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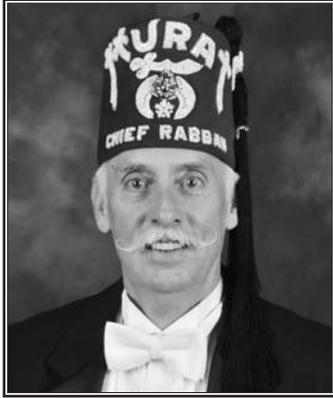


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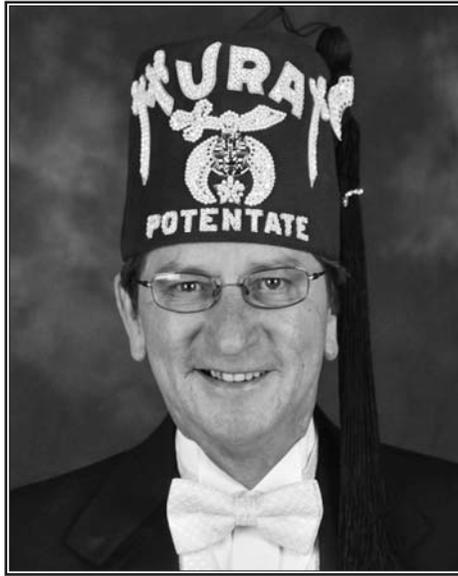
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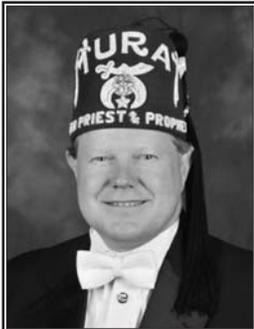
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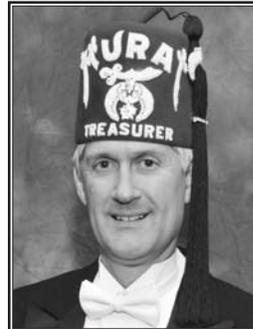
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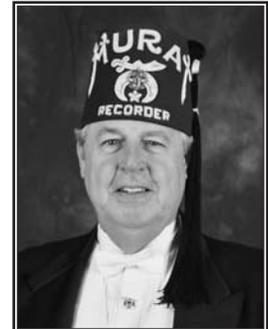
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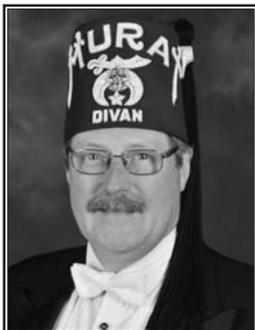
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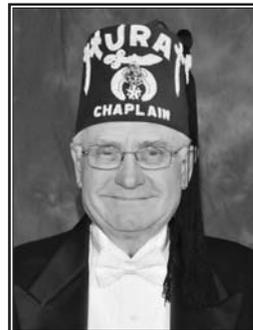
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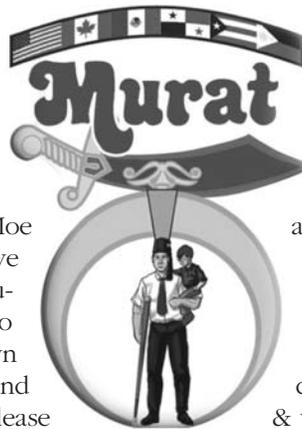
# Potentate's Message

Nobles,

I started the year with my theme "We Are Family." Montgomery County Shrine Club proved that by throwing a party in my honor, attended by well over 100 people from throughout Murat and my own paternal family. It was a very special evening that I will always remember. Thanks to all who attended and to those who worked to make that special evening take place.

A special thank-you to Moe Lewis, father of Noble Steve Lewis, for handcrafting the beautiful bench that was presented to me that evening. I have known Moe and Steve for many years and Moe is now battling cancer; please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. (By the way, I am sitting on that bench as I write this.)

Our Motorcycle Drill Team (otherwise known as THE BEAM TEAM), along with Bill & Judi Yelton, has shown they are family not only in the Shrine and the community, but the nation as a whole. The Yeltons have had their Flag Truck in many parades. **THE BEAM TEAM have not attended some of the parades as they had a much more noble agenda—they have been escorting the project 911 beams throughout the state.** Fred, I want to thank you and THE BEAM TEAM for allowing me to ride



with you and participate in the final escort of those BEAMS on September 7. Please see the cover photo and others throughout the magazine. Nobles, thank you for your patriotism and dedication.

Brown County Shrine Club set a mini ceremonial as did Murpah Shrine Club. Thanks for your efforts in helping to promote membership. We will be having a full ceremonial on December 3; please encourage those who attended the minis to come to the full ceremonial and to take part in it and the Hot Sands. I would also encourage you to Top-Line Sign others—if you Top-Line (3) this year, your dues will be paid for next year; (15) & your dues are paid for life. Go GET 'EM nobles and help the fraternity return to the Glory Days.

I would also like to thank all the Units that participated in the various parades and the Clubs for their hospitality and helping to sponsor them.

It is true, summer is over. Please enjoy the various colors of fall as much as the various friendships made in Shrinedom.

Fraternally Yours,

Kevin D. Rhodes  
Illustrious Potentate

## NexGen Halloween Party

Friday, October 28, 8 p.m.  
Oasis Lounge

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Costumes optional

# Project 9/11 Indianapolis

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Greetings fellow Nobles and Ladies of the Mystic Shrine,

Fred Goltart, here with news from the Police Club Motorcycle Drill Team. It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as Drill Commander for 2011 and it's not over yet. Besides the usual parades, it has not been the typical year one might expect. It started with a phone call from Drillmaster Bill Pike back in March asking if we wanted to go on a ride to honor two beams from the World Trade Center coming to Indianapolis. Since Indianapolis Fireman Greg Hess was a friend and former student of mine, I called and asked if the Murat Police Club Motorcycle Drill Team could be their honor escort to assist him in bringing the beams into Indiana. A very welcomed "yes that would be great" started us out on an unforgettable journey since April 9, 2011.

On Saturday, April 9, the Drill Team met at 9 a.m. on I70 at Exit 10 in Ohio to travel to Dayton to meet up with the beams and the beam truck. The prayer ceremony was at 10 a.m., leaving Dayton traveling to Richmond with 40 fire trucks of every size & color with lights flashing and sirens blaring as we arrived in Richmond for a 12 noon ceremony. An awesome sight!

At 1:30 we departed for Indianapolis, with Indiana State Police leading with the Drill Team following the beams and leading approximately 12,000+ motorcycles. So many that it was reported at one time the procession was more than 47 miles long. Did I mention the torrential rain we drove through? A few members of the Drill Team said it was okay because it helped to wash away the tears of both joy and sadness as we watched thousands of people line the streets, highways, and bridges all the way to Indianapolis, remembering and honoring the victims and families of 9-11-2001.



The arrival in Indianapolis brought out a beautiful sun shining day as thousands upon thousands of people on and off motorcycles gathered at the War Memorial for a ceremony at 4:30 p.m. The MC announcer, standing there in his nice suit and tie, exclaimed, "What a beautiful day for a ride!" as the crowd started laughing and groaning as we stood in front of him soaking wet from our long ride with huge smiles on our faces. The beams had arrived! Result: your Police Club Motorcycle Drill Team got the bug and our lives changed forever! We now lovingly call ourselves "The Beam Team."



We have had the distinct honor and privilege of joining Greg Hess, Moe Miller, the driver from Sodrel Trucking, and the two twin tower beams for parades and events as their Honor Escort:

- July 4 was the Carmel Fest Parade as they voted the beams "The Most Patriotic Theme" as we led them through and performed out in front of the truck.
- July 30 we escorted the beams around Lucas Oil Raceway Park for the Nascar Nationwide Series Race.
- August 20 we made history – we led the Russ Dellen Loop for Life ride with more than 5,000 motorcycles and the beams on I-465, over 52 miles, around the city of Indianapolis riding five abreast displaying our proud letters – MURAT. That, according to some of our older members, like Willard Payne and Tom Bond, had never been done before. It was awesome!
- September 3 we escorted the beams through the Miracle Mile Parade and then doubled back to perform as the last unit in the parade. Did I mention it was hot? Ask any of the fellows if their inner thighs are still chafed from the heat. No joke – it was HOT!!!
- On September 7, exactly five months to the day of arrival, the Beam Team, along with our Illustrious





Potentate Kevin Rhodes, escorted the beams to their final resting place, the 911 Memorial Site, 421 W. Ohio Street, along the White River Canal. As we watched the beams being erected, the bronze eagle raised to its lofty perch, I stood next to Greg Hess and said, "The eagle has landed!" It was a very emotional moment for many of us as we observed the mission being accomplished.

- As I write this article, we look forward to assisting as the Honor Escort for one more ride on Sunday, September 11, to bring thousands of folks into that dedication ceremony at 4 p.m. from the Hoosier Park in Anderson. The hundreds and thousands of people involved in this project have made it happen. Thank You!
- One final thought comes to mind as I recall attending the Caravan Club Luncheon last week where the Grand

Master, Greg Walbridge, was speaking. I introduced myself and apologized to the Grand Master and members of the Divan who were present for not being able to attend the Indiana Masonic Home Festival this year due to our commitment to Project 911 Indianapolis. Afterward, the Grand Master leaned over to me at the table and said, "Good Choice!"

It has been an honor and privilege to represent the MURAT Shrine for this project!

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Fred W. Gorgart  
2011 Drill Commander  
Police Club Motorcycle Drill Team



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## Recorder's Message

Ed Wolfe

The Divan has been busy this past month attending on-site ceremonials. Recently, we had the opportunity to welcome 10 new nobles at the Morgan County Shrine Club and 13 new nobles at Murpah Shrine Club. I believe that Brown County, Rolling Hills, Bartholomew, and Southeastern Shrine Clubs are planning an on-site ceremonial very soon. I see these on-site ceremonials as a future opportunity to increase our membership at Murat. What has your Murat Club or Unit planned? Please keep in contact with the Membership Chairman, Carl Culmann, and the Potentate to ensure your choice of date may be granted. Nobles, there is a wealth of information available at [www.shrinersvillage.com](http://www.shrinersvillage.com) to assist you with recruiting and promotional materials. When visiting your Blue Lodges, always refer to the Web site [www.beashrinernow.org](http://www.beashrinernow.org) which is a road map to becoming a Shriner or a Mason. Please remember, a new noble will bring new life and much needed energy to the World's Greatest Philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children.

## Reception Unit

Mike Metzger

I hope everyone had a great summer even though it was very hot and humid. In a month or two, all that will be forgotten and we will wish it was back. Thanks to all of the nobles, ladies, family and friends for volunteering their time working the VCM booth at the Indiana State Fair. The money earned from this is used in many ways to help our Hospital Kids and that's what we are all about.

At our Reception Unit meeting October 11, we will start wearing our winter uniform (camel colored jacket & tie). Also, we will need several nobles to assist with the Murat Shrine Stated meeting on October 17—we start around 5 p.m. At our November 8 meeting, we have the election of officers for the year 2012; if you would be interested in becoming more involved in our Unit, please contact Mike Metzger at (317) 894-8363 or one of our other officers.

Get your candidates ready for the Murat Shrine (Hot Sands) ceremonial Saturday, December 3, 2011. Mark your calendar so you can come out and support the Murat Shrine, our new candidates, and the Reception Unit.

We (nobles & ladies) meet the second Tuesday of each month starting at 5:30 p.m. for dinner and social in the Tunisian Room. At 7 p.m. the nobles have their meeting downstairs in the Mediterranean Room and the ladies (Lil' Istiks) meet in the Mecca Room.

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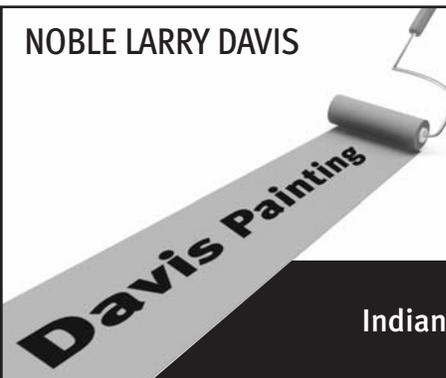
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# Happy Birthday, Owen

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An earlier article told about Owen Stokes being severely burned at the age of 2 when he fell into an aquarium filled with hot water. Years ago, a child with burns over 50 percent of his body usually did not survive. Shriners Hospitals for Children® in Cincinnati has treated children with burns over 95 percent of their bodies, and the children survived. Owen received scalding burns over 98 percent of his body..

Owen was rushed to a hospital near his home, and doctors said it was unlikely he would survive, and if he somehow did survive, he would never walk. Owen was flown to the Cincinnati hospital, which specializes in pediatric burn care. He was in the hospital for months, receiving expert medical care which miraculously saved his life.

Debbie Harrell, a nurse in our Cincinnati hospital says, "Children are not little adults. Besides the critical care issues that come with treating a pediatric burn patient, there are many support issues that we provide well beyond a traditional hospital, which are absolutely essential when caring for a child."

In November 2010, Owen and two younger siblings were placed in foster care. The fostering agency sought a foster family equipped to handle special-needs children and which could accept all three children. They indeed found such a home and family. Jim and Susan Mahan welcomed all three into the Mahan home, where the children receive proper care and love.

The Shriners who volunteer to drive Owen to his many appointments in Cincinnati soon learned Owen's favorite food is chicken nuggets, and there is usually discussion over which driver gets to buy them for Owen. Those same drivers escorted Owen and the family to the Murat



Shrine Circus and made sure he rode an elephant.

The drivers and about 100 other people were invited to a party with a circus theme at Pittsboro Primary School which Owen attends. Hospital van drivers attending were Charles Stevens, Don Schildgen, Ken Barnard, Mike Metzger, Luke Whitehouse, and Dan Shaffer. The drivers, plus some Murat Shrine Clowns, caused Owen to smile. A recent surgical procedure kept Owen from being as active as usual, but he waved his balloon sword and enjoyed all the activities, including the Spider Man face paint. His eyes lit up as a cake was placed in front of him, and the group sang "Happy Birthday."

Susan Mahan says, "Without Shriners, Owen would not be here today in this great shape, or perhaps not at all. Shriners transport us to the hospital and support us in many other ways. We thank God for Shriners every day." While Owen faces many surgical procedures, he does smile, walk, play with his puppy, and love his family.

My wife and I saw many people hugging Susan and smiling at Owen. One great moment was when Jim Mahan told me he appreciates the work of Shriners, that he is working toward becoming a Master Mason, and hopes to soon be a Shriner.

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Fall is in the air! The leaves on the trees are changing to beautiful, magnificent colors of reds, oranges, yellows, browns and all colors in between. We must take this time and enjoy the autumn foliage and weather changes with our family and friends. Because our country is based on teamwork, this is Tarum Court's time to work together as a team for the children in our Shriners Hospitals.

To those who were unable to attend our Ways and Means Brunch and Bazaar on Saturday, August 27, you missed a lovely event. Rebecca Brazzell and her helpers are to be applauded for their many hours spent securing various vendors with booths and their products. This was held in the Tunisian and Corinthian Rooms at the Murat Shrine. Some of the items were available for purchase at our Tuesday, September 6, Stated Meeting, which was held in the

Corinthian Room.

One of the biggest fundraisers for my year will be the sale of Discover Indy books for \$25 each. Ladies, these make "great" Christmas or personal gifts for family and friends for the 2012 year. Please contact Kay Hinshaw at (317) 271-7179 or myself, Barbara Smith, at (317) 846-1650 if you would like to order one of these books.

Our Great Lakes Unit Meet held in Niagara Falls, Canada, was an enjoyable weekend for those ladies attending. Thanks to all the Units who performed and represented Tarum Court No 14. Congratulations to the ladies from Toronto, Ontario, Canada for an excellent Unit meet. Lastly, I was very honored to be your High Priestess at this great event.

We are well underway preparing for the visit of our Grand High Priestess, Lady Sandy Newby, on October 7 and 8.

We will be having a luncheon at 11:30 with a court meeting at 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 8, at the Shrine. Please contact Lady Karen Waldrip with your reservation at (317) 856-1629.

Pizza time is here again! We will be making pizzas on Saturday, October 22, at Speedway Christian Church in Speedway, IN. We need many orders so start asking your family and friends for their support in this Ways and Means project. Orders must be turned in by the Monday, October 17, deadline. We will need lots of help in preparing these pizzas. Come and help us if you can.

Remember to check on your neighbors, friends, and family at all times. Keep all the men and women serving in our armed forces in your thoughts and prayers. Because of their service and commitment, we continue to be a free country.

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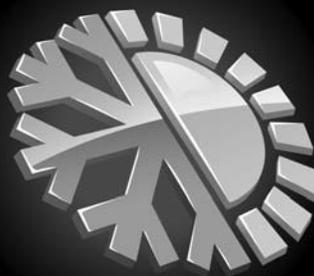
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The leaves of fall are starting to show their brilliant colors and there's a chill in the air which signals the sad end to the camping season in Indiana. The wonderful memories of the summer of 2011 will help keep us warm through the cold months to come.

Race Day in Indianapolis is always the most exciting day of the year as 500,000 of our closest friends descend on the Speedway to witness series after series of left turns at more than 200 mph! The RV Club once again accepted the invitation to watch the race remotely from the Hill-toppers in Terre Haute. This was an excellent place to enjoy the race and partake of a cold beverage or two. The fellowship and food were outstanding even though my driver was out in the first 50 laps. The race was followed with cards, games, and more fun.

In June, the Club made a pilgrimage to Amishville, USA



to get back to a simpler time. Our big rigs looked a little out of place next to the horse-drawn carriages, but we all got along famously. The luau dinner in full Polynesian costume was a real hoot and got everyone in the party mood for the weekend. Bonnie Hoy's potent punch perked up the party! The Amish undoubtedly thought we were a bit nuts but so goes life in the Shrine!

July had the Club traveling south, braving the boiling heat of summer to the Bourbon Trail. They did, however, cool off by touring distilleries and sampling some fine mixes. The ladies put on a wonderful tea and strutted their stuff in their finest Derby attire complete with big hats! Gentlemen, the ladies were looking good!

In August, we were on the road to Clinton, IN. The weekend was filled with fun and games. Fishing, miniature golf, horseshoes and even a scavenger hunt kept the Club busy. Saturday night was capped off with a steak dinner and our own version of "The Newlywed Game." Of course, our participants had been married 30-67 years so memories of that first date were a bit faded. We all had a grand time watching the men squirm in their seats!

September was our busiest month with two campouts and our annual fish fry. Fishing in Duncan's pond on a lazy Saturday is a wonderfully relaxing distraction. What a wonderful day for the Club. The first September campout was hosted by the Hill-toppers. We had great fellowship and even had time to participate in a "Hillbilly Degree." The final campout of the season was held at Cereland and was another resounding success. It was sad to have to end the Club's official camping season, but many friendships were made over the summer and our Club will be back on the road soon. Whether you travel with a tent or a million dollar coach, please give us a call at (317) 308-0244; we would love to have you join us.

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Hello Nobles and Ladies,

October is here and the cool fall air is upon us with winter close by. Where did the year go? Since the last printing, Madison County had their Shrine Day August 20, the first one in about three years.

We had the parade in Elwood at their Glass Festival and afterward came back to the Shrine Club where we presented the trophies. The ladies had prepared food for the day and also sold Shrine items. A big thanks to the Ladies Club.

I want to also thank P.P. Chris Robbins for his help in organizing Shrine Day along with P.P. Jim Vest; without their help, it wouldn't have been a success. I want to thank our Illustrious Potentate Kevin Rhodes and Chief Rabban Charlie Crabtree for attending.

The winners were overall: first place to the Corvette Club; second place – 500 Car Club; third place – Veteran Car Club. The President's choice went to the Logansport Third Wheel; Ladies' choice went to the Murat Mini Cycles; and the Potentate's choice went to the 500 Car Club.

Thanks to P.P. Jim Swain for tending the bar. Good job. Also in August, we held our P.P. Breakfast on the 28th. I

want to thank the following past presidents for their help: Jim Swain, Dick Dawson, Tony Wilson, Bruce Skinner, Andy Miller, Chris Robbins, Jeff Mock and Jim Vest, and Mark Nugent for chairing it.

Also, thanks to the ladies for their help: Brenda Dalzell, Sue Dawson, Dottie Payne, Debbie Skinner, Kathy Limbrock, Pam Mock, Debi Miller, Tonya Robbins, and Sandy Kennedy.

Upcoming events we will be having are a fall party hosted by the Desert Patrol on September 10 with Quincy's Brass Band as the entertainment. The menu will be pulled pork with baked beans, cole slaw, and chips. Doors open at 5:30, eat at 6, and dance from 7 to 11 p.m. Everyone is invited, so come out and enjoy the fellowship and see a great band.

Coming in October is a bus trip to the Chicago Hospital; contact P.P. Jeff Mock at (765) 617-2671 or e-mail JDMOCK1@comcast.net. Also in October, we will be having an Oktoberfest party chaired by Clyde and Karla House.

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## Directors Staff

Gerald Frost

Greetings Nobles and Friends,

At the time of this writing, we are only a few days away from our summer picnic. We hope everyone could make this annual event and had a great time. Thanks to everyone involved and more on the picnic in the next article in November.

What would you like to see in our Unit's magazine articles? Your suggestions and ideas are welcome at any time. Please call me or send me an e-mail with your ideas.

Please keep us informed as to any illnesses you may have heard about so we can keep everyone up to date. With your help, I can try to make our articles informative and the best in Murat Shrine.

Meeting attendance is ahead of last year, so let's keep up the good work. Volunteers are always needed for our events such as the circus, Paper Crusade, SDA, and summer picnics. If you would like to volunteer to be on any committee or run for office, please let your president or other Staff officers know your desires. We will be happy to work with you to meet your needs.

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Stated Meeting is Oct. 17 @ 7 p.m. at Murat Shrine.

Next Directors Staff meeting – Oct. 24 @ 7 p.m. at Murat Shrine.

Recruiting is ongoing. Our goal is 11 good Nubians for 2011. Only three months left to meet our goal. Feel free to invite prospects to attend any of our meetings held on the fourth Monday of each month.

We have lost several good members this past year, and we must always be on the lookout for new Directors Staff members. We are always looking for good men to develop an even better Directors Staff. Meeting attendance is also very important so you can stay abreast of what's going on throughout the year.

Hope you had a safe and enjoyable summer. "Shriners ... Having Fun and Helping Kids Hand in Hand."

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## Tarum

Jeff Dickey

Well, fall is here and what a summer we had. The pool was busy every weekend with rentals. Once again, the pool paid its way. Well done Chad and all who worked so hard. The ladies had wedding receptions and that helps their bottom line. Speaking of the ladies, the Salad Bar Bingo was a success once again, so look to the next month's report to see how much they made for Camp Ability.

Once more, Tarum was involved in the Kidfest parade in Richmond. Members of the Divan and parade units from Indy came and had fun, showing that Shriners are having fun helping kids. We also paraded in Liberty and Centerville. All in all, it was a good summer parade season.

Mark Greulich and Jon Anderson put their grilling talents to work once again for a local golf tourney. They grilled food and served all the golfers. This earned a nice donation to Tarum. Thank you Mark and Jon. We closed the month by once again cooking and serving literally hundreds of people at the Depot District's annual Oktoberfest. Again, Steve Terzini and Little Sheba's allowed us to set up in their parking lot to cook and serve. Steve and Rene donate these profits to Tarum. The entire Depot District works well with Tarum benefiting both organizations. Well done to all who helped out.

Election time will be here before you know it and we need you. Sign up and run Tarum for the 2012 season. It is time for some new blood to come forward. So volunteer to serve and give back to the Club—you are needed. Please remember to come to dinner on Friday nights and attend breakfast at the Lodge the first Saturday of the month.

See you at Tarum.

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## Legion of Honor

Bob Watson

Greetings from the Legion of Honor,

Well, we have only been back from being dark for about a month now, but boy have we been busy.

The Great Lakes Shrine Association convention, August 18–21, held in London, Ontario, was by all accounts a big success. Ken Morey, a former Marine, OOOORAH!, was elected Commander, and our own Larry Hearn was installed as 2nd Lt. Commander. Congratulations to all the newly elected officers in Great Lakes Shrine Association Legions of Honor for 2011 – 2012. Also, many thanks to Hadi Shrine Legion of Honor in Evansville for arranging the bus.

The first of September our Color Guard presented colors for the University of Indianapolis at their homecoming football game.

As of this writing, we have no official word yet, but our Color Guard was hoping to participate in the dedication of the new 911 memorial, set for Sunday, September 11, on the canal in downtown Indianapolis. Since all Legion of Honor members have served or are currently serving in our nation's various military branches, that would be a huge honor for our Color Guard.

Back on August 13, the Legion of Honor put on a 50/50 raffle at the Anderson Motor Speedway in Anderson, IN. Several members of Murat Shrine Legion of Honor and their ladies, as well as several members and their ladies from the Anderson platoon Legion of Honor, participated. Thanks to all of you for your help. Our lucky winner was Kelly Benefiel of Daleville, IN. Kelly walked away with \$425. From all of us at the Legion of Honor, a big ole "Congratulations Kelly." We also learned that Kelly is a cancer survivor, so I don't think we could have had a more deserving winner. Kelly, our prayers are with you.

Unfortunately, I have a bit of sad news to report. Past Commander/Past International Commander Jim Taflinger is battling prostate cancer, and our own "Tail end Charlie," Leroy Callahan, is fighting bladder cancer. Jim and Leroy, from all of us in the Legion of Honor, we wish you the very best. Hang in there guys.

Well, I think I've rattled on enough for now; so until next month, remember, "It's an honor to belong to the Legion of Honor."

Murat High-Rollers have had a great summer with hot cards to go along with the hot temperatures. We want to thank all the members for their continued support. Texas Hold'em seems to be a very hot item and we want to keep the momentum going for many years to come. For those of you who have not been to a tournament, you will be glad to know that more than 90 percent of the players are from the public. This means 'net new' income to the temple. So far this year, we have been averaging more than 70 players per tournament. Our goal is to get to 100 players for each monthly tournament. We cannot do this without your help. Again, we would like to invite all the nobles, their families and guests to this monthly event. Come to play, come to work, or just come and watch and support Murat Shrine.

The monthly tournament is held the second Saturday of each month. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the game starts at 6 p.m. This event is open to the public, so bring as many gamblers as you can. The Oasis Lounge is open for the tournament as well, with full beverage and food available. As a special incentive to our players, if you pre-register for a monthly tournament the Friday before, and purchase your re-buy at registration on Saturday, you receive a bonus \$500 chip.

Our first new game called the 'High Roller' night will be Thursday, October 13. This stand alone game will have a \$100 buy and \$100 re-buy. This night is limited to the first 65 players. Please contact the Fraternal Office to pre-register for this special night. Registration will begin at 5:45 p.m. and the game will start at 6:30 p.m. We will have food and beverages available for the players prior to the game beginning.

The High-Rollers meet at 4:30 p.m. before each Saturday tournament. If you're interested in joining the High-Rollers, contact Bob Hudson or Rob Plummer before a tournament.

Now for those who don't know much about Texas Hold'em, a little trivia/education.

Q: In Texas Hold 'em, what is the point of the blinds?

A: In order to start betting in Hold'em, forced bets (known as blinds) are made by the two players immediately clockwise from the dealer button. The person immediately clockwise from the dealer has the small blind, and the next player clockwise has the big blind. Making blind bets is known as posting and this is done before any cards are dealt.

 **Miami University Misfitz**   
**Murat Quartet & karaoke**  
**Sponsored by Murat NexGen Unit**  
**Murat - Tunisian Room**  
**Friday, December 16, 2011**  
8pm: Music / Karaoke  
9pm: Misfitz of Miami University and then Murat Quartet  
9:30pm: 50/50 drawing & Karaoke Starts

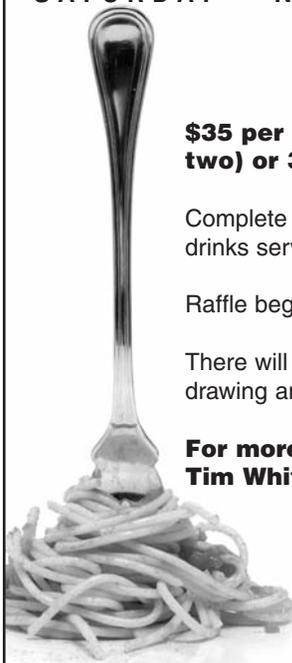


RSVP is appreciated to Kevin Scott (317) 409-0591 by Friday, Dec. 9, 2011  
Please show up even if you cannot or do not RSVP.

**About Us:**  
The Misfitz is Miami University's only all-female a cappella group, who celebrated its 10th anniversary spring 2011. The Misfitz is made of 10+ beautiful girls who love to make music and have an overall rowdy time doing it!

**Misfitz Accomplishments:**  
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# Johnson County Mini-Mystics

Dave Alspaugh

October 2011 and summer is behind us. The days of 90° are finally part of our past. When have we ever seen a crazier summer? Twenty-three straight days with temperatures reaching 90° or hotter. And aren't the yards beautiful? That is if you like brown.

Yes, our year is slowly winding to an end. Before we know it, the Mini-Mystics will be making plans for a Christmas party. It just can't be. It's not logical, but if the world were a logical place, men would be the ones riding horses side saddle.

Recently, while dining at the Shrine Club enjoying the free chili and making preparations to play in the progressive Euchre game, Judy Simpson approached me and asked, "What is happening to the Mini-Mystics?" Ralph Simpson, prior to joining the Unseen Temple, had brought the Mini-Mystics back from being almost destroyed. Judy has seen the Club in many stages and she says what she sees now really both-



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ers her. No one wants to attend parades, meetings, or volunteer at all. I told her that President Lee Langlotz, Duane Burgess, and I have been mulling this problem over all this year. It would be great to just say ... here's your answer!

I have been giving our membership quite a bit of bad press about attendance at meetings, doing parades, and generally helping out at the Club. Sadly, I have to admit to missing the last two or three parades and a meeting or two, so I'm no better than those I've been scolding. Today, I'm reporting that the



little Corvette is back in running condition. Yes, those troublesome brakes are replaced, including the emergency brake. I have a new throttle cable, new headlights, oil changed, and a full tune up. I will be there for the next parade.

Well, as I draw this to a close, let me leave these with you. I read recently that protons have mass ... and I didn't even know they were Catholic. Or how's this ... National Geographic reports that swimming is good for one's figure—how does that explain the shape of the whale? See you next issue.

# Johnson County Shrine Club

Dave Alspaugh

It's October, footballs are filling the air, the leaves are turning a multitude of colors, and Indiana University is leading the Big 10 as well as ranked number one in the whole United States. Oh, come on now ... I can dream, can't I?

Barry Cook, president of the Club for 2011, continues to offer different things to create an interest in the Club. Recently, he started Progressive Euchre on Saturday nights. One evening he served free chili before any cards were dealt. Another Saturday it was a fish fry which started about 10 a.m. and was to serve until 6 p.m. when the Euchre would start. Only one problem: when we arrived at 4:45 p.m., the Club was entirely out of everything. We had to go elsewhere for dinner. The good sign of the fish fry was the nice deposit we were able to put in the back.

The Euchre games have been pretty well attended and I can tell you from experience that they are a hoot. The



Bob Torrance



Ron Bailey



Jim Carter

games have helped the Club sign up some new members who said they were impressed with a president who could play without moving about the room. In fact, when the bartender brought him a drink he'd ordered, she said, "Dad, are you ever going move?"

Now that summer has drawn to a close, we can look back at this year's county fair. This just happens to be the Club's number one moneymaker. With fair attendance down 25 to 33 percent from last year, we found not only our

fish sales in the Ralph Simpson Building were down, but parking at the Club was down also. Barry asked that I say a big THANKS to the people who volunteered to park for the entire week as well as the people who helped with all three meals at the fair. Thanks, too, to those who helped at the Club.

Talking about all this food is making me hungry. So before I leave you, I have to ask ... do Buffalo wings taste like chicken?

See you next issue.

Our guest speaker was one of our members, Lt. Col. Patrick DeCallier, Civil Air Patrol. Patrick is a member of the Indianapolis Senior Squadron, Indiana Wing Civil Air Patrol. Civil Air Patrol is the civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force.

Civil Air Patrol's missions are: cadet aerospace education programs, search and rescue of downed aircraft, assisting other agencies with aerial photography missions for flooding, earthquake damage, and other approved situations. Search and Rescue is controlled by the USAF Rescue and Recovery

Service at Tyndall AFB in Florida.

CAP aircraft are equipped with Direction Finding Equipment that can locate an Electronic Location Transmitter (ELT) carried on board most aircraft when they crash. In addition, CAP uses "topographical grid maps" that have latitude and longitude overlays for accurate location information. Civil Air Patrol also has trained ground teams and Direction Finding Units that assist the aircraft in locating the signal and hopefully can direct paramedics to find injured passengers.

On aerial photography missions,

CAP aircraft can transmit the aerial photographs by satellite. These pictures also include the latitude and longitude for location purposes.

What most people may not know is that when "9-11" occurred in New York City, the governor of New York State had the New York Wing of CAP conduct an aerial "recon" mission the very next morning so he could better understand the damage incurred.

Civil Air Patrol members are volunteers and undergo a lot of continual training to be of assistance to others. The members do not receive pay for their efforts.

## Patrol

Dan Ryan

October is here already. Seems like just yesterday we were parading on our refurbished float courtesy of many Patrollers, but particularly the Whitakers. They busted their backs to get it ready for the Logansport parade and it is a sight to behold! New decking, new carpeting, rewelding more than half of it, repairing the hitch, and a beautiful new awning. Thanks to all who participated in this rebirth of our float.



Our first annual Hog Roast was a huge success. We had it at Whitaker's Speakeasy Pub and made sure the weather cooperated. There was more pork than we could handle! Several members of the Divan were there and were more than satisfied. Several of the guests brought along a dish which meant there was a grand variety of items to choose from. Thanks to all who showed up and especially to those who made it all possible. The second annual Hog Roast should be just as enjoyable.

As you all should know by now, we have changed our meeting day from the first Friday of the month to the third Tuesday of the month, which just happens to be the night after the Stated Meeting. The attendance has improved and participation in Shrine functions by Patrollers has also picked up.

This past summer we were well represented at the State Fair VCM tent and the Great Lakes Shrine Association Ceremonial. A woman showed up at the VCM tent stating she was a Shriners Hospital Kid and after growing up had adopted 15—yes 15, children. She had 13 with her that day.

We are looking into the possibility of having a Patrol Christmas Party this year. This will be a family oriented event.

### Important Notice

November 5 Reverse Raffle at Murat Temple  
\$25 per Couple Includes Food & Drinks  
\$1,000 Grand Prize Plus Many, Many Other Prizes  
See any Patroller for tickets or call Dan at 440-5256.



## Mobil Nobles

Craig Stevenson

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

The Mobil Nobles would like to thank all of our members and ladies who volunteer at so many functions and events throughout the year. Your efforts help make our Shrine a success year after year, event after event. So a big THANK YOU for your support! We would also like to thank the Divan and their ladies for the great support they give us at all the events and fundraisers throughout the year.

With summer waning and the colors of fall right around the corner, it is time to put away the shorts and get out the coats and gloves, even if we aren't ready.

Come join the Mobil Nobles on the second Friday of each month, with social hour starting at 6 p.m. and our meeting starting at 7:30 p.m.

We'd love to see you there!!

Hey guys, did you miss reading the September article for the Club? Well, a long story short, my computer crashed (wouldn't start) and I was left facing a blank screen. I think I have it back in order now, but may need to look for a new one in the near future. So much for me!

**RED BULL RACE** – The Club had its drawing for the winner of the Red Bull Motorcycle Race at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in August. Several members were present for the drawing including our president, Mike Harrison. In anticipation, all waited for Mike to draw the winning ticket and he did so without hesitation. The winner of two outstanding seats was Beth Bey. Beth works at the Harley-Davidson store in north Indianapolis. She was very helpful to Wally Renn and Ray Gotshall when they sold tickets at the store. As it would be, she bought a book for herself. I'm sure Beth will push harder next year when we again try to make money for the Club by selling these tickets. See pic-



ture (L-R) Terry Boyer, Dennis Scott, Mike Harrison, and Mike Waldrip.

**PICNIC** – Terry and Becky Boyer provided the perfect setting for a great day of playing, fishing, eating, and fellowship with around 25 Kentucky Colonels and their ladies. It was a hot day but no one minded as they sat under the shade trees. Thanks again to Terry and Becky for sharing their house with all those Kentuckians.

**BEEF & BOARDS** – Don't forget on October 22 we will be attending the Beef

& Boards Dinner Theatre for some good food and a great play presentation of "It's a Wonderful Life." President Mike Harrison has put together a great evening of entertainment. If you would like to go, it's probably not too late. Call Mike or me and we will fill you in on all the details. This is a good opportunity to take the ladies out for some top quality entertainment.

**PASSING** – It is with great sadness that I report one of our own, Dr. Carl Sputh, has passed to the Unseen Temple. Colonel Sputh was 95 years young and a big supporter of the Kentucky Colonels Club, the Shrine, and many other organizations. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his children and their families.

Have you been to a meeting lately? Come and join in on the first Wednesday of the month in the Mecca Room. Come for dinner around 5:30 p.m. The meeting is at 7.

See you there.

## NEVER PAY DUES AGAIN!!!!

That's right!! You now have the opportunity to help Murat Shrine build its membership and never pay dues again!!

If you sponsor and Top-Line Sign three petitions this year, your dues for 2012 will be free. Better yet ... be the Top-Line Signer on 15 new petitions and your dues are free for the rest of your life!!!

So get out there and ask your buddies to join you in supporting our Shriners Hospitals and our fraternity. Let them know how much fun you have at Murat Shrine!!!

## Yacht Club

John L. Hess

The Yacht Club had its annual picnic, Margaritaville IV, at the beautiful lakeside home of Joann Perkins on August 6. Noble Mitch Sever again served up his delicious barbeque and truly delicious food for this event. More than 80 nobles, their ladies, and guests were in attendance. The live entertainment was outstanding and the margaritas and boat rides provided a great afternoon for those in attendance. Joann says she can't wait to have it again next year, and we hope to schedule this again.

Our Club is so large that we cannot mail fliers for all of the events we want to sponsor. Rather, the Internet provides a fast and efficient way of communication that we will have to use in the future. Therefore, please let our hard-working secretary-treasurer, Ted Stewart, P.C., know your e-mail address. Ted's e-mail is Stew0627@aol.com. This fall and winter our Club is considering sponsoring some tailgate parties where we get together before the Colts game for some cheer and then either watch the game together at some location or actually go to the game as a group. We will need to use e-mail to notify you. Those not having e-mail need to get a buddy who will call them and notify them of Club functions.

The Murat Yacht Club has reciprocity with more than 2,000 yacht clubs in North America and the Caribbean. For only a paltry \$15, you can be welcome in some pretty swanky venues, and we feel this is the greatest deal in all of Shrinedom. Therefore, if you joined the Shrine and failed to join a Club or Unit or would like to belong to the Yacht Club as an additional club, we need to talk! Our Shrine Web page lists all officers with addresses and telephone numbers. Call any one of us!

Until next month, we wish you fair winds and following seas!

I want to thank everyone who attended Imperial Convention. I had a great time in St. Petersburg, FL. The Guild is currently having a fundraiser selling Little Caesars Pizza kits and cookie dough. Please see Candy Close if you need an order form or any Guild member if you would like to place an order.

Don't forget to make your reservations for the Casino bus trip October 8. Please see Susie Lawson, Debbie Burton or Starr Comer for reservations if you have not already made them.

Please keep in mind that our annual card party is October 22 and Linda Abdon is collecting silent auction items. Make reservations with Melanie Close at (317) 966-3628. Candy Close and Barb Wilkins are the candy chairmen for this event; please see one of them for donations.

## October Calendar

Wednesday, Oct. 5 – Guild Night:  
5:30 p.m. at Murat

Saturday, Oct. 8 – Casino Bus Trip  
Saturday, Oct. 22 – Smyrna's  
Annual Card Party

Make reservations with Melanie  
Close, (317) 966-3628.

Tuesday, Oct. 25 – Guild Stated  
Meeting: 7 p.m. at Murat

## November Calendar

Wednesday, Nov. 2 – Guild Night:  
5:30 p.m. at Murat

Tuesday, Nov. 22 – Guild Stated  
Meeting: 7 p.m. at Murat

## December Calendar

Wednesday, Dec. 7 – Guild Night:  
5:30 p.m. at Murat (Bake Sale)

Tuesday, Dec. 13 – Guild Stated  
Meeting: 7 p.m. at Murat

Connie Cantrell is our Guild Night chairman; we are requesting you contact her for reservations at (317) 253-9766. Be safe and we will see you at the meeting. Contact Dianna Craft for Cheer or Concerns, (317) 882-8587.

Always remembering our Shrine kids and supporting their education.

In tolerance, Maharanee Tammy Priest



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I hope all of you had a great start to your fall season. To everyone who has kids and grandkids, I hope they started back to school with no issues.

The NexGen Unit continued to have some great fun at our August and September events. I would like to send a special THANK YOU to all of the Unit members who volunteered their time, "elbow grease," and energy to help the VCM food booth serving our customers and at the same time help the Murat Shrine collect money to pay the bills and expenses where necessary.

I, along with the other Unit officers, would like to send our prayers and condolences to all of you who had family members or friends who were affected by the concert stage collapse during the State Fair.

**ELECTION NOTICE:** the NexGen Unit elections are scheduled during the November Stated Meeting on Tuesday, November 8, 2011. Please be in attendance so you can vote on the 2012 officers; only 2011 dues paid members can vote in the elections. So if you have NOT paid your 2011 dues, we will allow you to pay them in advance of the date or ON that date. Plus, if you would like, you can always pay for your 2012 dues at the same time.

During the August Stated Meeting, it was motioned that a bylaws committee be created to discuss and review some proposed changes to the Unit bylaws and provide an update at the September and October Stated Meetings.



**ACTIVITIES:** I hope everyone enjoyed some great music and had fun at the Jazz Band Night in September with our special dinner provided by the awesome Oasis chefs. We have some MORE great fall events scheduled for you to participate in and continue to have fellowship and fun with your fellow Unit members and their families.

The confirmed "KID-FRIENDLY" events are the Halloween Party coming up this month on Friday, October 28, and the Misfitz Christmas Party on Friday, December 16. In addition, we are working a Sock Hop/Karaoke/Limbo Night in November with the Shrine car clubs around Veterans Day, Friday, November 11, 2011. Please see the ads in this month's and November's Murat Magazines.

If you have ideas on what you

would like included in our 2012 events, please contact the 2012 president and officers at muratnexgen@gmail.com. The Unit meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Murat Shrine and usually meets for dinner informally from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Oasis Lounge. If you are interested in joining the Murat NexGen Unit, please feel free to contact any officer, NexGen member, or attend a meeting or activity event.

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## Transportation Club

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Dennis Scott

Hopefully, I'm back in business. My computer crashed and I was unable to write an article for the September magazine. I may have to shop for a new one in the near future.

I am including events over the summer to update members who don't make it to our meetings very often, so bear with me.

**PARADES** – Some of the parades the Club participated in this summer were at Greenwood, Morristown, Blue River, Logansport, Indiana Masonic Home, Mitchell, and Franklin, IN. Mike Harrison would like to thank all the members who participated. This is always a good opportunity to advertise the Shrine and our hospitals.

**PATIENT** – Several of the members attended a birthday party for Owen Stokes, one of our patients. Owen and his parents live in Pittsboro. Owen and his family are very special to many of the drivers who take him to and from the hospital.

**ANNUAL PICNIC** – What a great turnout of members and their ladies at our annual picnic in Beech Grove. Thanks to Don Schildgen for standing over the hot charcoal and preparing the hamburgers and chicken. The ladies brought covered dishes of all kinds that were delicious. In attendance were Chief Rabban Charlie Crabtree and his lady, Faye. After a brief meeting, we held a "white elephant" auction to make some money for the Club. It was great to see Elmer Habicht, Carl Schnepf, and Dale Harris in attendance along with their ladies.

**TRIP AWARDS** – Two of our drivers were given recognition for milestones achieved in driving our kids to and from our hospitals. Jim Marlin was awarded a jacket for 100 trips and Ken Barnard received a bolo for his 25 trips. Thanks to both of these drivers and to all of the drivers who devote much of their days transporting the families.

**BEEF & BOARDS** – On October 22, the Club, along with the Kentucky Colonels Club, will attend a presentation of "It's a Wonderful Life" at the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. This will be a great opportunity to thank the ladies for all they do while enjoying a good meal and a great classic Christmas story.

**PASSING** – Over the summer, one of our members, Stanley Featherstone, passed to the Unseen Temple. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Veronica and family.

To all who haven't attended a meeting as of late, the summer is over and it's time to get back in the groove and get involved in the many activities and events the Club has to offer. We meet on the third Wednesday of every month in the Mecca Room for dinner and fellowship. Our meeting is at 7 p.m. See you there.

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## Police Club and Drill Team

Don L. Weilhammer, Jr.

Howdy! It was great to see everybody after being dark for the summer at the September meeting. I hope you made it down for the first meeting for the fall.

Keep in mind elections for next year will be here before you know it, so if you have enough meetings under your belt, consider serving as an officer.

If you came to the meeting or read the article in the September magazine, then you know that our annual picnic was held on Saturday, September 10, at the American Military Heritage Foundation Museum. This was the second time we have been at the museum, and it was great being there once again. I was privileged to have my kids with me as well as a visiting police officer from Australia. I hope you were able to come and got to meet Officer Brett Sprunt. If you talked to him, you figured out policing "down under" has many

similarities to here in the good old U.S.A. If you stopped by, you also saw and/or tasted all of the good food we had—man was it good! If you missed it, plan on attending next year.

Now for the top secret stuff, shhh, do not tell anyone. Actually, I mean tell all of your friends to plan on being with you on Saturday, October 8, for a get-together with your friends from the Police Club and Drill Team for good food and fun! You will not want to miss it; rumor has it that Jim Priest will be there, so you know it will be fun! If you don't know what I am talking about, talk to a Club member and they will fill you in with the details.

Not much more to tell you for now. I hope to be able to tell you about all of the awards the Drill Team won next month. Hey, remember last month I told you I had to get some painting done to mark off the honey do list. Well,

I got that done but now it turned into a bathroom remodel ... I know that has NEVER happened to you, right? Be safe and hope to see you October 4 at 1900 hours (7 p.m.).

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## Caravan Club



Most Worshipful Grand Master Gregg Walbridge was the guest speaker at the Caravan Club luncheon on September 1. (Photo by Carl Culmann)

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## Dramatic Cast

Bill Munson

Emblems and logos identify companies and organizations. They are important visual aids to define, illustrate, and brand products in the mind of consumers. As Shriners, we have a logo that has been in use for nearly 100 years and certainly brands us for the great support we give to our hospitals.

Recently, I found some information concerning our logo and wanted to share what I found as some nobles may not know the history of where our logo originated even though they may have a good understanding of what the Shrine movement stands for.

For sure in Freemasonry, there are dozens of emblems which are clearly Masonic and have a precise meaning and application. These emblems are sometimes recognized by the public, and too many of the unaffiliated people who see them have little understanding and the meaning is lost or at best superficially understood. In addition, many people have no ability to extract from our logo our high aims, goals and mis-

sion to make men better. Even Masons miss the intertwining of meanings of logos or abbreviations. For example, Masons will use S & C to refer to the Square & Compass, but how many times have you, as a noble, also used the S & C to refer to the Scimitar & Crescent?

Some nobles know that the original Shriner's emblem incorporated several other Masonic emblems, but I thought I would review the history as most Masonic logos, including our Shrine logo, are steeped in greater meaning. One needs to watch to see what was gained by integrating deeper marks of distinction from our Masonic heritage into one overriding emblem.

I found that in the minds of the founding fathers of the Mystic Shrine in North America, they wanted a unique symbol to define the new organization. Their quest caused the 13 founders to search high and low for the right combination to deliver our present logo. They developed the official emblem of the Mystic Shrine by first using a Scimitar

and from that sword a Crescent and Star was suspended. In a prior article, I explained the origin of the sword. I found the original Crescent was designed by including a combination of two Royal Bengal Tiger claws united by a setting that closely represented a golden keystone.

On today's logo, the cornerstone location was replaced by a depiction of an Egyptian Pharaoh, as represented by the head of a Sphinx. The depictions associated with the Crescent have changed over time. Originally located within and behind the Crescent were a pyramid, an urn and a star. This changed over time, and later below the Crescent hung the Star of Bethlehem. The Star of Bethlehem is a clear reference to the Star in the East observed at the time of the birth of Jesus Christ.

The ideals of Masonry are clearly defined through the logo. Not only strength and power are shown, but the clear meaning of our ties to the Supreme Architect.

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It's leaf time nobles.

President Mark Elder wants to remind all of our Club members that we will once again hold our wiener roast at the ranch of John and Judy Aldrich on October 8 at 6 p.m. It's not too far to drive, the fire is always warm, and so is the "apple pie" compliments of Ron Elliott. It's really a nice time and John even offers a hayride for those interested. We hope to see you there.

Our Club members are still selling "Murat Firemen's Club" pins at the low cost of only \$5. All proceeds from the sale of the pins will be used to refurbish our old fire engine.

2013 will be here sooner than you think. Plans for the Imperial Session in Indianapolis during July 2013 are starting to take shape. As stated last month, if you want to get involved, please contact Jeff Zaring, Bill Rasner, or Carl Culmann. They are the key contacts for the Indy Imperial Session. If you are planning on attending the Imperial Session in Charlotte next year, you might want to consider volunteering in the Indy booth in the Market Place. It's never too early to start making plans.

Once again, our Club donated monies to the Murat Transportation Fund from the proceeds from our casino trip. Please see the picture in the donations section of this month's magazine to see all those who attended the Stated Meeting in September. We thank all those persons who participated in the trip and hope they all came home winners!

As our parade season has almost come to a close, we want to thank all those who took the time to come out and parade this season. For those of us parading, we were met with warm smiles and loud cheers. It gives you a good feeling to see the little ones sitting there on the side of the street having a good time waving at the SHRINERS. It makes it all worthwhile!!!!

As I sit here writing, I can't stop thinking about the number of Club members who are battling different ailments, surgeries or worse. One member has been sent home and is not expected to live much longer. It's difficult to see so many friends and good Masons leave us via the Black Camel. So please keep all of our brothers in your thoughts and prayers as they try to mend and keep contributing to our fraternity.

For the loved ones we have lost recently or will lose in the future, please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers as they try to cope with their loss.

Murat Stated Meeting: Monday the 17th at 7 p.m.

In closing, please "support our troops" and all of our public safety men and women who answer to the call each day. Our firefighters and police officers are the best in the country. Please support them. Thank you!

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# Logansport Shrine Club

Bill Michael

Great news from the Logansport Shrine Club, Indiana's oldest Shrine Club. We just finished our building addition in time for our Annual Frolic and parade. This addition houses a storage room and office for the president and secretary. We also remodeled the bar room.

We would like to thank all the Shrine Units that participated in our parade: Murat Patrol, Murat Band, Madison County Shrine Club, Grant County Shrine Club, White County Shrine Club, Kokomo Shrine Club and, of course, the Logansport Third Wheel Patrol. Next year's parade will be August 25, so mark your calendars and plan on joining us for a great weekend of fun. We would like to especially thank all the Divan members who took time from their busy schedules to come to Logansport and join in the festivities. All the Divan members who came to the Frolic earned their "NERN" status in the Logansport Shrine Club. At least two of them are a third-time recipient of this prestigious award.

The Club is open Monday through Saturday from 6:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Monday through Friday and Saturday breakfast from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. Every Wednesday night from 5 to 7 p.m. we serve a delicious home cooked meal. If you are ever in the Logansport area, feel free to stop in and enjoy a memorable visit.



## Daughters of the Nile

Ruth Ann Kelly

"An apple a day keeps the doctor away!" How many times have you heard this phrase from parents, relatives and friends? Montana's state symbol is the apple. They come in many different sizes, flavors and colors and are known as Red and Golden Delicious, Gala, Jonathans, Granny Smith, Grimes Golden, Fuji, Rome and Winesap. They can be eaten raw or used in pies, cobblers, muffins, cakes, desserts, tarts, apple sauce and butters, caramelized, in juices, syrups, wines, punch, dried and in many salads. Enjoy these delicious fruits any way you wish.

At our October Stated Meeting, Queen Sandra Kessler has asked that you wear your neatest, funniest and cutest costume and participate in the Halloween fun. The entry fee is \$1 for each costume and every vote cast will cost 25 cents. A prize will be given to the winner for the evening. All money collected will be sent to Supreme Temple's Charitable Giving Fund. Remember, all officers' costumes must be floor length. Come and enjoy the evening with friends.

Koran Temple's Supreme Visitation will be Saturday, October 29, in honor of Supreme Queen Laura Richardson, Elim Court No. 76, Tampa, FL. The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. in the Arabian Room followed by an evening buffet at 5 p.m. in the Tunisian Room. Reservation deadline is October 25 and the price will be \$18 per person. Make reservations to Recorder Cathy Rose, 10363 Aurora Court, Fishers, IN 46038 or call (317) 774-8554. They may also be made with Queen Sandra Kessler, 11816 Bengals Drive, Fishers, IN 46038 or call her home phone at (317) 774-8948, (cell phone) (317) 506-0833. Queen Sandra will announce later if the officers' practice will be held on Thursday or Friday evening.

At the November 2 Stated Meeting, the elected officers will serve as hostesses for the evening. The appointed officers will serve refreshments for the December 7 get-together. Bring a friend and come and enjoy our fellowship.

October 19 Nile sewing will be from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. and JoAnn Brown will serve as hostess for the day. Past Queen Tina B. Lee will be in charge of our last sewing for the year on November 16. Please come and help us prepare various items for the children in the hospitals.

Closing thought: Never is freedom of speech more precious than when a person hits their thumb with a hammer.

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As promised in last month's article, a report on the 2011 installation of officers and recognition of Illustrious Potentate Kevin Rhodes follows. The only losers were those in non-attendance. With the final count in excess of 80 at the residence of Mike McLaughlin, Potentate Rhodes obligated the 2011 Band officers followed by installing a new Shriner, Tim Decker (a trumpet virtuoso and a new Band member).

Also in attendance were Chief Rabban Charles Crabtree and Assistant Rabban James Priest. There was a surprise presentation of a baritone to Past Potentate Jeffrey Zaring to enhance the Band's lower instruments as we wel-



Potentate Rhodes and Chief Rabban Crabtree raising new Shriner Tim Decker to that sublime degree.

come P.P. Zaring (2005) to our noble ranks.

Jeff's bagpipes will also give us the opportunity to resurrect past musical Director Larry Everhart's arrangement of "Amazing Grace" on his pipes as the Band played at the "National Legion of Honor" convention in Washington, D.C. in 1994.

Future Shriners and Shriners' ladies adorned their swimming finery and splashed in the McLaughlin pool while bartender "Kat" splashed in the "mixology" area.

The Band's five-piece combo entertained until knockwurst, burgers and salads were served compliments of the great nationally recognized Murat 115-year-old Band.

## Murat Shriners Business Connection

Don Richards

At the September Stated Meeting, MSBC awarded its fifth and sixth scholarships of 2011 to Clark Ford and Tyler McAchren who were both multiple year recipients. Clark is a junior at Purdue and Tyler is a sophomore at Huntington University. Both of their stories were moving and told us once again why we do what we do.

Still to come are four more scholarships for the year, two to be awarded at the October Stated Meeting and the final two awarded at our annual silent auction on Saturday, November 12. All of these awards are made possible, due partly to our fundraising efforts at the silent auction, but equally important are the contributions from people and entities outside MSBC such as Charlie and Jean Owens and Kay Hinshaw and the Divan ladies of 2010.

In addition to funding, for our program to continue to be a success, we need qualified candidates to apply for these scholarships. As you are reading this, if you or someone in your family knows of a high school or first-year college student who at one time was a patient at a Shriners Hospital, have that person contact the following to obtain an application: Donald G. Richards, Scholarship Chairman, drichards@rcpag.com via email, OR by regular mail: P.O. Box 50248, Indianapolis, IN 46250, (317) 414-2105.

Also, I am obligated to mention the fact that should you or someone in your family feel moved to be a part of this marvelous program in a monetary way, we urge you to make contact at the same address.

As the remaining scholarships are awarded, future magazine articles will include personal information on each indi-

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**Murat Shriners Business Connection**

## FUN TIME IN C'VILLE!!

It was Potentate Kevin D. Rhodes Night ... in honor of our Murat Potentate. More than 100 fellow nobles, their ladies, and special guests were there to honor the 100th Potentate of Murat Shrine and the first Potentate from Montgomery County Shrine Club.

Kevin and his Lady Debbie were there; parents "Hap" and Billie Rhodes were there; Divan members Charles Crabtree, Scott Schuster, and Arthur Borton were there; Past Potentate Jeffery Zaring was there; and a fun-loving crowd of nobles and their ladies were there to honor Potentate Kevin D. Rhodes.

The evening took place on August 13, 2011, at the Crawfordsville Elks Club. Good food, good Zem-Zem, good entertainment, and good fun to honor Kevin.

Oh, and Montgomery County Shrine Club President Dale Harmon and his Lady Nancy were there and he introduced certain guests ... like the first president of Montgomery County Shrine Club in 1975, Dick Foxworthy, who shared some history with us. And the Divan



members were there to offer their hearty congratulations. And Director Gregg Miller who put this whole festive evening together including the notices and invitations, the colorful live floral arrangements, and The Leadsman 60s Rock Guys for our dancing and listening pleasure. They were good. And a great big thank-you to Gregg for a big job very well done.

Noble Steve Lewis, assisted by President Dale, came forward with a large surprise presentation, a Murat/Kevin Rhodes 100th Potentate carved and appropriately engraved and painted bench, a one-of-a kind art treasure made by Steve's father we were told. You had to see it to fully appreciate it. What a great gift!!

It was quite an evening for Kevin and Debbie and they were most gracious in accepting the group and individuals there to honor them on Potentate Kevin D. Rhodes Night!!

"SHRINERS ... Having Fun and Helping Kids!"



(Photos by Ruby Burkhardt)

**Murat Employment Opportunity**

*Murat Shrine is pleased to post the following announcement of a new professional position within the fraternity.*

*At this time, we are seeking noble applicants who feel they would be a good "cultural fit" within the professional staff of Murat and would supplement the recruitment efforts of the Shrine in a professional capacity.*

*Below is a description of the position recently authorized by the Murat Divan to supplement and direct the Shrine's recruitment and retention systems.*

*Interested nobles should forward a cover letter and resume to:*

*Ed Wolfe, Recorder  
Murat Shrine Temple  
510 N. New Jersey Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204*

*All inquiries will be held in the strictest of confidence.*



**STAFF DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT & RETENTION**

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF POSITION**

The Staff Director of Membership Recruitment & Retention reports to the Recorder and is generally responsible for communicating and visiting with Lodges, Masonic Appendant Bodies, regional groups of Masons (official or unofficial), and/or any other groups of potential MURAT members. The purpose of creating this enhanced line of communication is to recruit new members and exercise retention strategies for existing members.

This is a part-time position with an expectation of 20 hours per week (average).

In addition, the Staff Director of Membership Recruitment & Retention will attain success in this position by:

- a. Spreading the message of Murat and Shrinedom to non-members;
- b. Attending affiliated Masonic functions;
- c. Planning and executing recruitment events on a local, Lodge, and/or regional basis;
- d. Updating the recruitment aspects and assigning mentors from Beashrinernow.com Web leads;
- e. Updating the Murat Web page with recruitment events, calendars, and appropriate rush materials;
- f. Making Lodge presentations and presentations at York Rite, Scottish Rite, and Grand Master One-Day Classes;
- g. Holding recruitment events ('rush parties') after large Grand Lodge, York Rite, and/or AASR functions as well as open houses at the temple on a regular basis;
- h. Having a regular column in affiliated magazines and communications;
- i. Gathering, training, and maintaining a talented, reliable "team" of volunteer assistants to assist him in achieving the Murat goals;

- j. Regular membership-based visits to outlying Clubs to assist with recruitment and retention;
- k. Making recommendations to the Membership Committee, Potentate, and Recorder regarding structural changes needed;
- l. Being an ongoing de facto member of the Membership Committee and serving as the Staff Liaison thereto;
- m. Other activities as directed or implemented by the Potentate/Divan/Recorder.

**CRITERIA FOR THIS POSITION**

This position is a very special one indeed and needs to be occupied by a noble who has sufficient experience with the various aspects of the Masonic fraternity in order to adequately and accurately communicate the "message" of Murat. Specifically, it is necessary that this noble:

- a. Have the ability to travel the jurisdiction of Murat Shrine;
- b. Be one who is "connected" with other Masonic organizations as well as the volunteer and staff personnel associated with these groups;
- c. Have some experience at visiting Lodges and other Masonic bodies;
- d. Be enthusiastic about the fraternity and create an atmosphere of vibrancy and excitement about it at all times, especially recruitment functions;
- e. Must possess advanced communication skills and exercise them in a "fun" way;
- f. Must be a member in good standing of Murat Shrine and other Masonic organizations as deemed appropriate.

# Welcome New Nobles



Potentate Kevin Rhodes and Divan members welcome new nobles at Murpah ceremonial. (Photo by Carl Culmann)

<b>Name</b>	<b>Top-Line Signer</b>	<b>Unit/Club</b>
Howard S. Bennett	Larry Leap	Boone County SC
Thomas E. Mclean	Steve Wicks	None Listed
David W. Keith	Terry Jackson	Southeastern SC
Bobbie J. Connell	James Sailors	Logansport SC
Terry A. Foster	Ronald Davis	Logansport SC
Howard R. Mildebrandt	James Sailors	Logansport SC
David A. Patty	Thomas Keplar	Logansport SC
Anthony J. Banich III	Randy Nail	Hendricks County SC
Donald E. Ellison	Nicholas Gray	None Listed
Matthew E. Rydell	Randy Nail	None Listed
Donald J. Arnold	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
David B. Crone	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Thomas Durbin	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Shawn L. Huff	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Kenneth L. Johnson II	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Michael R. Kirkman	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Armen Nenedjian	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Michael W. Stierwalt	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
James L. Tannehill	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Ryan D. Tannehill	Curtis Zook	Morgan County SC
Dallas W. Turner	Francis Fletcher	Southeastern SC
Michael W. Arnold	Thomas J. Arnold	Murpah SC
Stanley L. Cavanaugh	Dennis Curtis Sr.	Murpah SC
Dennis O. Curtis II	Dennis Curtis Sr.	Murpah SC
Morton O. Curtis	Dennis Curtis Sr.	Murpah SC
Jeremy S. Dye	Robert Whitcomb	Murpah SC
Kenneth Hann	James Hawk	Murpah SC
William S. Hawk	James Hawk	Murpah SC
Loren W. Jackson	James Hawk	Murpah SC
Dustin R. Pearce	Jerry Hawke	Murpah SC
Terry M. Simmons	Jerry Hawke	Murpah SC
Derek L. Stinefield	Jerry Hawke	Murpah SC
William G. Stinefield	James Lutton	Murpah SC
Bryan Winters	Jerry Hawke	Murpah SC

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# God's furry angel

BY MACKI WARREN

How does a homeless dog in North Carolina end up in Lexington, KY, bringing smiles and therapy to a young cerebral palsy patient? In February, Scott Cessna saw Buca in a small town in North Carolina, scavenging for food in trash cans. No one seemed to want him so Scott took him home and nursed him back to health. Buca was very intelligent and Scott had a plan for him. For a long time he had wanted his mother to adopt a dog for companionship but she steadfastly refused. Determined to win her over, on Mother's Day, Scott presented Buca to Bonnie Cessna, who said, "I fell in love within the first five minutes and knew I wanted that dog."

She hired a trainer who immediately recognized Buca's talents and on his advice, enrolled Buca in the Pet Therapy program. Currently, Buca visits Shriners Hospitals for Children-Lexington® every other week to work one on one with cerebral palsy patient Elizabeth Albritton. She initially was scared of Buca but as he was gradually introduced, she started to enjoy being with him. Elizabeth's mother, Tammy Albritton, said, "She is so excited about coming to therapy with Buca. It is gratifying to see the bonds of trust estab-



Elizabeth Albritton throws a Frisbee to Buca as owner Bonnie Cessna (in blue shirt) and Beth English, CRTS, observe.



Elizabeth Albritton and Buca, Pet Therapy dog, practice commands.

lished between Elizabeth and Buca. He takes her for a walk, pulling her along, or she throws the Frisbee using her upper body and practicing arm control."

Dianne Corse, PT, MPT, said, "From a physical therapy perspective, I was able to implement foundational balance, coordination, strength and gross motor skill training. By not utilizing traditional techniques, Elizabeth did not realize how hard she was working while having a great time with Buca."

In addition to visiting children at Shriners Hospitals for Children®-Lexington, Buca won a bronze medal at the Canine Olympics and is active with the Paws to Read program at local libraries. He also visits the Alzheimer's Center, nursing homes, and elementary schools for the Canine Safety Program. He was awarded the Canine Good Citizen certification from the American Kennel Club in 2010.

Bonnie Cessna said, "I feel God placed Buca in my life for a purpose other than to be a pet. Buca's work is a ministry. Not only does this little 24-pound furry dog provide blessings through his work for me personally, but many blessings to the veterans, elderly, the wounded, sick and lives of lots of little children. Buca is very special and is definitely one of God's furry angels."

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## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR Shriners Hospital & Transportation Fund

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### TRANSPORTATION FUND

Paul M. Gregory  
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Murat Shrine Transportation Club

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# ROAD SHOW

Mark Your  
Calendars!

**October 29, 2011 • 5:30 PM  
In the Arabian Room**

1. "Murat's Got Talent" auditions from 5:30–6:30. All are welcome to participate.
2. Silent Auction for Great Stuff, 5:30–7. Christmas is coming soon.
3. Raffle Tickets at the door. 50/50 Payout.
4. Gourmet Dinner before the Show.
5. High-Jinks w/the Chief Rabban, Charlie Crabtree.
6. Musical/Variety Show with the Chanters, Barbershop Quartet, Soloists and Novelty Acts.

\$39.50 per Person

\$79 per Couple/\$300 per Table

Contact Richard Abdon (317) 257-2724

or Julie Grammer in the Murat Office,

(317) 635-2433, for Tickets.

# WE NEED YOUR HELP

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OCTOBER 14 AND 15, 2011**



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Art Borton ~ 317-797-1201

or

Sam Thompson ~ 317-201-5766

More details will be discussed at Unit and Club meetings in September and October.

Thanks in advance for your help.

## COMING EVENTS

*(The current Murat calendars for 2011 are available at <http://calendar.yahoo.com/muratsbrine>)*

### OCTOBER

- SAT. 1 Calvin Prather Lodge One-Day Class  
MON. 3 **DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER MAGAZINE**  
FRI. 7 Band Night - Lincoln Hamilton  
SAT. 8 Texas Hold'em  
MON. 17 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting  
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.  
SAT. 29 Chanters Road Show

### NOVEMBER

- TUES. 1 **DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER MAGAZINE**  
SAT. 12 MSBC Scholarship Auction  
Texas Hold'em  
FRI. 18-  
SAT. 19 A.A.S.R. Convocation  
MON. 21 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting  
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.  
THU. 24-  
FRI. 25 **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**  
Fraternal Office Closed

### DECEMBER

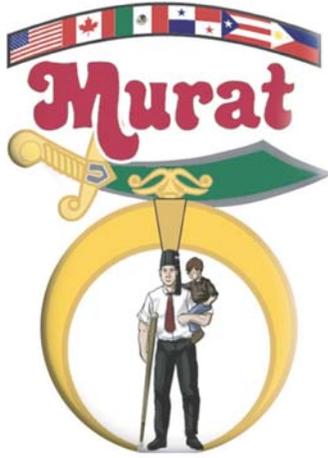
- THU. 1 **DEADLINE FOR JANUARY MAGAZINE**  
SAT. 3 Murat Ceremonial  
SAT. 10 Texas Hold'em  
MON. 19 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting  
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.  
Annual Meeting and election of officers  
SUN. 25 **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

### JANUARY 2012

- MON. 2 **DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY MAGAZINE**  
SAT. 14 Grand Lodge Founder's Day  
Texas Hold'em  
MON. 16 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting  
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.  
SAT. 21 Murat Leadership Seminar  
TUES. 24-  
SAT. 28 Florida Visitation

### FEBRUARY

- WED. 1 **DEADLINE FOR MARCH MAGAZINE**



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