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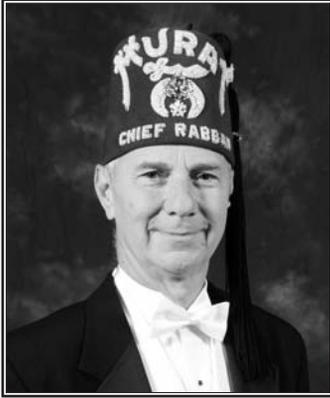


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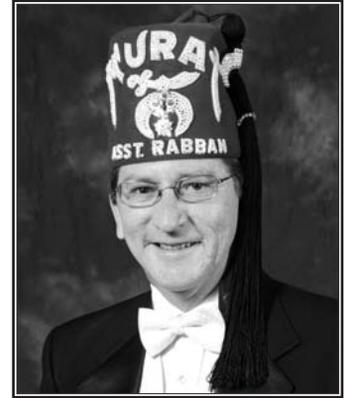
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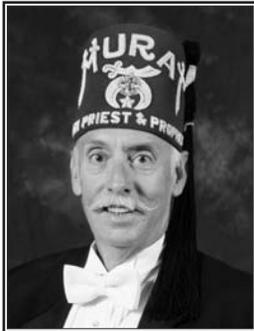
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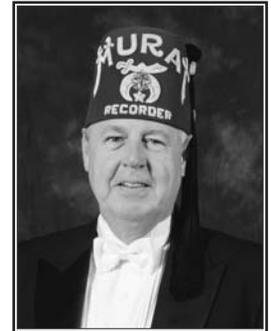
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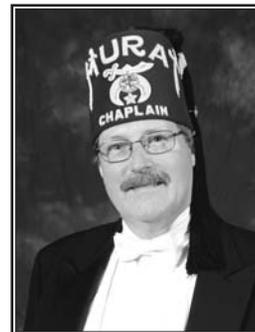
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POTENTATE MESSAGE

Together We Will...

What a great honor and privilege it is to be the 98th Potentate of Murat Shrine! I sincerely appreciate the confidence you have placed in me to be Potentate in 2009.

This is a historic year for Murat Shrine. One hundred twenty-five years ago, on June 4, 1884, Murat Shrine was chartered as the 17th Shrine temple in North America. It is my plan to have several events this year to commemorate this historic anniversary.

In addition to commemorating our 125th anniversary, Debbie and I have, hopefully, put together a fun year with a purpose. The 2009 theme is "Together We Will ..." The sentence is incomplete because there are many things we will do, and the sentence will be completed each time we focus on a mission, project, etc.

There is another personal reason for the selection of this year's theme. In 1997, Robert Emerson Hancock, Jr., PGM was Murat's Potentate. Illustrious Sir Bob's theme for that year was "Together It Happens!" It is appropriate that I honor Illustrious Sir Bob with a theme similar to his. It is also appropriate that the 2009 theme is incomplete just as his life and his mission to promote Masonry, the Rites and Shrine was incomplete.

Illustrious Sir Bob was my Shrine grandfather as he appointed Edgar McGonigal to the Divan. When Illustrious Sir Ed became Potentate in 2003, he appointed me to the Divan. It is now my privilege to appoint Timothy J. Murphy to the Divan line. Coincidentally, Illustrious Sir Bob and Worshipful Brother Tim are both Past Masters of Calvin W. Prather Lodge No. 717, F. & A.M.

Now, enough about the past! Let's focus on the future of Murat Shrine. This year, "Together We Will Have Fun with a Purpose!" To me, the purpose of the Shrine is twofold. We work hard to promote and support our 22 Shriners Hospitals, but we cannot lose sight of fun and fellowship! I want to focus this year on developing an atmosphere of enjoying what we do, wherever we do it. That applies to our Clubs and Units, travels, parades, Stated Meetings, etc. When we have fun, it spills over to our enthusiasm for the Shrine and encourages us to go out to get new nobles to enjoy what we enjoy! I encourage every Club and

Unit to do or go to several "fun" events this year, and we want to hear about them in our magazine or Stated Meetings.

Debbie and I have a full calendar for 2009. We want to be involved in as many activities as possible. The complete 2009 calendar is on the Murat Web site, www.muratshrine.org. Some of the specific activities in the first part of the year are: the Leadership Seminar and Florida Visitation in January, the "Little Pig" and Ladies Dinner in February, the Murat Shrine Circus and Potentate's Ball in March, the Smoky Mountain Fun Fest fundraiser for Kerbela Shrine in May, the Indianapolis 500 and Imperial Potentate Doug Maxwell's visit in May.

Ceremonials are planned for April 4 (a One-Day Class), June 6 (combined with a 125th anniversary celebration), August 16 at the Indiana Masonic Home Festival, and December 5.

The Imperial Shrine Session in San Antonio is July 5-9. It is a fantastic, exciting city, and we have a great hotel right on the famous Riverwalk.

From May 29 to June 2, we will have a "Tennessee Sounds" bus trip to Nashville and Memphis, TN. From October 1 through 4, we will have a "New York City Getaway" trip. In addition, Debbie has a day trip scheduled for the ladies, and I have planned a day trip to Cincinnati for a baseball game. Also on the calendar is a car show, a "cruise" on Lake Freeman, a Scotch tasting combined with a ladies' activity, Band Nights, Great Lakes Shrine weekend, and several surprises yet to come. Fun, Fun, Fun!

Sometime in January, you will receive one of my Potentate's pins in the mail. Included will be a request for a donation for Shriners Hospitals for Children. I hope you will respond to the request and help Murat Shrine make a large donation to our Hospitals. None of the net profits will be retained by Murat.

Thank you again for the great opportunity to serve our Shrine and the Hospitals. "Together We Will ..."

George E. Proctor
Illustrious Potentate

George E. Proctor

George E. Proctor, Plainfield, IN, was elected as the 98th Potentate of Murat Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. at the Annual Meeting held on December 15, 2008. A noble of Murat Shrine since 1977, he was appointed as Outer Guard by Illustrious Sir Edgar R. McGonigal, P.P. in 2003.

George was born in Richmond, KY, the son of Ralph and Elizabeth Proctor. His father was an active member of Oleika Shriners in Lexington, KY, where he was the leader in membership development for many years. George received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Eastern Kentucky University, where he served as National Alumni Association president in 1985-86. After post-graduate studies at the University of Kentucky, he spent 10 years in secondary education as an instructor of English, speech and theatre.

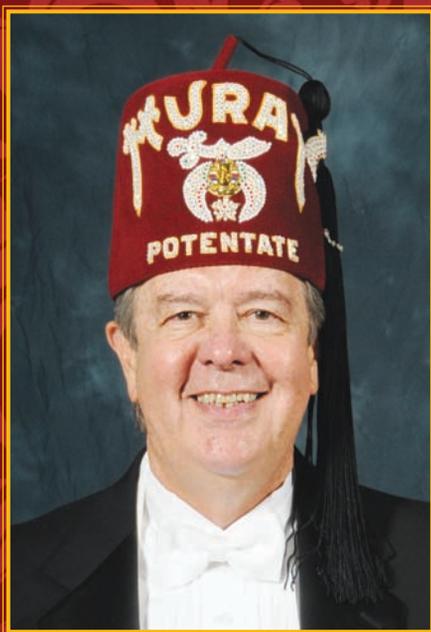
George and his wife Debbie live in Plainfield, IN, and have two sons. Andy, an IU graduate, lives in New York City where he is employed by Island Def Jam Music Group as associate manager. Matthew, a Murat Shriner and Franklin College graduate, lives in Nashville, TN, where he is employed by the Gaylord Corporation in the hospitality industry.

Debbie, an IU graduate, is employed by Duke Energy Corporation as manager, Indiana Regulatory and Public Affairs. Debbie's uncle, Ill. Sir John R. Nichols, served as Potentate of Murat Shrine in 1987.

George has been the executive director of the Indiana Masonic Home Foundation since 1993. Previously he was a human resource administrator for nearly 20 years, serving as vice president of two Indiana manufacturing firms, Farm Fans, Inc. in Indianapolis and PK USA in Shelbyville.

George is vice chairman emeritus of the Lexington Shriners Hospital for Children where he served 11 years on the board of directors and chaired the Human Resource Committee for six years.

George, a third generation Mason, was raised in Irvington Lodge No. 666, F. & A.M. in 1976 and is currently a member of Plainfield Lodge No. 653, F. & A.M. and St. Luke Lodge No. 761, F. & A.M. where he served as Worshipful Master in 2003 and 2004. His son Matt is a member of Plainfield Lodge No. 653. He is also proud that his Shrine fraternal fam-



ily for five generations, beginning with Ill. Sir William S. Spyr and including his appointment of Timothy Murphy, are all Past Masters.

He is a Past Commander in Chief of the Indiana Consistory S.P.R.S., Valley of Indianapolis, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. George was crowned a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason in Boston, MA, in 1993. He is a Past President of the Indianapolis 33rd Association and is currently Master of Ceremonies for the Indiana Council of Deliberation.

George has served the Grand Lodge as a member of the Indiana Masonic Home Board of Directors and is currently the Master of Ceremonies for the Grand Lodge of Indiana. He is a member of the Grand Lodge Insurance Committee, the Public Relations Committee, and currently is the chairman of the Indiana Freemason Committee. He is the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Indiana to Sao Paulo, Brazil.

George is a member of all three York Rite Bodies, Chapter, Council and Commandery. He is only the second Murat Potentate to receive the Knight Commander of the Temple (KCT) Award from Indiana Grand Commandery.

He is a member and Past Puissant Sovereign of St. James Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. George is a recipient of the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor.

He is the Chief Adept of the Indiana College and on the International High Council of Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis, an honorary Masonic Order. Other Masonic memberships include: National Sojourners, Order of the Eastern Star, Allied Masonic Degrees, Royal Order of Scotland, and Indianapolis High Twelve Club.

George has been a member of the Murat Dramatic Cast since 1977 and has appeared in almost every first section of the ceremonials since that time. He has served on and chaired the Murat Personnel, Membership and Public Relations Committees. He belongs to the Kentucky Colonels, Police Club, Murat Horse Patrol, Highlanders, NextGen (OFE), Order of the "Q," Corvette, Flying Fezzes, Hillbillies, Business Connection and Reception Units and is a member of Hendricks Co., Boone Co. and Johnson Co. Clubs. In 2000, he was named "Man of the Year" by Kowad 'Al Sabikin.

Timothy J. Murphy

Timothy J. Murphy has been appointed Outer Guard of the Murat Divan by 2009 Potentate George Proctor. Murphy has served as Murat Chaplain since 2005. Potentate George Proctor also announced Murphy's appointment as Membership Chairman for Murat.

Tim is a Past President of the Murat Chanters and sings tenor with the Murat Barbershop Quartet.

Tim was raised in Calvin W. Prather Lodge No. 717 where he served as Worshipful Master in 2003.

A native of Columbus, OH, and a graduate of The Ohio State University, Tim is no stranger to the fraternity world. He served as Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of Tau Kappa Epsilon International Fraternity (the world's largest men's collegiate fraternity with more than 240 chapters and 240,000 members) from 1996–2000. In TKE, Tim is also a Past Grand Officer, is a charter member of Life Loyal Teke, and is the recipient of the Grand Prytanis Award and the Order of the Silver Maple Leaf.

Having attained his "CAE" certification (Certified Association Executive) from the American Society of Association Executives, he serves as CEO of the Indiana Lumber & Builders' Supply Association, one of Indiana's oldest continuously-operating trade associations.



In addition, he and his lady Leslie, also a Certified Association Executive, are principals of the Raybourn Group International, an association management firm headquartered on Indianapolis's North Side, specializing in full-service management to national and international trade and professional associations.

Prior to engaging association management as a full-time profession, he spent 11 years as a funeral director and embalmer in Akron, OH.

Active as a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Tim is currently serving as Chancellor of the Indiana Consistory S.P.R.S., Valley of Indianapolis, where he has served for the past 10 years as a member of the Make-Up Committee for the Scottish Rite Convocations.

Tim is a member of the Prather York Rite Bodies, and he chairs the Grand Lodge Government Relations Committee under Grand Master Jeffery P. Zaring.

Tim is also an *Inhalte die Corpsschleiffe* (member) of the Corps Franconia Darmstadt, one of the oldest and most prestigious fraternal societies in Germany; past president of the Indiana Society of Association Executives; and a long-time member of The Columbia Club of Indianapolis.

He and his lady Leslie reside on Indianapolis's North Side with their two cocker spaniels, Abby and Casey.

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Welcome to 2009! It's a new year and many Clubs/Units will be planning their fundraising events. I would like to remind all nobles of the MURAT FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES AND PROCEDURES:

FRATERNAL – Fraternal fundraising by CLUBS or UNITS (defined as events to raise funds for the benefit of the Club or Unit) must have written approval by the Potentate of Murat for EVERY Fundraising Event.

CHARITABLE – Charitable fundraising by CLUBS or UNITS (defined as events to raise funds for such purposes as Shriners Hospitals for Children or for transportation of patients) must have written approval by the Potentate of Murat,

the Imperial Potentate, and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

THIRD-PARTY – Charitable fundraising (defined as events to raise funds for such purposes as Shriners Hospitals for Children or for transportation of patients) must have written approval by the Imperial Potentate and the Chairman of the Board of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

USE OF NAME "SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN" – The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any fundraising activity by a temple or noble without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate and the

Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hospitals is PROHIBITED.

Third-party fundraisers could involve local businesses, individuals or groups, including any entity that is not an official unit of a Shrine temple. The provisions shown above pertain to all such fundraising. No third-party FRATERNAL fundraiser would be allowed to have a Shrine donation jar that indicates donations would go to Shriners Hospitals for Children, transportation of patients or similar purposes.

If you have any questions, please contact the Recorder at the Fraternal Office.

Corvette Club

Powers Hapgood

Well, the holidays are over and it's time to get back to work. Our new officers for 2009 are Rod Kyle as President, Pip Hapgood as First Vice President, and Gary Cleveland as Second Vice President. We can only hope to be as competent and helpful as our previous leaders.

We welcome new members Willie and Sharon Baugh into the Club. They are in for some great fun—hope they are up for it.

The Club voted to support the Bicycle and Bond Program with a donation. We also made a sizable contribution to the Transportation Fund.

During the busy holidays, we slipped in a few fun things, the first being the lighting of the Brown County Christmas tree. Thanks to Harry Bond for our special part in the event. We also participated in the Children's Christmas Party. And lastly, all enjoyed fun and fellowship at our own Corvette Club Christmas Party held at Bynum's Steak House on December 6.

When starting a new year, a lot of resolutions are made and a few are actually kept. We hope that some resolutions kept include fellowship to all, belief in our hospitals and all they do to help our kids, success with our Transportation Club Fund and finally, the promise to love and care for our Corvettes. Seriously, we love having fellowship in our different Clubs, but we all know the reason we are here is to support our Hospitals and care for each other.

Heading into the New Year, we are looking forward to our parades, parties and trips. We have a great group of people and enjoy being together. We appreciate the work Rod Kyle has agreed to do for us. Gary Cleveland will be in charge of our parades and after his work with them last year, I can tell you from experience that it will keep him busy and out of trouble. To keep you informed of our antics (I mean our good deeds), I will be in charge of this monthly newsletter.

We are already looking forward to our Gatlinburg parade. It is a long weekend of fun, from the moment we meet up at Cracker Barrel until the race home on Sunday. We are hoping to continue the out of town parades as well as the car shows. Mid America puts on a nice show, as well as Bloomington Gold.

Also, let's keep in mind the Shrine Circus will be needing our help. Please sign up for anything you are able to do.

Arab Patrol

Jim Monroe

The Arab Patrol would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year that is very prosperous for family, friends and everyone else. The Patrol is getting ready for next year's events. We will have the 2009 officers in place at the time of this article, but they will not be nominated and voted into office until after this article is written, thus still unknown at time of publication.

The Patrol would like to thank the 2008 officers for a great year of service to the Unit: President Ray Miller, Vice President Bill Sparks, Treasurer Ron Fannin, Captain Mike Long, Secretary Jim Monroe, and Quartermaster Wade Yensel. The Patrol had a pretty good year in 2008 thanks to the officers and a lot of help from all the other members of the Patrol Unit. We had a lot of fun and did a lot of things to benefit the "KIDS," as this has always been our mission.

A lot of the Patrol members helped out the Police Club with their first reverse raffle, which turned out to be a big success for their Unit.

We have had a few of our members down with some health issues and hope that the New Year will help get them all feeling better. Anyone wanting to join a fun and active Unit, we meet the first Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

"She Is God's Gift to Us"

GORDON J HUSK

During a recent interview for this story, George Campbell said, "Lynne and I married later in life, and we desperately wanted children." After two pregnancies that ended in miscarriages, a baby was born three months before the due date. Doctors told the parents the baby would probably never be able to move on her own.

After only six months of gestation, a baby often has little chance of survival. This baby, named Loretta, was diagnosed with cerebral palsy caused by premature birth. Several other complications were involved with the cerebral palsy. Loretta is deaf and had a feeding tube inserted which will remain in her stomach until she is able to eat solid food.

Loretta was born December 28, 1989, and remained in a special-care nursery until December 7, 1990. She later made frequent visits to a children's rehabilitation center. During all that time, George and Lynne spent part of nearly every day at the child's bedside. George says taking Loretta to their home was "the happiest day of my life."

At age 73, George continues to work and he says, "I work so I can buy my little girl things she might not have otherwise. Even with her health condition, she is God's gift to us." George describes how he placed Loretta on the floor when she was very little and he lay facedown to encourage her to move. He says, "If she moved this much, I moved that much away from her. She began to enjoy the game, and she learned to move herself. We play little games every day."



George and Lynne gave many details about Loretta's ordeals during the early part of her life. She had surgery to correct a digestive reflux condition, and she came home with a tracheotomy tube and an oxygen mask. Her condition included breathing problems, inability to eat, and the need to feed her through the permanently-implanted feeding tube directly into her stomach. The parents were determined to properly care for their baby, and they did so. They credit their faith and the kindness of others for helping them cope.

Kay Thomas, the mother of a former Shriners Hospital patient, Marilyn Thomas, suggested to Lynne that she make application for treatment at the Shriners Hospital in Chicago. Noble Gerald Hoffman signed the application as the Shrine sponsor. Lynne says

when she learned the application was approved, she was elated. George and Lynne say, "Everyone on the staff is wonderful. We knew nothing about the hospital before we got there, but we instantly knew we were in the right place. Dr. Jeff Ackman has given Loretta the very best treatment. She has received braces that have been a great help. We appreciate the medical care and the van transportation. The drivers are all friendly and great people."

George says, "My father and grandfather were Masons, and I have started my journey into Freemasonry. I have two of the three degrees completed, and I want to finish the third one. I would like to become a Shriner, too."

Flying Fezzes

Patrick DeCallier

WOW! IT'S A LONG WAY UP!

It started simple enough; the Flying Fezzes met at 5 p.m. instead of 7 p.m. because we were taking a special tour.

We had a nice buffet dinner for everyone, and then the members adjourned to the Mecca Room for a business meeting. Topics of discussion were participation in Veterans Day, the Flying Fezz members' Christmas party, and the Christmas party for the kids.

Then we "carpoled" to go to our destination—a tour of the new Indianapolis International Airport control tower. WOW! It is a long way up! This was the consensus of our members while we were at the top looking out. We were briefed that the tower is 345 feet high, which makes it the third tallest tower in North America.

After that we visited the radar control room which shows all aircraft moving not only over Central Indiana, but there was one screen showing air traffic all over the United States. We want to extend to Mr. John Ellis, one of our members, a special "thanks" for arranging this mind-boggling tour.

500 Club

Jerry Lance

Okay, 500 members, Happy New Year to you all. Your new officers for 2009 are: Bruce Raymond, President; Mike Wagner, Vice President; and Dan Price, Parade Chairman. Let's all get behind our new officers and make 2009 the best of the best. Dan Price will be working on the 2009 parade list this winter, and again we must choose carefully on our parades this year in order to hold costs down. Please, come to the meetings and express your opinions—not only on our parade choices but other matters that will help our new officers in the running of our Club. We need you there. There are many projects that need to be discussed with the members that the board and new officers will be bringing to the membership. Again, we need you there.

Not much is going on early this winter. Would like to see more 500 Fezzes at the Stated Meetings. Our new "Pote," George Proctor, has many plans for Murat this year starting off with the circus March 5–8 and the Potentate's Ball on March 21. Come and support our Club and our new Potentate.

That is it for this month. Remember our brunch at the Brickyard at 9:30 on the third Sunday of each month except the month of May. RSVP Roger Stafford, the coordinator of the brunch. Also, anything for the good of the Club, please give Tim Plank a call to put info on our info line. The info line is 466-8383 and Tim's direct number is 627-1580. See you at the meetings.

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Mini-Mystics of Johnson County

Dave Alspaugh

The Christmas tree is down, the nativity stored away, and all the various decorations are in the attic. The turkey leftovers are also gone. I would say that's a good sign that Christmas has become a part of 2008 history. Welcome the New Year 2009.

As the Mini-Mystics roll into the New Year, we can look back at lots of good things as well as some sad ones. Probably our saddest was the loss of Jerry Waid. Jerry was a very popular member of our Club, parading in his car until his health would not let him any longer. He still continued to be active in the Club after selling his parade car. Jerry has since gone to the Unseen Temple ... he will be missed not only by his family and his Mini-Mystic friends, but by all Shriners as well.

Before closing the door on 2008, the Mini-Mystics elected officers for the New Year. I will be serving as president again, while Duane Burgess will handle the secretary/treasurer duties. Brian Biehn will serve as vice president. As president, it is my responsibility to appoint a parade chairman. That will happen shortly. To my officers and fellow members, here's to a good year of fellowship and let's parade for "our kids."

Our annual Christmas party was an evening enjoyed by all in attendance. After one of Jim Carter's great prime rib dinners, everyone went to the dance floor to "trip the light fantastic." Shriner Larry Taylor and his lovely wife supplied the music, spinning records until the wee hours.

At the close of the dinner, before going to the dance floor, it was my great pleasure to make a special presentation. Each year for the past four or five years, the president of the Club selects a Man of the Year from the Mini-Mystic membership. Past winners were Bob Evans, Ralph Simpson, Joe Inabnitt, and Dan Gillahan. This year it gave me great pleasure to award the 2008 Man of the Year to none other than Mike Percy. Mike has been there all year volunteering at BINGO, working at the fair, parading, and whatever else was needed. Mike was a very deserving winner and now joins the elite list of winners.

Well, I've rambled on enough, so in closing, I'd like to say from all my Mini-Mystic members ... Happy New Year to all our friends in Shrine.

See you in the next issue.



Jerry Waid



Man of the Year Mike Percy.

Correction from December magazine



Lady Ruth Ann Kepler presents Potentate Ron Elliot with a check in the amount of \$525 for the Transportation Fund. The donation was raised from jellies and bread that Lady Ruth Ann makes and raffles at Hillbilly Club meetings.

Veteran Car Club

Jim Lasley

Happy New Year!

At the November meeting, the 2009 officers and board members were installed by Murat Outer Guard Bill Rasner. The officers are: President, Jim Lasley; Vice President, Phil Free; Secretary, Darrel Wilkinson; and Treasurer, Fred Johnson. The board members are: ex-officio, Danny Thomas; one year, Bill Arterberry and Harold Price; two years, Richard Taylor and Kenny Michaels.

The Club voted to give \$1,000 to the Transportation Fund and \$100 for presents at the Christmas party.

Phil Free was present at the meeting neck brace and all. He looked well and says he is doing fine. His car was totaled and Bill Arterberry brought him to the meeting. It seems the meetings are getting too rough for our members. The October meeting ended with the accident with Phil Free and after the November meeting, Herschel Murphy went to bed and developed chest pains and had to be taken to the hospital. Fortunately, it was not a heart attack but he did lose his gall bladder. I think it is about time our members be a little more careful after the meetings.

We had a board meeting prior to the November Murat Stated Meeting and only five of us attended, but we did discuss some upcoming events for this year. There will be some more discussion about the Boggstown show. Fred is going to see if we can get Friday or Saturday night seating. We discussed the possibility of going to Shipshewanna for an overnight visit to the Hudson Museum. These activities will be discussed at the meeting

I understand Joyce Arterberry is getting better after her hip replacement, and Rosie Lasley and Dottie Forth are doing great after knee replacements.

Fred is trying to fill a table at the Potentate's Ball. He has two couples and needs two more to fill it. This is in March.

If everything goes as well as expected, we will return from Texas in time for the April meeting.

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Dramatic Cast

Michael J. Smith

We have held our election of officers and had a wonderful Christmas celebration!

Let us now congratulate our 2009 President, Carl E. Culmann; his First Vice President, Michael J. Smith; and Second Vice President, Robert E. Hancock III. It should be another exciting year for the Dramatic Cast. We wish to say a BIG thank-you to Past President Donald D. Olvey for a "GREAT 2008." And congratulations to our new members: Bill Munson, Jerry Miller, Andy Clayton, Luke Stark, Brian Lewis, Paul Page, Mark Bartolovich, Randy Seiple, Dale Wheatley, Brian Harms, Bethel King, and Jerry Sheeks.

The Dramatic Cast meets at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month; we are dark July and August. We normally meet at 6 p.m. for dinner in the Tunisian Room prior to our meeting. So if you enjoy doing ritual or being on stage, please come out and enjoy dinner with us, and we will supply you with a petition.

June 10, 2009, we are meeting at Beef and Boards at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$50 per person and includes dinner, show, and gratuity. If you are interested, please contact Mike Smith at (317) 997-1844 or msmith1986@yahoo.com. The production is "ANNIE" and there are only 50 seats available.

Now lift your glass with mine and let's all toast Illustrious Sir George E. Proctor.

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After the AASR concludes, the Illustrious Potentate will open Murat Temple for a Ceremonial.

Note: All Candidates for the degrees of Symbolic Masonry will need to have a mentor present who can vouch for their eligibility. The mentor will need to bring the apron, Bible and Monitor for each of his candidates. As a reminder, candidates for this class must have been elected prior to April 4, 2009.

Schedule of Events

7 AM

Registration of all Candidates
Coffee and doughnuts available

8 AM

Symbolic Lodge opened and
conferral of the Entered Apprentice

10 AM

Break, followed by the
Fellow Craft degree

12 PM

Luncheon Buffet served
Cost is \$10 per person.

1 PM

Lodge resumes Labor and conferral
of the Master Mason degree.

3 PM

Scottish Rite confers the fourth
and fourteenth degrees.

4:30 PM

Murat Shrine Ceremonial

Southeastern Shrine Club

Noel Houze

Happy New Year! At Southeastern we're looking forward to making 2009 even better than last year. To start out the New Year, we installed our newly elected officers on December 20. Leading our Club this year is our new President, Fred Hofstetter; Vice President, Frank Connelly; Secretary, Ed Wolfe; and Treasurer, John Race. A big thank-you to these nobles for stepping up to the plate and taking on the Club leadership. We would also like to extend a big thank-you to our outgoing president, Noble Frank Fletcher, for his leadership in 2008. Frank did an excellent job and should be proud of his accomplishments.

In addition to our newly elected officers, serving the Club for 2009 are our board of directors: Nobles Terry Jackson, Don McQueen, Wayne Montgomery, John Bott, Noel Houze, Ed Johnson, Don Grace, Sr., Tom Deville, Louis Rumsey, and Frank Fletcher. Best of luck to all.

For those nobles who let the holidays slip by and forgot their 2009 dues, it's still not too late. Please send your check for \$25 payable to the Southeastern Indiana Shrine Club to Noble Ed Wolfe, 1832 E SR 350, Osgood, IN 47037. Don't just be a dues-paying member. If you haven't attended a meeting in a long time, come out and take part. We meet the second Monday each month at 8 p.m. It's your Cub too and you should participate in the meetings and enjoy the food, the fun, and fellowship afterward.

Reception Unit

Joe Stoutner

On Tuesday evening, December 9, 2008, the Murat Reception Unit held its Christmas Party and Installation Dinner in the Tunisian Room. Reception Unit officers for 2009 were installed by Illustrious Sir Ron Elliott. The 2009 officers are: Joe A. Stoutner, President; Larry Sutherlin, Vice President; Carson Smith, Secretary; Kent Smith, Sr., Treasurer; and Mike Metzger, Recording Secretary. Joe Stoutner, the 2009 president, will convene an organizational meeting of the Unit on Sunday, January 11.

Johnson County Shrine Club

Dave Alspaugh

Greetings and Happy New Year from the Johnson County Shrine Club. As we complete 2008 and begin our preparations for 2009, we need to count our blessings for what we have and remember those less fortunate and those overseas protecting us. With the New Year, many new events are planned. Stay in contact with the Murat Magazine for all these upcoming events.

One of these new events will take place on Sunday, January 4, at 2 p.m. at the temple in the Arabian Room. New Potentate George E. Proctor will install all officers of the Clubs/Units that participate in this public installation. It will be a great opportunity to see many officers being recognized publicly. A reception will follow.

At the Shrine Club here in Franklin, President Mike Percy has taken over the reins and now is leading the Club into the New Year. Past President Ray Miller has completed his tenure and now joins all the other past presidents in wishing Mike and his officers a year of prosperity.

The New Year is just dawning, and already we're thinking circus. Our 2009 Shrine Circus will open March 5 and runs through March 8 at the Pepsi Coliseum at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. We need to start thinking how we can step up to help. The temple will need volunteers at all stations. We need to sell ads and corporate sponsors. We will need help, so step up and volunteer!

Just prior to the circus, Mike Percy is planning the President's Ball at the Shrine Club. Valentine's Day, February 14, will be the big event. Cocktails will open the evening, followed by dinner. After a dinner of prime rib, entertainment will follow with dancing. It will be worth the price of admission just to see Lady Jackie lead Mike around the dance floor. Bring your valentine and join us at the Club.

Everyone is currently watching the stock market with our economy in such turmoil. Gas prices are coming down, while many companies are consolidating with mergers. Here is one that you might consider getting in on the ground floor and possibly make some big bucks ... Hale Business Systems, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Fuller Brush, and WR Grace Co. will merge and become ... Hale, Mary, Fuller, Grace.

How's that for some inside information to open 2009? Again, Happy New Year to all.

See you next issue.



President Mike Percy and Lady Jackie.

Rolling Hills

Charles Robbins



1st Row: John Glover, President; Jim Lamb, Brian Sawyer, George Swisher, Harold Pickett, C.W. "Bill" Robbins, Lewis Lawrence, Russell Eakins. 2nd Row: Jerry St. John, Jack Willison, Charles St. John, Dustin Sanders and son, Michael Pickett, Howard Malcomb, Bennie Barber. Back Row: Jim Ponsler, John Moore. Present but not pictured: Ronald James.

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Mobil Nobles

Ron McCoy

The Mobil Nobles held our monthly meeting on November 7, 2008. The first order of business was to bring four new members into our Unit (pictured to right): David Miller II, Jason Melton, Craig Stevenson, and Kelly Young. The Mobil Nobles feel very lucky that they chose our Unit to join. All four of these nobles joined Murat Shrine in 2008.



The next order of business for our Unit was to elect our 2009 officers. The vote was unanimous to move all officers up and make Bob Miller our president for the upcoming year. The installation of officers will be held on January 9, 2009.

The Mobil Nobles would like to remind every noble to be sure and get your tickets for the "Little Pig" ceremony to be held on February 20. This is an event you just don't want to miss. At this ceremony we "properly welcome our new Outer Guard." The Divan will be there to assist in this ceremony, so please plan on being there. Be sure to get your tickets from any Mobil Noble or from the Fraternal Office.

The Murat Shrine Circus is March 5-8, 2009. The Mobil Nobles will again be offering hot meals every day at the circus. Whether you are going to or from the circus or working at the circus and would like a good meal at down to earth prices, the Grand Hall (across from the Pepsi Coliseum) is the place to go. There you can sit down with your family and friends and have a good meal at a good price. Then, with your stomach full, it is just a short walk to the circus.

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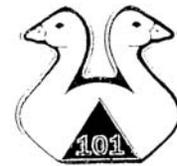
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Welcome to 2009 and Happy New Year! January marks the time when we reflect on our prior achievements and plan that fresh start for the coming year. Before we can begin a new year, the members of the Kentucky Colonels wish to express our thanks and appreciation to past President Garvie Piercy for leading our Club during a productive 2008.

OFFICER INSTALLATION PARTY – The Tunisian Room was the location for our installation of officers. Following a great meal, the program began with Colonel Wally Renn presiding as master of ceremonies. Colonel George Proctor, Potentate-elect, conducted the swearing in of the 2009 officers and board members. Our officers for 2009 are as follows: Colonel Paul Schneck, President; Colonel Terry Boyer, First Vice; Colonel Michael Harrison, Second Vice; Colonel Jim Huffman, Secretary; and Colonel Dennis Scott, Treasurer. Board members include Colonel Ray Gotshall, Colonel Ernie Condra, Colonel Larry Sutherlin, Colonel Ray Hunt, and Colonel Garvie Piercy as ex-officio. As an added bonus, the ladies of the officers and board members were “installed” by Colonel Craig Hinshaw, Chief Rabban-elect. The duties of chaplain will be shared by Colonels Bucky Everhart and Jim Taflinger. Entertainment was provided by Doug and Carla.

WINTER CEREMONIAL – The Club was well represented and manned a table during the final ceremonial of 2008. This was a great opportunity to inform the candidates about the Kentucky Colonels Club.

NEW MEMBER – The Club would like to welcome our newest member, Michael Waldrip. We invite Michael and all Club members to get involved.

CIRCUS – The Club will again be passing out papers about our Hospitals to the public during the Murat Shrine Circus to be held March 5–8. This is always a great opportunity to inform the public about our philanthropy. Worker sign-up sheets should be available in January and February.

CONGRATULATIONS – Let's all

support our new Potentate, George Proctor, during his year as leader of Murat. George has the will and enthusiasm to keep Murat the number one temple in Shrinedom.

PLAQUE PROGRAM – January starts the second year of the plaque program and every member of the Kentucky Colonels Club needs to get involved. This new mission for the Club will help support our Hospitals in their

effort to provide excellent and continuing care for our kids.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS – Make it part of your resolutions to attend as many Club functions as you can in 2009 and support President Paul. We meet the first Wednesday of the month in the Mecca Room around 5:30 for dinner and fellowship and at 7 p.m. for our Stated Meeting. Again, have a Happy New Year!

Tarum

Jeff Dickey

To one and all, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Tarum.

Stag Night in November was the time of annual election of officers for the coming year. There was a good turnout of nobles in attendance. The new officers for 2009 are: President, Dave Bartlemay; First Vice President, Chad Greulich; Second Vice President, John Anderson; Secretary, Robert Whalen; and Treasurer, Dick Benner. With the exception of Dick Benner, who is a past president, all the officers are some of our newest members. Congratulations to you all—2009 looks to be another good year for Tarum.

December closed out with a flurry of frantic activity. There were five rentals and one children's party. Several members helped to make these events happen. Thank you one and all. We also helped with the Depot Old-Fashioned Christmas every Tuesday in December. Volunteers from Tarum helped Santa take pictures of the kids. Local merchant Roger Richert donates the profits from these pictures to the Shrine kids. Thank you, Roger.

Now it is time to recognize a very special young lady. This young lady is the daughter of our incoming president, and we all can learn from her example. Clare Bartlemay just turned 8 years old. She was having a birthday party and had an idea. She asked her mom and dad if she could ask the children who were invited to her party to bring a gift ... not an unusual request from an 8-year-old. Imagine Mom and Dad's surprise when Clare said that the gifts were not to be for her, but they were to go to the children at the Shriners Hospitals. When Dave and Sarah Bartlemay picked their jaws up from the floor, they knew they had a very special young lady for a daughter. Clare, not only are your parents proud of you, every one of us here at Tarum is also. What a remarkable young lady!

Happy New Year to everybody from all of us here at Tarum Shrine Club. Thank you to all the officers of 2008 for another good year. Thank you to all the can collectors and sorters—well done. Thank you to all the hospital drivers; you did a great job in '08. We would love to see the Can Committee and the Children's Committee members and drivers at the Club. There are quite a few nobles who have never met you and who would like to meet you. Thank you to all of you who supported your Club in 2008 by coming to dinner and helping with Club activities. We hope to see you all in 2009 along with those of you who did not make it to the Club in '08. We missed you. Remember, it takes all of us to keep the Club going so that we can do our part to help the children. So make a New Year's resolution to come to the Club at least once per month. Enjoy dinner or help at an event. If you are not here, there could be a child who doesn't get the care they need. Think about it.

See you at Tarum.

Now that the Christmas season is over and the tree and all the trimmings have been put away for another year, we must say "hello" to the New Year. After getting our houses back in order, my hope is that this coming year of 2009 will be brighter and happier than the year we have just completed.

On Friday, January 30, our Ladies Oriental Shrine will hold their annual "Souper Supper" event. It will be held at the Gatling Gun Club with Murat's Hillbilly Band presenting the entertain-

ment for the evening. The doors will open at 5 p.m. with serving starting at 6 p.m. This year's cost will be \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 4 to 10, and those under 3 years of age will eat free. Ask your family members and all your friends to place this date on their calendars so they can join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. As you know from past years, we will be offering many varieties of "homemade" soups that are sure to titillate your palate! There will also be salad, cornbread, and

desserts galore. Who knows, you may be the lucky person to win a door prize. One of our Murat nobles will serve as auctioneer for our many "opportunities to own" items. Let us make this event to honor the end to the national football season one to remember as well as help our ladies with their final Ways and Means Project. Hope to see everyone there!!

The last Ceremony of Initiation will be held on Saturday, February 21, 2009, in the Arabian Room of the Murat Shrine. The marketplace will open at 9:30 a.m. for shopping and visiting. The brunch will begin at 10:30 a.m. The Tarum Court Units will perform at 11:45 a.m. followed by the 1 p.m. Ceremony of Initiation. Please try to attend this event and welcome these new members into our great organization.

Congratulations to Ladies Ruby Warmouth and Joan Rose for being conferred their Honorary Memberships into Tarum Court No. 14. Joan has been a member of the Ladies Oriental Shrine for 25 years; Ruby has totaled 14 years. Altogether, that accounts for 39 faithful years of service and dedication to the children in the Shriners Hospitals and Burn Centers. They are always willing to help and give of their time and talents when called upon. Ladies, you two are the greatest!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Tuesday, February 3 – Stated Meeting: 7 p.m., Corinthian Room -- ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Thursday, February 19 – Ceremonial Practice: 6:30 p.m., Arabian Room

Saturday, February 21 – Ceremony of Initiation: 1 p.m., Arabian Room; Marketplace: 9:30 a.m.; Brunch: 10:30 a.m.; Units perform: 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, March 3 – Stated Meeting: 7 p.m., Corinthian Room



Transportation Club

Dennis Scott

Happy New Year to everyone! It seems like yesterday that President Ron Bolyard took the oath of office as our 2008 president and promised to lead this great Club down the path of prosperity and further greatness. Now it's time for a new leader. But first, the Club would like to thank the officers of 2008 for all their hard work and leadership this past year. We attended several parades, worked the Shrine Circus, sponsored the Children's Christmas Party, had a picnic and social gatherings, not to mention the many trips our drivers made to our three hospitals while enjoying the fellowship of the members and their ladies.

OFFICER INSTALLATION/PAST PRESIDENT PARTY – As we gathered for this final party for the year, it was time to reflect on our many achievements along with good food and fellowship. Oh yes, we installed our new officers for 2009 and recognized the ladies for all their help and support. We had our first "white elephant" auction which was a great success and made some money for the Club.

CONGRATULATIONS – As we begin 2009, we find ourselves in good hands with our new President, Terry Boyer; First Vice, Jim Huffman; Second Vice, Mike Metzger; Secretary, Don Schildgen; and Treasurer, Brian Brent. Our 2009 board members are Ryan Powell, Ned Cline, Whit Smith, Luke Whitehouse, and Ron Bolyard, P.P.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY – Congratulations to Chairman Bucky Everhart who did a great job organizing this party for the hospital children and the children of the nobility. Thanks also to the members who were on the committee and those who made sure the party was a success.

NEW POSITION CREATED – Ed Andrews has graciously consented to fill the newly created position of assistant transportation coordinator. Ed will assist Ernie Jackson with his duties in transportation of our hospital patients and other duties.

SICK LIST – Carl Schnepf is still not doing very well. Please keep Carl and all others in your thoughts and prayers.

CIRCUS – Don't forget those ads for the circus activity book which is one of the best ways to make money for the Club. You can turn in the ads to the Fraternal Office, but make sure to give the credit to the Transportation Club. Circus worker sign-up sheets should be available at our January meeting. If you would like to work the novelty stand, a sign-up sheet will also be available.

Let's make this one of the best years for our Club by supporting our new president, Terry Boyer, in all his endeavors by attending as many meetings and functions as you can. Put this on the top of your 2009 resolutions. As usual, we meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. Again, Happy New Year.

Taking It to the Streets

2009 Murat Shrine Circus • MARCH 5-8, 2009, Pepsi Coliseum, Indiana State Fairgrounds

ANDY CLAYTON, CIRCUS DIRECTOR

With the holidays in the rear view mirror and a new year upon us, the time for the 2009 Murat Shrine Circus is fast approaching. Our 2009 circus is but a mere nine weeks away as of this writing. For the past three months, I have been encouraging any and all within our ranks to seek corporate partners and ads; I have asked you to dream and think big; I have asked you to think about "who do you know?" I thank all of you for your efforts. The warmth and hospitality shown to me by the Clubs and Units of Murat make me proud to be a Shriner! Remember, there is still time for ads and corporate partners. Please make this final push for our temple. All ads and sponsorships need to be to Sherri in the Fraternal Office no later than January 25 to ensure their place in the 2009 activity book. Your efforts not only benefit Murat, but your Club/Unit too!

The tickets to the nobility went on sale December 1. On December 31, the tickets to the public went on sale. As we move toward those magical days of March, I now ask each of you to "take it to the streets"; begin talking and promoting our circus in all your circles. Wherever your life takes you, talk about the circus—at your favorite coffee shops, lunch spots, your church, ballgames, in Lodge, at work, at your kids' and grandkids' schools, with your neighbors, and in your neigh-

borhoods. For success to happen, it will take a grassroots effort by all.

We will again have our very own Randy Kron working on promotions with the large-scale media. As we move closer to the 2009 circus, you will see print, radio, and TV promotions, but I am asking for each of you to work your communities. Murat is much larger than just Indianapolis! If you would like circus posters placed around your town, call Sherri at the Fraternal Office or me at (317) 557-5975. I will see that all you need is provided. If every noble in Murat were to bring five people to the circus, that would equal about 41,000 people ... 20,000 more than our 2008 circus shows! I know each of you knows five people who would enjoy the show! Tickets can be bought in person at the Murat Fraternal Office or at any Ticketmaster location.

Again, I thank all of you for the efforts put forth so far, but the race is only about half over ... it is now time to "take it to the streets" and promote the best show money can buy. God bless all of you and I look forward to seeing you "Under the Big Top"!

Yours in the Faith,
Andy

Murat Shrine Circus
Indiana State Fairgrounds Pepsi Coliseum
March 5-8, 2009

Opening Night— March 5 at 6:30 p.m.
General Admission \$10

School Days—March 5 & 6 at 10 a.m.
No Charge (Abbreviated Show)

All Other Shows — Reserved Seats
\$18 • \$15 • \$10

Please make check payable and mail to:
Murat Shrine Circus
Attention: Sherri Miller
510 N. New Jersey Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Murat Shrine Circus is a fraternal fundraiser and is not tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

	# Of Tickets	Seat Price	Total Amount
Thursday, March 5 10:00 am		SOLD OUT	
Thursday, March 5 6:30 pm			
Friday, March 6 10:00 am		SOLD OUT	
Friday, March 6 7:00 pm			
Saturday, March 7 10:00 am			
Saturday, March 7 2:00 pm			
Saturday, March 7 7:00 pm			
Sunday, March 8 11:30 am			
Sunday, March 8 3:30 pm			

	SERVICE CHARGE	\$3.00
	TOTAL	\$
	Less Coupons (must be enclosed)	
	AMOUNT DUE	\$

Check Number _____
or
 VISA MasterCard Discover

CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____ EXP. DATE _____
SIGNATURE _____ V-CODE _____
NAME _____ SHRINE # _____
ADDRESS _____ PHONE # _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

2009 Murat Shrine Circus Ad and Sponsorship Opportunities

Ad Levels

1/8 Page Ad	\$75.00
1/4 Page Ad	\$150.00
1/2 Page Ad	\$250.00
Full Page Ad	\$500.00

Corporate Sponsorships

Calliope Level: **\$750**

Sponsor receives full page ad in circus activity book, 75 complimentary tickets, 2 tickets to Corporate Sponsor Dinner, recognition on Web site, recognition plaque

Acrobat Level: **\$1000**

Sponsor receives full page ad in circus activity book, 100 complimentary tickets, 4 tickets to Corporate Sponsor Dinner, recognition on Web site, recognition plaque

Trapeze Level: **\$2500**

Sponsor receives a full page ad in the circus activity book, 250 complimentary tickets, 6 tickets to Corporate Sponsor Dinner, recognition on Web site, recognition plaque

Ringmaster Level **\$5000**

Sponsor receives full page ad in circus activity book, 500 complimentary tickets, 8 tickets to Corporate Sponsor Dinner, company logo and signage in the Pepsi Coliseum during all performances, Web site recognition, ad in our Magazine from March 2009-February 2010, Honorary Ringmaster for a show, and a recognition plaque.

All ad sales will be paid 25% commission to the club/unit given credit on the ad contract. Any club/unit that has \$10,000 of aggregate ad/corporate sponsor sales will receive 30% commission with the highest selling club/unit receiving a special award at Ringmaster's Banquet (must qualify with \$10,000 of aggregate sales). Ad contracts may be picked up at Fraternal Office or can be mailed upon request. All ad contracts are due with company artwork to the Fraternal Office by January 15, 2009. Artwork can be e-mailed to sherri2766@aol.com

Directors Staff

Gerald Frost

Greetings Nobles and Friends,

We in the Directors Staff hope everyone had a very safe and happy Holiday Season. We are all looking forward to another successful year ahead of us. As we look over the past year, we would like to congratulate Illustrious Sir Ron Elliott for his leadership and friendship as part of our Unit. We enjoyed many good times together and wish him the best of luck in the future. The Directors Staff would also like to congratulate Illustrious Sir George E. Proctor on his new position as Potentate of Murat Shrine. We welcome him to attend our meetings and Unit functions whenever possible. He can count on our full support throughout the coming year.

Since this is the first magazine article since the installation of our new Directors Staff officers, we would all like to thank past President Rex Mardis for the outstanding leadership and performance he provided for us this past year. Our meetings were well organized and moved along in an efficient manner all year. Thanks again for a job well done. Congratulations are in order for our newly installed officers of 2009. For those of you who could not attend, the officers are as follows: President Bob Bland, First Vice President Jack Kleingartner, Second Vice President Michael Glenn, Treasurer Ron Williams, Secretary Dick Smith, and Chief Director Mike Adams. We are looking forward to another smooth year of operation under their leadership. We would like to also welcome our latest "nubian," Mike Bell. As always, we are looking forward to your future participation

throughout the year. Welcome to our Unit and good luck.

You are receiving this magazine in early January and time is running short to sell and turn in your Murat circus ads. Ads are due with checks and ad copy by January 15, 2009. How many did you sell? You still have time to do so. If you still need circus material, contact Bob Bland. Have you signed up to work our booth? Contact Jack Kleingartner A.S.A.P. Volunteers are still needed, so invite your friends to help in this worthy cause. Do not forget this can be a huge fundraiser for our Unit. We receive 25 percent of all circus dollars we can bring in, so keep selling!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Directors Staff Meeting: January 19 – 6 p.m.* due to Stated Meeting at temple.

Circus ads, Circus ads, and more Circus ads – due now!!!!

Need your Staff fundraiser ideas for next meeting. Contact Jerry Frost or Mike Karas.

Continue Membership recruiting for Directors Staff.

Please continue to support your Directors Staff by attending all meetings. They are all very important for you to attend and keep up to date. Again, please keep me informed as to what you want to see in "your magazine" articles in the future. Contact me at (317) 881-5966 or jwfrosty@sbcglobal.net. Have a safe and Happy New Year!

"Shriners ... Having Fun and Helping Kids."



Past Masters Club Officers Installed

The 2009 officers of the Murat Past Masters Club were installed on November 13, 2008, at Prospect Lodge #714 by Worshipful Brother and Illustrious Sir William S. Spyr. The 2009 officers are: Joe Smith, President; Brian Harms, First Vice President; Frank E. Capler, Second Vice President; Brian Lewis, Secretary; and Cliff Lewis, Recorder/Treasurer. (Photo by Linda Lewis)

Firemen's Club

Tim Whitaker

Happy New Year, nobles, from the Murat Firemen's Club!

On Wednesday, January 7, 2009, the Firemen's Club will honor our 2009 Illustrious Potentate, George E. Proctor, and his Lady Debbie. The event will take place at the Firefighters Union Hall located at 748 Massachusetts Avenue. All members should be sure to send their RSVP cards back as soon as you receive them. Special tours will be available for all attendees of the Firefighters Museum immediately following the program. Also on that night we will be honoring all past Potentates with special presentations and dinner.

Murat Shrine Circus! March 5, 6, 7 & 8, 2009, are the dates for this year's annual event. Please mark your calendars now so that you might dedicate some time volunteering at the circus. Joe Krebsbach has agreed to serve as circus chairman this year and he will need your help. Please give him a call and help volunteer at the circus. Have you started selling circus ads? Have you purchased your circus vouchers for 2009? Remember, circus ads bring in monies for your Club or Unit, and vouchers can be redeemed for tickets at the circus. Both help make our circus a success. See you there.

As you read this article, the 2009 Calendar Sales Program should be drawing to a close. They are a great gift! A winner every day, 365 days a year—the second largest fundraiser of the year. If you need more, call the Fraternal Office. If they have all been sold, then we will have had another successful year. Great!

As we start out the New Year, we have two officer openings in our line. If you are interested in serving as an officer in our Club, please contact any officer to learn more details.

Congratulations to our newest Murat nobles, Scott and Ryan Elliott. What a wonderful way to end Potentate Ron's year. Both of Ron's sons joined Masonry and then became Shriners at the Hot Sands Ceremonial December 13, 2008. He definitely did ... "Create in '08."

In 2009, we hope to build on Floyd's last two years as our president. We hope to get more Club members involved by adding some different events. You can help us strengthen our Club by attending meetings, serving on committees, bringing in new nobles, and by reminding each other that our Club will only survive another 60 years if we work hard together. There has been a lot of talk about "change" recently. I don't want to change something that has worked well for 60 years; I only want to see some old faces and many more new faces actively involved in Club functions. Until next month, stay safe and tell your loved ones that you love them.

Railroad Club

Raymond E. Gotshall

Hope you all had a very merry and enjoyable Christmas and/or happy Holiday Season. Good times come and go so quickly. Nice to see the little ones gathered around the Christmas tree to enjoy many of the holiday traditions. Hopefully, some of your kids, grandkids, or even great, great grandkids received some toy trains.

The Railroad Club elected the following officers. (If we had sound effects, there would be a loud trumpet introduction followed by a drum roll.) With out further fanfare: President and Chief Engineer Don Gordon, First Vice President Nick Noe, Secretary Norman Ettinger, Treasurer William David Beck; board members: Eddie Ellis, Ed Andrews, Raymond Gotshall, Jim Comer, and Whit Smith. David Kaufman is ex-officio; Kenneth Kinman was appointed Historian; and Garland and Stanley Moore were appointed as keepers of the Zem-Zem. The officers will be installed at the Murat Shrine open installation Sunday, January 4, at the Murat Shrine.

The Railroad layout room was open for the Murat Shrine Children's Christmas Party on December 14, which has to be one of the top events of the year. A great time was had by all. President Don Gordon wishes to thank all those who helped to get ready and operate the train at this party.

The Club meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of most months in the Railroad Club rooms located on the fourth floor of the Murat Shrine. If you haven't been up to see our exhibits, come to one of our meetings. We also have a work night, at the call of our president. The Railroad Club is looking for some members who are interested in model railroading, Big Boy railroads, trips to railroad related facilities, etc. If this interests you, please attend one of our meetings. Look in the Oasis Lounge for a noble with railroad type clothing and he will either direct you or show you the way to the Railroad Club rooms. We are unique. Come join us in fun and fellowship

As I attend the last services and write the obituary of Mr. Turkey Gobbler on November 28, I reflect back on an eventful and wonderful 2008. We have not yet celebrated the birthday of the "Reason for the Season" or the birthday of "Young Mr. 2009," but we have so much to be thankful for it's difficult to know where to begin this unending task, which has been going on now for more than 100 years.

The Band election of 2009 officers was December 10 and will be reported in February's edition of the Band article in the Murat Magazine. So until then, as Melvin F. Kuether wrote many years ago:

"What is a Shrine Bandsman?"

He is an adult male who wears the red fez and plays a musical instrument.

He is an individual who God gave a special talent.

He makes music that he's willing to share with all men.

He loves the fellowship and camaraderie of his fellow man.

He comes from the factories, the farms and the shops.

His great love for music brings him together with his own kind.

He is able to conform.

He judges not but accepts all, as he stands tall and says, "I have done my very best"; he cannot be denied the joys and satisfaction he has experienced.

He produces sounds that go on to

infinity and he knows that once produced, he cannot go back and change or alter them in any way.

He lives by his Masonic vows and as a Shriner shares his good fortunes.

He never, never expects anything in return.

His motto, "I Shall Play So a Crippled Child May Walk," is a constant reminder of the great philanthropy of which he is a part.

He accepts and respects his leaders without malice. He's been taught the true meaning of harmony.

Above all he respects the ideas and convictions of all men.

He has been given the great love of all mankind, "Music."

As Allan C. Innman wrote many years ago, music is in the hearts of all men and on their tongues, in all lands and among all peoples; the ignorant, the unlettered know it, not less than the rich and the learned. Even the deaf hear it, if they but listen to the voices of their own souls. Music is the food of love. It is the international language. It has taught men gentleness and peace, and it has led them onward to heroic deeds. Music comforts the lonely and harmonizes the discord of crowds. Music is a necessary luxury to all men.

Legion of Honor

Bob Watson

Happy New Year from the Legion of Honor. Well it's 2009 and time to get cracking. January will be a busy month for the Legion of Honor. On Sunday, January 4, our Color Guard will be on hand to present colors at the installation of the 2009 Murat Shrine Divan, 2 p.m. in the Arabian Room. Then Saturday morning, January 17, we will present colors at the Grand Lodge Founder's Day event at the Scottish Rite.

Speaking of installations, on the evening of the 17th, the Legion of Honor will hold its own installation dinner where yours truly will be installed (hopefully) as commander for 2009. I am truly humbled and honored. I will do my very best to uphold the proud tradition of all past commanders of the Legion of Honor.

Welcome to all new nobles who became members of Murat Shrine at the December 13 ceremonial. Hold your heads high because you just became a part of the world's greatest philanthropy.

For those new nobles who honorably served in our country's armed forces, or are currently serving, and are still undecided on which Club or Unit to get involved with, I would like to extend a personal invitation to investigate the Legion of Honor. Legion of Honor members are veterans of our military service or are currently serving in one of its branches. The Legion of Honor meets in the basement of the temple on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. We usually meet in the Oasis Lounge around 5:30 for dinner and fellowship. If you're interested, stop by and we will be happy to answer any questions you might have.

Coming in April, we will be headed south to the "Bluegrass State," Louisville to be exact, for the International Association Legions of Honor annual convention.

Speaking of trips, start saving your loose change for a trip in November. We will again try to put together a bus trip to Washington, D.C. for the wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. For the last couple of years, we were not able to make the trip due to lack of participation. We need at least 40 people to sign up and go in order to pay for the bus. If you're interested, contact a Legion of Honor member or leave us a note in our mailbox downstairs. It's never too early to get your name in the pot. Details on the trip will be forthcoming as they become available.

Until next month, remember, "It's an honor to belong to the Legion of Honor."

Fall Ladies Luncheon



Brian and Shanna Howard and their mother Pam with Lady Sally Jo.



Divan ladies with the Howards.

Contributions

Photos by Dennis Wood, Photo Club

(November 2008)



Past Potentate Ron Elliott accepts a check for \$5,000 for the Murat Transportation Fund from VCM representatives Sam Thompson, Bob Caudill, Art Borton, Bob Wilson, and Jim Morgan.



Past Masters Club President Joe Smith is accompanied by Dennis Wood, and Cliff Lewis in the presentation of \$150 for the Circus Bicycle Fund and \$100 for the Children's Christmas Party Toy Fund to Past Potentate Ron Elliott.



Past Potentate Ron Elliott receives a \$100 check for the Children's Christmas Party Toy Fund from Veteran Car Club President Danny Thomas and Club members Jim Lasley, Fred Johnson, and Richard Taylor.



Murat Horse Patrol President Sam Thompson, along with George Clark, gives Past Potentate Ron Elliott two checks for the Transportation Fund. The first is a \$50 check in memory of Neil Placek and the second, in the same amount, is in memory of Russ Dellen.



Transportation Club members Luke Whitehouse, President Ron Bolyard, Terry Boyer, Mike Metzger, Don Schildgen, Dave Frazier, Dennis Scott, Bucky Everhart, Richard Kirkman, Mike Harrison, and Gordon Husk hand over a \$100 check for the Children's Christmas Party Toy Fund to Past Potentate Ron Elliott.



Oriental Guide Charlie Crabtree represents Henry County Shrine Club in presenting a \$201 check for the Transportation Fund to Past Potentate Ron Elliott.



Johnson County Mini-Mystics Club members Mike Percy and Ray Miller give Past Potentate Ron Elliott a \$500 check for the Transportation Fund and a \$250 check for the Children's Christmas Party Toy Fund.



Past Potentate Ron Elliott receives a \$1,000 check for a Shrine Circus Corporate Ad from the Arab Patrol. Joining in the presentation are Club President Ray Miller, Ron Fannin, Bill Baugh, and Captain of the Guard Jim Priest.



Past Potentate Ron Elliott accepts two checks from Murpah Shrine Club President Dave Wilcox and Club officers Mike Foster, Max Foster, Chester Gross, Jim Wedmore, and Grant Mumford. They are in the amount of \$2,100 for the Transportation Fund and \$400 for the Shriners Hospital in Cincinnati.



Past Potentate Ron Elliott receives a check for \$2,855.16 from Putnam County Shrine Club members John Jackman, Don Mundy, Bill Cockrell, Ron Hansen, and John Blaydoe. This check reflects the monies raised in their Paper Crusade and is donated to the Transportation Fund.



Montgomery County Shrine Club President Bob Chezem is joined by Club members Jimmy Stevenson, Greg Miller, Edd Consoer, Wayne Smith, Todd Stevenson, Al Harris, Jim Byers, Russ Switzer, Terry Switzer, and High Priest and Prophet Kevin Rhodes in presenting \$10,000 to the Transportation Fund, \$1,888.71 from their Paper Crusade, and 300 pounds of aluminum tabs to Past Potentate Ron Elliott.



Past Potentate Ron Elliott and Recorder Ed Wolfe present Noble Don Schidgen a Transportation Club jacket honoring the 200 trips Noble Don has made to our Hospitals.

Plaque Program Recipients



Frank Tharp for himself and his Lady Marge.



Fred Schowengerdt for himself and his Lady Rita.



Oriental Guide Charlie Crabtree for himself and his Lady Faye.



Past Potentate Ron Elliott for himself and his Lady Sally Jo.



Bartholomew County Shrine Club represented by Clyde Martin, Buddy Antle, and Bucky Everhart.



Murat Clowns represented by Bobby Caudill, Fred Schowengerdt, Dan Monday, Don Waters, Terry Boyer, Rob Plummer, and Oriental Guide Charlie Crabtree.



Directors Staff represented by Mack Fishburn and Clark Houge. Not pictured are Terry and Max Kimble and Tom and Velda Gunning.

The Brown County Shrine Club was presented with a new way of getting our name out in the community when the town of Nashville decided to have a Christmas Tree Village instead of one large tree which was costing a significant amount of funds each year. In addition, with the old plan, the town had to purchase ornaments and pay employees to put on the ornaments as well as the lights. So, in total, it was an expensive venture each year, but of course, there was no way of giving up the tradition of a Christmas tree. Therefore, a plan was developed to create a Christmas Tree Village containing 15 Christmas trees furnished by the town at a much lower cost than the previous huge tree. The town would install lights on the trees that were the new energy saving LEDs. In addition, the trees were offered to various clubs and organizations throughout the community. When presented to our Shrine Club, it took about 15 seconds for us to agree to enter their contest. To enter the contest, our Club paid the \$100 entry fee which provided us with the tree and the lights in a color of our choice which was red, of course.

We then had to decide how we would decorate the tree. Being the innovative and creative group we are, we decided to make as many of our ornaments as possible. The ornaments were made by different individuals from the Club and then we all met on Saturday, November 22, to decorate the tree. Of course, as luck would have it, that day turned out to be the coldest day yet of the new winter season with temperatures around 22 degrees. Nevertheless, we all persevered and did our best to put the decorations on the tree. The tree we were given looked pretty sad with a bent trunk sitting crooked on the ground. However, when one considers what we stand for, it was the most appropriate tree for our group. Everyone grabbed a miniature fez. They were made by taking very small flower pots, painting them "fez red," putting a black cord through the top small hole and hanging it over the



side, undoing a part of the twisting and combing it out, and then making a hanger for each. On each "fez" was painted the Shrine Ansi symbol and a Club member's name. Next we started putting on glass balls that were purchased clear. One of the members poured "fez red" paint into each of these glass balls using two funnels custom-made into one funnel, then swirling the paint around to completely coat the inside of these balls. They were then put upside down on a custom-made apparatus allowing the paint to drain but capturing it for later use. After drying, the individual took a gold colored paint pen with a fine point and applied Shrine appropriate words like "Hospitals," "Hope," "Transportation," "Lodging," and so forth on the front of these glass balls. Other ornaments were also made to resemble transportation vans and again, Shrine appropriate words were applied to these. The tree was topped by an ingenious individual who used two old fezzes supplied by the Murat that were cut in two. The two fronts were then attached to each other and the "fez" was filled with spray foam with PVC pipes in the center so the finished product could be placed at the top of the tree. The tree was draped in—what else—red sparkling garland. Four custom-made signs hung on the bottom of the tree with, of course, fez red ribbon. Each sign had a picture of a wheel chair

on it and said, "Please help keep these chairs empty." In addition, the Murat "found" some old decals lying around that were attached to the tree using hangers—all with Shrine symbols on them, of course.

On Friday, November 28, at 7 p.m. the town of Nashville held their tree-lighting ceremony and all Shriners were invited to attend. Some members of the Divan managed the cold along with their wives, children and grandchildren as well as members from our own Brown County Shrine Club and other Clubs from Murat. The area beside the Brown County courthouse where the trees were all anchored and on display was surrounded on the street side with a split rail fence. A DJ was present playing Christmas music for many members of our community. At precisely 7 p.m. a switch was thrown and the trees came to life. We were proud to hear from many present that they liked our tree the best. All were impressed with the creativity of our hand-made ornaments, all representative of the Shrine and why we exist, which is exactly why we wanted a Shrine Christmas tree on the lawn of the Brown County courthouse. The public is invited to vote for the tree of their choice when visiting Brown County until January 4, so if you can get down to our town, please be sure to vote. If you have never seen Nashville at night during the Christmas season, you have missed a wonderful experience with all the buildings lit up with tiny white lights. Come down, spend the day or afternoon, eat dinner, vote for the tree of your choice (hint, hint), and check out the wonderful sights in our town. If you have any problems finding the voting ballots, check with the Visitors and Convention Bureau across the street from the courthouse on the northwest corner. The winner of the contest will be awarded \$150. The money is important, but more important is the recognition of the Shrine organization in our community and why we exist. If we win the money, with all of your votes, we will make a worthwhile donation to an important cause.

Potentate George E. Proctor and Lady Debbie cordially invite you to the

2009 Potentate's Ball

dancing
with the stars

March 21, 2009

Murat Egyptian Room

Featuring Double Exposure

Reservations \$110 per couple

Tables of 8

Formal wear with Fez

Arabian Room Social
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Egyptian Room
Doors Open
6:00 p.m.

Introductions
6:45 p.m.

Dinner
7:30 p.m.

Dancing
9:00 p.m. - midnight

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*Make checks payable to: Murat Shrine, 510 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46204
Enclose a self-addressed envelope for return of tickets. Tickets are available by mail order or at the Fraternal Office. Charge purchases can be made by telephone at (317) 635-2433.*

2009 MURAT CALENDAR RAFFLE

WIN
CASH!



\$1,000 4 times a year

(MARCH 31, JUNE 30, SEPTEMBER 30 AND DECEMBER 31)

\$100 Every Sunday

(EXCEPT SPECIAL DAYS)

\$25 Daily

*MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY (EXCEPT MARCH 31, JUNE 30,
SEPTEMBER 30, AND DECEMBER 31)*

Only 2,500 calendars will be sold at \$25 each. You have 365 chances to win during the year. There will be a guaranteed winner every day of the year. On the four special days, there will be a \$1,000 winner (MARCH 31, JUNE 30, SEPTEMBER 30 AND DECEMBER 31). A \$100 winner will be selected every Sunday (except special days). A \$25 winner will be selected daily, Monday through Saturday (EXCEPT MARCH 31, JUNE 30, SEPTEMBER 30, AND DECEMBER 31).

***Proceeds are for the benefit of Murat Shriners' activities.
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We now begin another New Year. Get those new 2009 calendars out and begin the task of noting all plans for the next 12 months. Yes, that means family and friends' birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, holidays, reunions, doctor and hair appointments, meeting dates, conventions, vacations, sporting and pleasure events, and lastly, the dreaded IRS and property tax deadlines. Oh yes, make sure your personal calendar can "squeeze" these important functions into the small square.

"Fashion from Around the World" – What a powerful theme for our annual Style Show Saturday, January 17, at the Murat Shrine. Ladies, this means clothes you could wear when travelling around the world, not fashions from their country here in Indianapolis. "Ginger and Spice" will show many beautiful clothes and accessories that you will find impossible to leave without becoming their "new owners." Our ladies will be modeling these stylish fashions for everyone to see. The luncheon buffet will be served at 11:30 a.m. followed by the style show. We will have a host of items for the silent auction and door prizes. You may be the lucky winner of one or more prizes. Price will be \$25 per person and reservations must be made to PQ Betty J. Rathbun, (317) 846-2800, by Monday, January 12. Past Queen Cathy Rose, chairperson for this event, has assured me additional information will be forthcoming via the mail.

Have you turned in a Petition for Membership for our "White Rose Ceremonial" on Saturday, February 7, at the Murat Shrine? If not, please contact PQ Manuella Jefferson, Pam Herther, or Faye Crabtree and ask for the petition form. A luncheon buffet will begin at 12 p.m. followed by the ceremonial at 1:30 p.m. The reservations are to be made through PQ Betty J. Rathbun, (317) 846-2800, by Monday, February 2. The price will be listed in coming correspondence. All Koran Temple Units are asked to perform this special day.

Murat Mobil Noble Little Pig Initiation

**Honoring 2009
Outer Guard!**

Friday, February 20

**Corinthian Room
Social 5:30 p.m.
Dinner 7 p.m.**

Program Following

**Tickets available from
any Mobil Noble**



Queen Cheryl thanks everyone for their donations and monetary gifts to the "Toy March" in December. Our "children" were grateful for their new gifts. "Everyone looked very bright and cheerful in their Christmas attire at our December meeting. That meeting was so special for me." Queen Cheryl has back surgery scheduled in January. Due to both Queen Cheryl and Marshal Carole Hosford's inability to help set up and tear down the temple, she would like to thank all ladies who helped with this endeavor. "A special thanks to my two attendants, Dorothy and Doris; to Bud and Dorothy Abel; and finally, my husband and new Noble Tony for helping with the 'heavy' work and everything else. You have no idea how much this meant to me."

Wednesday Stated Meeting dates are January 7, February 4, and March 4 (Election).

Social hostesses for January – Appointed Officers; February – PQ's; and March – Queen Cheryl.

Queen Cheryl will host sewing in March.

Closing thought: Leadership is based on inspiration, not domination; on cooperation, not intimidation.

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**FRIDAY
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5:30 P.M.
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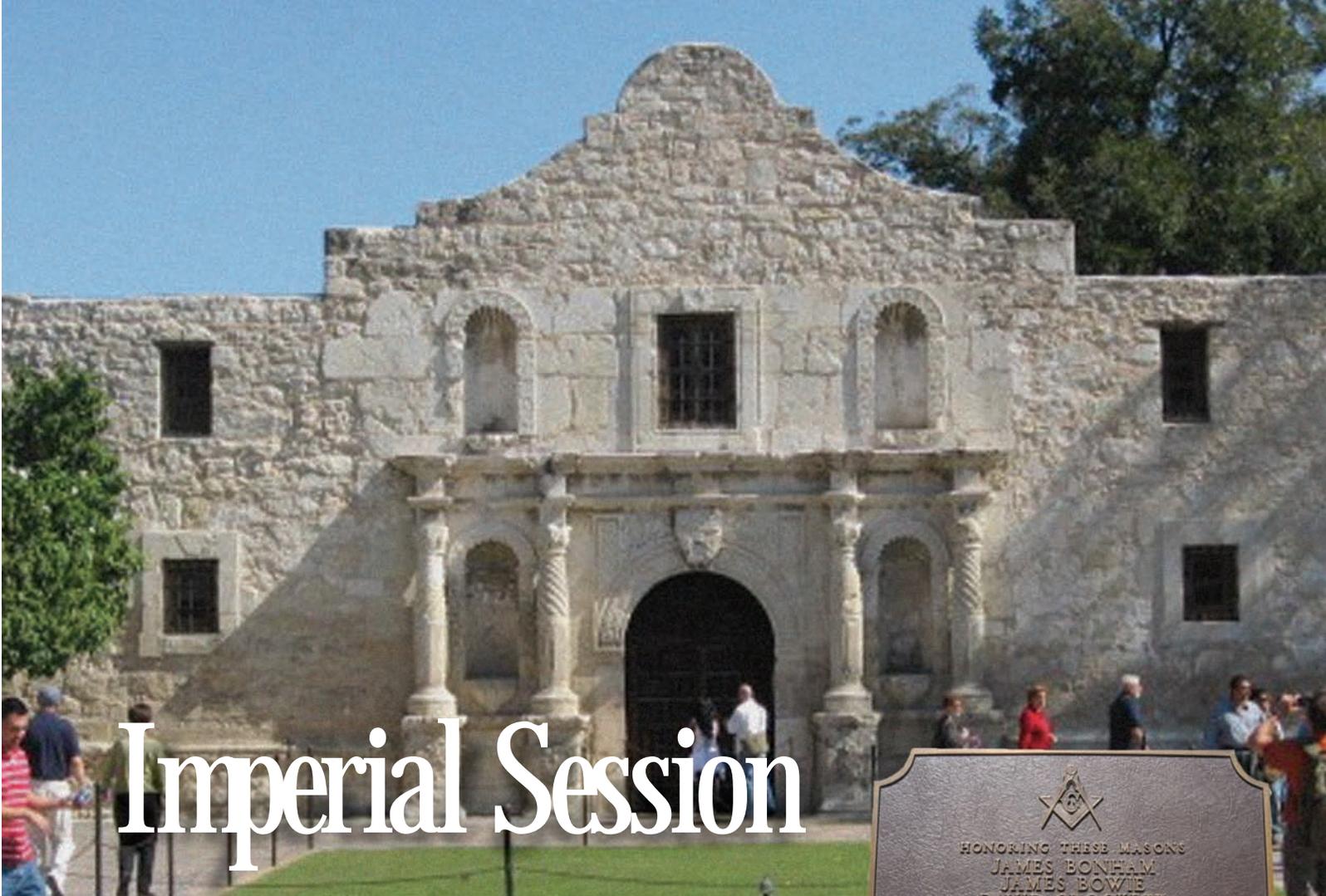
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FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES

It is natural to associate the fez with Shriners Hospitals for Children. Because of this, meticulous attention must be given to all fund-raising activities, including circuses, to make certain that a contributor is not led to believe that his money will be used for the Hospitals when all or a portion thereof will be used otherwise. The integrity of our charity and of our fraternity must remain above reproach.

Your specific attention is called to the following fraternal and charitable bylaws:

§335.3 USE OF NAME "SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN." The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any fund-raising activity by a temple or Noble without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hospitals is prohibited.

§503.10 The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any commercial product or business enterprise is prohibited unless the written consent of the Board of Directors and Trustees has been first obtained.

Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Fund-Raising for Fraternal Purposes:

- (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations, shall engage in any fund-raising activity without the express written consent of the potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof.
- (b) There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children.
- (c) The temple potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with §335.3 and §503.9 of the fraternal and charitable bylaws.
- (d) The temple potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fund-raising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and, additionally, as may be required by the temple bylaws.
- (e) A copy of the temple potentate's written consent shall be mailed to the Executive Vice President—Imperial Council. Further, such written material pertaining to the fund-raising activity, as requested by the Executive Vice President—Imperial Council, shall be promptly mailed to him.

2. Fund-Raising for Charitable Purposes:

- (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fund-raising activity other than for Shriners Hospitals for Children. Permission therefor must be first obtained in writing from the temple potentate. The temple potentate must then obtain written permission from the Imperial Potentate and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the Executive Vice President—Imperial Council, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631-3356.
- (b) 100% of the net proceeds from charitable fund-raising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children except for such portion thereof as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of any existing General Order.

- (c) The temple shall report the result of each charitable fund-raising activity within sixty (60) days of the activity, to Shriners Hospitals for Children, on the Shrine Charity Activity Form (CAF) provided to the temple.
- (d) This section shall not apply to activities exempt under §335.4(b) of the bylaws of The Imperial Council.
- (e) Each independent corporation or entity that receives the permission of the Imperial Potentate and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees to raise money for Shriners Hospitals for Children, and which does not have its financial accounts audited pursuant to §§334.5 & 337.8 of the bylaws of The Imperial Council, shall have its financial accounts audited by a certified, chartered or licensed public accountant and shall submit such audit report to The Imperial Council within 120 days of the activity.

3. Statement of Purpose and Disclosure:

- (a) Every fund-raising activity must contain factual information on its solicitation material, tickets, programs and documents regarding the use of the proceeds.

Examples

"Proceeds are for the benefit of (_____ Shriners) (_____ Shrine Club) activities."

"Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children."

- (b) Every fund-raising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children shall prominently state on the solicitation material, tickets and documents that "payments are not deductible as charitable contributions."
- (c) There must be compliance with the *Revenue Act of 1987* provision of any existing general order by U.S. temples.

4. Compliance with Applicable Laws:

It is the responsibility of the temple potentate, after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, to determine that there is compliance with all applicable laws in its jurisdiction for the temple's fundraising activities.

5. Financial Records:

- (a) The temple shall maintain detailed financial records pertaining to all fund-raising activities involving Nobles, clubs, units, organizations of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations. Details of all revenues and disbursements shall be maintained in such financial records.
- (b) The temple must retain such detailed financial records for a period of seven (7) years.
- (c) There must be compliance with the *Financial Reporting on Charitable Funds and Activities* provision of any existing general order.

6. Notification to Nobility:

A copy of the *Fund-Raising Activities* provisions of this General Order shall be printed in the temple publication at least once every calendar year. If there is no temple publication, then a copy shall be mailed to each Noble in the temple not later than the last day in March of each calendar year.

7. Discipline:

Any officer, Noble or temple which violates a provision of *Fund-Raising Activities* is subject to discipline pursuant to the bylaws of The Imperial Council.

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MURAT ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

Friday Nights at the Oasis Lounge

January:

FRI 2 Band Night
FRI 9 NexGen Theme Night
FRI 16 Live Jazz Night with Sizzlin' Gregg Bacon
FRI 23 Seth Jenkins Live
FRI 30 Game Night

February:

FRI 6 Band Night
FRI 13 NexGen Theme Night

March:

FRI 6 Band Night
FRI 13 NexGen Theme Night
FRI 27 Seth Jenkins Live

Oasis Presents in the Arabian Room

SAT FEB 14 The Hottest Valentine's Day Ever with
Sizzlin' Gregg Bacon
\$80 per guest; VIP seating \$100 per guest

SAT FEB 21 Fred Astaire Dance Studio - Regional
Dance Contest

SAT APR 11 Caribbean Night at the Shrine

COMING EVENTS

The current Murat calendars for 2008 and
2009 are available at www.muratshrine.org

JANUARY

THU. 1 **HAPPY NEW YEAR**
Fraternal Office closed

FRI. 2 **DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY MAGAZINE**

SUN. 4 Murat Public Installation

THU. 8 Caravan Club - Circus Preview

THU. 15 Caravan Club - Potentate George Proctor

SAT. 17 Founder's Day
84th East-West Shrine Football Game

MON. 19 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.

THU. 22 Caravan Club - Girls Inc. of
Indianapolis

SAT. 24 Murat Leadership Conference

TUES. 27- Florida Visitation
SAT. 31

THU. 29 Caravan Club - TV Converter Box

FEBRUARY

MON. 2 **DEADLINE FOR MARCH MAGAZINE**

THU. 5 Caravan Club

THU. 12 Caravan Club

MON. 16 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.

THU. 19 Caravan Club

FRI. 20 Ladies Night Out
Little Pig Initiation
Special Entertainment in the Arabian
Room

THU. 26 Caravan Club

MARCH

MON. 2 **DEADLINE FOR APRIL MAGAZINE**

THU. 5- Murat Shrine Circus
SUN. 8

FRI. 13- Grand Lodge 200-year Celebration at
SAT. 14 Vincennes Lodge #1

MON. 16 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.

THU. 19 Caravan Club

SAT. 21 Potentate's Ball

THU. 26 Caravan Club

APRIL

WED. 1 **DEADLINE FOR MAY MAGAZINE**

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