December 8. Although tickets must be purchased by November 8 to be of maximum benefit to the association, attendance will still be helpful in spreading the word about this great sport for disadvantaged youngsters. The Ohio Sled Hockey team will demonstrate their skills during the first intermission of this Blue Jackets game. For more information about sled hockey, visit the Association's website: www.ohiosledhockey.org.

Next Reception Unit meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17. The Aladdin stated meeting will be Monday, November 21. Looking ahead to December, the Fall Ceremonial will take place on Saturday, December 3.

2012 Sled Hockey Tournament


The Eighth Annual Aladdin Sled Hockey Tournament will be held on January 14-15, 2012 at the Dispatch Ice Haus in downtown Columbus. This tournament is sponsored by the Aladdin Shriners Hospital Association for Children and is under the direction of Kelly Fenster and Associates of the Ohio Sled Hockey, Inc.

Founded in 2002 Ohio Sled Hockey is a non-profit charity with a mission statement to provide competitive team environment for disabled athletes. With the extreme medical costs, many of these athletes and their families have great financial challenges. To make sure that every athlete has the opportunity to play and travel to compete, OSH strives to raise funds and offset the cost. OSH is a 501 (c) (3) charity and 100% of all money raised goes directly to the program and players.

Using specially designed aluminum-tube sleds, players propel themselves on the ice with two (one in each hand) modified hockey sticks. The rules for sled hockey are identical to stand-up hockey, including checking. The sport has grown rapidly since 2001 and now is a Paralympics event. The USA team brought home the gold in the 2010 Winter Paralympics in Vancouver.

This past year, five new sleds were purchased and several were reconditioned to accommodate the new players. Several Shrine clubs and units have made the purchase of this new equipment and uniforms possible through generous donations. With the enthusiasm of these young people, the local sport has carried over to young adults with eight to ten people over the age of 18 now forming a new team.

Due to privacy requirements, name, addresses, and other information of beneficiaries must be kept private.



In Memoriam

Vernon E. Bright	J. Herbert Penick
Patrick E. Burr	Richard F. Rice
Merle H. Davis	Kenneth E. Riggs
Fred Fillinger	Robert W. Saltsman
Walter F. Funk	Joe H. Salyer
Fred R. Greenlee	Sherman A. Seydler
Lawrence E. Harmon	Richard E. Stauffer
John R. Hazen	Bill W. Tucker
Clarence W. Lanthorn	Warren G. Van Dorn
George E. Leonhardt	Thomas J. White
Richard D. Lowe	Rollie E. Williams
Thomas J. Lowe	Richard D. Winbigler
Ralph C. Newsom	

Medical Unit

by Chuck Hedges

Boy, how time flies when you are having fun! Here it is fall already – then comes winter and a lot of us will wish we had some of the hot days back.

Our meeting on September 22 was a good one. We had the pleasure of having two Past Potentates with us: Owen Johnson and Dee Mowry. We also had Mike Tyne (CRAP) which stands for Chief Rabban almost Potentate.

By the time you read this we would already have had our Medical Unit's ladies formal dinner party at the Brookside Country Club which was also the potentates visit. We had a great time and a good meal – more about it next month.

We still have some unfinished business left to do for this year. On December 3, we will have a ceremonial at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Nobles, I know you know of a Master Mason who doesn't belong to the Shrine. Why don't you talk to him and sign him up. You will really feel better, he will feel better, and also Aladdin will really feel better, so, please talk to him now.

Then on December 11, that is a Sunday, there will be the Kids Christmas Party at the Aladdin Shrine Center. This is for the children and grandchildren (ages 1-8) of Aladdin members only. The first 350 who sign up get to go; a coupon is in the *Lamp*. You need a ticket to get in and they need to know names and ages.

The last is Midnight Masquerade on Saturday, December 31. Get a group together, fill out the coupon in the *Lamp*, and be ready for a great night you won't forget.

Let's look into 2012. Chief Rabban Mike Tyne (Yes, CRAP.) invites everyone to join him on a cruise to Scandinavia and Russia. It will be May 12 - 23, 2012. You will visit eight ports and seven countries if you go. If you go, it will be fun. If you would like to know more about it, look at the ad in the *Lamp*.

Like I keep saying, you have to read the *Lamp* to know what has happened or is going to happen. Just read and if you can't, call Professor Dee Mowry and he'll read it to you.

Please attend your Blue Lodges, York Rite, and Scottish Rite meeting, Aladdin's stated meeting, unit and club meetings. Those keep us going, so help them keep going. See you next month.

WANTED - REGISTERED NURSE

Registered Nurse needed to work at the Aladdin Shrine Circus March 29 - April 1, 2012.

If interested please contact Kim. (614) 475-2609, ext. 23 or kluckeydoo@aladdinshrine.org.

2012 Annual Meeting & INSTALLATION

Come for the seminar! - Stay for the installation!

January 14, 2012

The Aladdin Shrine Center - 3850 Stelzer Road

Annual Meeting - Installation - Dinner

Reserved seating is available for Units & Clubs

Reservations are required. Every Noble may make two reservations free of charge. Additional reservations will cost \$20.00 each.

Please complete the coupon (no phone reservations, please) and mail it to:

The Aladdin Shrine Center, Attn: Kim, 3850 Stelzer Road, Columbus Ohio 43219

Or e-mail reservations to: kluckeydoo@aladdinshrine.org

Please make _____ reservations for me to attend the 2012 Annual Officers Installation Dinner.
My Check for _____ is enclosed for _____ reservations beyond the two free ones.

Noble _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

INSTALLATION

Ceremonial Date Set

The Potentate has set the date for the 2011 Ceremonial

DATE	SITE	ARRIVAL TIME	COST WITHOUT FEZ	COST WITH FEZ
December 3	Aladdin	8:00 AM	\$204.00**	\$274.00**

All Fees must accompany the signed petition for membership.

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

Interested Nobles or Blue Lodge Masons should contact Aladdin for further information. Those in Franklin County call 1-614-475-2609 ext. 23 and those outside Franklin County call 1-800-475-3850, ext. 23.

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 click on the membership tab. You will need to print both pages.

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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

TAILGATE PARTIES ARE BACK!

An Invitation to Tailgate for All OSU Games

STARTING 1 HOUR BEFORE GAME TIME

Watch Website for Locations

Enjoy:
Games for all ages
Food

COST:
\$5.00

Proceeds go to help the Aladdin Audio Unit, Easter Egg Hunt, and other unit activities.

Provost *by John Rohal*

The October Provost meeting was fairly well attended even though I-270 and St. Rt. 161 were closed for most of the day and into the evening because of a tanker semi rolling over. Some of those able to attend included Ed Bisbocci from Martins Ferry, reinstated member Rob Hartsell, Chief of Staff Art Wilson, and our Potentate Steve Hathaway.

Past Directors in attendance were Bob Cannon, Jon Kinney, and Terry McLaughlin. Our Past Potentates present were Dale Cline, Don Goodman, John Rohal, and Dan Stainbrook. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Dale Cline and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the previous meeting, which were sent by e-mail, were approved as was Treasurer Charles Linek's financial report.

Director Gene Steineman announced the appointment of the officers for 2012: Assistant Director Bob Laird, Assistant Director Don Campbell, Assistant Director Gary Hamre, Treasurer Charles J. Linek Jr., Secretary Jim Rohal, and Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee Dick Fogt. All other officers were reappointed with the exception of Mike Gray whose recent promotion with the Columbus Division of Police has become very time consuming.

Accepted as new members of the unit were Eric Leonard of Blacklick, an M.P. in the Army Reserve, and Richard A. Aldridge of Logan, who works security at Walmart, attends college, and is president of the Hocking Hills Shrine Club.

We have been informed that one of our more active members, Douglas M. Cook, will be leaving us to accept a position in Belize. (Wonder if he needs an assistant?)

Jon Kinney was voted Director Emeritus and lifetime member.

Gene reminded the Unit will have tables reserved for the New Years Eve Party. Potentate Steve discussed the December 3 Ceremonial.

Celebrating birthdays in November are Larry A. Davis, Danny H. Leadingham, Robert L. McCullough, Russell F. Miller, and James F. Roberts.

The Pickaway Shrine Club sponsored a blood drive on November 5 for our member Rex A. Emrick, who is currently in the hospital.

The widow of our deceased member Lou Kuhlman, "Sis," passed away on October 7. She had recently celebrated her 100th birthday. Lou had managed the Otterbein College Bookstore and was a reserve officer with the Blendon Township P.D. He was very active in our unit's early years.

We all hope our snowbirds enjoy the rain before their departure to the sunny south.

Tarhe Shrine *by David Mowry*



Due to circumstances beyond our control, Tarhe's October meeting was cancelled. Our apologies go to all the Nobles and Ladies who planned to attend.

Our November meeting will be November 17 at the Baltimore VFW (**Please note change of location**). The program will be provided by Mr. David Kessler, who will speak about senior protective services available in area. Some of you may remember Mr. Kessler was the speaker for our cancelled January meeting. Also on the program will be Rich Braessler from the Boys Scouts of America. Social hour will be at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Please make plans to attend.

We will be electing officers for 2012 at the November meeting. We MUST have a full slate of officers if our club is to continue next year. If we do not have a president, vice-president, treasurer, and secretary for 2012, we will vote on disbanding Tarhe, effective December 31, and giving any remaining money in our treasury to the Aladdin Endowment Fund. Please don't let this happen. Tarhe can continue for many years, but only if we make the effort for it to happen.

Assuming we have officers for 2012, we will vote on the meeting schedule for the next year. We will discuss reducing the number of meetings from the current 12. In order to accomplish this and secure our club's future, we need as many Nobles as possible at this meeting. Please make every effort to attend. If you only come to one meeting this year, it needs to be this one.

As the year draws to a close, Tarhe's Annual Christmas Party and Potentate's Visit is rapidly approaching. This year's party will be held at the Baltimore VFW on December 16. The Christmas Party is Tarhe's biggest event of the year, and we would like to see all of you there. Please feel free to bring any guests you would like (and even some you don't like!).

Remember, wives and guests are always welcome. If you know of someone who might be interested in joining Tarhe, please feel free to bring him along as well. It is important that we bring in new members, particularly in the last half of the year, if our club is to continue into next year.

Reservations for all meetings should be made by the Saturday preceding the meeting. Reservations may be made by phone at 740-215-6849 or 740-862-4601, or by email at tarheshrineclub@gmail.com. The cost of the meal is \$15.00 per person.

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

Upcoming Meetings:

November 17, 2011 - Reservations due by November 12.

December 16, 2011 - Reservations due by December 10.

I hope to see you all in November!

Brutal Brothers *by Ron Martino & Brian Tabit*



Our October meeting was held at the Wolfe Building and we all enjoyed the Philly

Cheese Steak sandwiches prepared by Past Chief Brian Tabit. As usual, he did a great job and was assisted by Bill Tier, Aaron Langhirt, and others. As usual, Bo Williams was the camel driver and his milk was as good as ever.

The meeting was called to order by Chief Bob Beymer and the prayer was by Past Chief George Bell. The attendance was taken by Secretary Denny Feyh, and the treasurer's report was given by Jack Brand.

Sunshine Committee: Jim Carle is still in the resthome/rehab center and is taking walks and trying to get his strength back. Please give him your prayers.

Harold Linebaugh is now in Wesley Glen and he is also trying to regain his strength to return home. His phone is 614-842-8078. Remember, he is not up to long phone calls. So, say a prayer for Harold and Frank Healy. Frank attended our October meeting and is still recovering.

Ceremonial: Director Dave Williams talked about the upcoming ceremonial on December 3 and the planning meeting which will be held at our November meeting. We will have a Briefing Dinner just before the ceremonial. He encouraged all members to help get new candidates for the ceremonial. He reminded us that the help of all members is needed to put on our second section, as the slide will be assembled for use. Come on down.

Pumpkin Show Parade: Some club members took the equipment to the Circleville Pumpkin Show on October 21, and as always, had a great time. On October 19, our Past Chief Louis McFarland was in charge of helping weigh the biggest pumpkins at the show. Lou is a big pumpkin lifter. His wife, Linda, took the first prize for canned pumpkin. Congrats, Linda. There were nine Brutal Brothers who traveled to Circleville for the parade.

Election: The election of the 2012 Potentate will be on December 19. Be sure to attend this important meeting and be sure you have your 2011 dues card to attend.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner, so we hope you all enjoy a great holiday weekend.

Pipes & Drums *by Zale Maxwell*

The unit has had a very busy schedule this fall; we just finished the Circleville Pumpkin Show Parade and a Kirkin at a Marion Church.

In November, we will be playing at a Blue Lodge open house and the upcoming fall Ceremonial on December 3.

We are working on some new music and are in the early stages of planning to record some of our music which will be released on CD in the spring. Our new version of "Amazing Grace" has been a big hit at several events this fall.

We are often asked about the unit playing for events. The members of the unit love to perform and we will be glad to schedule you to make this happen for your event. Contact our director, Zale Maxwell, 740-862-4601 to schedule your event.

Hospitality *by Gary Harding*

The seasons, they are a changing. I think I'm done cutting grass. Now, it's just leaves and pine cones, change oil in the cars and check tire pressures as the temperature is dropping.

Speaking of cars, a teenager was driving and saw a billboard that said, "Honk if you love Jesus; text if you want to meet him." I think that is a good message.

Last meeting we only had nine attending, but a bunch of our unit members were on a fishing trip to Lake Erie. Our next dinner meeting could be all the walleye you can eat!

Work has been steady and not overwhelming. It would be nice to rotate in some of the unit members who have not worked in a while. That way, the same 10 or 12 guys would not have to do it all. Can some of you Hospitality members come out of your man caves long enough to help out? The work is not hard. Helping a child is a warm and satisfying feeling.

Southeast *by Cecil Moore*

Well, we are back with you again. The summer was much too short and it seems the fall is getting along very fast. Winter will soon be here.

We had a good group at our October meeting. There was a total of 27 Nobles and ladies. We had two Past Potentates, George Kosbab and Dan Stainbrook, present for the meeting and four past presidents, Don Schoffstall, Pete Ransburg, Jim Hoops, and Cecil Moore. They were all introduced and made welcome by our President John Luft.

The next meeting will be at the MCL restaurant on November 17. At that meeting, the officers will be nominated and voted on for next year. I am sure they will do a great job as the officers did for this year.

The Christmas party will be December 22 at Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kreutz's home. They have been very generous for the past several years, allowing us to have the party at their home. Don't forget to make your reservations; also, there will be a white elephant gift exchange, so everyone needs to bring a gift.

We have some members sick. It was reported that Bob Wilson had fallen and broken his wrist. Get well soon, Bob, and hope to see you back at the meetings.

That is all for now. Hope to have more next month.

Chaplain's Corner

by Chaplain Zale Maxwell

I was working in my shop these past few days, picking things up and putting them in their places. Most of the items were light in weight, but some were very heavy. As I went to move one of the heavier objects, I was thinking of things we lift up to the Lord. Some of the things we lift to the Lord are light in weight, like help me concentrate on this article. Then, some are very heavy, like a problem with our health.

When we celebrate Communion in church, the leader will often say, "Lift up your hearts." We will respond with, "We lift them to the Lord." If our hearts are heavy, how can we lift them to the Lord? I am not sure how this process of lifting works. Perhaps it is something like the locks we went through on the Panama Canal trip last year. The ship we were on was the largest ship that could go through the locks. I watched as the lock keeper opened the floodgates to fill the locks with water, and several small boats were lifted to the higher level and released. Then came our turn and the lockmaster opened the gates, and we were lifted with the same ease as the smaller ships. With the locks, it does not matter what size the ship is when the water does the lifting, the ship merely displaces some of the water. I think this is the way it is with our Lord God; we are the gatekeepers and only need to open the gate to lift any problem, no matter how heavy, to the Lord. When we respond to the command to lift up our hearts by saying, "We lift them up to the Lord," we open the gates and it is the Lord that is lifting our heavy loads. God will displace our fears and concerns with his love and care. He does all of the heavy part, if we will just open the gates and let him in.

Let us lift up our hearts and our hands to God in heaven, (Lamentations 3: 41 NIV)



Marietta Musings

by Don Chichester

Greeting from the confluence of the Ohio and Muskingum Rivers in scenic Southeastern Ohio. The days are getting shorter and the leaves are beautiful.

Since our last communication, the parade units have been busy. We participated in the Washington County Fair Parade, Waterford Fair Parade, Barlow Fair Parade, and the Lowell October Fest Parade.

We were joined at the Washington County Fair Parade by the Tin Lizzie Group from Cambridge. After the parade, the visiting Nobility and their ladies joined us for hot dogs and some very welcome cool beverages. We hope that sometime we can travel to Cambridge and participate in a parade there. Joining in the Washington County Fair Parade were the Hillbilly trucks of Noble Larry Richardson and Noble J. D. Rollison. Thanks go to all who promoted Shrinedom.

Upcoming are the Christmas Parades in Marietta, Beverly, and Belpre. Second V.P. Ray Haines will be telling everyone where and when.

The September 26 meeting was well attended and we enjoyed a delicious pulled pork dinner prepared by Nobles A.V. Miller, Todd Hetzer, Bill Ollom, Ernie Biehl, and Orlan Brogg. The tasty desserts of cherry cheesecake and pumpkin pies were prepared and donated by Noble Orlan Brogg and his Lady Nancy. Those kinds of treats are way more than we deserve. Again, many thanks go to Noble Orlan and his Lady Nancy.

We were joined at our September meeting by our Divan Representative Noble Jon Kinney. He gave a presentation on changes to our hospitals. Basically, there is no change in the quality or the cost of the care. It mainly consists in the way we do business.

Marching WITH THE LEGION

by Dick Luckay

PARADE REPORT – It was cold, rather miserable, but the Circleville Pumpkin Parade went on as scheduled. Despite the drizzle, a reasonable sized crowd lined the streets, but it just wasn't the rip-roaring time as it was in the past. The Legion was well represented by Commander Terry Kitchen, the ever present and dependable Willie Fitchett, and LN Jim Rock. The Jeep was resplendent in all its glory with the flags whipping in the damp, chilling, air. But the parade did indeed pass on by the reviewing stand as the Legion led a large Aladdin contingent through the somewhat unenthusiastic bystanders. But the roll was called and Aladdin was present and accounted for. Well done, Aladdin, and the Legion.

SPECIAL DAYS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE – Those wedding bells are once again being recalled by: PC Lou and Vi Snyder (12/19) and PC Don and Marjorie McCoy (12/31). May your coming year be as blessed and meaningful as the memories of the years past. God bless, one and all.

TAPS – With heartfelt regret, it is necessary to report that Black Camel has carried another long-time member of the Legion to his final resting place – that house not made with hands – eternal in the heavens. Clarence (Clancy Lanthorn) was Commander of Aladdin's Legion of Honor in 1986 and was later Commander the Great Lakes Shrine Association – Legions of Honor. He was a good and true Mason and Shriner and was an outstanding Commander. He left a legacy of hard work, dedication, and devotion to the Legion that will never be forgotten. Rest well Commander Lanthorn, you have earned your just reward. God Bless.

NOW HEAR THIS – The nomination committee has recommended the following candidates for leadership positions for the year 2012.

Commander –	Jim Rock
1 st Lieutenant Commander	Gary Bogart
2 nd Lieutenant Commander	Bob Krieger
3 rd Lieutenant Commander	Dave Ozvat

Elections will be held during the November stated meeting and will be reported – with the complete line-up of new officers – in the December Lamp.

Upcoming events are our sponsorships in Marietta College sports program. First, our traveling "Editorial Without Words" trophy will be kept by Muskingum College – at least until next year. Coming up is our basketball program with the college. This year will be a little different because one of the teams originally scheduled cannot come. So, instead of a tournament, we will have a round-robin series of games among the three teams. A lot of enthusiasm surrounds our Pioneers this year because of the run to the "Sweet Sixteen" in last years Division 111 Tournament and the pre-season number 2 rating in the country.

Noble Todd Hetzer, with able-assistance from Nobles A.V. Miller, Ernie Biehl, Ray Haines and Orlan Brogg, prepared a delicious hog roast before the OSU-Illinois game on October 15. Attendance was not as great as expected, but the crowd cheered the Buckeyes to victory.

Since our last communication, several Nobles and ladies have been hospitalized. Lady Rilla (Noble Chip Wetz) is on the mend after a bout with ulcers. Noble Kyle Gregory has had to have back-up surgery. His mother, Lady Jenetta Gregory (Noble Neil), had a hospital stay for some surgery. Noble Roger Davis has recently had a knee replaced and his Lady Martha had a pacemaker installed. Nobles George Wilson and Lyle Hanes have had hospital stays. Noble Garry Bonnette had to have some gall stones removed and is now home and recovering.

Our November meeting has been rescheduled to November 21. This is a very important meeting as we will be electing officers for 2012. Please make an effort to attend. As our December meeting is normally the day after Christmas, it has been decided to cancel this meeting.

Everyone be healthy and have a safe and joyous Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year.

PAST MASTERS

by Dick Bull

We welcome our newest reserve member, Bruce Kinsey, a Past Master of Palestine Lodge #258 in Marysville. We look forward to working together for many years.

Our annual unit's Christmas Dinner and Installation of Officers will be Monday, December 5 at Sanese Services, 6365 Busch Boulevard. John Sanborn is coordinator for this event. Details will be in our November unit newsletter.

Congratulations to Crowell Shane for his appointment as 14th District Education Officer and to Brian Bolyard for his appointment as 14th District Deputy Grand Master. Both are very dedicated Masons and will do the District proud.

Monday, November 28, is our annual unit meeting and election of officers. The nominating committee is in place and the audit committee will give its report. Executive board will meet at the Shrine Center at 7:00 p.m. followed by both the men's meeting and Ladies Auxiliary at 8:00 p.m.

Dick Bull recently received the Meritorious Service Award from Grand Commandery through Mt. Vernon Commandery #1.

We are saddened at the death of Judy Cokenough, wife of Steve who was recently installed Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. She fought the good fight for a number of months attempting to overcome the ravages of cancer. She was a staunch supporter of Steve in his Masonic endeavors and she has been administrative director for Valley of Columbus Scottish Rite Children's Dyslexia Center. Our sympathies are extended to Steve and the family.

George Finch has progressed well following his Whipple surgery for pancreatic cancer. He is now taking chemo treatments and he and Karen have decided to return to Glendale, Arizona for the winter (five months). He has coordinated appointments with all of his medical specialists and we wish him well in his recovery program.

Ebby Brewer received his 33rd jewel from Scottish Rite recently at a presentation at York Golf Club. He is now undergoing treatments to fight his esophageal cancer.

Jim Bontrager is now rehabbing for his badly broken ankle as a result of a motorcycle accident. He faces more surgery to remove pins, etc. that were used to put his foot back together.

Keep all of our distressed in your thoughts and prayers.



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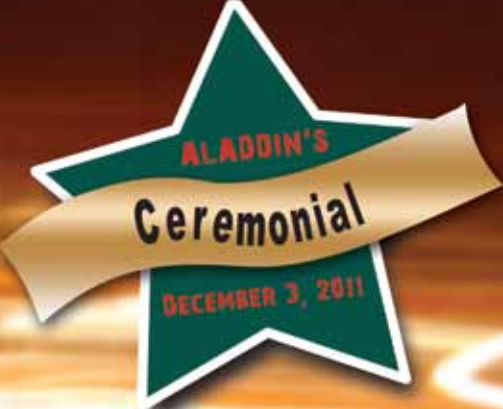
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Kambri

by Dick Brixner

Your Kambri Shrine Club held its annual steak fry on Thursday, October 20, 2011 at the Plumbers and Pipefitters Hall with 62 Nobles, their ladies, and several guests in attendance.

As we walked into the room, we were impressed with the table decorations provided by Lady Dama Ferguson. There were fancy holiday cupcakes at each place, with mums and other decorations on the tables. A truly festive setting.

Noble President Buzzy Ferguson opened the evening, welcoming all who came. He introduced and welcomed our Divan Representative David E. Wolfe and his Lady Glenda. We also had Deb Stillion and her husband, Terry, with us. Deb is the person responsible for all the mailings for our club. She does a super job and was given a big "thank you" for her efforts. We also had Charles Drubel representing the hospital as our guest.

Noble Tom Fisher provided the blessing. Dinner included delicious steaks, baked potatoes, salads, rolls, butter, and drinks. Our chefs for the evening were Nobles Dave Black and Ron LePage. Our chefs did a great job on the cooking end of the agenda. "Thanks" go to Lew Smith for the super propane grill that we use at many of our Shrine events.

Following dinner, Noble President Buzzy introduced the club officers for this year and asked them and their ladies to stand. He indicated that we have made two trips to our hospital in Erie and one trip to Meadville, PA. He thanked the Nobles who made these trips.

Noble Buzzy introduced our speaker for the evening, Captain Randy LePage, and his wife Jan. Randy has been with the Cambridge Police Department for the past 26 years, and has been captain for the last 13 years. He had a Power-Point presentation centered around local events within the police department.

The first slide was a quote: "Laws control the lesser man - right conduct controls the greater one." (Chinese proverb)

Since our Cambridge Police Department began in 1903, there have been 290 sworn officers protecting our community. Today, there are 22 officers, four dispatchers, two clerical staff, and Bosco, the department canine. Their annual budget is \$2.3 M.

Captain Randy provided some statistics – one was to investigate on the average of 500 crashes per year. They also take part in arson, fires, drug busts, and numerous crime scenes.

Noble Buzzy thanked Captain Randy and the Cambridge Police Department for all they do to keep our city safe.

Noble Buzzy had a door prize drawing for the eight mum plants that we had on the tables. He thanked everyone for attending and wished for them to have a safe trip home.

As we look ahead, watch for our Tin Lizzie Patrol at the Cambridge Christmas Parade and at the Wheeling Christmas Parade.

Nobles, be sure to mark your calendars for the following dates:
November 17 - Election of our 2012 officers will be at King Pin Lanes.
December 8 - Annual Christmas Party will be held at the Plumbers and Pipefitters Hall.
Watch your mailbox for further details.
Nobles, do you have someone you can invite into Shrine? The next Ceremonial is December 3 at Aladdin.

Other Events at Aladdin:
December 11 - Kids Christmas Party at Aladdin.

Nobles, for those of you who missed the steak fry, you not only missed a great meal, but you missed a great program, fun, and fellowship. Please plan to come to the next events and experience the Kambri Shrine Club family. See you there !

Hardin County

by Morris Johnson

The Hardin County Shrine Club held its October meeting at the Hardin Memorial Veterans Park Clubhouse in Kenton. Noble Carl Musselman opened the meeting and PP Calvin Smith gave the opening prayer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Noble Calvin Smith and Bill Estell, both Past Potentates, were in attendance from Aladdin.

There were 60 members and guests present who enjoyed a great meal put together by Nobles Walden, Gilbert, Mankey, Rice, Denny Doll, Ridgeway, Wilson, Michel, Osborn, and Garmon.

Noble Carl Musselman announced that anyone wanting a scholarship application should contact Noble Richard Walden at Sheldon Gas Company. The scholarships are announced at the December meeting.

The annual Kenton Christmas parade will be held at 10:30 a.m. on November 25 and the Shrine club will participate.

Our annual Christmas party will be held at the Hardin County Fairgrounds Community Building on December 14 at 6:00 p.m. Please note this is a change from the regular meeting night. Please fill out the form in the October newsletter that includes information on each child attending and the number of adults and submit the information to Noble Musselman.

Noble Tim Jolliff gave the closing prayer.

Flying Nobles

by Lee McKelvey

Potentate Hathaway, the Divan, and their Ladies visited our club on September 27 at the Shrine Center. Commander Kitchen did his usual good job of hosting the visitation. It is always good to see Bill Moritz and his Lady Hetty at the visitation along with PC Barry Cunningham and his Lady Vicki. Bill and Barry can't get to our regular meetings but they always try to make the Potentate's visit. PC Jack Moore and PC Lacy Toothman were also in attendance. Roy McGrew made his usual trip in from Granville to attend.

We vote for 2012 Flying Noble officers at the November meeting and they will be installed at the December meeting which will be held at the Shrine Center. We hope to see a good turnout of our members there.

I talked to PC Bob Cahill and he is feeling a little better every day after having heart surgery. We all hope Bob is back to good health as soon as possible.

PC Don LeFevour was hospitalized and then was at a rest home for a while in August but is feeling much better at this time. Stay well, Don.

The Ceremonial will be held at the Shrine Center on December 3 and if you have any potential candidates in mind, now is the time to get a petition to them.

As I write this article, the weather is just perfect for flying but it will change soon. I wanted to get up to see the color in the leaves but I didn't do it. My son invited us to come to North Carolina to see the beautiful mountain scenery; I couldn't make it but hopefully I can make it next year.

Our Lodges are back in session from the summer vacation, and if you can attend your Lodge the members will welcome you as our help is needed.

The Shrine meetings are on the third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
I hope everyone is staying well and I will do my best to be there next time.

Steubenville

by Leonard W. Morris

The Steubenville Shrine Club held its monthly stated meeting on October 6 at our home of Aladdin Land. President Dan Moffatt called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were 18 of our members plus our Aladdin Shrine Center representative, Noble Jon Kinney. The normal procedures were followed.

Our club's fundraiser was held October 29 at The Rose, owned by Lady Clara Morris. This was a dance featuring Rollback, a band playing music of the 50s - 70s.

The finances of our club are looking better. It was helped by a number of rentals of the building and the receipt of the bonus for signing for the oil and gas lease program.

The Shrine Hospital program is accomplished by Noble Jim Halstead, club chairman, Nobles assisting with transporting our children to their respective point of care, and our club member, Dave Hunt, Aladdin Shrine ASHAC representative and director on the Board of Control of Erie Hospital.

We will let you know the results of our October 29 fundraiser in the next *Lamp*.
Noble Tony Violi says hello to all of his many readers of his years of *Lamp* reporting.
Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas go to all from Steubenville. Remember a meeting is not a meeting if attendance is poor. Yours in Faith and God Bless America !

Northeast News

by Calvin Smith, PP

It has been 3 months since I have written an article about this super club. We had our annual family picnic in August where the food took second place to the "best legs" contest. Our men paraded well. I'm just happy no children were present. It could have been brutal. Movies were taken, cell phone pics were snapped, and Twitter was alive. I was told, but could not verify, that sums of money changed hands to keep these items off the Internet; some, even by wives.

Last month, we did our interpretation of strident Buckeye football fans. We wore scarlet and gray and did our inspirational best to cheer them on to victory. We had the Buckeye Brass as entertainment, and they did a rousing job with all the Buckeye football tunes. We had a very good time. The Buckeyes lost anyway.

This month, our president hosted the brown bag auction for Tabloid. Past Potentate Bill Estell was our auctioneer. Only Frank Habeker knows how much money was raised and he's not telling until he gets back from his vacation in Bermuda? We had lots of brown bags and lots of bids. Charlie Heine bid \$11.00 regardless of the bag and Bill Amspauigh bid more every time. We all helped Bill and Kathy carry their loot to their car at the end of the evening.

Our Potentate Steve Hathaway's visitation is this month. In his honor, we have a truly great treat as our entertainment. Robert Welsh is a dramatic poet who will give us several of his poems. The best of these is the "Sinking of the Indianapolis." You simply must hear this gentleman. I have heard him and he is spell binding. If you want to learn a little about this World War II disaster, you are going to have to look it up on Google. I'll not give it away.

Make your reservation with Frank Habeker and be prepared to thoroughly enjoy this evening with the Northeast Shrine Club – Friday November 18 at sixish.

Bucyrus *by Gene Diller*

Club Welcomes Potentate Steve Hathaway



Club President Kenneth Bell welcomed Aladdin Shrine Potentate Steve Hathaway, the Divan, and their guests. The special night opened with prayer lead by Noble Chaplain Zale Maxwell. Bucyrus President Noble Kenneth Bell led the Nobles and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Gus's Grill and Grog Restaurant Bucyrus

prepared Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, peas, cake, and pie.

Bucyrus Club President Kenneth Bell introduced the Bucyrus Shrine Club officers and lovely wives. President Bell presented Potentate Hathaway's lovely Lady Betsy with a famous Picking's Copper bucket.

President Bell introduced Potentate Steve Hathaway. Potentate Hathaway introduced his lovely wife, Betsy and introduced Bucyrus' Divan Representative Assistant Rabban William Amspaugh who then introduced the Divan of Aladdin Shrine.

Lovely Lady Betsy Hathaway announced she started a fund for Shriners Hospital patients with cleft lip and palate problems.

Potentate Steve Hathaway presented two Meritorious Service Awards. The first one was awarded to Noble Gene Diller for his many years as secretary of Bucyrus Shrine Club. The second Meritorious Service was given to Noble Pete Roll. Noble Roll was Bucyrus Shrine Club's treasurer for many years. He also keeps Bucyrus Shrine Club supplied with many needs.

Potentate Hathaway presented another award. The award was given to Noble Dr. Keith Blair.

KENTUCKY COLONELS

by Ron Fraser

President Bivens opened the meeting by asking Col. Don Lynne to give the invocation and to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Bivens asked for a moment of silence in memory of Colonels Sherm Seydler and Ralph Mahaffey, Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

Colonels Cecil Moore and Jim Hoops were reported on the sick list. The members including P.P. Cal Smith, Chief Rabban Mike Tyne, and guests enjoyed a great lunch. After lunch, President Bivens introduced the officers of the club and asked past presidents to stand and give the year they were president.

Following the business meeting, President Bivens displayed the shirts with the Kentucky Colonels logo that will be available for purchase as a fundraiser. Ball caps and medals will be available as soon as prices are received. First Vice President Jim Smith took orders for the shirts. He has the price of the shirts but is waiting to find out the cost of having your name embroidered. President Bivens spoke of having a pizza and salad night with no business to be conducted so that Colonels who cannot make the lunch meetings could have a get together.

President Bivens introduced Chief Rabban Mike Tyne who spoke on the Halloween Party at the Shrine Center. He spoke of his trip to Europe next year and said there were eighty people already signed to go. In addition, he reminded everyone that the Imperial Potentate would be coming to the Aladdin Car Show next August. He hoped everyone would do his best to support it with a good attendance to welcome the Imperial Potentate.

President Bivens closed the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and asking Col. Lynne to give the benediction.

Thea Court

by B. J. Gischler, PHP

It's holiday time!

By the time you read this article, the only meeting of LOSNA in November, our CEREMONIAL on Saturday, November 12, will be over and we will have some new members to join in our activities. We will have Fun Night, Monday, November 21, stated meeting night. You don't have to be a member of LOSNA to participate in eating, card and game playing, or just good conversation. If you want to join us for dinner, the time is 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at a cost of \$12.00. Call Carolyn Dickson, 614-214-9863, for dinner reservations. There is no charge for anything else. Then, we are ready to have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

So we can get ready for Christmas and New Year's Eve, our December meeting is on the third Friday of the month, December 16, with lunch at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

There will be NO FUN NIGHT in December, leaving time for shopping, baking and decorating. B. J. Gischler, PHP

The award was for all Dr. Blair did for the Aladdin and the Shriners at Imperial.

Aladdin Chief Rabban Noble Michael D. Tyne announced some of the coming events for the year 2012.

The Hims Men sang some great songs for the entertainment.

On October 13, Assistant Rabban William R. Amspaugh, President Noble Kenneth Bell, and Noble Gene Diller met at Bucyrus High School for a children's safety night. A part of the safety night was the Bucyrus Firemen's Safety Kids Play House. The money for this house was donated by Shriners ASHAC. Bucyrus City Fire Department Fireman Steve Sargel presented a great educational demonstration for fire prevention and safety. The house is great in demonstrating the safety for families in handling



emergencies for fires and other life safety issues for children. Fireman Sargel was invited to display the Safety Kids Play House at the Potentate's visit. As Assistant Rabban Amspaugh commented, if the play house can save one child's life, it will be worth every penny.

Next Bucyrus Shrine Club meeting will be November 28.

Pickaway

by Jim Willeford

Where do you know that in 5 days you can sell 170 pumpkin pies, 900 dozen pumpkin donuts, Pumpkin Joe to account for 300 lbs. of hamburger, and 175 lbs. of shredded chicken? Yep, you got it; the ole' Circleville Pumpkin Show has been very good to the Pickaway Shrine.

Chicken cookers and shredders met on one Saturday and got everything ready. What a day! Thanks go to all members who helped the preparation and the sale of all those goods. Considering we had some cold, rainy, and windy days we did very well.

If you weren't at the show, you missed a good festival and a fine Shrine parade on Friday night. Most, if not all, Aladdin groups were represented, but I was a little disappointed in the participation from the outlying clubs, including both this club and Ross County. Kudos go to the Provost Unit for allowing little old me to march with them. It gives you a lift to march in the parade and understand that a lot of the people watching know that we are not about ourselves, but about the children we can help. Maybe we can get better attendance from the local clubs next year, guys, and don't forget – love them pumpkin donuts.

More News: The scholarship winner is Travis Michael Riffle. His proud stepfather, John Rhoades, is an active member of the Pickaway Shrine (and John's wife made some great potato soup for our meeting). We're glad we could do this and anticipate continuing this scholarship for many years to come. Travis will be at our next meeting to accept the scholarship and get some pictures taken. Congratulations, Travis!

Our Very Own Celebrity: We have a modest, unassuming celebrity at our club. On November 10, Ned Young will be inducted into the State of Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame. Ned is a World War II veteran, a 65-year Mason, and past president of our club. This honor is not only due for his service in the South Pacific, but also for his community involvement. He has been quite active in the local Soldiers Monumental Association and the Amanda-Clearcreek Alumni Association. If there is an electrical question that you need answered, Ned's the guy in this neck of the woods. Congratulations, Ned!

Wanted: We're still looking for cheap, (or better yet donated) crane time to erect our new lights. We have a lead on this and are following up at this time. We have a lead on cheaply replacing a 16' X 50' length of concrete in front of the club. Gads, our members are great.

Special Thanks: This may have been mentioned here before, but the contribution of our Ladies Auxiliary Unit that removed a giant debt from our club, deserves mentioning again. Paying off the heating and air conditioning loan for the building has allowed us to contribute more to the Shrine Hospital to benefit the kids. A great "big thank" you goes to all these hard working ladies.

Rex Emerick, our current president, is resting well at home after his first chemo treatment. I understand that he's had a blood transfusion and faces more chemo.

Mark Hoffman, another member, is undergoing some testing and our thoughts are with him. On November 5, the Red Cross had a blood drive at our club.



Time to think about Thanksgiving and the holiday season. Our Christmas Party, ladies night, scholarship awards, and installation of officers for 2012 will be coming up on Sunday, December 4, at Ann and Tony's Restaurant in West Jefferson. We will need reservations and you will receive a newsletter this month with all the details.

Our October visit with the Potentate, his Divan, and all the ladies was a delightful event. It was nice to see everyone in Ohio State Buckeye attire. Prizes were awarded to Bob Phillips, Cheryl Jones, and Art Groves for their very original and creative costumes. Judging was done by a Divan member (who shall be nameless) who was an Ohio University alum.

Irv Denune is home after a 19-day-stay in the hospital and is able to take phone calls. Gene Dew has had some health problems but it is reported that he is holding his own. Jim Murphy is able to be out and about with help. Ron Martino is leaving for Florida late in December and is able to get around pretty well. Please keep these members on your prayer list. Please notify any officer of any sick or distressed members. We want to support and assist them in any way possible and we can't do that if you don't communicate.

Plans are being made to "ring the bell" for Salvation Army at the Westland Kroger Store during November and December. David Ray will be contacting you to participate. Call David (539-9008) and he will find you a spot. Better still, come out to the Kroger store and drop a coin or a bill in the bucket and support this very worthy cause.

Look for the Fez Jugs at local merchants and tell them you appreciate their support for our kids. Duane Hivnor and his crew, David Ray and Al Williams, do a fantastic job and we have a great head start for Tabloid 2012.

Thanks for listening and see you at the December meeting.

Aladdin Patrol Marches on... by Matthew Long

As the weather turns colder, it is time to prepare for the upcoming Ceremonial on December 3. There is a need for assistance with the Patrol's Ceremonial duties. Also, remember to keep in mind any potential candidates for the upcoming Ceremonial. The Patrol pizza party was held at Plank's in October and a good time was had by all who attended.

Our very own Captain Emeritus Arlan Thorley is feeling a little under the weather these days as he is currently undergoing chemotherapy for throat cancer. He is doing very well and is in good spirits. We truly wish him the best of health and a speedy recovery.

Speaking of captains, Matthew Long's twin step-sons have been deployed to Afghanistan and they are serving as radiology technicians for the Army. Please keep Joshua and Jacob Reissig and all of our military service men and women in your prayers as they serve in defending our freedom.

A bit of good news is that one of my favorite Patrolman, Jack Judd, had the privilege to travel to Washington D.C. via the Honor Flight and visited the World War II Memorial. As of November 2010, this organization has provided transportation and assistance to over 63,000 veterans of World War II, Korea, and Vietnam to see the memorials built in their honor. They serve as a constant reminder of the sacrifices made to keep this great nation free. Listening to Jack talk of this trip with such joy brought tears to my eyes. Please keep Jack in your prayers as his health is slowly failing him. As of the writing of this article, Jack's son has recently moved him from the Lake Erie residence to his home near Sunbury, Ohio. Unfortunately, he will not be spending his usual winter in Florida due to his health.

I am happy to report that Jan Doss will be joining her daughter, Danny, in Texas for the coming winter months. We wish her well. We can call Jan this winter and swap stories about the temperatures in Ohio and Texas.

Finally, to all members of the Patrol, ladies and friends, may your holiday season be richly blessed and may you all stay safe and warm in the coming months.

If you know of any news about our members or information that should be shared, please contact Matthew Long at Longmb@aol.com or 614-595-6262.

Just Clowning Around by Wayne "Wayno" Shriver

The bus was ready to leave for the GLSCUA competition and one clown was missing. The clowns could not leave him behind as John "SKATES" Knoepfler was to be installed as GLSCUA's Sergeant of Arms while at the competition. The clowns continued to wait as "Skates" received a stern warning from his wife before boarding the bus. "No hanging out with his friends – Jack, Jim, Jose and Bud on this trip. No breaking of body parts, and most importantly, remember to take smaller bites and chew 32 times before swallowing."

Competitions bring out the best and sometimes the worst in all clowns. Not just by overindulging while having fun, but in attitude, as well. Despite having made every preparation to the best of your ability, and just knowing you are going to win, you do not even place! Frustrating isn't it?

But really who cares? That is not the true intent of competition. Winning is nice, but competition is really for reuniting with old friends and making new ones. It is having a good time while learning new things and improving oneself.

Most importantly, competitions are a gathering of like-minded people whose common goal is to better the lives of children dealt a difficult hand in the game of life. As long as we all remember that, we all win!

Now that I am off my soapbox, let me announce how our clowns fared.

- 1st place White Face - Bill "STEINS" Amspaugh
- 2nd place White Face - Tom "BRUSHES" Wade
- 1st Place Character - Greg "POZI" Osborne
- 2nd Place Character - Mike "BUCKETHEAD" Clark
- 1st Place Paradability - Bill "STEINS" Amspaugh

And may I have a drum roll please?

GLSUA CLOWN OF THE YEAR - Aladdin Boss Clown, Bobby "TUITT" Barton

As for other news, for the first time that anyone can remember (and trust me, we have some very old clowns in the unit) the Aladdin Clown Unit received the SILENT MESSENGER AWARD! This award is presented by the Shiners' Hospitals for Children in honor of raising more than \$500.00 in Tabloid sales. Way to go team!

I would like to thank Charlie "Punkin" Heine for the time he has served as the assistant director of the Clown Unit. Charlie is stepping down, effective immediately, for personal reasons.

I would like to congratulate two clowns for taking on additional unit responsibilities. First, Greg "Pozi" Osborne will replace Charlie Heine as the new assistant director. Second, Randy "Curly" Bope will replace Greg Osborne as the new apprentice education director. Please give your support to these fine brothers.

I need to congratulate our own George "Z-Klown" Mather. He has thrown his hat into the ring for the El Zariba Shrine in Arizona. He has been chosen to be in their Divan line. George did have to demit from Aladdin to take this new responsibility. George will remain an associate member of Aladdin and become a veteran member of the Clown Unit. We wish George the best of luck and know that he will do very well.

On a more somber note, we have several brothers who are under the weather. I want to give a special shout out to Fuzzy, Stretch, and Ears. All three of these brothers are dealing with their own health issues. Please remember all of these Joeys in your prayers.

As a final note, remember to visit your Blue Lodge once in awhile. Your help and input is always greatly needed.

Worthington by Bob Stevenson

As you read this, I will be ready to play the Christmas song, "All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth" for my 7-year-old granddaughter. While in reality, that is probably the last thing she wants as a gift, one look at her smile and you know she'll get them fairly soon. It also means it's time for both Thanksgiving and then a week later on December 1, 2011, the Worthington Shrine Club Christmas dinner. As in the past, we ask each of you to bring an UNWRAPPED toy or gift for a child in our hospitals in Cincinnati, Erie, and Lexington. What a great way to start the holiday season – good friends, good food in a beautiful setting. Seeing all the gifts under the large Brookside Christmas tree is a true joy. That evening we will install our officers for the coming year and say 'thanks' to those who led us the past year. Entertainment will be by Steve Ball who will provide holiday music and stories of The Civil War. It will be an enjoyable and timely program in this 150th anniversary of that most "un"civil event. Look for details, times, and meals in the next newsletter.

Nobles and Ladies, it has been a great year. We did very well in Tabloid, had good turnout for Muirfield, and have had a steady attendance at meetings. With the advent of 2012, we must add new Nobles to our rolls, Christmas Dinner being a great evening to introduce a Master Mason to Shrine. We need to do more for Tabloid and those assignments need to be filled for the Memorial Tournament. We also need ideas for new activities and gaining more participation in Aladdin activities. The more involved we become, the more involved we become!

Best wishes for a wonderful Thanksgiving, we have so very, very much to be thankful for.



Aladdin Shrine Band

by Dave Haney

Green Eyes and I are here in the garret to compose the latest epic. It certainly is now officially fall – it's colder, the days are getting shorter and the shadows longer. Leaves are everywhere. Who invented that leaf falling stuff anyway? Probably the same guy that invented snow! Just wait until daylight savings time ends in November. Won't be any daylight left. Sunrise 8:30 a.m. and sunset 8:35 a.m. Cheer up! Winter and Christmas are only 60 days away. Nelson is getting out of here just until, as he says, "The whole thing blows over."

Just for the record, we did not lose any more equipment in Circleville except for Jim Strouse and Fred Hower who had their fezes admired by some ladies of questionable purportrude. Plumbers just are not to be trusted!

Speaking of cold, did any you varmints come up with the origination of the phrase, "Cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey?" Well, for those bent on proving this is a very improper phrase, here is the answer:

Back in the day of sailing ships, all warships carried iron cannon balls. It was necessary to keep these things near the cannon. However, how do you keep them things from rolling around the deck? The best they could come up with was a square pyramid with one ball on the top, resting four, resting on nine, which rested on sixteen. If you majored in math you now know that this permits thirty cannon balls to be stacked in a very small area right next to the cannon.

Problem, smart guy! How do you keep the bottom row from sliding or rolling out form under all them others? Solution: There was a plate under the bottom row with sixteen round indentations called a Monkey. Problem solved, right? Wrong, cannon ball brain! It was quickly discovered that an iron monkey would rust and the iron cannon balls would rust to it. You would lose your balls that way or they would rust and not be very useful. That is a very serious problem! Enter, stage left, the monkey made of brass. Aha! Now we have it, right? Wrong again, brass brain. The brass monkey would contract much faster than iron in the cold weather, so when it got really cold, the brass indentations would shrink so much that the iron cannon balls would come right off the monkey. Thus, it was quite literally, "cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey?" Stay out of the cold stuff!

Licking County

by Franklin Boner

Once again, the Black Camel has visited the Nobles of Licking County and removed from our midsts are Nobles James Fields and William "Bill" Young. Our prayers and sympathy go to their families.

By the time you read this, we will have enjoyed our first Thursday noon lunch prepared by Sheryl and Louie at the Grotto, the end of daylight savings time, election day, and Friday, November 11, Veterans Day. If you enjoyed the freedom to vote for whomever and whatever, thank any of the many military veterans of our club! We celebrate Thanksgiving on November 24. On behalf of Nobel President Richard Carter, the officers and trustees of the Licking County Shrine Club, we wish each and everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. The 31" of snow that fell on parts of the east coast the last weekend of October reminded us that winter in Ohio will soon be upon us.

On Friday, December 9, the Potentate of Aladdin Shrine, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and ladies will be our guests at our Annual Christmas Gala at the Teheran Grotto. The menu will feature prime rib or chicken, hors d'oeuvres and all the trimmings for a meager \$15.00 each. Hors d'oeuvres are at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. Awards and other presentations will follow. Reservations and meal choice are required and may be made by calling Secretary Noble Ed Roberts, 614-560-2691, Noble Presidebt Richard Carter, 740-924-3954 or me at 740-345-0828.

Be sure to keep all of our ill Nobles and families in your prayers. If you know of any one experiencing health difficulties, please let us know! Have a Happy Thanksgiving and tell some one you love them.

Ross County

by David Duckworth

Greetings from Ross County! Our October meeting was well attended with a total of 58 Nobles and our special guest and Divan Representative 2nd Ceremonial Master Jon Kinney.

The month of October is always a very busy month for our club with elections of officers, the Halloween parade, and prep days for our annual spaghetti dinner.

The results of our election of officers for next year are President David Duckworth, Vice President Dan Riddle, Secretary Bobby Anderson, Treasurer Rob Coolidge, Holding Corporation Ron Miner, John Bivens, and Roger Remy, Board of Directors Steve Davis and Jim Newland.

On a sad note, the deaths of Nobles Jack C. Noel and Ralph L. Mahaffey were reported. These Nobles will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved them.

Dates to remember:

November 19: Thanksgiving and Appreciation Dinner

December 3: Aladdin Fall Ceremonial

December 17: Christmas Dinner

Please call in your reservations to Secretary Dan Riddle at 740-773-7433.

Now, if you believe that, I have a bridge in New York I am trying to sell cheap. Call 1-800-Dum-Brass to enter your bid. I did, however, call the brass monkey just to check this out. The brass monkey has moved to Aruba and ain't coming back for the next five months. Should tell you something, you big dummy!

If you kept last month's article, check out the bottom of the birdcage for the schedule. Time for elections and getting ready for the Ladies Christmas Party and New Year's Eve.

Board Stuff: The executive board (who actually believe they run things) has been hard at work updating the bylaws and the constitution for the band. Tom Fletcher and his merry band have a proposal for consideration by the whole band. A vote is proposed for November 29. Start running the ads on TV and send out the mailers. Copies will be distributed to the band at practices and mailed out to the rest of you plumbers. Good piece of very necessary work, you guys!

Visitation-Party: The annual Christmas party and Potentate's Visitation will be Tuesday, December 13 at Worthington Hills Country Club. Social hour is 6 p.m. Cash for the booze. Appetizers will be provided followed by, to quote president Tom, "Exciting vocal music entertainment." (I didn't know Rita from Chicago could sing?) Dinner will follow. Dress (I don't have one of those.) is business casual. No Nike sweats?

Bell Ringing: It is back on for this season so get out the parkas and the brandy. Put the antifreeze in those horns. We will be at the Kroger store in Westerville on Sunbury Road beginning on Thanksgiving and through the holidays. Get on the schedule you varmints. Word has it that this has been well received and expected by store visitors. Imagine that!

Next Month's Word Puzzle: Do any of you know where the expression, "Chairman of the Board," came from? I didn't think so. Answer will appear in next month's exciting article. For those of you who can't wait, you can call me. I won't tell you, but you can call anyway!

Intelligent Question From History: Did Noah have a woodpecker on the ark?

Paraprosdokian: If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong!

Green eyes has given up and so do I. Next time you sorry things!



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Annual Holiday Fundraiser



2011 Cheese& Nut Sale

Great Prices and Great Products for Holiday Gifts or Personal Use

2 lb. Tub Wisconsin Cheddar Spread (Gift Bag) - \$12.00

1.5 lb. Troyers Trail Bologna Ring - \$6.00

12 oz. Salted Pecan Halves (gift bag) - \$7.00

12 oz. Cinnamon Pecans (gift bag) - \$7.00

8 oz. Glazed Pecan (gift bag) - \$6.50

12 oz. Jalapeno Pepper Cheese (yellow) - \$4.50

12 oz. Ohio Pepper Jack(white) - \$4.50

12 oz. Smoked Cheddar - \$4.50

12 oz. Parmesan - \$6.00

2 lb. Ohio Colby Round – \$9.50

2 lb. Ohio Baby Swiss – \$9.50

12 oz. Ohio Lacey Baby Swiss – \$4.50

12 oz. X-Sharp White Cheddar - \$7.00

12 oz. Horseradish Cheese - \$4.50

12 oz. Ohio Co-Jack (Marble) – \$4.50

12 oz. Ohio Provolone – \$4.50

12 oz. Ohio Smoked Swiss - \$4.50



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Saturday, December 31

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6:00 Social Hour

7:00 Dinner

9:00 Band

Formal Attire or Dark Suit



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Member No. _____

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#Tickets _____ Amount Due _____

☐ Will Call

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To guarantee seating at same table, use one reservation form for entire party.

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