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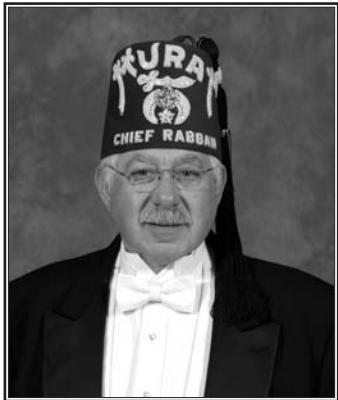
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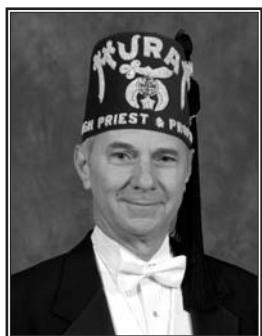
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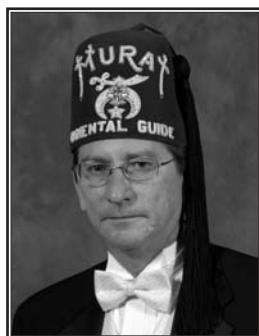
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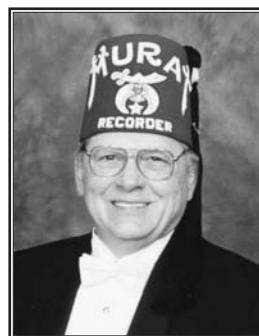
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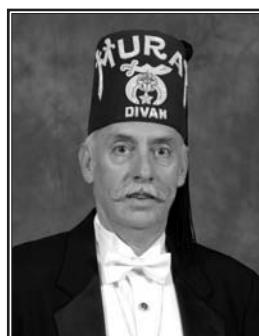
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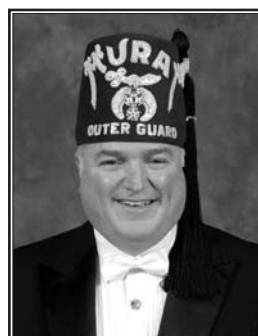
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POTENTATE MESSAGE

From the Potentate

Get Ready!

On December 8, our final 2007 ceremonial will showcase the great performance of our Dramatic Cast in the first section and our Directors Staff assisting our candidates as they walk the Hot Sands of the second section.

We still need about 100 candidates to reach our goal of "407 in 07."

The ceremonial will take place in the Egyptian Room. All 73 Clubs and Units are urged to set up a table display to promote membership in their Club or Unit.

Let's show them what we have!

Please contact our Fraternal Office to reserve a table now for your display. There will be a Potentate's award for the best setup. Be sure to review the Ceremonial Day schedule on page 39 of this magazine for more information!

Remember our Stated Meeting and the

election of officers December 17. It will also include our award presentations for 2007.

As the year comes to a close, I cannot thank the Nobles and their ladies of Murat enough for the support they have given Dianah and me this past year.

As I have stated before, the Clubs and Units are the spokes of the wheel, Murat being the hub, and we need all your support to make things roll smoothly.

Thank You Clubs and Units!
"Think Positive."

Yours in the Faith,

Jerry Markovich
Illustrious Potentate

2008 Murat Shrine Golf Schedules

(Note: Murat Golf Outings are Stag)

APRIL 26

Brownsburg Blue Lodge (Jeff Zaring) Outing

MAY 29

Madison County Shrine Club, Meadowbrook Golf Course, Anderson, IN; \$65. Includes: Green Fees and 1/2 Cart, Zem-Zem on Course, Prizes and Dinner at Madison County Shrine Club at 5 p.m.

Contacts: Curly McNally, Dick Dawson, Tim Limbrock, Don Melvin, Bruce Skinner and Scott Schuster.

JULY 16

Murat Potentate's Golf, Winding Ridge Golf Course, East 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN; 12 Noon Shotgun Start. Includes: Green Fees, 1/2 Cart, Zem-Zem on Course, Prizes and Dinner at Winding Ridge after Golf, with Special Prize by Lockhart Cadillac for first Hole-in-One on designated Par 3, and many other surprises. PLUS: Blue Lodge Trophy Contest, 4-man team. Contact: Murat Shrine Golf, 510 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46204, Attn: Don Melvin, Golf Meister.

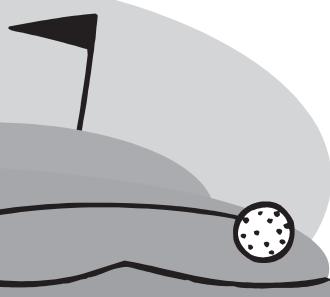
AUGUST 2

Indiana Masonic Home, Timbergate Golf Course
Includes: Golf, 1/2 Cart, Prizes and Buffet Dinner after Golf.

AUGUST 14

White County Shrine Club, Tippecanoe Golf Course, Monticello, IN; Includes: Golf, Cart and Prizes with Dinner afterwards. Contact: P.P. Bob Hancock for Tee Times, (317) 501-1969 or (317) 844-2616.

Notice: To have your Golf Outing in the Murat Magazine, send to Murat Shrine, Attn: Don Melvin, 510 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.



"Shriners Gave Me Self-Confidence"

GORDON J HUSK

Jane and Mike Scott looked forward with great anticipation to the birth of their first child. Jane says it was devastating to learn the baby was born with undeveloped limbs. While the young family visited a park one Sunday afternoon, a family walked over to them and stared at Brandon until the Scotts felt they had to leave the park. Jane later understood the family had been overwhelmed by curiosity and probably did not realize the discomfort they had caused.

Jane and Mike wanted the best for Brandon. They constantly sought medical help, but it seemed the doctors they met had never seen Brandon's condition. A Shriner suggested they make application at Shriners Hospital for Children in Chicago. On their first visit, Dr. Jeffrey Ackman examined Brandon and said, "We have seen several cases like this." Jane says this was an incredible relief to the family.

Jane and Mike struggled to make adjustments to deal with Brandon's condition, but Brandon was "light years" ahead of them. He knew he had to deal with the condition, and at a very early age he made others feel at ease. As a very young boy, he insisted upon making his own bed. He would get under the blankets and pull them into place. Although he perspired from the exertion, he smiled at his accomplishment. When he was about six years old, he walked on his abbreviated legs into a patient's room at the Chicago hospital. The young boy in the room was recovering from surgery he had the previous day, and seemed emotionally down. Brandon smiled and said, "You don't have any problems. Look at me!" He once asked his mother to make him a Halloween costume for school. Jane asked what costume he wanted, and he



said, "A penguin. I already walk like a penguin." Jane dutifully transformed a black, hooded sweatshirt into a penguin costume, added an orange bill and extended the bottom of the sweatshirt. When Jane picked him up at school that day, Brandon excitedly said, "Mom, they knew who I was!"

Brandon had some surgical procedures over a period of years, and for some time tried prosthetic arms and legs. He considered the prosthetic appliances cumbersome, since he was always very active. He says his greatest gift from Shriners Hospital was the self-confidence he built by accepting the advice of Dr. Ackman and the physical therapists. Brandon spent weeks in physical therapy, doing exercises and learning which exercises to use at home.

We have transported Brandon from Indianapolis to Chicago many times, and every driver was impressed by his intelligence and pleasant personality. Brandon attended Lawrence North

High School and was determined to be part of the wrestling team. One teammate said when he felt he could exercise no longer, he would see Brandon doing all the exercises and that made him ashamed of himself. Brandon was on the wrestling team three years, and voluntarily decided to be student manager in his senior year. Brandon's younger sisters, Abby and Hannah, have no physical conditions similar to Brandon's, and they have always been very proud of their big brother's achievements.

Brandon sang with the Indianapolis Children's Choir until he reached eligibility for the Indianapolis Youth Chorale, which performed in several cities in Spain and Italy. He was awarded a Kiwanis Club \$5,000 scholarship and entered Purdue University.

Brandon is in his second year at Purdue, rooms with his best friend from high school, and is constantly accompanied by Elaine, his service dog. He says Elaine is due to be replaced at the end of his third year of college, but his parents' home will be Elaine's retirement home. Brandon is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He nonchalantly said he recently had ankle surgery and his doctor has released him to resume swimming. He has set two new goals for himself. He plans to learn to drive, using an adapted vehicle. He is intensely training for the 50-meter backstroke and hopes to participate in the 2010 Paralympics.

Brandon's indomitable spirit, determination, winning personality and constant smile brought him many friends. Life handed him lemons, and he is making elegant lemon chiffon pies. He would never be satisfied with simply making lemonade.

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From the Recorder

Gordon J Husk

As Masons and Shriners, we enjoy the company of many good people. The lifelong friendships, happy memories and constant fellowship become so commonplace we might take them for granted. The Masonic brother whom you learned to trust completely, and with whom you progressed into other Masonic-related groups, may seem almost a part of you.

The day we returned from the Great Lakes Shrine Association session, I was at the hospital bedside of a very dear Shriner friend when he shook my hand and passed away. As I said in his eulogy, Bill Solomon was so kind and caring he would have told us, "Don't be sad. Be happy. I'm happy, I'm going home." He lived in harmony and died with dignity. Bill was a Past Master and a World War II veteran, one of "the greatest generation" who left this world a better place for his having been here.

Jack Pickering, a former hospital van driver, passed away last year. His son, Jim, recently came to the Fraternal Office to do something Jack would have wanted him to do. He donated \$3,000 to the Murat Transportation Fund in his father's memory.

Noble Doug Meacham owns a wrecker service and has offered his services whenever one of our hospital vans might need to be towed. A few years ago, a van returning from the Lexington hospital had mechanical problems. It was very late at night when Doug arrived in Indianapolis with the van in tow. Doug recently heard a taillight had been damaged on a hospital van. No longer can we simply replace a lens on a taillight; the entire assembly needed to be replaced. The retail cost was \$244 plus installation, but Doug said he had a source that would have a lower cost. We will never know the exact cost, because Doug bought it and installed it himself, at no cost to Murat.

Vernon "Huck" Huckeba recently passed away after a long illness. Huck always had a smile and a joke for his friends.

Wonderful Shriners are everywhere. Enjoy them, respect them, and thank them for being your brothers.

For the Ladies

First Lady Dianah Louks

Wow, how time flies! Here it is December 2007 and this is my last opportunity to express my thoughts in the "For the Ladies" article as the 2007 first lady for the Murat Shrine. This has been an incredible year!! One question I have heard most often is – Has your year been fun? My answer to that question is a resounding "Yes"! It has been busier than I had expected, and I have truly enjoyed each and every person with whom I've had the pleasure to spend time! We have worked together, consoled each other during the troubling times, laughed together, and celebrated together.

My goal for this year was to unite all of the Murat ladies' organizations. I believe that we accomplished that goal and have now crossed over the bridge and have better support for all of the ladies and their organizations. We could not have accomplished all that was done this year without the support and guidance of my Noble, Potentate Jerry Markovich. Thank you, Jerry, for all of your support for the ladies, their organizations, and my goal!

The key to accomplishing all that we did this year was through communication. To that end, we set up the first ever Murat Ladies Communication Network to connect all of the ladies. To make sure that all of you ladies knew what was going on and what events you were invited to attend, we sent the quarterly Murat Ladies Communication Network Newsletter by email and regular mail. My heartfelt thanks go to Frances Sparks for heading up this committee and helping me keep up to date, as well as to Margaret Borton for sending out cards of celebration, sorrow and well wishes throughout the year, and to all of the other committee members who gave their time and effort in many ways to make this committee successful (Dee Craft, Julie Porter, Shirley Smith, Sharon Stoutner, Janie Sullinger & Dave Heckman).

Together we have had fun with each event beginning with the Florida Visitation and the "Think Pink" Girls Night Out in February, the Shrine Circus, Potentate's Ball, and Potentate Jerry's surprise birthday that was included in the L.O.S. Casa Blanca Nights in March, the Kerbela Fun Fest in Pigeon Forge, TN; entertaining Imperial Sir Nick Thomas and his Lady Elaine Keza in May; the Imperial Session in Anaheim, CA, in July; the "Better Together Fashion Show" in August; the many Potentate's parties throughout the year in the outlying Shrine Clubs, the many picnics and events with the Units throughout the year, and the "Shop 'Til You Drop" in December. To each and every lady and Noble who helped with any of these events, I thank you so very much for your support! You have enriched my life and I have truly enjoyed getting to know you better.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon at the events that Chief Rabban Ron Elliott and his Lady Sally Jo have scheduled in 2008! Together, we will continue to have fun and make a difference in the lives of the children we serve in the Shriners Hospitals!

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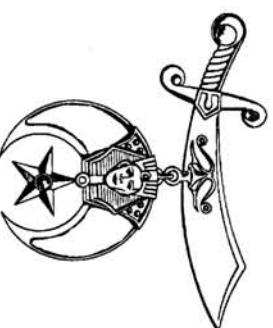
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Yacht Club

Ted Stewart

The Yacht Club has had a very successful year so far in 2007. We wish to sincerely thank all of those who volunteered for our annual golf tournament this June and especially our sponsors who enabled our Club to donate \$6,000 to the Transportation Fund and the Masonic Home. Here is the list of our generous sponsors for the tournament:

Circus Activity Book Ad Sales

Preparations are now being made for the 63rd year of the Murat Shrine Circus. The advertising sales booklets have been distributed to your Unit/Club. Contact your Unit/Club to get your sales listings from last year. If you need additional contracts, they are available in the Murat Office. Please deliver all ads with payment to Sherri in the Shrine office. The deadline for all ads is January 15, 2008. If you need additional information, call Sherri in the Shrine office at (317) 635-2433.

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Well, here it is fall again. The trees are shedding, the temperature is dropping, and mice are trying to get into the house where it is warm. What a great season of the year.

Our camping season is over for the year. The trip to Zorah Campground at Terre Haute was a lot of fun. Thursday found everyone enjoying a pitch-in, which included roasted pig. Friday morning found homemade cinnamon rolls and coffee on the breakfast menu. The day's activities were a trip to Paris, IL, to the Honey Bee Festival followed by garage sales. On the way back, some stopped at an Allis Chalmers museum. A farmer had collected about 30 old tractors and set up a replica store in one of his buildings.

Have you ever heard of making an omelet in a plastic bag? Well, you should have been at Saturday's breakfast. Each individual had their own plastic bag and had to write their name on it. You start out by putting a couple of eggs in the bag along with your choice of extra ingredients such as bacon bits, cheese, green onions, etc. Seal the bag and squeeze them all together and put them in a large pot of boiling water for 12-14 minutes. When they

were done, you found your bag and took it out of the water, opened it, and put it on a plate and ate it. A trip to the Cory Apple Festival was enjoyed and a silent auction was held. The evening meal consisted of a campfire with baked pizza.

Sunday's breakfast was coffee and a variety of coffee cakes. The Zorah Club members had gotten up early around 3 a.m. and started cooking lunch, which was beans and cornbread that had been cooked over an open fire in an iron kettle.

The final campout was in Palestine, IL, where a wine festival along with wine tasting, of course, is held yearly. Then another trip to another festival – this time a candy festival at Robinson, IL, was visited. In the evening, all went to a restaurant named "2-Rass Diner" and enjoyed a rib-eye steak dinner.

Another meal of ham and beans was enjoyed along with more garage sales, which were out in front of our units.

Saturday found another breakfast of biscuits and gravy. Seems like all we do is eat. We also enjoy gathering around the campfires swapping stories and enjoying each other's company. When you retire for the evening inside your unit, you

reminisce about all the things you have seen and done. Makes it hard to go to sleep. I guess it's the silence that gets you, being on the campground away from the city hustle and bustle. It's peaceful and quiet. Makes us stop to think what a wonderful life we live.

If any of this sounds good to you, we invite you to join our Club. We have people with motor homes, trailers, and fifth wheels – there is a site that will fit anything you happen to own. You can contact Paul Shambaugh at (317) 736-8708 for more information.

Hope to see you around our campfires soon.

Dramatic Cast

Don Olvey

Greetings again from your Dramatic Cast.

Looks, and feels, like summer may have given up and fall is here. You can't tell by the color of the leaves, but the increase in the number of southbound Hoosiers is a dead giveaway. We wish y'all a safe trip and pleasant winter stay.

I have some hot news for those Nobles who like good, free entertainment. There have been two one-day ceremonials recently at Murat. One was put on by the York Rite and the other was a combination Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shrine. A significant number of new members was added to each group and that is good news. The GREAT news is that it looks like we have almost reached Potentate Jerry Markovich's goal of "407 in 07."

Let's get those petitions in and see how many new Nobles we can have at the Hot Sands in December.

Again, if you didn't attend one of these programs, you missed some GREAT degree work. Hope to see you on Saturday, December 8.

While we are talking about fun things to do, be sure to check the scheduled events listed on the back of the Murat Magazine. Those, along with all of the Club and Unit happenings, should keep us all busy until next year.

During this Holiday, be sure to keep our fellow Nobles and families in your prayers as well as our service men and women.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Dramatic Cast.

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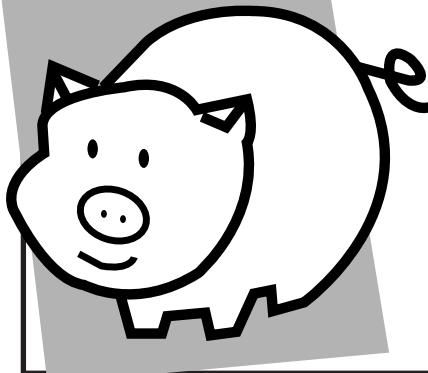
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Southeastern Indiana Shrine Club

Ed Johnson

As 2007 winds down, activities at the Club will start to gear up. The Christmas party for the children we transport to the hospital has been scheduled for December 8 from 1 to 3 p.m. We will have food, clowns, gifts and a visit from Santa Claus for our honored guests. If you are not able to help drive the children to the hospital, come out to help with the party and meet some of these remarkable kids. It will make you proud to be a Shriner!

We have also scheduled a Christmas party for our Nobles and their ladies. That party will be held on the 15th of December. We will have music, dancing, door prizes and hors d' oeuvres. Please be sure to RSVP to Ed Wolfe or Ed Johnson if you plan to attend.

The installation of officers for 2008 will be held on January 12. We will have a steak dinner prior to installing the officers and a fellowship hour following the ceremony. The cost for the dinner will be only \$10 and an RSVP is required by January 2.

As the new officers prepare to take their respective stations, I would like to congratulate Ed Wolfe on his year of service as president of the Club. This has been one of the most productive years our Club has seen and this is due mainly to his leadership. Thank you, Ed, for all you have done for the Shrine.

Flying Fezzes

Patrick DeCallier

Well, we had a good time at our "social" at the American Heritage Museum located at Post-Air Airport, but something even more interesting had happened the weekend of the 6th at the Franklin, IN, parade.

Our trusty Cessna 150 parade airplane had developed mechanical problems, so it appeared the Flying Fezzes would not show. However, John Blaydoe "saddled up" our newest parade airplane, the Aerocoupe, and lo and behold, the Club got a trophy!

So the good time at our social was even better because the members got to see the newest trophy the Flying Fezzes have for participating in parades.

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There are several opportunities to sign up for a plaque:

- At Murat Stated Meetings beginning January 2008
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Caravan Club



Most Worshipful Brother Duane L. Vaught was welcomed to the Caravan Club luncheon on September 13 by Potentate Jerry Markovich, Caravan Club President Jack Bussell, Past Potentate Bob Hancock, Noble Ray Gotshall, and Noble Cliff Lewis.

Chanters

Gayle Byers

Arab Patrol

Jim Monroe

Would like to congratulate Bill Sparks and Ron Brown – a couple of our Patrol members who went through the Royal Order Knights of Venus initiation in October, which is a great honor as the two units work close together. Would also like to congratulate Ray Miller on being voted in as the 2008 president of the Johnson County Shrine Club. Ray is vice president of the Patrol Unit for 2007. Would also like to thank Phil Goodwin for his help in getting the UAW Hall for the Patrol raffle on November 3, and Dick Monroe, Mike Long, and Larry Trent for cooking the food that will be served at the raffle.

On a sad note, the Patrol would like to send our condolences to the family and friends of Circus Director Larry Selig, who passed away recently. Larry did a great job getting the Shrine Circus organized and essentially ran things to put on a great show for the public and a moneymaker for the Shrine. A lot of people will need to step up and fill in and make Larry proud that the circus will go on. Would also like to send a "get better" wish to Mary Sullivan, who had a recent fall. She volunteers with Paul Ballard at Methodist Hospital on Sundays to help with patients and their families.

As this is the December magazine, the Patrol hopes everyone has a safe and joyous Holiday Season and a fun time with family and friends. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Anyone wanting to join the Patrol, we meet the first Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

It's Show Time!

October was show time for the Murat Chanters. The annual Men's Show unfolded on the stage of the Arabian Room on Saturday, October 6, and six days later the troupe ventured to Kosair Shrine in Louisville to do a repeat performance. Talent scouts were seen lurking in the shadows of both rooms, and even on the promise of providing additional vocal lessons for our stellar performers, no further offers for hitting the road into new Masonic territories (or other venues) have been proffered. It is probably just as well because the memory retention span is not more than two weeks for the majority of the group!

This year's production offered a variety of comedic and musical displays ... enough to warm the cockles of anyone's heart. Standouts, of course, included the venerable Bethel King – who could consume a whole evening of song by himself – and Ed Adams, whose rich baritone thrilled the audience with a rendition of "You Lift Me Up." Guest appearances by Sonny & Cher and the resilient Sons of the Sons of the Sons of the Pioneers were dripping with nostalgia, and an interview with potential presidential candidate Hillary Clinton (or her press secretary – depending on availability) provided great insight into the national political game.

In an attempt to offer concrete and timely advice to our audience, the Chanters were also able to provide an on-the-spot session with a local psychoanalyst, Dr. Shrill. It was a curious exchange with two members of the audience – both suspicious looking – who seemed to have a drinking problem. Neither was recognizable, nor wanted to be identified by name. And, on the health news side of things, Richard Persimmon (I assume a far distant offshoot of another exercise guru) gave amazing input on how to keep the body healthy and in shape. The advice may have been good, but you had to avoid looking at Mr. Persimmon as the embodiment of his own sage philosophies.

A surprise addition to the show's line-up came from those Oasis Lounge chanteuses, Lilly and Tilly, who coerced their way on to the stage with the threat of exposing certain pictures obtained from a secret raid on the Potentate's office. Those two do know their way around the lounge ... and a song! We are pleased to learn that the cigar has not impaired Tilly's voice ... nor helped it. And, Lilly has developed an artistic flair for greeting card poetry.

The show was rounded out with the regular Murat thespians – those jocular raconteur spokesmen, the Chanter quartet (embarrassing a chosen lady from the audience with a geography lesson), and the marvelous keyboard and percussion abilities of Phil Thrasher and Kelly Glass. And, of course, a big flash finish by the entire troupe.

If you missed it, tough luck. Two times in one week is more than sufficient. Wait for announcements about next year's extravaganza and get in line! In the meantime, we are available for other road trips of a more sedate nature.



Potentate Bob Frye (front row, third from the left) welcomed the Murat Chanters when they performed at Kosair Shrine in Louisville on October 12.

Johnson County Shrine Club

Dave Alspaugh

November has come and gone, and December is now here. Being the Christmas season, we can expect a definite change in our weather. The old "white stuff" can't be far away. We have to have snow for Santa and his reindeer and their yearly visit.

As we near the New Year, the Johnson County Shrine Club says "good-by" to John and Barbara Miller as John steps down from his one year as president of the Club. It seems like he just became president, replacing Larry DeVoss. As John says "good-by," the officers for 2008 stand ready to step up to their tasks. The new officers are: Ray Miller – President, Mike Pearcy – First Vice President, Randy Bell – Second Vice President, Jeff Kondy – Secretary, and Carl Howard III – Treasurer.

Along with new officers, two new members were elected to two-year terms on the board of directors. The board con-

sists of the following members: Dick Webster – two years, Dave Alspaugh – two years, John Miller – one year, Jim Carter – one year, and Wally Harrison – one year.

To all these members, the Club congratulates them on their election and sends wishes of good luck and success for the upcoming year.

Recently, the city of Franklin had their Fall Festival Parade. Ed Andrews, a Johnson County Shrine Club member, was the parade chairman. He was everywhere. At the Masonic Home, you could see him getting the Units in proper order, answering questions, and even going out on the parade route on his bicycle to make sure all was well. For his efforts and hard work, John Miller presented Ed with a trophy clock. Nice job, Ed!

After the parade, the Club opened its doors and invited all participating Units and their guests to stop by for a fish fry. Our Potentate, Jerry Markovich, along with some of the Divan, was in attendance. Jerry presented trophies to the award-winning Units. The Mini-Mystics and Mini-Cycles won trophies for the Club. At the close of the presentations, Jerry presented John Miller with a trophy for the good job he's done as president of the Johnson

County Shrine Club.

Last month, Toddy Inabnitt, represented the Club at the Murat Temple Stated Meeting. At the meeting, he presented to Jerry Markovich a check for \$1,500 to be used for the Transportation Fund.

As the new officers were going through the process of being elected, President Ray Miller was asked to say a few words. The first words he was to be remembered for were, "We need volunteers for BINGO." Seems that is a never-ending request. In the time I've written for the magazine, I have heard Larry DeVoss say it, John Miller has asked it, Mike Pearcy, myself ... it's a never ending thing. Come on, fellows ... we need some help!

President Ray Miller has asked that I make sure to announce that on January 5, the Club will host the 2008 President's Ball. Cocktails will be served at 6 p.m. and a prime rib dinner at 7 p.m. After dinner, a disc jockey will spin some dance music until the wee hours. Tickets are \$30 per couple. Come down to Franklin and join us.

Winding up this issue ... members of the Johnson County Shrine Club would like to wish all our friends a very Merry Christmas, a holiday season full of joy and a Happy New Year. See you in 2008.

The Directors

Willis A. Roose

Should the December ceremonial be as productive as the one in October, our Potentate can step down from his throne in a blaze of glory.

It is impossible to express our thanks and appreciation to Past Potentate Phil Thrasher and his "capable crew" for their participation in the second section of all ceremonials. It would be a "drab" affair without music.

Chief Director Mike Adams is busy accepting plaudits for the last ceremonial and preparing for the next. It is a "slick operation," which indicates the time and effort expended for the benefit of Murat.

Our officers can all move up a notch and anticipate another great year.

To our new Potentate, Ron Elliott, the Directors are awaiting new directives on the trestle board. We're never too busy!



Potentate Jerry Markovich presents a trophy to the Murat Mini-Cycles, an award-winning unit.



Johnson County Mini-Mystics are awarded their trophy from Potentate Jerry Markovich.



John Miller received a trophy from Potentate Jerry Markovich commemorating John's year as president.



Johnson County Shrine Club Noble Ed Andrews received a trophy clock.

Reception Unit

Greg Miller

The members of the Murat Reception Unit assisted with the Grand Master's "One-Day Class" on Saturday, October 27. We will also assist with the Murat Ceremonial on Saturday, December 1. While the results of our election of officers for 2008 were not available at the time this article was written, the 2008 Reception Unit calendar is as follows:

January 6: Organizational Meeting at 12:30 p.m. in Tunisian Room
January 8: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting
January 21: Murat Stated Meeting
January 29-Feb. 2: Florida Visitation-Ft. Myers
February 9: Potentate's Ball
February 12: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting
February 18: Murat Stated Meeting
February 28-
March 2: Murat Shrine Circus-State Fairgrounds
March 8: President's Spring Party-Corinthian Room
March 11: Past President's Night-White Elephant Auction
March 17: Murat Stated Meeting
April 5: Murat Spring Ceremonial
April 8: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting
April 21: Murat Stated Meeting

May 1-4: Kerbela Fun Fest (two shows TBA)
May 13: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting
May 19: Murat Stated Meeting
May 23-25: Indy 500 Events
June 10: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting
June 14: Golf Outing-Location TBA
June 16: Murat Stated Meeting
June 22: Picnic & Auction-Tunisian Room
June 29-July 3: Imperial Session-St. Louis
September 9: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting
September 15: Murat Stated Meeting
September 18-21: Great Lakes Session-Cincinnati
October 14: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting
October 20: Murat Stated Meeting
November 11: Reception Unit Monthly Meeting-Election of Officers
November 17: Murat Stated Meeting
December 9: Installation of Officers/Christmas Party-Corinthian Room
December 13: Murat Winter Ceremonial
December 15: Murat Stated Meeting-Election of Officers



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Potentate Jerry Markovich and Recorder Gordon Husk greet hospital patient Shalena Koffman and her mother, Stephanie Koffman, at the beginning of the October Stated Meeting just before mother and daughter address the Nobility.



Transportation President Michael Harrison, along with drivers Paul Herzog, Terry Boyer, and Dennis Scott, happily hands over a \$1,000 check to Potentate Jerry Markovich for the Transportation Fund.



President Jim Snodgrass of the Tipton County Shrine Club, with the help of Club members Billy Ayres and Jim Kincaid, delivers two checks to Potentate Jerry Markovich at the October Stated Meeting. The first check is for \$1,000 for the Transportation Fund, and the second is for \$100 for the Children's Christmas Party.



Potentate Jerry Markovich receives a check for \$1,000 for the Transportation Fund and a \$100 check for the Children's Christmas Party from Decatur County Shrine Club President Bill Baumgartner, Ed Dodds, and Dyer Forkert. Assistant Rabban George Proctor happily looks on as our Potentate also receives a \$500 donation to the Indiana Masonic Home.



A large contingent of the Reception Unit accompanies their president, Bill Rasner, to present a \$1,000 donation to the Transportation Fund to Potentate Jerry Markovich. Reception Unit members present are Willie Pryor, Bill Johnson, Jim Ross, Chuck Gilson, John Blaydoe, Greg Miller, Carson Smith, Don Strawser, Darwin Hoose, Earl Moore, Mike Waldrip, Joe Stoutner, and Ray Gotshall.



The Arab Patrol is represented by Ray Miller, Ron Fannin, and Outer Guard Jim Priest in the presentation of a \$250 check to Potentate Jerry Markovich for the Children's Christmas Party Toy Fund.



Potentate Jerry Markovich is joined by Recorder Gordon Husk in receiving a \$1,000 check for the Transportation Fund from Boone County Shrine Club President Bill Clark.



Johnson County Shrine Club members Toddy Inabnitt, Bob Dancey, Joe Inabnitt, and Ray Miller are all smiles when presenting their Club's \$1,500 check for Murat's Transportation Fund to Potentate Jerry Markovich.



Potentate Jerry Markovich receives a \$2,000 check for the Transportation Fund on behalf of American Legion Post #355 from Nobles Bill Baugh, Bob Bland, Bob Dancey, Joe Inabnitt, and Toddy Inabnitt.



A Paper Crusade collection in the amount of \$2,504.21 is received by Potentate Jerry Markovich from Putnam County Shrine Club President John Jackman and Club members Bill Cockrell, Don Mundy, and John Blaydoe.



Potentate Jerry Markovich congratulates Noble Don Olvey on being the grand prize winner in October's Stated Meeting Raffle. His prize is a \$100 gift certificate from McGee Jewelers.



Murat Yacht Club members Bob Dancey, Carlis Inabnitt, John Hess, Bob Bland, Kevin Keating, Jerry Lance, and Joe Inabnitt donate \$5,000 to Potentate Jerry Markovich for the Transportation Fund.



Potentate Jerry Markovich and Assistant Rabban George Proctor are glad to accept a \$6,000 donation to the Transportation Fund and a \$6,000 gift to Lexington Hospital from Tri-County Shrine Club President Ralph Harvey and Club members Wayne Schickles, Dave Disponett, and Ralph Harvey, Sr.

Smyrna Shrine Guild Barb Wimmenauer

Greetings from Maharanee Betty Huckeba. As my year as Maharanee comes to an end, I would like to extend my appreciation to the Guild for all your support this year. I am grateful for the opportunity to have served as your Maharanee. Many thanks to all those who assisted me to make sure Smyrna events went off according to plans. And once again, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the all the prayers, cards, hugs, phone calls and visits the past several months during Vernon's illness and passing. Brenda and I were blessed to have the friendship and support of our Shrine (Smyrna) family. I trust that you will show the same support to Maharanee-elect Susie Lawson and the new officers for 2008. I wish them all the best and look forward to the New Year!

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Wednesday, December 5 – Guild Night: We will be having a cake walk. Please bring your favorite cake and walk for the Kids! Please reserve with Tammy Priest at 862-0551.

Sunday, December 16 – SMYRNA INSTALLATION OF 2008 OFFICERS: Gatling Gun Club; please arrive at 2 p.m. – installation will be at 3 p.m. Snacks and hors d'oeuvres will be available. Please make reservations with Starr Comer at 281-5263. We hope to see a big crowd to welcome Maharanee-elect Susie Lawson and the new Smyrna officers.

JANUARY CALENDAR

Reminder – No Guild Night in January.

Tuesday, January 22 – Stated Meeting: 7:30 p.m., Murat. Hope to see you there to kick off the New Year!

A quick rule of thumb – Guild Nights are held the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Gun Club, and Stated Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Murat. Make your reservation by contacting Tammy Priest at 862-0551 and leave a message.

Reminder: Dianna Craft is our cheer chairman. Please contact her with news regarding our Smyrna membership and their families so we can communicate the news in a timely fashion. Her number is (317) 882-8587. If no answer, please leave a message.

Railroad Club

Raymond E. Gotshall

Our election of officers was held at our November 27 regular meeting, and President and Chief Engineer Bobby Crawford announced that David Kaufman was unanimously elected president and chief engineer of the Murat Railroad Club for the year 2008. Congratulations David!! David has been associated with the Murat Railroad Club for several years and tells me he has great plans for the Club in 2008. We look forward to your leadership and enthusiasm.

The rest of the officers will be announced in our newsletter and January Murat Magazine. There will not be a Railroad Club meeting in December. The next meeting will be on January 22, 2008. Our installation and ladies dinner will be March 25, 2008. More information as to the exact time, place and menu will come to Railroad Club members via our newsletter and the Murat Magazine.

The Railroad Club layout rooms will be open for both the Murat Ceremonial on December 8 and for the Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 16. The Club meets at 7 p.m., the fourth Tuesday of most months in the Railroad Club rooms located on the fourth floor of the Murat Center. 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, come up to 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.

Shrine taillight stickers are still available from the Fraternal Office as well as from Murat Railroad Club officers. Let's light up your car taillights with the Shrine emblem.

Police Club

Joshua L. Barker

Season's Greetings fellow Nobles. This time of year is always such an enjoyable time spent with friends and

Madison County Curly McNally

Noble Bill Moon brought the gift of mobility to Madison County Shrine Club. Bill presented us with an electric wheelchair from donor Ruth Emery in memory of Albert Emery. The chair recipient was Amy Embry, daughter of Noble Rick Embry and Lady Anita.

Amy has cerebral palsy and uses a motorized wheelchair to function in and out of her home. Recently, while riding down the sidewalk, a vehicle driven by some teens came up on the sidewalk and struck Amy in her wheelchair. The chair was destroyed but miraculously, Amy suffered minor scrapes. The teens left without helping her, leaving her immobile. This is why she was such a gracious and deserving recipient.

Once again, Madison County's Desert Patrol put on a good party. The featured band was "Spike and The Bull Dogs." There were ghosts, goblins, super heroes, and a devil or two. As our members and guests got into the Halloween spirit, the band sang the night away.

Upcoming events are our own Shrine Children's Christmas Party. This will be on Saturday the 8th. Join us for some fun with Shriner children. Visit us on our website www.madisoncountyshrineclub.com.

Till next issue ...



Rick Embry, Anita Embry, Dick Sobol, Bill Moon, Amy Embry, Curly McNally, and Chris Robbins.

family. And of course, let us not forget the kids! I look forward to all of the Christmas celebrations to come at Murat.

By the time the December issue of Murat Magazine hits the stands, the nominations and election of officers will have been completed. 2007 has gone by so quickly and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all my fellow Police Club members for allowing me to serve you as your Club president. I learned a lot and had a great time. Stay tuned for the January issue to find out who the 2008 officers will be.

Masonic brotherhood is an amaz-

ing thing to be a part of. I was reminded just how wonderful the bonds of Masonry are and how much Shriners take care of each other over the past few months. The Police Club has lost three very dear members: Vernon "Huck" Huckeba, August; and Past Presidents Clarence "Sparky" Sparks (1982) and William "Bill" Clark (1978) in September and October, respectively. I thank all my brothers for participating in such a strong Masonic showing during their services. All will be deeply missed.

Tarum

Jeff Dickey

Happy Holidays to one and all from Tarum.

October brought us Tricks and Treats. President Pippin had a great turnout for the Halloween Friday night dinner. Almost everyone who came to dinner was in costume. We had a Mandarin couple, a Dutch girl, Holly Hobby, Bewitching Vampiras, a bartending Witch, Football players, Lions and Tigers (and bears, oh my) – just kidding about the bears, Ladies President Sharon "Albert" Lion-stein, President "Boss" Pippin, Fred and Wilma Flintstone, a Princess, Prisoner #711, a Gypsy Fortune Teller, and Second Hand Rose. All in all, it was a costume bonanza. Dutch Girl Dorothy Thorman and Second Hand Rose Liz Foughty entertained us with a wonderful rendition of Second Hand Rose. The Boss handed out prizes and everyone had a ball. By the way, as Fred Flintstone found out, Bedrock money does not work at Tarum's Bar. The Honored Ladies Night was a success and was attended by Potentate Jerry Markovich and some of his Divan.

Richmond's Masonic Family grew by four new members and Tarum by five new members in October. All were raised and initiated at the One-Day Class on Saturday, October 27. Several of our members acted as mentors and enjoyed watching the new Shriners cross the Hot Sands of the desert. Next month we will profile our new members. During the day, Potentate Jerry Markovich informed me that he had made me one of his aides at the beginning of his term. This was an honor I never expected and did not realize that he had done so. Thank you, Illustrious Sir, for your confidence.

November looks to be a busy month at Tarum. We have a wedding reception on Saturday the 3rd to start the month. Tarum's new Stated Meeting night started in November on the first Monday of the month. At that meeting, we had the nominations for officers for next year. Then on Stag Night, on the third Thursday of the month, elections were held. At the time of this writing, neither event had taken place so the nominated Nobles and the results will be announced next month. Richmond's Masonic Family, as always, has the first Saturday of the month's breakfast. The turnouts keep getting larger as more and more of our members and friends find out that the food, friends, and fellowship are not to be missed. Well done to the tireless members of Eastern Star and the other Richmond Masonic Bodies whose members regularly make these breakfasts happen. Mark your calendars and plan on coming to breakfast. Also plan on attending at least one of Richmond's Masonic Family organizations once per month. We all need you.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas – see you at Tarum!

Mini-Mystics of Johnson County

Dave Alspaugh

The colorful leaves of autumn are all gone. The cold winds of winter are starting to blow. It's time for us to say "good-by" to the month of November. As we travel into December, many changes are happening. Everywhere you go, you hear Christmas carols being played, Christmas cards are filling the mailboxes, and Christmas trees are for sale all over the place. Before we know it, Santa will be making his worldwide night of deliveries. During this transition, the Mini-Mystics are winding up a very busy year and making plans for 2008.

At a recent monthly meeting, Joe Inabnitt, president of the Motor Corps at the Murat Temple, announced that the Mini-Mystics were winners of the Trophy Challenge. It is official ... the Mini-Mystics are the most paraded Unit of the Murat Temple for 2007. Congratulations to all the drivers and their ladies for making all those trips. We're proud of you!

December brings to a close our parade season. There are still parades available to attend, but our little cars don't have snow tires, or chains or heaters. So, we put the cars in "moth balls" for a few weeks. During this time, many will make repairs and get the cars ready for 2008. The first parade, February 16 in Ft. Myers, FL, will be here before we know it.

Closing the parade season, both Lee Langlotz and myself will be making sure two Club awards are in safe keeping for the winter. Lee currently has the "breakdown" necklace. He unfortunately broke down at Mitchell during the Persimmon Festival Parade and had to be towed in by Bob Rash on the wrecker. At the same parade, yours truly managed to lose his fire extinguisher, run over it, and get it lodged under the car. I had to get out, very embarrassed, and lift the car off the problem before I could complete the parade. After such an effort, the Club voted yours truly the "pink panty" Screw Up Award.

Having these awards are bad enough, but it was recently decided that the Club would post an 8 x 10 photograph in the Johnson County Shrine Club of those holding the awards. I think they



Big Bad Dave Alspaugh



Bill Sparks



Duane Burgess



Lee Break-Down

call that "rubbing salt in the wound." Right, Lee?

December 1, the Mini-Mystics will have their Christmas party. Members of the Divan, the Potentate, and many guests will be in attendance. After the prime rib dinner, the new officers will be sworn in. Sadly, we will say "good-by" to Mike Pearcy who steps down as president after serving three years. Brian Biehn also leaves after three years as secretary/treasurer. The new officers for the next year are: Dave Alspaugh – President, Bill Sparks – Vice President, and Duane Burgess – Secretary/Treasurer.

Hardly anyone will ever see this group in these positions, so here are the photographs of the officers as most people see them. The Club wants to thank Mike and Brian for a job well done!

The 2008 parade schedule is already starting to develop, and once again it appears that the Club is going to be very busy. Hopefully, our efforts will once again earn us the Most Active Unit trophy. Early planning has the Unit trav-

eling to parades in Ft. Myers, FL, in February; Kerbela Fun Fest in Pigeon Forge, TN, in May; the Imperial in St. Louis in July; and the Great Lakes Parade in Cincinnati in September. A note to the members who will be taking part in these parades – plan ahead and get hotel rooms before they're gone. Also, order your CIRCUS tickets from the Temple so you will qualify for the room credit at the Adams Mark Hotel in St. Louis for the Imperial.

With winter moving in, the cold and flu season also moves in and it's time to get your flu shot. Also, here's a home remedy that you can try. If you get a bad cough ... take a large dose of laxative. This won't cure the cough; it just makes you afraid to cough.

Well, another issue comes to a close, but before I go ... the Johnson County Mini-Mystics want to wish all our friends and fellow Shrine families an old-fashioned Christmas filled with Peace, Happiness, and Joy.

Happy Holidays!

Transportation Club

Dennis Scott

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – November is the time for the membership to elect its new officers for 2008. Offices we need to fill are second vice president and board members.

Hopefully, the rest of the officers will move up to their new assignments. Please try to attend this very important meeting and support the 2008 officers-elect.

KIDS' CHRISTMAS PARTY – December 16 is the date for the annual Children's Christmas Party. The Transportation Club is the sponsoring Club with Bucky Everhart as its chairman. At this writing, all is in order for a great time. Bring your kids or grandkids for some great entertainment and a visit with Santa (Husk).

DONATIONS – The Club recently donated \$1,000 to the Transportation Fund

and \$200 toward the Toy Fund. Donations like this help keep the hospital vans rolling and provide a little joy to the kids attending the Christmas party.

CHRISTMAS PARTY/DINNER – The Club will again be going to the University of Indianapolis for their annual Christmas Party. If you haven't signed up yet, contact our president, Mike Harrison. This is the time we honor our 2007 officers and welcome the officers of 2008. Also, the "Man of the Year" will be announced. Arrival time is 5:45 p.m. with dinner at 6:30. The cost is \$25 per couple.

CONGRATULATIONS – Andy Anderson received his 200-trip jacket recently. Andy and all our hospital van drivers dedicate a lot of their time to see that our hospital families get safely to and from the hospitals.

TRIP AWARDS – Congratulations to drivers Jim Marlin and Mike Metzger for completing their 25th trip. They were awarded a driver's bolo that they can proudly wear. Also, congratulations to Roger Fisher who has completed his 10th trip and was presented his roadrunner cap.

WELCOME – We would like to welcome Terry Kimble, the newest member of the Transportation Club. We would like to invite Terry, and all our members who haven't been to a meeting recently, to join us in all our activities.

Please join us every third Wednesday of the month in the Oasis Lounge for dinner around 5:30 p.m. for some good fellowship prior to our Stated Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Mediterranean Room downstairs.

Gun Club

Herb Arthur

Since it is early November when I write this article, not a lot has happened in regard to the sale of the Gatling Gun Club or the purchase of the new property we were looking at in nearby Beech Grove. Money is the present holdup, since we have not received any earnest money to close the deal on the Gun Club building; therefore, we have not been able to purchase the new property, although there is earnest money involved to secure the purchase of the proposed site. The holdup depends upon the buyers of the Gun Club property getting a tax abatement from the city of Indianapolis. If and when that happens, the wheels are in motion to pursue our purchase. We have asked for an extension of our closing until after they appear before the court, and we have been assured that they will go along with this extension.

Election of officers for the Murat Gun Club will be Friday, December 7, at 8 p.m. All members of the Murat Gun Club in good standing are eligible to vote or maybe hold an office. WE NEED YOU!! PLEASE HELP!!

Kentucky Colonels

Dennis Scott

SOCIAL OUTING – Many of the Colonels and their ladies were in attendance for a lovely dinner at Hollyhock Hill hosted by our president, Kent Smith, and his Lady Barbara.

This was a great time for the Club to get together as couples for some fellowship and a good meal.

PLAQUE PROGRAM – As the sponsoring club for the plaque program, it has been decided to introduce it to the membership in January 2008. This program will take the efforts of many Colonels to promote and sell the plaques to individuals, Clubs and Units, and businesses. A table will be available at the Murat Stated Meetings to display the plaques, answer questions and take orders. Forms are currently being prepared for our use. The bottom line is that our efforts will hopefully contribute thousands of dollars to our hospitals and provide Murat with the necessary funds to adequately support our hospitals.

CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY – Our annual Christmas party will be held on Wednesday, December 5, in the Tunisian Room at Murat. This is always fun to attend and provides a good send-off for our current president and a show of support for next year's officers.

KIDS' CHRISTMAS PARTY – December 16 is the date for the Christmas party for the hospital patients and the children and grandchildren of Murat members. The Arabian Room promises to bulge with attendees, but it is well worth it to see the kids have a good time. Colonel Bucky Everhart is chairman of this huge undertaking. Please check the magazine for details.

WELCOME – Colonel Carson Smith has recently joined the Club and will be a very active member. For those who have not been to a meeting or gathering for a while, please try to attend a meeting or social event and get active again. We always need the help and suggestions.

The Colonels meet on the first Wednesday of the month. We meet for dinner in the Mecca Room around 5:30 p.m. and hold our meetings in the same room beginning at 7 p.m. See you there.

63rd Annual Shrine Circus

In less than three months, the 63rd edition of the Murat Shrine Circus will once again appear at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. To the delight of children from 6 to 60, the annual Shrine Circus will lead everyone across the borders of reality into a tinsel and spun-candy world of make believe.

The circus cannot become a success unless you become a part of this world of make believe. Run away with us to the circus, at least for a couple of hours. Your support is needed to volunteer your time, attend the performances, and/or sponsor a child to attend.

Nine performances are scheduled from February 28 through March 2. On Thursday, February 28, the performances are at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Friday, February 29, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Saturday, March 1, at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7 p.m.; and on Sunday, March 2, at 11:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The Thursday and Friday morning shows, which are provided at no charge to school-age children and special needs people of all ages, are sold out. Orders are now being accepted; please use the order form in the magazine or you may call the office at (317) 635-2433 and charge your ticket order.

This year's circus will include favorites such as the Jacob Barreda Elephants, Adam Burke cat act, and the Flying Pages aerial act, Klose's Performing K-9's and the Rolling Diamonds, skating on a 10-foot high platform.

Help your Unit and Club by selling Activity Book ads and Corporate Sponsorships. Twenty-five percent of all circus ad revenue and Corporate Sponsor revenue is returned to the Unit/Club of the seller. There's not an easier way to build the treasury of your Unit/Club than to sell these ads. Most Units/Clubs have already received their packets for distribution to previous ad sellers.

Now is the time to start getting your ads for your Unit/Club. If you don't have the "ad forms" or the "corporate sponsor forms," you may pick them up from the Shrine Office. The deadline for the Activity Book ads is January 15, 2008. The sooner the ads are received, the better.

If you haven't signed up to volunteer, your help is still needed. Contact Sherri in the Murat Shrine Office and she will be happy to match you up with areas where we need help. Even if you can help with only one performance, please give us a call.

Because of work schedules and other commitments, many Shriners are unable to volunteer. If that is your situation, your support buying circus coupons will greatly benefit the thousands of children who attend as a result of our generosity.

The American circus is a great American family tradition – be a part of it!

Murat Shrine Circus
Indiana State Fairgrounds Pepsi Coliseum
February 28-March 2, 2008

Open Night—February 28 at 7 p.m.
General Admission \$10

School Days—February 28 & 29 at 10 a.m.
No Charge (Abbreviated Show)

All Other Shows — Reserved Seats
\$20 • \$18 • \$15 • \$13 • \$7

Please make check payable and mail to:
Murat Shrine Circus
Attention: Tickets
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, February 28 10:00 am	SOLD OUT	
Thursday, February 28 7:00 pm		
Friday, February 29 10:00 am	SOLD OUT	
Friday, February 29 7:00 pm		
Saturday, March 1 10:00 am		
Saturday, March 1 2:00 pm		
Saturday, March 1 7:00 pm		
Sunday, March 2 11:30 am		
Sunday, March 2 3:30 pm		
SERVICE CHARGE		\$3.00
TOTAL		\$
Less Coupons (must be enclosed)		
AMOUNT DUE		\$
Check Number _____ or <input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover		
CREDIT CARD NUMBER		EXP DATE
SIGNATURE		V-CODE
NAME		SHRINE #
ADDRESS	PHONE #	
CITY	STATE	ZIP

Christmas will be here before we know it. This ever-popular holiday will conclude the year 2007. Many will go to church where they pray and sing, thus remembering the birth of Jesus. Some people spend many hours writing Christmas cards and wishing family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Homes are decorated for the season with stockings hung on the mantel with care, wreaths and mistletoe. The majestic beauty of a well-lit Christmas tree adorned with festive decorations can cause a twinkle in the eye of all who see it. Loved ones will enjoy drinking Grandma's eggnog as well as making and eating Christmas treats, such as cookies, candy, and gingerbread men. Santa Claus will try to make everyone's wishes come true. Finally, friends and family members exchange gifts and share the Christmas spirit.

Daughters of the Nile "Winter Roundup" Style Show will be held in the Arabian Room of the Murat Centre on Saturday, January 12. This Western theme event will begin at 10:30 a.m. with opportunities to purchase many different kinds of items and goodies. Look at your friends, tip your cowboy hat, say "Howdy Friends," and lasso these special people to come and join in the festivities. A noon buffet will be followed by the "Rootin' Tootin' Style Show." Make your reservation for this "Western Roundup" by calling Betty J. Rathbun at (317) 846-2800 before the January 8 deadline.

WANTED: Ladies interested in becoming a Daughter of the Nile. Now is the time for our members to "round up" a cowgirl, give her a petition for membership, so she can be corralled and initiated in our "White Rose Ceremonial" on Saturday, February 16.



We are hoping to have a "large herd" of new members join our ranch. Please contact Manuella Jefferson (317) 844-6222 or Faye Crabtree (317) 894-6583 and get several petitions for membership.

Please keep in mind our Ways and Means projects continuing this year. These include gathering aluminum cans and tabs, filling the "Piggy Banks," and donating used cell phones and computers. Queen Cathy Rose (317) 695-2912 will collect the cell phones and computers, Betty J. Rathbun (317) 846-2800 the "Piggy Banks," and Jane Ann Buchanan (317) 844-0531 aluminum cans and tabs. These projects will generate much needed help for children in the Shrine Hospitals.

Remember to pencil in the 7 p.m. Stated Meetings held on the first

Wednesday of each month in the Trowel Trades Building. December 5 will be our Christmas "Toy March" meeting. Come dressed in your Christmas attire and enjoy this holiday meeting with your friends. Other Stated Meetings will be held on January 2 and February 6. The February 6 meeting will include our "memorial" presentation for our departed members.

The Temple's Social Hour following the meetings will be served by the Queen and elected officers on December 5, the Appointed Officers on January 2, and the Past Queens on February 7. Stay and enjoy the delicious food and fellowship.

My closing thought to everyone: There is neither greater joy nor greater reward than to make a fundamental difference in someone's life.

NexGen

Matt Boyer

Good day Nobles,

It is with a happy heart that I get to write this as the president-elect of NexGen. I would first like to say congratulations to all my officers for the following years and a heartfelt "thank you" for all the work they have and will do.

It is a funny thought as I look back at my history with NexGen and the Shrine. My path started before I even joined the Shrine. I became active with the group and became known as the "Unofficial Mascot" by several people. I joined the Shrine and got involved officially in NexGen shortly after, and was given the office of "Rush Chair" (which brought the "Join NexGen Boxers" – for more information on that, feel free to ask some of our older members). The following year, I was honored to be asked to start the presidential trail by being the second vice. Two years later and here I am.

The purpose of NexGen is to help find young Shriners (under the age of 46) a home in our wonderful organization. From there we hope that they make it their own and find more ways to get active, perhaps in other Units. If you are a young Shriner, we ask for you to come out and meet us. One opportunity is before our Stated Meetings (second Tuesdays), we meet together at the Oasis for dinner and to share some fellowship – we'd love to see you there. If you are young at heart and share the desire to get our younger members active, we'd still love to hear from you and share some fellowship at our events.

Our first big event will be the New Year's party, which will start at 8 p.m. and close up after we bring in the New Year in good fashion in the Oasis Lounge. We hope to see you there for fun, fellowship and brotherhood. The cost is \$20 per couple and that will include a champagne toast.

And now a message for the ladies from my wife, Stephanie: B.L.I.N.G. (the "Bodacious Ladies in NexGen") – Come have dinner and hang out at the Oasis Lounge during your Nobles' NexGen meetings! I would like to have a monthly social "hour" every second Tuesday. Hope to see you there!

Veteran Car Club

Bill Arterberry

Fall is here and winter is coming. Sadly, the parade season is over for the year. We have stored our pride and joys, but the summer fun will be discussed over and over.

Our latest trips were to Barbourville, KY, the West Baden Hotel, and the French Lick Casino in southern Indiana.



The trip to Barbourville was to celebrate Daniel Boone Days and culminated in a parade. We followed the Oleka Temple driving their miniature 18-wheelers. Our vice president, Danny Thomas, arranged the trip and the activities. We attended a dinner and were entertained with dances performed by Cherokee Indians. The journey down, cruising all back roads, was led by Denny Fields. He is a master at knowing just which ones to take. The evening before the parade, Bud Forth, driving his 1955 Packard, lost his transmission and had to be towed back to the Best Western Hotel and wait for it to be hauled back to Indiana the next day. He and Dottie followed with Harold and Dorothy Price in a late model car. Denny led the trip home on back roads driving a 1955 Ford. All was going fine until the '55 slowed and stopped. The fuel filter was stopped up. The men gathered around, looking under the hood while it was changed. The Ford ran again. Hooray!! We're on our way. More trouble down the road, and the filter was changed again. Denny is always prepared and had extra filters in his trunk.

The next week Denny led the group of veteran cars to West Baden, IN, driving a two-door Model A Ford. His son and wife Dana drove the 1955 Ford without incident. We traveled curvy country roads and saw some pretty fall scenery. The highlight of the trip was spending the night in the beautifully restored West Baden Hotel.

The Club members travel with CBs so we can keep in touch and kibitz. Come visit us on the second Monday night of the month. Our meeting time is 7:30 p.m. in the Club basement. Come early and enjoy dinner with us and our ladies at the back of the AB Lounge.

Families are included in all our activities.

Murat Firemen's Club

Tim Whitaker

Season's Greetings Brothers!

Isn't it amazing how fast the year flies by? It seems the older you get, the faster it goes—amazing isn't it! It seems as though it was only yesterday that we were writing about our new Potentate, Jerry Markovich, and his plans for the year, and now his year is ending. It has been a pleasure working with Sir Jerry and on behalf of all Firemen's Club members, we congratulate him on a very successful year. The Potentate has strived hard to increase membership and bring a higher focus on all the Clubs and Units of Murat, including the (sometimes forgotten) ladies' groups. Congratulations, Illustrious Sir, on a fine year and good luck in all your future endeavors in Masonry.

Now as the New Year is about ready to unfold with a new Potentate and new ideas, we look forward to the leadership of one of our own: Ronald M. Elliott. Born and raised in Indianapolis, Ron served the Indianapolis Fire Department for 27 years. He and his wife Sally Jo will represent our Club and Murat in exemplary fashion, I'm sure. I won't go into detail about his accomplishments this month, but stay tuned for the January article in the Murat Magazine.

On October 29 a travelogue was held to discuss two trips that will take place in 2008. April 17-27, the Potentate and his lady will travel to Hawaii with a group of Murat members. It should be a great time and the trip is filling up fast. If you are interested in going on this trip, contact Tammy Little at Provident Travel (800-354-8108). This sailing adventure will take place on NCL Cruise Lines "Pride of America."

Then in the fall, our Potentate and his lady will travel on a seven-night Mexican Riviera cruise on October 26 - November 2, 2008. This exciting cruise will hit such ports as Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan and Puerto Vallarta. If you are interested in obtaining more information, please call Tammy Little at Provident Travel (800-354-8108 or 513-247-1108.) Hope to see you on the ship!

Larry Selig, our circus director, passed away during the month of November while he and his wife were vacationing in Europe. Larry was already making plans to make our 2008 circus even better than in past years. He had been holding organizational meetings for the circus and had his organization pretty much in place. His untimely passing will put a damper on the circus this year, but Ted Crosley has agreed to take charge and follow through with Larry's plans. Ted has been involved for many years in circus activities, and we know he will make our 2008 circus a huge success, in Larry's memory. To the Selig family, we extend our condolences at the loss of a great person and a great Shriner!

To Ted, we extend our appreciation to you for stepping up to the plate and agreeing to chair the 2008 Murat Shrine Circus. Our Club will participate and support you and your committee in any way possible.

Remember Shriners: Now is the time to sell circus ads! Let all of your business friends be included in our fund-raising efforts – not excluded. Murat Shrine Circus: February 28 - March 2, 2008.

It's been a busy year and we look forward to the coming year with great expectations. President Floyd Sendmeyer, his officers, and all members of the Murat Firemen's Club will be traveling more in the coming year than we have in many of the past years. We are in hopes that all members come and join us at our monthly meetings to learn what the year will hold. If ever you wanted to get involved, this is your year. Hope to see you at the meetings.

As I close the article for this month, I would like to congratulate all those new Shriners who have joined Murat during the year, as well as the new members who have joined our Club. We hope to see each of you often in the coming year.

From our Club to each of you, "We wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays."



Shriners Hospitals for Children

The Shriners Hospitals for Children brand is embodied in its new logo (above) and a graphic element (right). The new look celebrates the 85-year legacy of providing help and hope to children and their families with forward-facing, refreshed images, symbolizing Shriners Hospitals as a progressive, but still warm and caring, organization.



Known as the “Editorial Without Words,” the universally recognized image of the Shriner and little girl represents the rich history, tradition and honor of Shriners of North America’s role in building the Shriners Hospitals philanthropy. What most people don’t know is that the original photograph (right) was taken almost by accident.

The photographer, Randy Dieter, was at the Mesker Amusement Park in Evansville, Ind., for the local temple’s (chapter’s) annual outing for children with disabilities. This is what Randy Dieter said about that day: “I was taking shots of the midway and was using my telephoto lens. I saw a local Shriner walking by carrying a little girl in one hand and her crutches in the other. My camera wouldn’t fire; then they were too close for my lens. I ran past them, but the camera jammed. I had to take my last shot as they walked by. It was the end of the roll. If I had to think about it, I wouldn’t have come up with something like that. Fate guides you.”

Bobbi Jo Wright, a patient at the St. Louis Shriners Hospital, was the little girl carried by the Shriner, Al Hortman. Years after the photo was taken, Bobbi Jo said: “It still seems unreal. I have many wonderful memories of the years I was a patient at the St. Louis Shriners Hospital. They greatly improved my ability to walk.”

The “Editorial Without Words” image has been reproduced in various ways, including statues that stand outside many Shriners Hospitals and temple buildings, as well as the former Shriners Hospitals logo (right).



One-Day Ceremonial Class

OCTOBER 27, 2007



New Noble	Top-Line Signer	Unit/Club Credited
Randy Joe Adams	George Day	Firemen
Alan Dale Adkins	Chris Lawson	NexGen
Lawrence Edward Alden	James Morgan	Motor Corps
David Thomas Asher	William Everhart	Kentucky Colonels
David Lee Bartlemay	Mark Greulich	Tarum
Gary Lee Bates	Richard Lane	Police Club
James Dallas Bell	James Priest	Arab Patrol
Dennis L. Bonebrake	Roger Clark	Shelby Co. SC
Gerald Lynn Booher	Willard Payne	Police Club
Noel Jay Bowers	Noel Bowers	None Listed
Ronnie Lee Breaks	Jerry Stevenson	Montgomery Cty.
Timothy Lee Brewer	Richard Benner	None Listed
William Marshall Brinson	Tom Staley	Stone Belt
Robert Jason Brown	Jay Brown	Madison Co. SC
Adam Wesley Butcher	Gary Langston	Logansport
John David Chambers	None Listed	None Listed
Anthony James Clark	Gary Clark	Stone Belt
Jeffery Aaron Clark	Gary Clark	Stone Belt
Scott Alan Clark	Gary Clark	Stone Belt
David Collett	Jerry Lance	None Listed
Larry Joe Cooper	Jerry Stevenson	Montgomery Cty.
Robert Dale Davis	Tom Davis	
Thomas Jefferson Davis, II	John Crook	VCM
Bill Etherton	John Jackson	Band
Jerry Lee Evans	James Tompkins	None Listed
Paul David Fancher	Dustin Harris	None Listed
Paul David Fisher	Roger Clark	Shelby Co. SC
Bradley Eric Fix	William Johnson	Shelby Co. SC
Robert Eugene Fox, Jr.	Tom Staley	Stone Belt
Michael Edward Fraley	Art Borton	Mobil Nobles
Paul William Gartin	Roland Chastain	Band
Jeromy Joe Graft	Jerry Lance	None Listed
Frank William Greene	Thomas Keplar	Logansport
David C. Greer	William Krier	Yacht Club
Casey James Hammond	George Choung	LOH
Earl Hitchens	William Michael	Logansport
Timothy Joel Hittinger	Bill Moorman	None Listed
David Roy Holmes	James Chesney	Stone Belt
Roy Allen Hughes	Thomas Keplar	Logansport
Todd Michael Jayne	Mike Horn	Police Club
Lance Johnson	Jim Priest	Arab Patrol

New Noble	Top-Line Signer	Unit/Club Credited
Matthew Knoy	Charlie Merlau	Police Club
Richard M. Langston	Gary Langston	Logansport
Anthony Wade Martin	Gary Clark	Stone Belt
Bryan Lee Mason	William Krier	Yacht Club
Barry Duane Maxwell	Leland Edwards	Antique Power
Michael Fredrick McClanahan	George McClanahan	Yacht Club
Louis Christopher McIntire	Dale Herthel	Shelby Co. SC
Kris William Michael	William Michael	Logansport
Ryan Lee Michael	William Michael	Logansport
Taylor Boyd Miller	Phillip Miller	Logansport
Brian Christopher Minton	William Everhart	Kentucky Colonels
Benjamin M. Monts	Jim Priest	Arab Patrol
David Allen Owens	Donald Richards	MSBC
Troy Matthew Pace	Chris Lawson	NexGen
John K. Patrick	Daniel Ritenour	None Listed
Michael Dean Pfeiffer	Charles Crabtree	Clowns
Keith Eugene Phenis	Mark Greulich	Tarum
Mark Kelly Plummer	Sam Thompson	Mobil Nobles
Dennis Wayne Purtlebaugh	James Chesney	Stone Belt
Michael K. Sandala	William Everhart	Kentucky Colonels
Colin Ryan Serocinski	Jerry Markovich	Police Club
Llogen Tyler Serocinski	Jerry Markovich	Police Club
Myron K. Sink	William Michael	Logansport
Jay Martin Stephens	Rudolph Kaster	Stone Belt
Dennis John Sterrett	Jerry Markovich	Police Club
Nathan D. Stickford	Jack Wallace	Shelby Co. SC
James Harry Swain	James Swain	Madison Co. SC
Terry Lee Switzer	James West	Montgomery Cty.
Evan Thralls	Carson Smith	Reception
Joseph Mark Totleben	William Everhart	Kentucky Colonels
Timothy James Vancil	Larry Wilson	Directors Staff
Nathaniel Adam Vanpert	Brian Goldman	None Listed
Michael Ray Whalen	Mark Greulich	Tarum
Robert Paul Whalen	Mark Greulich	Tarum
Aaron Eugene Whitaker	Michael Whitaker	Arab Patrol
Marvin DeWayne Whitaker	Michael Whitaker	Arab Patrol
Marvin Eugene Whitaker	Michael Whitaker	Arab Patrol
Aaron Russell Wright	Russell Wright	None Listed
Milford Gene Yager	Michael Karas	Directors Staff
Karl Chandler Yocom	Irwin "Rocky" Gibson	Mobil Nobles

Murat Florida Visitation

As shown on page 25 of the November issue of Murat Magazine, the 2008 Florida Visitation will be January 29 to February 2. The Potentate and Divan members will have luncheons with Murat "Snowbirds" and Murat Nobles who have moved to Florida. Indiana Nobles are invited to travel to Ft. Myers for the visitation. Luncheons are open to all Shriners,

Sports

Wes Kidwell

Last month, we welcomed the following new members to the Shrine Bowling League: Clark Hoage, Hartford Benge, Bill Bell, and Ralph Parsley. This month, Bill Bell created a historic moment for the league, although the league has documented some outstanding performances in the past by some of its better bowlers: with 300 games, 800 series, and several 700s and other awards, such as triplicate; also some fantastic spare shots, even some 7-10 conversions. But Bill Bell, having bowled only 12 league games and averaging only 102, converted a big four split! I have been in the Shrine League since 1945 and have only witnessed this feat on TV by a couple of professional bowlers, so it was a historic moment for Bill Bell and the league. When Bill was advised that he would earn a patch award from USBC, his only comment was, "Now I will have to buy a new shirt to put it on." Bill has only been a Shriner for a short time and works as an airport inspector on government flights, so he sometimes has to miss bowling nights. Look for more information in the coming New Year about Bill Bell. Word also has been received that Charley Fleming has shot a perfect 300 game in a league at Pinhead Lanes.

In other sports, it is hard to get our minds off of the Colts vs. the Patriots, which is being played November 4, but you know the outcome as you read this. Basketball also starts this weekend. The Pacers, with a new coach, Jim O'Brien, and a hurried up offense, should make an exciting season. In state college ball, our Indiana team is having difficulties with recruiting violations that are causing fines, suspensions and resignations from coaches and other supervisors.

In ice hockey, our Ice team is still holding down third place in the Eastern Conference and recently lost a couple of games to the leading Cedar Rapids team. Boston won the World Series.

ladies and guests. A reasonable charge will be made for the luncheons.

For those Nobles traveling from Indianapolis, remember the events other than luncheons are stag events. We will have rooms at Best Western Waterfront in North Ft. Myers. The room cost will be \$89.99 per room with two queen beds. Room reservations must be made through the Recorder to get the special rate. If you plan to room with another Noble, please provide his name so we can track all reservations with the hotel.

The \$300 per person fee is to be paid to the Fraternal Office. It covers four dinners, use of the hospitality suite during its scheduled hours, the cost of vans, etc.

This trip will be filled with golf, fellowship and fun. The luncheon at Araba Temple in Ft. Myers will be WEDNESDAY (please disregard misprint in the maga-

zine), January 30, 2008. The luncheon at Sahib Temple in Sarasota will be Friday, February 1, 2008.

Please make room reservations by calling the Fraternal Office or by email at gordonhusk@ameritech.net and providing your name, phone number, email address, information about your roommate arrangements, travel arrangements, etc. We would appreciate receiving your room reservations as soon as possible in order to assure room availability and to meet the hotel's deadline for reservations.

Favorable airfares are available now, so check the airlines. One suggestion is AirTran, which currently has good fares on nonstop Flight #390, departing Indy at 9:05 a.m. January 29 and arriving in Ft. Myers at 11:26 a.m. Nonstop Flight # 396 departs Ft. Myers at 11:09 a.m. and arrives in Indy at 1:38 a.m. on February 2.

ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS!

**The 2008 Potentate and members of his Divan will be in Florida
January 29 - February 2, 2008**

OPEN TO ALL NOBLES

(For those traveling from Indianapolis, this is a STAG event)

Best Western Waterfront

North Fort Myers

Rooms available from \$89.99 plus tax

\$300.00 PER PERSON

Registration Fee Includes:

4 Dinners and

Unlimited Use of Hospitality Suite

LUNCHEONS

Araba Temple in Fort Myers -Wednesday, January 30th

Sahib Temple in Sarasota -Friday, February 1st

(LUNCHEONS OPEN TO ALL SHRINERS, LADIES & GUESTS)

FLORIDA VISITATION

R.S.V.P. Gordon Husk, Recorder - (317) 635-2433

The 2008 East-West Shrine Game to be Held in Houston

The 83rd annual East-West Shrine Game is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 19, 2008, at University of Houston's John O'Quinn Field at Robertson Stadium. Kick-off is at 6 p.m. CST and the game will be nationally broadcast by ESPN2.

The competition pits all-star senior athletes who attend college in Eastern North America against those attending college in Western North America. The game and its preceding practice sessions attract dozens of scouts from professional football teams.

The East-West Shrine Game was held in the San Francisco Bay Area from 1925 until it moved to San Antonio in 2006. Last year, the Boards of Directors and Trustees voted to move the 2007 game to Houston, where it will remain in 2008.

"Houston is the perfect spot, with a Shriners orthopaedic hospital just minutes away from the stadium and one of our burns hospitals 50 miles away in Galveston," said Imperial Potentate Bernard J. Lemieux, M.D.

For the athletes, participation in the East-West Shrine Game is more than a few hours of football. The Sunday preceding the game, players will be shuttled to Shriners Hospitals for Children — Houston to tour the facility, visit patients and experience the Shriners Hospitals mission. The hospital will also be open for public tours, and visitors are encouraged to visit the Shriners Hospital in Galveston, as well.

"It was such an incredible experience to see the interaction between players and patients this year, and I know next year will be equally amazing," said Ralph Semb, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Shriners Hospitals.



The game will bring all-star athletes from all over North America to Houston in January.

"When the players get to witness first-hand who and what they are working for, it makes the entire effort more meaningful."

Former National Football League head coaches Dick Vermeil and Mike White will serve as coaches for the two teams in this year's game.

Vermeil is one of the most distinguished head coaches in the history of both professional and college football. He spent 19 seasons as a head coach in the NFL and two years at UCLA, and is the only head coach to lead teams to victories in both the Super Bowl and the Rose Bowl. A former color analyst for NFL and college football broadcasts from 1983-96, Vermeil returned to the sidelines in 1998, eventually leading the St. Louis Rams to a franchise-best 13-3 mark in 1999 and a victory in Super Bowl XXXIV over Tennessee. He holds the rare distinction of being named Coach of the Year on four levels: high school, junior college, NCAA Division I and the NFL.

A two-time National Coach of the Year (1975 and 1983), White has served as head coach at

the University of California, the University of Illinois and the NFL's Oakland Raiders. He was the PAC 8 Coach of the Year in 1975 in leading Cal to a PAC 8 Co-Championship with UCLS. He later led Illinois to a Big 10 Championship in 1983 and was named the Big 10 Coach of the Year in both 1983 and 1985.

During his successful college coaching career, he coached future NFL quarterbacks Dave Wilson, Tony Eason, and Jack Trudeau, and record-setting wide receiver David Williams.

Before the big game, players will spend a week practicing at Reliant Stadium, home of the National Football League's Houston Texans.

The East-West Shrine Game raises awareness and exposure for the specialized pediatric care available – at no charge – to children under the age of 18 at the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Since 1924, the game has informed millions of people about the Shriners Hospitals mission and raised more than \$15 million for the organization.

Visit www.shrinegame.com for more information and updates about the 2008 East-West Shrine Game.



**Shriners Hospitals
for Children™**

EAST WEST
SHRINE GAME

New Bylaws to be Voted on at the December Stated Meeting

SPECIAL NOTICE

Imperial Council attorneys have suggested temples could adopt model bylaws to reduce and simplify amendments. For example, if Murat had the model bylaws in place, it would no longer be required that certain amendments be forwarded to the Imperial Council for approval. Reduced specificity in our bylaws will enable us to abide by Imperial Council requirements, while reducing the number of bylaw amendments in the future.

Murat Temple Attorney Alex Rogers has written proposed bylaws to incorporate important provisions of the model bylaws and include some current bylaw provisions we consider necessary for our current operations.

The bylaws were introduced at the November Stated Meeting, and a vote of the membership will be taken at the December Stated Meeting. A copy of the proposed bylaws are included below.

REVISED BYLAWS OF MURAT SHRINERS A. A. O. N. M. S.

ARTICLE I

NAME AND JURISDICTION

SECTION 1.1. The name of this association is Murat Shriners (the "Temple"), which is a non-profit association existing under the laws of the State of Indiana by virtue of a Charter of Constitution issued in the name of "Murat Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S." under date of March 13, 1884 by the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America ("Imperial Council").

SECTION 1.2. The principal location of the Temple is 510 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46204 and all correspondence to the Temple at that address should be to the attention of the Potentate, with a copy to the Recorder.

SECTION 1.3. This Temple shall be governed by the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Imperial Council, A.A.O.N.M.S. for North America, an Iowa Corporation, and these Bylaws not inconsistent therewith.

SECTION 1.4. The purposes of the Temple shall include, but not be limited to, the improvement of fraternal relations of its Members and the furtherance of the purposes of the Imperial Council.

SECTION 1.5. The territorial jurisdiction of this Temple is governed by the provisions of the Bylaws of the Imperial Council.

ARTICLE II MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

SECTION 2.1. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Temple shall be held on the third Monday of each month at the principal location of the Temple and at the time designated by the Potentate, or at such other time and place as the Potentate shall select. In the event of a change of time or place of regular meetings, the Potentate and

Recorder shall cause reasonable notice to be given to the Members in accordance with Shrine Law. The Potentate may choose to not hold regular meetings during any two of the summer months of June, July, and August, with proper notice to the Members.

SECTION 2.2. Annual Meeting. The first meeting of each calendar year, which shall be held on the third Monday of January, shall be the Annual Meeting of the Temple. The newly elected Potentate shall preside at the Annual Meeting and the Recorder and Treasurer who were in office during the immediately preceding year shall present their reports on the activities of such year at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 2.3 Election Meeting. The last regular meeting of each calendar year, which shall be held on the third Monday of December, shall be the election meeting of the Temple. The members of the Temple shall elect for the ensuing calendar year a Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, Recorder, and Representatives to the next Imperial Council Session at this meeting according to Shrine law.

SECTION 2.4. Ceremonial Sessions. Ceremonial sessions may be called by the Potentate at any time.

SECTION 2.5 Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called by the Potentate at any time, and they shall be called upon the written request of twenty-five members of this Temple, but notice must be given to each member stating the business to be considered and no other business than that specified in the call may be transacted.

SECTION 2.6 Sunday Meetings. No business meeting or ceremonial session shall be held on Sunday, except upon special dispensation of the Imperial Potentate for good and sufficient cause.

– Gordon J Husk, Recorder

SECTION 2.7 Place of Meetings. The place of all meetings shall be determined by the Potentate except as may be otherwise required or restricted by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council.

SECTION 2.8 Rules of Order. Unless otherwise provided by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council, the Temple Bylaws or resolution, parliamentary procedures shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

SECTION 2.9 Admission. A Noble may not be admitted to this Temple unless he exhibits to the Temple an official Shrine card for the current year.

SECTION 2.10 Quorum. A quorum consists of seven members of the Temple entitled to vote, one of whom must be the Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban or a Past Potentate of the Temple.

ARTICLE III BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 3.1. Election and Term. The Members shall at the election meeting elect a Board of Directors, which shall be the elected Divan of the Temple, as defined in Shrine Law. Said directors shall hold office contemporaneously with their offices in the elected Divan and, in the event a director shall no longer be a member of the elected Divan of the Temple, such director shall be deemed to no longer be a director of the Temple and his office shall be deemed vacated by resignation. Upon the filling of the vacancy in the office of the elected Divan, such replacement shall also assume the position of director which had been vacated by his predecessor. The term of each director shall commence at 12:01 a.m. on the ensuing first day of January or such later date as he shall have been installed, and shall terminate at Midnight on December 31 of such year or on such later date as his replacement shall have been duly elected and installed.

SECTION 3.2. Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet at

a time and place to be determined by the Potentate of the Temple. The Potentate shall publish a schedule of regular meetings of the Board of Directors, after which no further notice shall be required of regular meetings. Special meetings may be called upon no fewer than three (3) days' written notice from the Recorder. The Potentate shall have the power to call a special meeting and shall be obliged to call a special meeting upon the request of three or more directors. Notice of special meeting shall include the time and place of the meeting, which shall be convenient to a majority of the directors. In lieu of notice, directors may sign a written waiver of notice either before the time of the meeting, at the meeting, or after the meeting. Attendance by a director in person at any such special meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice. Meetings may be conducted in person or by telephone or other means of communication by which all parties may be connected and all comments and conclusions as well as the vote on any resolution may be heard and/or observed by all members present.

SECTION 3.3. Quorum. Three directors shall constitute a quorum of the Board of Directors, in accordance with Shrine Law, and the act of a majority of the directors present at the meeting, at which a quorum is present, shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by these Bylaws. A director, who is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors, at which action on any Temple action is taken, shall be conclusively presumed to have assented to the action taken, unless (a) his dissent shall be affirmatively stated by him at and before the adjournment of such meeting (in which event the fact of such dissent shall be entered by the secretary of the meeting in the minutes of the meeting), or (b) he shall forward such dissent by registered mail to the Recorder immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. The right of dissent provided for by either clause (a) or clause (b) of the immediately preceding sentence shall not be available, in respect of any matter acted upon at any meeting, to a director who voted at the meeting in favor of such matter and did not change his vote prior to the time that the result of the vote on such matter was announced by the chairman of such meeting.

SECTION 3.4. Consent Action by Directors. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if prior to such action a written consent to such action is signed by all members of the Board of Directors or such committee, as the case may be, and such written

consent is filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Directors or committee.

SECTION 3.5. Interest of Directors in Contracts.

(a) Any contract or other transaction between the Temple or any legal entity in which the Temple owns a majority of the ownership interest or membership shall be valid and binding, notwithstanding that the directors or officers of the Temple are identical or that some or all of the directors or officers, or both, are also directors or officers of such other legal entity.

(b) Any contract or other transaction between the Temple and one or more of its directors, Members, or employees, or between the Temple and any firm of which one or more of its directors are members or employees or in which they are interested, or between the Temple and any corporation or association of which one or more of its directors are stockholders, members, directors, officers, or employees or in which they are interested, shall be valid for all purposes notwithstanding the presence of such director or directors at the meeting of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 3.6. Committees. This Section shall be subject to Shrine Law. The Board of Directors may, by resolution adopted by a majority of the actual number of directors elected and qualified, from time to time, designate from among its members one or more other committees, each of which shall function in an advisory capacity to the Board of Directors. No member of any such committee shall continue to be a member thereof after he ceases to be a director of the Temple. The calling and holding of meetings of any such committee and its method of procedure shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 3.7. Powers and Duties of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have all powers and duties granted or permitted

by Shrine Law. Nothing contained in this section is intended to detract from the power and authority conferred upon the Potentate or the Board of Directors under Shrine Law. The Board of Directors shall have the following additional powers and duties to the extent that they do not conflict with Shrine Law:

(a) The Board of Directors shall work in conjunction with the Chief Rabban in the preparation of the proposed annual budget for the Temple and shall review all budgets to be submitted by the Potentate or Chief Rabban to the Members prior to such submission; shall insure that the proposed budgets are in detail and in accordance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts prescribed by The Imperial Council together with the amount budgeted for the preceding year.

(b) The Board of Directors may review all contracts for the expenditure of money or incurrence of risk by the Temple, including all contracts or other agreements involving the Temple and one or more officers or directors individually, prior to their submission to the Members for their approval. The approval or disapproval by the Board of Directors shall not relieve the Potentate, the Temple Attorney, or the Temple from compliance with Shrine Law.

(c) The Board of Directors may review all fund raising activities, including those for the benefit of the Shriners Hospitals for Children, prior to the signing of any agreements or the making of any commitments to third parties. The approval or disapproval by the Board of Directors shall not relieve the Potentate, the Temple Attorney, or the Temple from compliance with Shrine Law.

(d) The Board of Directors may review the following actions proposed by the Potentate or any other person prior to their implementation:

(1) Purchase of insurance or bonds for the Temple or any of its officers, directors, agents, employees, volunteers, units, clubs, or other risks.

(2) Approval of the annual audit for the Temple.

(3) Approval of any reports to the Board of Directors by the Recorder or Treasurer.

(e) In addition, the Board of Directors shall have such powers as are necessary to provide indemnification of the officers, directors, agents, employees, and volunteers of the Temple pursuant to these Bylaws.

SECTION 3.8. Standards of Conduct for Directors. The provisions of this Section shall be subject to any restrictions imposed by Shrine Law and shall be in addition to any duties imposed by Shrine Law.

(a) A director shall, based on facts then known to the

director, discharge his duties as a director, including the director's duties as a member of a committee, as follows:

(1) In good faith;

(2) With the care an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances; and

(3) In a manner the director reasonably believes to be in the best interests of the Temple.

(b) In discharging the director's duties, a director may rely on information, opinions, reports, or statements, including financial statements and other financial data, if prepared or presented by one (1) of the following:

(1) An officer or employee of the Temple whom the director reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the matters presented.

(2) Legal counsel, public accountants, or other persons as to matters the director reasonably believes are within the person's professional or expert competence.

(3) A committee of the Board of Directors of which the director is not a member if the director reasonably believes the committee merits confidence.

(c) A director is not acting in good faith if the director has knowledge concerning a matter in question that makes reliance otherwise permitted by subsection (b) unwarranted.

(d) A director is not liable for an action taken as a director, or failure to take an action, unless the following conditions exist:

(1) The director has breached or failed to perform the duties of the director's office in compliance with this section; and

(2) The breach or failure to perform constitutes willful misconduct or recklessness.

(e) A director is not considered to be a trustee with respect to the Temple or with respect to any property held or administered by the Temple, including property that may be subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or transferor of the property to the Temple.

(f) A contract or other transaction between the Temple and a director, or between the Temple and any entity in which the director has an interest, may not be either void or voidable because of this relationship or interest or because the director is present at the meeting of the Board of Directors that authorizes, approves, or ratifies the contract or transaction or because the director's votes are counted for such purposes if:

(1) The fact of the relationship or interest is disclosed or known to the Board of Directors that authorizes, approves, or ratifies the contract or transaction by a vote or consent sufficient for the purpose without counting the votes or consents of the interested director; or

(2) The fact of the rela-

tionship or interest is disclosed or known to the Members entitled to vote and the Members authorize, approve, or ratify the contract or transaction by vote or written consent.

(g) The Temple may not lend money to or guarantee the obligation of a director or officer of the Temple. A loan or guaranty that is made in violation of this subsection does not affect the borrower's liability on the loan and the loan may be called at any time by an affirmative vote of the Members or the Board of Directors, not counting the vote of the borrower or guaranteed director or officer, or by the Potentate or Imperial Potentate.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

SECTION 4.1. Principal Officers.

The principal officers of the Temple shall be a Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, and a Recorder. No person may hold more than one such office. The term of each such office shall commence at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of January following the election meeting, or the date of installation of the officer, whichever is later, and shall terminate at Midnight on December 31 of such year or such later date as his replacement shall be duly elected and installed. In the event of the temporary or permanent vacancy of an office, the office shall be filled in accordance with Shrine Law.

SECTION 4.2. Subordinate Officers.

In addition to the principal officers enumerated in Section 4.1, the Potentate may appoint one or more other officers in accordance with Shrine law, and each such appointment shall terminate when the next Potentate assumes the office or earlier in the sole discretion of the Potentate. The Temple may engage such other agents, assistants, and employees as the Potentate and the Board of Directors may deem necessary, each of whom shall hold office for such period, may be removed with or without cause, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Potentate and the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. The Potentate, with the consent of the Board of Directors, may delegate to any principal officer the power to appoint and to remove any such subordinate officers, agents, assistants, or employees. In addition to the officers required to be appointed pursuant to Shrine Law, the Potentate shall also appoint a Temple Attorney.

SECTION 4.3. Potentate. The Potentate shall be the chief executive officer of the Temple, shall have general supervision

of the affairs of the Temple, and shall have the powers and duties of a Potentate that are described in Shrine Law and these Bylaws. He shall be the Chairman of the Executive Committee (if any) and an ex officio member of all other committees. Subject to Shrine Law and these Bylaws, the Potentate, with the attestation of the Recorder or the Treasurer, may enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name and on behalf of the Temple. In general, he shall perform all duties and have all the powers incident to the office of president of a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Indiana, subject to such restrictions as shall be set forth in Shrine Law and these Bylaws, as amended from time to time.

SECTION 4.4. Chief Rabban and Assistant Rabban.

The Chief Rabban shall, in the absence or disability of the Potentate, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Potentate. The Assistant Rabban shall, in the absence or disability of the Chief Rabban, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Chief Rabban. They shall have the powers and duties of their respective offices that are described in Shrine Law and these Bylaws and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Potentate or the Board of Directors may from time to time assign, subject to Shrine Law.

SECTION 4.5. Recorder.

It shall be the duty of the Recorder to perform all the duties usually required of a corporate secretary and a recorder under Shrine Law. He shall record all of the proceedings of the Temple, including the payment of dues and other current receipts, disbursements, and all financial reports. He shall submit to the Temple at its Annual Meeting a full statement of the numerical and financial condition of the Temple, so far as his office is concerned. He shall be required to collect and receive all monies due the Temple, giving receipt there for, and shall pay the same to the Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same.

He shall keep a revised list of residences and post office addresses of the Members, keep an accurate account of all dues, fees, and other income, keep the seal of the Temple and affix the same with his attestation to all papers issued under its authority or in obedience to the requirements of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Imperial Council, and transmit to the Imperial Council all reports which may be required under Shrine Law. The Recorder, with the approval of the Potentate and the Board of Directors, may employ assistants as may be needed to carry on the duties of

his office. He shall be provided with office space and necessary equipment and supplies. He shall devote sufficient time to the office of Recorder as may be necessary to transact its business. The office of the Recorder shall be open during reasonable business hours. The Recorder shall receive as compensation for his services an amount determined annually by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4.6. Treasurer. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to perform all the duties usually required of a corporate treasurer and a treasurer under Shrine Law. The Treasurer shall receive from the Recorder all money paid into the Temple and shall deposit or cause to be deposited the same without delay to the credit of the Temple in such bank or trust company as the Board of Directors shall direct. He shall keep a true and accurate account thereof, shall pay all bills for which a regular warrant has been drawn, signed by the Potentate and by the Recorder, and authorized by the Board of Directors, either through the budget or by special resolution. The Treasurer shall submit to the Board of Directors, on or before the Annual Meeting of the Members, all of his books and vouchers for inspection. He shall render to the Temple at its Annual Meeting and at other times as the Board of Directors may demand, a full statement of its conditions, so far as his office is concerned. The Board of Directors shall employ an independent certified public accountant to audit the books and records of the Temple, including the reports of the Treasurer. Both the Treasurer and the Recorder must be required to furnish a surety bond sufficient to cover the risk to the Temple of their respective offices, the expenses for which shall be paid by the Temple.

ARTICLE V INITIATION FEES, DUES, PER CAPITA, HOSPITAL LEVY, AND ASSESSMENTS

SECTION 5.1 Initiation Fee. The initiation fee shall be determined at a stated or special meeting of the Temple after notice has been given to each member stating the proposed amount of the initiation fee. The initiation fee shall not be less than prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. It must be paid in full prior to initiation.

SECTION 5.2 Dues. The annual dues shall be determined at a stated or special meeting of the Temple after notice has been given to each member stating the proposed amount of the annual dues. The annual dues shall not be less than prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. The annual dues do not include the hospital levy or

the annual per capita tax required by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council, each of which shall be added to the annual dues. This Temple may, by affirmative vote, remit dues of a member for good cause shown either to the Temple or a committee selected for that purpose.

SECTION 5.3 Per Capita Tax. Each member of this Temple, other than life per capita members and associate members, shall pay the Imperial Council per capita tax as prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council.

SECTION 5.4 Life Per Capita. A member may pay the sum prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council and, thereafter, be exempt from the annual per capita tax.

SECTION 5.5 Hospital Levy. Each member of this Temple, other than Permanent Contributing Membership purchasers, shall pay the hospital levy as prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. This Temple may remit the hospital levy of a member whose dues have been remitted because of hardship and so advise the Imperial Treasurer.

SECTION 5.6 Assessment. The Temple may levy an assessment on its members as prescribed by the Bylaws of the Imperial Council.

ARTICLE VI FISCAL

SECTION 6.1. Annual Budget. Prior to the election meeting, the Chief Rabban shall, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, prepare and complete the proposed annual budget of the Temple required under Imperial Law. If possible, the Chief Rabban shall present the budget at the election meeting, but not later than the Annual Meeting of the Temple. If approved by the Members, the Potentate for the ensuing year shall operate within such budget. If he is unable to operate within such budget then he shall propose amendments thereto as necessary in order to comply with Shrine Law and to keep the Members informed of the financial situation of the Temple. If no budget is approved prior to the first day of January, then the budget for that year shall be deemed to be the same as the budget for the immediately preceding year until such time as the Members shall have approved a current budget.

SECTION 6.2. Budget Amendments. Following adoption by the Temple, any changes in line items in the budget, as defined from time to time by Imperial Council, must be presented to and approved by the Temple at a regular meeting or special meeting called for such purpose. When

an amended annual budget is approved, a copy signed by all directors shall be mailed to the Director of Temple Accounting of the Imperial Council within thirty (30) days following such amendment approval.

SECTION 6.3. Basic Components of the Budget. The annual budget shall include all income expected to be received and all expenditures expected to be made by the Temple for the ensuing year, including dues revenue, expenditures for fraternal affairs, income and expense for fundraising and transportation of children, payments in lieu of rent, payments for services, and contribution to reserves for replacement of physical facilities occupied or personal property used by the Temple, all in accordance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts prescribed by the Imperial Council and these Bylaws.

SECTION 6.4. Replacement Reserve for Real Estate. The amount to be paid to the Murat Temple Association, Inc. (the "Association") from dues revenue for replacement reserve shall be the amount proposed by the Chief Rabban and approved by the Members in accordance with Shrine Law; provided, however, that in all years following the year 2000 the amount paid by the Temple to the Association for replacement reserve shall be equal to Ten Dollars (\$10.00) or more for each dues-paying Member of the Temple, unless a majority of the Members voting at the meeting at which the annual budget is approved shall agree to a different amount. Such replacement reserve shall be paid to the Association on the condition that such reserve fund shall be paid out only for major repairs to or major replacement of the property occupied by the Temple and owned by the Association. In the event that the Association shall fail to prove that all of its expenditures from the replacement reserve were for major repairs or major replacements, the Temple may elect to pay such replacement reserve into a separate account, held by the Treasurer at interest, pending the determination by the Temple that the Club has replenished the replacement reserve or made suitable restitution thereof and that the Club will abide by such condition in the future. In no event, however, will the Temple be allowed to use the replacement reserve or funds retained from the Club in accordance with this section for operating expenses of any kind without the consent of the Members at a regular or Annual Meeting.

SECTION 6.5. Payments in Lieu of Rent. During the time that the Association is the owner of the property occupied by the

Temple, the Association may prepare and submit to the Chief Rabban on or before the November meeting of the Board of Directors its budget for building expenses which it anticipates will need to be paid by the Temple in order for the Association to pay currently all of its obligations during the ensuing year. The Association may add a reasonable amount for repairs and maintenance estimated to be incurred during the ensuing year, which shall be in addition to the replacement reserve for real estate described above. If acceptable to the Chief Rabban, he shall include such amounts in his proposed budget. If such amounts are not acceptable, then the Chief Rabban shall include in his budget only such amounts as are acceptable and shall advise the Club of such differences in their respective budgets.

SECTION 6.6. Replacement Reserve for Personal Property. The amount to be paid to the Murat Shrine Club, Inc. (the "Club") for replacement reserve shall be the amount proposed by the Chief Rabban and approved by the Members in accordance with Shrine Law. Such replacement reserve shall be paid to the Club on the condition that such reserve fund shall be paid out only for major repairs to or major replacement of the personal property used by the Temple and owned by the Club. In the event that the Club shall fail to prove that all of its expenditures from the replacement reserve were for major repairs or major replacements, the Temple may elect to pay such replacement reserve into a separate account, held by the Treasurer at interest, pending the determination by the Temple that the Club has replenished the replacement reserve or made suitable restitution thereof and that the Club will abide by such condition in the future. In no event, however, will the Temple be allowed to use the replacement reserve or funds retained from the Club in accordance with this section for operating expenses of any kind without the consent of the Members at a regular or Annual Meeting.

SECTION 6.7. Payments for Services. During the time that the Club is the owner of property used by the Temple, the Club may prepare and submit to the Chief Rabban on or before the November meeting of the Board of Directors its budget for operating expenses which it anticipates will need to be paid by the Temple in order for the Club to pay currently all of its obligations during the ensuing year. The Club may add a reasonable amount for repairs and maintenance estimated to be incurred during the ensuing year, which shall be in addition to the replacement reserve for personal

property described above. If acceptable to the Chief Rabban, he shall include such amounts in his proposed budget. If such amounts are not acceptable, then the Chief Rabban shall include in his budget only such amounts as are acceptable and shall advise the Club of such differences in their respective budgets.

SECTION 6.8 Sale of Temple Assets. Prior to this Temple, or any of its affiliates, selling, leasing, exchanging, mortgaging, pledging or otherwise disposing of all or substantially all of its property or assets, it must follow the Bylaws of the Imperial Council.

SECTION 6.9 Fidelity Bond. The Temple must procure a corporate fidelity bond as prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council.

SECTION 6.10 Insurance. The Temple must procure insurance policies, and the Potentate must appoint an insurance advisory committee, as prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council.

SECTION 6.11 Fiscal Year. This Temple must arrange its books of account, annual report and audit to conform to the calendar year.

SECTION 6.12 Indemnification. The official Divan, committee members, officers and employees shall be indemnified by the Temple for all expenses reasonably incurred by them in defending themselves from any proceedings instituted or threatened against them provided the Temple votes that they have acted within the scope of their authority and are not guilty of misfeasance or malfeasance.

SECTION 6.13 Audit. The financial accounts must be audited or reviewed, and reported on, as prescribed by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council.

ARTICLE VII LIFE, PERPETUAL, HONORARY, AND EMERITUS MEMBERSHIPS

SECTION 7.1. Life and Perpetual Membership.

(a) The Temple may grant a perpetual membership upon receipt of not less than 20 times the Temple's annual dues. All monies received from perpetual memberships shall be placed in a trust fund and only the income from such fund may be withdrawn. These monies may be placed in a common trust fund for investment purposes.

(b) A member who has attained the age of 60 years or older and who pays the Temple a sum not less than 10 times the Temple's current annual dues, may be made a perpetual member. All monies received from such life memberships shall be placed in a trust fund and only the income from such trust fund

shall be withdrawn; but upon the death of such life member, an amount equal to the sum paid by him may be transferred from the trust fund to the general fund of the Temple.

SECTION 7.2. Honorary Membership. An Honorary Membership may be conferred upon any Noble in accordance with Shrine Law. No such membership shall require the payment of dues to the Temple or confer upon the recipient any rights or privileges in the Temple other than the right to attend any meeting of the Members for so long as the Noble remains a Noble in good standing with a Temple under the jurisdiction of the Imperial Council.

SECTION 7.3. Emeritus Membership. An Emeritus Office may be conferred upon any Member for distinctive service to the Temple by a majority vote of the Members present and voting at any stated or Annual Meeting of the Temple. No such membership shall relieve the Member from the payment of dues and assessments or confer upon such Member any special rights or privileges not enjoyed by all other Members in good standing.

ARTICLE VIII REPRESENTATIVES TO THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL SESSION

SECTION 8.1. At the election meeting of the Temple, the Members shall elect representatives to the next Imperial Council Session in accordance with Shrine Law. The terms of each such representative shall commence at 12:01 a.m. on the ensuing first day of January and shall terminate at Midnight on December 31 of such year.

ARTICLE IX OATH OF THE POTENTATE

SECTION 9.1. Additional Oath. In addition to the oath required by Shrine Law which the newly elected Potentate is required to take, he shall also promise and swear to support the Charter, Bylaws, and Resolutions of the Temple.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

SECTION 12.1. Amendments. These Bylaws may be amended as provided by the Bylaws of the Imperial Council.

SECTION 10.2. Inconsistencies. In the event of an inconsistency between these Bylaws and the Bylaws of the Imperial Council, the Bylaws of the Imperial Council supersede these Bylaws.

Hello Nobles!

Season's Greetings and warmest holiday wishes from the Highlanders. It's hard to believe that Christmas and a New Year are right around the corner.

For the Highlanders, it means dusting off the old holiday tunes. Although the pipes are limited to nine notes, there are still a variety of festive tunes that can be played. Among these are: 'Oh! Christmas Tree,' 'Good King Wenceslas,' 'Away in a Manger,' 'Twelve Days of Christmas,' 'What Child is This' (Greensleaves), and many others. In fact, thanks to the internet, I was able to find music for at least 15 Christmas tunes.

Of course, let's not forget the New Year's Eve favorite, 'Auld Lang Syne.' As you may recall, Scottish poet and lyricist Robert Burns is credited with writing this tune. And to quote Wikipedia, "Like many other frequently sung songs, the melody is better remembered than

the words, which are often sung incorrectly, and seldom in full."

To spice up your New Year's Eve party this year, you may want to sing the proper lyrics in full with this handy Scottish pronunciation guide:

Shid ald akwentans bee firgot,
an nivir brocht ti mynd?

Shid ald akwentans bee firgot,
an ald lang syn?

CHORUS:

Fir ald lang syn, ma deer,
fir ald lang syn,

Wil tak a cup o kyndnes yet, fir ald lang syn.

An sheerly yil bee yur pynt-staup!
An sheerly al bee myn!

An will tak a cup o kyndnes yet,
fir ald lang syn.

CHORUS

We twa hay rin aboot the braes,

an pood the gowans fyn;
Bit weev wandert monae a weery fet,
sin ald lang syn.

CHORUS

We twa hay pedilt in the burn,
fray mornin sun til dyn;
But seas between us bred hay roard
sin ald lang syn.

CHORUS

An thers a han, my trustee feer!
An gees a han o thyn!

An wil tak a recht guid-wullae-wocht,
fir ald lang syn.

CHORUS

May all Nobles, their ladies and families have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! God bless us, every one!

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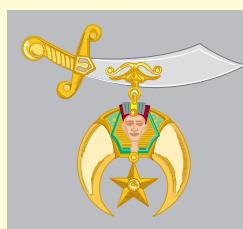
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Club and Unit Meeting Dates

FIRST WEEK				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chanters Highlanders Horse Patrol (Dec.) Kokomo SC	Mini-Cycles Police Club Tarum	Band Banjo Band Firemen 500 Club Kentucky Colonels	Caravan Club-noon Murphah SC	Arab Patrol Gun Club
SECOND WEEK				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Camera Club Chanters Flying Fezzes HSUR (Rush County) Johnson County Putnam County SE Indiana SC Tippecanoe SC Tipton County Veteran Car Club	Brown County Henry County Logansport SC NexGen Oriental Band Reception Unit	Band Clowns Dramatic Cast Madison County MC Desert Patrol Rolling Hills SC Trap and Skeet Tri-County SC	Caravan Club-noon Decatur County Stone Belt	Arab Patrol-Drill Gun Club Mobil Nobles
THIRD WEEK				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
STATED MEETING	Boone County Computer Club Kowad 'Al Sabikin (five times per year) Morgan County Past Masters RV Club Shelby County Whitewater SC	Antique Power Club Band El' Ameen Nabeel (April and Oct.) English SC JC Mini-Mystics La-Or-Ma SC Transportation VCM	Bartholomew County Caravan Club-noon Corvette Club Hendricks County Motor Corps Yacht Club	Gun Club
FOURTH WEEK				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Camera Club Chanters Director's Staff	Business Connection Hancock County Legion of Honor Montgomery County Railroad Club	Band Clowns	Caravan Club-noon	Gun Club

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American Legion Post #355	In Memory of Clarence Sparks	Daniel Davis	Deo T. Carter and Family	
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Boone Co. Shrine Club	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Wilds		William Garrison & Mary Jo Mlakar	In Memory of Barbara Garmon
Murat Reception Unit	Harold & Joyce Pierce	In Memory of Vernon Huckabee	In Memory of McKenna McCorkle	Tri-County Shrine Club
Decatur Co. Shrine Club	Walter Louks	Robert & Vicki Wilson	Tri-County Shrine Club	
Tipton Co. Shrine Club		Phyllis L. Boyd		In Memory of Jack Pickering
Murat Shrine Transportation Club	In Memory of LaVerne Stogsdill	Gayle Byers		James & Susan Pickering
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United Methodist Women/Mt.		In Memory of Charles A. Borton		
Auburn Church		Mr. & Mrs. Craig T. Hinshaw		
		Mr. & Mrs. James G. Moore		
In Memory of Larry Selig		Raymond & Delores Gotshall		
Gayle Byers		Ronald & Sally Jo Elliott		
Brian & Sherri Miller		Mike & Peggy Kennedy		
Ron & Sally Jo Elliott		Brian & Sherri Miller		
		Kenneth & Marilyn Tomb		
		David & Nancy Eaker		
			In Memory of "Doc" & Ruth Thrasher	

New Initiatives for Shriners Hospitals for Children

PHILIP C. THRASHER, P.P., DONOR RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

In mid-October 2007, the Shriners Hospitals for Children ("SHC") sponsored a Donor Relations Seminar in Tampa, FL, at which I was privileged to attend. To make a long story short, there is a great deal going on, all of which will be very helpful in our overall goal of raising the amount of money in the SHC endowment fund. Fundraising is critical at this time because the endowment fund is not capable of funding our SHC, even with the current level of new money coming in. We must raise much more new money for SHC to survive because health-care costs have exceeded our ability to generate money. Here is just a hint of the initiatives with which we will be involved in the months and years ahead:

1. Branding. You will be hearing a lot about this from several sources over the coming months. SHC hired a public relations and advertising firm to create a "brand" for SHC. This involves certain colors, certain type-styles, certain images, certain phrases, and a new SHC logo that is all its own. The purpose of branding is to leave in the public's minds an image that, when seen or heard, will immediately cause them to think of SHC. SHC has opened up an advertising campaign on the East Coast of the United States to see how this will work. If it is effective, then we will see it across the country. While this is expensive, it is a small amount compared to the ultimate value in gifts that SHC expects to receive by reason of this additional name and mission recognition. The Fraternal Office already has a few new logo pins for sale, only at \$3 each. There will also be shirts, golf ball sets, and many other items with the new colors, new logo, and new styles. We can even repaint our vans with the new colors, images, and styles.

2. Telemedicine. We have been given permission to actively pursue the creation of a Telemedicine Clinic in the Greater Indianapolis Area. The purpose of such a clinic is to provide the same great care offered by in-hospital visits to Lexington, Chicago, and Cincinnati, but without the

need to make the actual trip to the hospital. For many routine visits, the doctor is able to make the diagnosis by telephone, cable television, and other digital examination techniques. This will also save Murat Shriners thousands of dollars annually in transportation expenses and reduce our need for replacement vans. Just as important, it will mean the kids and their parents do not need to take a full day away from school and jobs in order to be seen for a short period of time in a distant hospital. Instead, it should take only a few minutes in the clinic plus the time it takes to drive to the clinic. We will also be able to accept more kids into our transportation program because the drivers and vans will be able to make more of the shorter trips. Finally, the clinic should be an asset in Membership Development and Donor Relations as the local public will be able to see firsthand the good work that Shriners do through our SHC.

3. New Development Directors. Yes, SHC has paid employees who are experienced in raising charitable donations from individuals, trusts, foundations, and corporations. Presently, we have 14 such individuals, each stationed at a SHC. There are now three development directors working in our territory: Bob Cotner in Chicago, Ben Prewitt in Lexington, and Vanessa Nichols in Cincinnati. Each of those individuals will be invited to speak at a Stated Meeting of Murat Shriners, and I encourage each Shrine Club to invite one of them to speak at your own Stated Meetings or membership development parties.

4. Joint Fundraising Events with Cooperating Hospitals. Ed McGonigal has been instrumental in positioning SHC as a major player in the new "Together For Kids" fundraising organization that includes about 60 children's hospitals in the U.S. The SHC Board has determined that SHC is permitted to enter into joint fundraising projects under the Together For Kids sponsorship, with the proceeds to be split among the participating hospitals. For

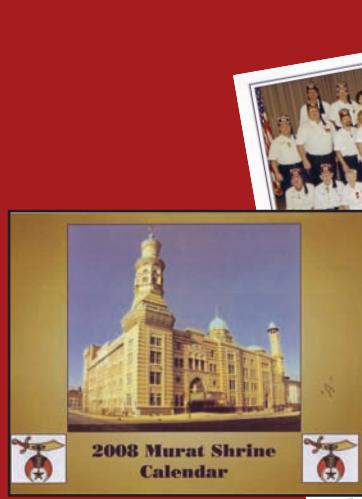
instance, the other Together For Kids hospital in this area is the Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at St. Vincent. More on that later. This will allow SHC to become part of nationwide events and receive money from national corporations that otherwise would not consider SHC as a potential donee.

5. Expansion of the Donor Relations Committee. Based on discussions with many Nobles about our financial goals, geographic challenges, and available manpower, we have decided to expand the Donor Relations Committee from two people to a much larger and more effective organization. Initially, we plan to divide the Committee into the following subcommittees, each with its own chairman and committee members:

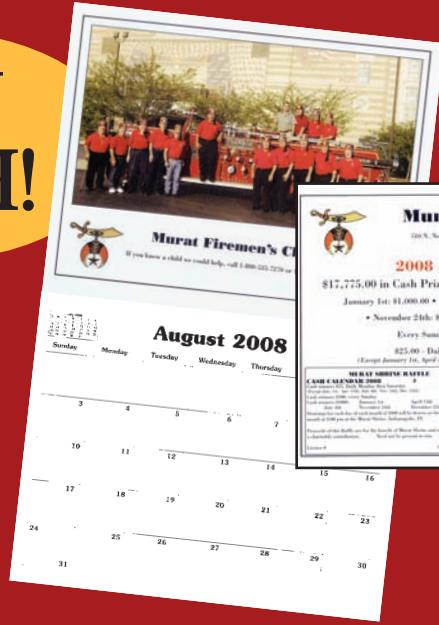
- a. Voluntary Annual Gift Program (we currently have over 20 Donor Relations Coordinators)
- b. Major Gifts (mostly from individuals)
- c. Local Foundations (there are about 50 to be contacted)
- d. Speakers' Bureau (churches, Rotary, Sertoma, Kiwanis, networking groups)
- e. Annual "Donor Appreciation" Dinner (in the spring each year)
- f. Wal-Mart and Target solicitation (contact your local outlet)
- g. Telemedicine Clinic (what, where, who, how, when)
- h. Fund-Raising Events (our own events and those involving other Together For Kids hospitals)

As you can tell, we are in for some exciting times as we try to bring our endowment fund back to the point that it can be self-sustaining. Today, it is far from that goal, and SHC needs all of your help. Volunteers are needed, badly, so please give me a call at (317) 686-4773 or email me at thrasher@indiana-attorneys.com or donor-relations@muratshrine.org, and then be prepared to work on one of the above eight projects.

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A brand is really about people's perceptions. It's not what we say that's the deciding factor in how people view Shriners Hospitals for Children – it is how someone experiences our hospitals when they interact with staff, volunteers and Shriners.

Shriners Hospitals for Children's brand should be clearly and consistently represented in all our communications. It also should be reflected in what we say and do when representing our hospitals – which means everyone involved plays a critical role in creating and

maintaining our "brand" as they interact with key groups and the general community. For years now, many have heard Shriners Hospitals for Children referred to as the "best-kept secret." Fraternity members have requested an increase in efforts to market the hospital system. The Boards of Directors and Trustees listened to suggestions and recently approved a new campaign, which includes a new look for Shriners Hospitals' communications and a national advertising and marketing program designed to raise awareness and attract more patients and donors.

The new visual design system – displayed in the new look of this one-sheet – was built around the "Editorial Without Words" to reflect the wonderful things our hospital system stands for and honor the tradition and history of the fraternity's role in building this great philanthropy.

Many Shriners heard about this exciting initiative at the Imperial Council Session, and this fall, everyone will begin seeing the results. In mid-September, the new campaign launched internally at the hospitals and at Shriners International Headquarters among employees, volunteers and Shriners, to bring everyone on board and to educate them about the brand, its significance and everyone's role in making it come to life.

On Oct. 22, the new Shriners Hospitals marketing campaign will be revealed to the general public, with national and regional magazine, billboard, radio and television advertising.

For more information, please visit www.shrinersbrandspot.org, the new Web site for Shriners Hospitals for Children branding resources and tools.



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Last Shot for "407 in '07"

ART BORTON

t is hard to believe that we are coming down to the end of 2007. It seems like yesterday that Jerry announced his goal of 407 new Shriners in 2007. I thought that was a very lofty goal, but Jerry continued to remind us to Think Positive, and we still have that number within reach.

We have just completed a very successful "All the Way in One Day Class" on October 27. On that Saturday, we raised 153 new Master Masons, introduced 57 to the Scottish Rite, and initiated 81 new Shriners. It was a long day, but well worth the efforts. With those new Nobles, our year to date total of new Shriners is 277, as of November 1. This still leaves us a goal of 130, but seeing what was done in October, this is still possible.

Contact your Masonic brothers who are not Shriners and bring them to the Temple for the last Hot Sands Ceremonial of 2007 on Saturday, December 8. A schedule for that ceremonial is printed elsewhere within this magazine.

Murat Shriners Winter Ceremonial Saturday, December 8, 2007 Schedule of Events

Temple Opens7:30 a.m.
Registration/Fez Sizing7:45 – 8:45 a.m.
	Fraternal Office
First Section9 – 10 a.m.
	Egyptian Room
Shrine History10 – 10:15 a.m.
	Egyptian Room
Class Picture10:15 – 10:45 a.m.
	Egyptian Room
Physicals, Video, & Survey10:45 a.m. – 12 p.m.
	Corinthian Room/Mediterranean Room
Lunch12:15 – 1:15 p.m.
	Arabian Room
Hospital Information and Fez Presentation	
Unit Fair1:15 – 1:45 p.m.
	Egyptian Room
Second Section1:45 – 2:45 p.m.
	Egyptian Room
Social2:45 p.m. –
	Oasis Lounge

**Welcome Packets will be presented at end of
Second Section**

There was a Scottish Rite convocation held November 15-17. Contact your new Scottish Rite brothers and have them join us on the 8th.

If your candidates are unavailable on the 8th, contact our Illustrious Potentate Jerry Markovich, or any members of the membership committee, and we will work with Jerry to get them sworn in as Shriners before our Stated Meetings.

Nobles, it has been a busy year, but a fun year. We have had a great deal of success in bringing on new members this year, and we need to continue this momentum into 2008. Let's make sure we get our new members active in some Unit or Club to help keep them active, to keep them enthusiastic, and to give them reason to renew their membership in the future to keep Murat as the number one temple in Shrinedom.

Thanks for all your help this year and remember we all are SHRINERS – HAVING FUN AND HELPING KIDS.

HAPPY NEW YEAR'S CASUAL AFFAIR

Murat Shrine New Year's Party in the Oasis Lounge
Time: 8 p.m. – ??



COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- SUN. 2** Scottish Rite Children's Christmas Party
Tailgate at the Oasis Lounge
- MON. 3** **DEADLINE FOR JANUARY 2008 MAGAZINE**
- THU. 6** Caravan Club – B Gen William Gommel, WWII Army Air Corps
- SAT. 8** Ceremonial Ladies Shop-til-you-drop?
- SUN. 9** Second Sunday at the Shrine – Holiday Fun Show
- THU. 13** Caravan Club – Pacers Sports
- SUN. 16** Children's Christmas Party
- MON. 17** Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting and Election of Officers 7 p.m.
- THU. 20** Caravan Club – Murat Chanter's Quartet
New Member Night
- MON. 24** **Murat Shrine and Oasis Lounge Closed! Merry Christmas!**
- TUES. 25** NexGen New Year's Eve Party,
Oasis Lounge, 8 p.m. - ?

JANUARY 2008

- TUE. 1** Happy New Year!
- WED. 2** **DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY MAGAZINE**
- THU. 3** Caravan Club - Murat Circus Director Ted Crosley
- THU. 10** Caravan Club - Chief Rabban Ron Elliott
- SAT. 12** Grand Lodge Founders' Day
- THU. 17** Caravan Club - Carl Culmann, Grand Marshal
- SAT. 19** Murat Leadership Seminar
York Rite One-Day Class
- MON. 21** Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.
- THU. 24** Caravan Club
- TUE. 29** Florida Visitation
- FRL 1**

FEBRUARY 2008

- FRL 1** **DEADLINE FOR MARCH MAGAZINE**
- THU. 7** Caravan Club
- SAT. 9** Potentate's Ball
- FRL 15** Little Pig Initiation
Ladies Night Out
- MON. 18** Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.
- THU. 21** Caravan Club
- THU. 28** Shrine Circus
- SUN. 2**

MARCH 2008

- MON. 3** **DEADLINE FOR APRIL MAGAZINE**

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Oasis Lounge Entertainment

Tailgate at the Oasis Lounge:

December 2, 11 a.m.
Jacksonville Jaguars

Join your friends for great food, drinks, and fun tailgating at the Oasis Lounge.

New Member s Nights:

Welcome all new members to the Murat Shrine Club every third Thursday of the month, 6 - 8 p.m. at the Oasis Lounge. Enjoy a Great Appetizer Buffet and Drink Specials.

Second Sundays at the Shrine

Spectacular Sunday brunch and fun-filled entertainment for the entire family.

December 9
Holiday Fun Show/Coloring Contest

At the Arabian Room at the Murat Shrine Center
Brunch served 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Show times: 11:30 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.
Rates: \$13.95 per adult, \$5 per child