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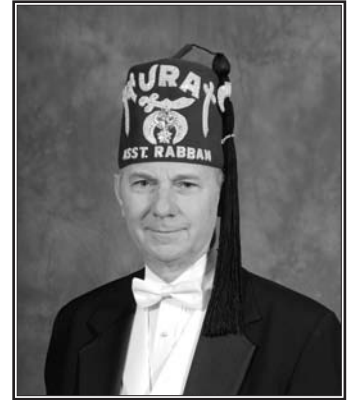
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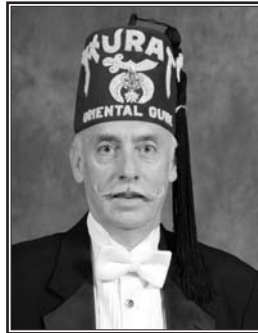
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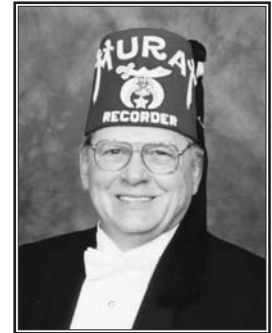
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## POTENTATE MESSAGE

# From the Potentate

Wow, where has the summer gone? Here we are writing articles for the October magazine.

On behalf of myself, Sally Jo, all Murat nobles and ladies, I want to offer heartfelt condolences to Susie Hancock and family on the passing of Robert E. Hancock, Jr., P.P., PGM. Bob was a great man for the Masonic bodies. He was a Shriner's Shriner with membership his number one goal. Bob will be greatly missed.

I would like to again thank all the nobles and ladies who worked the VCM booth at the State Fair. You could not have asked for better weather, which brought great crowds to the fair and to our booth.

With the passing of our novelties chairman, Larry Selig, we searched for a noble to lead the project of State Fair novelties. Noble David Heckman volunteered and then we lost David to a lingering illness. Finally, we were able to get the permits, tents, etc. When it was time to set up and sell the novelties, a great group of nobles and ladies, along with Hamid Promotions, worked hard to make the novelties a successful project. I thank all of you for all of your efforts.

Labor Day weekend started a busy month of September with the Directors Staff picnic, an Arab Patrol get-together, Mobil Nobles' picnic, and the Masonic Night at Conner Prairie, listening to the River City Brass Band. There were about 350 Masons and families at Conner Prairie enjoying fellowship, good food, and great entertainment.

Thanks to all the Units that attended the Logansport parade, the Tarum night parade, and the Great Lakes Shrine Association parade in Cincinnati. A special thanks to Delbert Drummond and Chris Dwyer for another great hospitality room. Also, thanks to all of Chris's helpers—you are very generous and your hard work is appreciated.

We will finish up September in Muncie at



Murpah Shrine Club. They celebrated their 50th year in August and dug up a time capsule that had been buried. They are planning to add some more Shrine things to the capsule and bury it again.

This month (October) we will have Murat's third ceremonial. It will be October 18, which is the Grand Master's

"All the Way in One Day."

The short form ceremonial will take place after the Masonic and Scottish Rite degrees.

Our last ceremonial will take place on December 13, 2008. This will be a Hot Sands ceremonial. Those Nobles who have gone through the one-day short form are invited back to participate in the second section.

Nobles, you should be proud of your membership in the Masonic fraternity and Murat Shriners. Show your pride by inviting a family member, friend or co-worker to join our fraternity at our next ceremonial.

We need new members to support Murat and our hospitals. Remember ... "Create in '08."

To the 2009 Club and Unit officers—now is the time to set dates for Club and Unit functions and installations. Chief Rabban George Proctor would appreciate an early response for your dates. I'm sure his calendar is filling up fast.

On October 1, 2008, Gordon Husk will be resigning as Recorder of Murat Shrine. We wish him well and thank him for his years of service to Murat.

I have appointed Ed Wolfe to serve as Recorder and I'm sure he will do a good job for Murat.

Yours in the Faith,

Ronald M. Elliott  
 Potentate 2008

# "Your Biggest Fan is ME!"

GORDON J HUSK

At the Imperial Council Session, Megan Johnson spoke to a very large crowd of nobles and their ladies. She inspired everyone in the room. Later, she danced with actor John Stamos during the Beach Boys concert. But there is much more to Megan than speaking to groups or dancing. As Paul Harvey would say, here is "the rest of the story."

Megan was born in Dae Goo, South Korea. The severity of her cleft palate caused her to be placed in foster care. It took the adoption agency three months to decide whether she could be placed for adoption. Megan says, "My cleft went all the way to the brain, and I was actually leaking brain fluid out my nose. Doctors were very concerned about meningitis." At the same time, a couple in Portland, OR, sought to adopt a child. That couple confirms they were happy to receive a picture of Megan because, "We knew we were getting our little girl."

Megan was seven months old when she arrived at her new home. She is the only girl in the family. Her parents have one son by birth, one adopted son from Costa Rica, and a son from Korea. Megan, in her inimitable style, smiles and says, "How did I get stuck with three stinkin' brothers?" Privately, she admits she loves her entire family.

Megan's first surgery was at age 10 months, followed by four more surgeries that year. Prior to coming to Shriners Hospital, she had several surgical procedures in other hospitals, including several cleft lip and palate surgeries, work on her eyelids, and surgery to improve her hearing. She developed a strong fear and dislike for hospitals. She says, "I was traumatized. I hated hospitals, doc-



tors, nurses and anything that resembled a hospital. When I was 5, I was in a little singing group that performed at a Shriners Hospital's volunteer lunch. The care coordinator told my mother she realized I had a hemifacial condition and suggested she make application for treatment. I became the first patient in the area with my specific type of surgery, and several Portland area doctors observed the surgery."

Knowing Megan's fear of hospitals, the staff wisely paired Megan with Allison, a child life worker who thoroughly explained the planned surgery and helped Megan become very familiar with the operating room and other parts of the hospital. Megan says, "I expected to hate this hospital as much as I hated all other hospitals, but I couldn't. Doctors and staff answer all our questions and make the patient feel at ease. I fell in love with the people and everything about it. It is truly a different kind of hospital. It's my favorite place in the world."

Megan's medical problems do not end with her hemifacial condition and the cleft lip and palate. At Shriners Hospital, she had midface distraction, bone grafting and several other procedures. The right side of her body grows more quickly than the left side, necessitating shoe lifts to accommodate one short leg. She had tissue removed from the right chest area because it was pulling on her back, intensifying her spinal curvature. The syndrome caused her pinkie fingers to be, as Megan says, "Way too short. When I play the piano, I move those fingers out of joint to reach the octaves. There is always a way to overcome my birth defects. It never stops me!"

Doctors have told Megan she needs other surgery. She is scheduled for another midface distraction with possible grafting to stabilize facial bones. Her nose is to be completely rebuilt. The distraction surgery will affect her speech and may require a pharyngeal flap or thickening the throat. She will have lip revision. She has only half the normal number of teeth, and will have some teeth implanted and others capped. A full evaluation will be made after all those procedures.

Because of severe harassment by students in fourth grade, Megan's mother home schooled her. She returned to public school in ninth grade and has maintained a 4.0 GPA in her first two years of high school. She began 11th grade this year and tested into Running Start, which allows her to attend college now and receive both college and high school credits. When she graduates from high school, she will have attained all required nursing prerequisites.

Is Megan an active person? Each month, she visits from one to four states as a patient ambassador, speaking to many groups about Shriners Hospitals. She has a Red Belt with two stripes in Tai Kwon Do, and the next step is Black Belt, which was delayed because of surgeries. She has been a Girl Scout since first grade. In third grade, she completed a Kids Helping Kids project and earned a bronze award by collecting videos for five area children's hospitals. She earned a Silver Award by making blankets for babies of drug addicts, and is now working on a Gold Award. She plays piano, violin and Korean drums. She is an artist and award-winning photographer. She has written and illustrated three children's books. At age 10, she started "Megan's Mission." She has 30 volunteers helping distribute blankets she personally makes for street people. She works with the Salvation Army,

Union Gospel Mission and Multi-Service Center to help the homeless. She has made more than 1,000 blankets, having fundraisers to buy materials.

Megan has goals – (1) to visit all 22 Shriners Hospitals (10 down and the 11th to be in October), (2) to become a hospital clown (clown name is Lollypop), (3) to become a registered nurse, (4) to work in a Shriners Hospital, and (5) to write three more children's books in the "Don't Mess With Meggie" series. Proceeds from book sales go to Shriners Hospitals and other worthy causes.

Please visit [www.megansmission.free-servers.com](http://www.megansmission.free-servers.com) for more information. Here are Megan's sentiments in her own words:

## My Heroes

BY MEGAN JOHNSON

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*You took a life that was dark, and you made it light.*

*When kids beat me down, and made my life a nightmare,*

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*You help so many kids, most you will never see, But I honestly say, "Your biggest fan is ME!"*

She adds, "If I could have one wish, it would not be that I had been born without a birth defect. It would be that when I grow up, kids would love me as much as I love all of you! Thanks for being my heroes!"



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# To All the Ladies

Sally Jo Elliott

Before I begin my monthly article, I would like to express my deepest sympathies to Suzanne Hancock and her family on the passing of Bob.

Robert E. Hancock, Jr. was a great Shriner and his loss will be felt by many.

Summer ended with Masonic Night at Conner Prairie, listening to the River City Brass Band. The weather was perfect and there was quite a crowd. The band was great, but the fireworks were spectacular. I don't know when I've seen such a display of color!

September was a busy month (haven't they all been busy!) with many functions at some of our outlying Clubs. We traveled to Logansport for their Shrine Day and parade. The next weekend we headed to Richmond for Tatum's night parade.

We have just returned from the Great Lakes weekend in Cincinnati. Thanks to everyone who made the trip,

whether it was to parade, take part in competition, or just to have fun. Hope you had as much fun as we did. I want to personally thank all who helped out in the hospitality room, especially Delbert Drummond, Chris Dwyer, Sharon Baugh and Sue Wolfe. Everything was delicious!

As September comes to an end, we will travel up to Murpah Shrine Club in Muncie. As part of their 50th year celebration, they are planning to bury a time capsule full of Shrine things.

October appears to have many activities scheduled, so ladies make sure you check the ads and read the articles, especially the ones concerning the ladies' organizations.

November is just around the corner, so I want to remind you about the Fall Ladies Luncheon on Saturday, November 15. There will be a shopping boutique with a variety of items, from

jewelry to gourmet foods and coffees. You will also have many opportunities to win some nice things.

I am extremely excited about our guest speakers, Brian and Shanna Howard. The Howard twins are patients from the Shriners Hospital in Cincinnati. They were at Imperial in St. Louis and I have asked them to come to Murat to tell their story. Ladies, this is what the Shrine is about ... helping kids.

Mark your calendars, buy a ticket, come and enjoy an afternoon at the Shrine and meet two of our Shrine children. You will be glad you did!

Enjoy the fall weather because you know what's next ... cold & snow!!

Check the magazine for October events. Hope to see some of you soon. Ladies, don't forget to Live Well ... Love Much ... Laugh Often.

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**Tours of Shriners Hospitals:** Self-guided tours of our hospitals cannot be permitted, due to HIPAA regulations that protect the privacy of patients. Our hospitals usually have specified hours for tours and have trained guides available. Those guides know the areas that can be accessed at specific times and can provide details about the hospitals. If a noble

would like a tour at a specific time, we suggest a call to the hospital a day or so in advance. This will enable the hospital to have someone available to conduct the tour.

On a personal note, I wish to share the following. My resignation as Recorder of Murat will become effective October 1, 2008. That day is the eighth anniversary of my becoming Recorder.

Any position of this type requires long hours of absence from home, which places additional burdens upon a spouse. I especially thank my loving wife, Marian, who endured that extra burden without complaint. It is appropriate that I now spend more time with her.

I plan to remain active as a Murat volunteer in other ways. I thank all nobles, their ladies, and a host of other people who have made the past eight years enjoyable.

After discussion with Divan members, Illustrious Sir Elliott appointed Noble Ed Wolfe to become Recorder, effective October 1. I wholeheartedly agree with that appointment. I am sure you will be pleased with Noble Wolfe, who is an experienced businessman, a dedicated Shriner, and a good friend.



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# In Memoriam:

Robert Emerson Hancock, Jr. was the 86th Illustrious Potentate of Murat Shrine in 1997. He passed to the "Unseen Temple" on Tuesday, August 19, 2008.

The Illustrious Sir was born in Indianapolis, IN, September 7, 1939, to Robert Emerson Hancock and Wauneta Mary Reynolds in Indianapolis. He married the former Suzanne Byrkit on June 17, 1961, in Indianapolis, who survives. They have resided in Carmel since 1971.

He is also survived by one son, Robert Emerson (Donna) Hancock III; one daughter, Lisa Louise (Troy) Hanna; two brothers, Thomas (Winnie) Hancock and Harold (Helen) Hancock; three sisters, Sharon (Paul) Thompson, Shirley (Jim) Cummings, and Jane (William) Nolan; and four grandchildren, Kyla Marie and Lauren Victoria Hancock, Spencer Cole Hanna and Hayden Christopher Hanna.

Past Potentate Hancock graduated from Broad Ripple High School in 1957 and attended Indiana University in Indianapolis. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and was a veteran of the United States Air Force Reserve.

Professionally, Bob was a former part owner of HP Chemical Company in the late sixties and seventies. He was also the founder of North Side Carpet Cleaning and Office Environments, Inc. which operated McKelvey-Kell Carpet Cleaning and Clipper Cleaning Supplies and Repair. He was also the owner of Barrett Industrial Supplies and Barrett Taski Floor Systems. At the time of his death, Bob was the membership director of Field Service for the Indianapolis Valley of the Scottish Rite.

He had been a member of Meridian Street United Methodist Church for more than 40 years and had served the church as a trustee. He served Crossroads of America Council, Boy Scouts of America as a member of their board of directors, and was president of the Indianapolis Exchange Club.

Bob's Masonic career began when he was raised to the sublime degree of a



Master Mason in 1961. He was Potentate of Murat Shrine in 1997.

Most Worshipful Brother Hancock had served the Masonic fraternity as the 148th Grand Master of Masons for the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the state of Indiana in 1998-99. His service to the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons as an officer began in 1992. He had served as a Grand Lodge trustee. Recent duties included membership on the Foreign Relations, Historical Commission, Marketing and Public Relations committees, and the Indiana Masonic Home Board of Directors.

Additionally, Bob was commander-in-chief of the Indiana Consistory, Indianapolis Valley of the Scottish Rite, from 1986 to 1988 and president of The Cabiri International (the international association of Shrine past Potentates) in 2006-2007.

He was the very first recipient of the Medal of Honor given by the Indiana Council of Deliberation for the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in 1998. He received the 33rd degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in 1988 at Grand Rapids, MI.

In addition to the above, Bob had a long and distinguished career as a Freemason.

He applied to become a member of Calvin Prather Masonic Lodge #717 on his 21st birthday. He served as

Worshipful Master of Calvin Prather Lodge in 1991. He was a member of Prather Chapter, Royal Arch Masons #157; Prather Council #100, Cryptic Masons; and Raper Commandry #1, Knights Templar.

He joined Indianapolis Valley of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in 1967 and became very active in the public dramatic plays and in the degree presentations. He became a Valley officer in 1974, culminating as being elected commander-in-chief in 1986. He further served the Valley as a trustee throughout the state of Indiana for his efforts in Masonic membership development.

At Murat, Bob served as president of the Murat Chanters and the Caravan Club. He was an honorary member of many Murat Units and Clubs as well as the other four Shrine Centers in Indiana. He began serving on the Board of Governors of the Chicago Unit of Shriners Hospitals for Children in 1983 and was an emeritus member of that board. He was a member of the Royal Order of Jesters.

His other Masonic affiliations included being an honorary member of Mystic Tie Lodge #398, Indianapolis; emeritus member of St. James Conclave, Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine, and the Indiana College Masonic Societas Rosicruciana. He had been awarded the DeMolay Legion of Honor. He also was the Indiana Grand Lodge representative to the state of Vermont.

He received the distinct honor of being named a Sagamore of the Wabash in 1998, the highest award that can be bestowed by the governor of Indiana.

His hobbies included golf and fishing.

The funeral service for Past Potentate Robert Emerson Hancock, Jr. was held in the theater of the Scottish Rite Cathedral in Indianapolis, IN, on Friday, August 29, 2008. It was a grand tribute to his life in Masonry. He will be sorely missed.



Greetings from your Dramatic Cast.

Have you read that if a noble doesn't join a Murat Unit or Club within six months, there is a very good chance that he never will and will probably end up leaving us? If you top-line sign a candidate, why not continue the signing process and get the new noble into your Unit or help him find one that interests him.

The Dramatic Cast offers so many areas in which to participate. If a person is not comfortable appearing on stage or with a speaking part, there are many behind the scenes things that are fun to be involved with. And don't forget the chance to work the doors at the circus or Brass Hat or the picnic or the golf outing or, or, or. The list goes on and on.

Looking for other opportunities? There are Units/Clubs that do everything from RV camping to computers or antique cars, and you can even join in a little "hanger flying" with the Flying Fezzes.

Still looking for something else? How about spending time with a group of Hillbillies at their monthly dinner meeting or, better yet, spend time with approximately 600 or 700 of these Hillbilly nobles and ladies at their annual Imperial Convention? This year's Imperial was held at Pigeon Forge and was all out fun.

There are 90 some Units and Clubs, so I'm sure you and your candidate can find something of interest.

The bottom line of this ramble is that Murat provides the opportunity for all of us to have fun and, more importantly, to help the kids.

What could be better than being a Shriner, having fun and helping kids?

Yours in the Faith ...

## Flying Fezzes

Patrick DeCallier

The Flying Fezzes had a number of items to discuss at their August meeting. One of the items was the upcoming Fall Festival parade in Martinsville in October.

But something that really "perked" the attention of the members was the announcement that there will be a "Flying Fez Bear" raffle in September. This little rascal comes complete with goggles and a Flying Fez "badge."

You don't have to be a pilot to join! The Unit meets on the second Monday of the month in the Mecca Room.

## Children to Grown-ups ... Making the Transition

Historically, patients with massive burn injuries did not survive. Until recently, survival has been the only key measure of a successful outcome for a seriously injured burn patient.

But as more patients survive large burn injuries, the burn team's focus shifted to quality of life issues and offering patients a chance at a productive life. Services that address the physical, psychosocial and vocational needs of burn survivors are more important than ever before.

About 14 years ago, the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital developed a plan to include a "transitions program" for young adult burn survivors. The process began as a multidisciplinary committee. As responsibilities of the group and patient involvement increased, the hospital dedicated a full-time transitions coordinator to organize the program.

Under the leadership of Lori Anderson-Stevens, our transitions program evolved from school re-entry visits and summer burn camp to a comprehensive program with the focus on providing adolescents with additional resources.

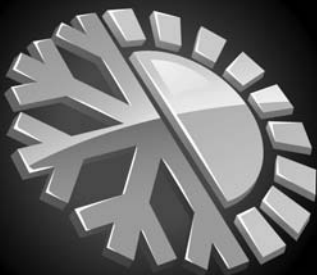
Currently, more than 900 teens and young adults are served by our hospital. The services offered from this program include resources to assist the needs of this population. By finding out how to job search on the internet, how to get health insurance, how to interview for a job, or where to get vocational training, the transitions program helps these teens take the first steps into adulthood.

Transitions recently expanded their services to include a quarterly newsletter, "Teen Connection," a transitions booklet, an assessment tool and a resource center at the hospital.

Lori and staff continue to identify patients who could benefit from these services. The resources assist in the psychosocial recovery as well as in their navigation into adulthood.

Our patients have come a long way and with the help of transitions, there is no limit to the possibilities that lie before them. The best outcome for all of us is a happy, healthy, and "ready to take on the world" young adult burn survivor.

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## Railroad Club

Raymond E. Gotshall

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The August Railroad Club annual picnic was a great success as usual. The weather was great, food was great, and fellowship was excellent. For those Murat railroaders who couldn't make it, you missed a great time. President and Chief Engineer David Kaufman wishes to thank those who made this picnic a success by helping in the kitchen or at the grill: Dave & Lucy Beck, Eddie Ellis, Stanley Moore, Garland Moore, and the Grill Master himself—David Kaufman.

Bryan Banta, railroader extraordinaire, gave an exceptional slide show at our September 23 meeting about the history of Union Station with some before and after pictures. The food was also great.

Election of officers will be coming November 25, with nominations in October, so if you have some interest in becoming an officer in the Murat Railroad Club, let one of the officers know.

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 Shrine. If you haven't been up to see our exhibits, come to one of our meetings. We also have a work night, at the call of our president. The Railroad Club is looking for some members who are interested in model railroading, Big Boy railroads, trips to railroad related facilities, etc. If this interests you, 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.



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## Mini-Mystics of Johnson County

Dave Alspaugh

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Welcome to fall in Indiana. The leaves are starting to turn colors and soon they will be falling from the trees. Temperatures have started getting cooler. Halloween will soon be here, and that can only mean Thanksgiving can't be far behind.

With the fall colors, the Mini-Mystics have brought out new parade shirts. Bright red shirts trimmed with white are the new look. The attached picture shows "yours truly" getting the breakdown necklace from the previous owner, Lee Langlotz. Don't the shirts look nice?

Since becoming a member of the Mini-Mystics parade team, I have been asked, "Why do you spend so much time parading? Do you get paid?" The regular answer is usually, "We do it for our kids."

In August, we traveled to the Indiana State Fair to take part in their Shriner parade. This is a parade that we do every year with the Murat Shriners. We formed a caravan of trailers and pulled into the fairgrounds. Noting we were a parade group, they escorted us towards the east end of the race track to a special parking area.

Then, as we made arrangements to meet and get ready to parade at 5 p.m., a lady walking with the aid of a cane and a brace on her left leg came up to me. Wearing a bright orange volunteer shirt, she asked if she could say something to us. We gathered the group consisting of Deo Carter, Mike Percy, Lee Langlotz, Randy Bell, Dan Gillahan, and me. Our visitor introduced herself as Jean Howard. She then said, "I'm one of your Shriner kids." She didn't tell us how old she was, but she told us she was the first child ever treated from Steuben County, near Angola, IN, by a Shriners Hospital. She said her treatment had been so good that it was only recently that she required a cane and brace. She wanted to thank some Shriners for what they did for her.

Finally, Jean had to get back to her station, but before we let her go, I asked my wife to take a picture of "our kid." After pictures, Jean left us. Several very happy Shriners waved good-bye as she left. She left us with the answer to the question, "Why do you parade?" Because of our kids, like Jean Howard! See you next issue.



Our Shrine kid, Jean Howard.



Lee and Dave with breakdown necklace.

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## Madison County Shrine Club

Mark Nugent

MCSC has been busy these last few months. Madison County Desert Patrol has been parading and the Club had its Annual Summer Party—lots of fun but very hot outside on the patio.

Our next party is October 25, presented by our own Desert Patrol. Halloween costumes are optional, but a contest is held. The band will be "Impasse." The cost is \$40 per couple with Swiss steak or baked chicken.

The Ladies Club will hold a Longaberger/Vera Bradley bingo night October 7. For more information visit our Web site at [www.madisoncountyshrineclub.com](http://www.madisoncountyshrineclub.com). Shriners ... Having Fun and Helping Kids.



It is with a great deal of sadness that I tell you the Masonic Order and Shrinedom has lost a loyal and trusted brother. Claude (Bud) Forth passed to the Unseen Temple on August 26, a victim of lung cancer. Bud had been battling cancer for several years and after chemo treatments, when asked how he was doing, always said, "I'm fine." He was the president of our Club two times and was serving as secretary at the time of his death. Bud loved our Club and was always ready to do anything that was asked of him. I never heard Bud say an unkind word about anyone.

Members of the Veteran Car Club attended his funeral and listened to his family tell of their life with Bud; it mirrored in some respects our experiences with him. The VCC escorted Bud to the grave in our old cars; there were 13 plus two of Bud's Packards. There was a military guard with a three-gun salute. After the graveside service, Dottie Forth was given a white dove representing Bud and when she released it,

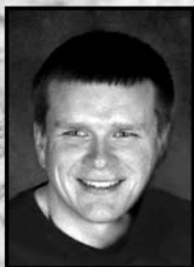


three more were released representing the HOLY TRINITY. What an awesome sight to see four white doves circling the grave. We were invited to their church with their family for a lunch, which was greatly appreciated. The ladies of the church were very good cooks.

We traveled many miles behind Bud on the many overnight trips the VCC took. In the future, when we go on the road, those miles will seem longer without his Packard in the line of old cars and his voice on the CB radios. The VCC has been active this summer after the temple went dark. We accompanied the Potentate and his Divan to St. Louis where we paraded and visited the Shriners Hospital in St. Louis. After the St. Louis ceremonial, that hospital was abandoned for a newer one downtown. Then there was the Madison Regatta. Not all of us attended it, but we were represented by our president, Danny Thomas. After that was Elwood and Bears of Blue River at Shelbyville.

All in all, it has been a rather busy, but fun, summer. If you enjoy a parade, join us the second Monday of each month. Watch for more activities this winter.

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NexGen has had a very busy time this year and we are looking forward to continuing in our exploits. We have visited other shrines, paraded a few times, and even started our 'mini events' on top of our standard parties. Our main mission has been to give young Shriners a home in our wonderful fraternity, and we'd like to think that everything we've done has been to that end. If you are young or young at heart, we'd love to see you at our events.

The summer heat is upon us, but there have been plenty of ways to stay cool with NexGen this summer. Our mini events have been a great way to introduce new Shriners to our wonderful fraternity as well as non-Shriners enjoying our company and finding out a bit more about us. If you want to attend any of our events, please check out our 'mini events' web page at <http://groups.google.com/group/murat-nexgen/web/upcoming-events>. If you can't make those events, please do not hesitate to visit us before our Stated Meetings, which are the second Tuesday of the month. We tend to gather for dinner and fellowship in the Oasis Lounge around 6 p.m. before our 7 p.m. meeting.

Plenty of people played their hearts out at one of our last Wii



You can see past President Chris Planeaux takes his bowling very seriously alongside some more 'jovial' bowlers, Noble Ed Adams and Noble Chuck Crabtree.



Some more spectators, our second vice president, Ryan Lentz, Lady Chellie Herthel, Mark Bailey and Chuck Crabtree are enjoying the show.

nights (bowling) in the Oasis Lounge. As you can see from the pictures above, some take their bowling very seriously, while others just enjoy the flow on the night. We have hosted several other gaming nights open to the whole family, such as other Wii games as well as Guitar Hero and Rock Band.

Mark it on your calendars that our Halloween Bash is right around the corner, Saturday, October 25, from 8 p.m. till midnight in the Oasis Lounge. Cost will be \$10 per adult and \$5 for those under 12. We will have snacks, some games, and some prizes for all ages. Those who attended the Frat party (aka Double Secret Probation Party) may have seen some of our members in what many would consider costumes—so just prepare yourself for this event! We look forward to seeing all of you soon!

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Registration will be at 8 a.m. at Masonic Lodge #241, 314 East College Avenue, Brownsburg, IN, where you will receive your participant identification, maps and information on other activities of the day.

From 3 to 5 p.m., refreshments and booths will be available at the Brownsburg lodge with the final token count taken at 4 p.m.

Entry costs \$10 per person. Ride your bikes, drive the car, or bring a bus. All are welcome, Mason and general public alike. Spread the word and bring your family and friends.

In order to help the participating lodges better plan for the day, pre-registering is requested, but not required. Please call (317) 370-9493 or e-mail to [wcoop60@hotmail.com](mailto:wcoop60@hotmail.com) and leave your name and the number expected in your group.

Greetings 500 Club members:

The parade season is almost over. We only have four parades remaining this season.

A wonderful day was had by many members at the Masonic Home Festival. We had six cars there. It was a perfect day in many ways. The weather was great and there were no car problems. We all got to see and chat with our president, Ed Andrews, who was at the Home on R & R after his hospital stay. Ed rode in the pace car in the Festival parade and waved at all of the pretty nurses. He went home two days later and is doing very well.

The next parade was in downtown Metro-Colfax on August 9. After the parade, we all headed to Dan Price's house for a big cookout. Dan promised to have aged roadkill on the BBQ. A good time was had by all.

After beans, beer and BBQ, we immediately started getting our cars ready for the State Fair parade which was held on the following day. We again had six cars parading. The State Fair parade provided us with several challenges. The staging area was hot and dusty. The parking and unloading

area was packed and very tight. Murat's parading units had very little room to unload and load. The biggest problem was the parade route itself. People were just too close and they were darting in and out in front of the parading units. It was a very dangerous situation.

We again hope to have cars available for display at the October 18 ceremonial.

Don't forget our third Sunday brunch at the Brickyard Restaurant on 16th Street at 9:30 a.m.

Bob Kelso's World Famous Cookout will be held on October 11 at 2 p.m. Come one and all to Bob's home at 1151 South Runyon in Greenwood. Please bring a covered dish, your own drinks and lawn chairs. In case you get lost, Bob's phone number is (317) 881-9819.

Please note that 500 Club member Chuck Gilson is recovering from triple bypass surgery that was performed at the Heart Hospital at Community North Hospital the week of August 22.

If you have anything to go on the Hotline, please give Tim a call at 466-8383. His direct line is 627-1580.

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Gerald Frost

Greeting Nobles and Friends,

Welcome back to the light everyone. We hope you are ready for a full schedule for the 2008-09 year. Since our last magazine, we have completed this year's late summer Directors Staff annual picnic. What a great success it was. I am sure everyone had a great time and enjoyed themselves to the fullest. We need to thank Rex Mardis for putting together a great picnic this year. Rex, thank you for all your hard work in planning to make this one of our best picnics ever. We also have to thank Kelly Glass for being our master chef. The food was fantastic and served just the way we like. Thank you Kelly for a job "well done." As usual, the facility was also excellent. Thank you also has to go to Gene Yager for the use of his excellent shelter and lake facility. A great time was had by all who attended. This year we were visited by Illustrious Potentate Sir Ron Elliott and his lady, Sally Jo. We are glad they were able to attend. Divan members were also in attendance. Joining us were Chief Rabban George Proctor, Captain of the Guard James Priest and his lady, Tammy, as well as Outer Guard William Rasner and his lady friend, Vicki. We hope you all had a great afternoon and enjoyed the camaraderie and friendship of Shrinedom. We are all looking forward to next year's picnic.

For everyone's information, Norm Jones' lovely wife Janet underwent major heart surgery the week of August 25. We all have Janet and Norm in our prayers. We hope that she is home and recovering well.

As many of you already know, the Black Camel has once again visited the Directors Staff Unit this year. Our good friend and noble, Lester E. Schenck passed away August 29, 2008. Les served as a member of Murat Shrine Directors Staff. He was chief director for 10 years (1984 - 1994). He also served as aide to the Potentate and was Past Master of Fishers Masonic Lodge #533. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Schenck family. Memorial contributions may be made to the Shiners Hospitals for Children, c/o Murat Shrine, 510 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46204 or American Cancer Society, 5635 W. 96th St., Suite 100, Indianapolis IN 46278.

Upcoming events are as follows:

Full Directors Staff Meeting Oct. 27 at 7 p.m.

Murat Ceremonial Dec. 13 at Murat Shrine

Full Directors Staff Meeting Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. due to Thanksgiving

Full Directors Staff Meeting Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. due to Christmas

Full Directors Staff Meeting Jan. 19 at 6 p.m. due to Stated Meeting

Everyone should plan on attending this important meeting.

In closing, please keep me informed as to what you want to see in this article. Contact me at (317) 881-5966 or [jwfrosty@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jwfrosty@sbcglobal.net).

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



# Last Opportunities to "Create in '08"

ART BORTON

**N**ow that we are all back in our fall routines and enjoying the changing leaf colors, we need to get back into our Shrine routines and work to generate new members.

On Saturday, October 18, we will be having our "All the Way in One Day" Grand Master's One-Day Class. This is where a person can get all three degrees of the Blue Lodge, two degrees of the Scottish Rite, and the Shrine ceremonial all in one day. This one-day class is being held at Murat Shrine, and we are hoping for a good turnout. While it is too late to get a candidate investigated and voted on by the Lodge for this class, you can bring back anyone who has started through the Blue Lodge degrees,

but never completed them, and have them finish their degrees. You can also bring in any Mason and have him join the Shrine on that day as well. This will be a rather long day, but overall it is a lot of fun and another opportunity to **Create in '08.**

November will bring us the next Scottish Rite Convocation at the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Murat will be well represented at these degrees, and we will have a membership table set up there to discuss the Shrine with these new Scottish Rite members.

We will then be rounding out the year with another traditional Hot Sands Ceremonial on Saturday, December 13. Start rounding up your candidates now

to have them included. There will also be a Unit Fair at this ceremonial, so it is a good idea to have your Units start preparing for this recruiting opportunity.

Also, don't forget that if your Unit has 25 candidates, we will bring the ceremonial to you for one of our ceremonial road shows. Please advise the Divan or the Membership Committee if we can help you in this way.

Continue to enjoy the fall weather, the various sports activities going on during this time of year, and don't forget to promote Murat as we continue to

**"Create in '08."**

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## Arab Patrol

Jim Monroe

The Arab Patrol has been busy with the parade season winding down. We attended the Masonic Home parade August 3 with a great turnout from the Patrol members. This has always been a special parade for all of us to show our Mason friends and families a great time. Then we were at the Indiana State Fair August 10. Thanks to Mother Nature for a very nice day—sunshine with little humidity and a record crowd to parade in front of. There was some concern that with all the people there, they might have to cancel the parade all together, but it went off right on time.

Thanks to Earl Moore for all his hard work organizing all the units and keeping the parades moving along as well as could be expected. On August 22, we were off to the Blue River Parade in Shelbyville, which is a great parade. With most of the town out to cheer everyone along the parade route, this makes it very enjoyable for everyone who participates in the festivities. We had a reverse raffle August 30 at the UAW Union Hall at 550 S. Audubon Rd., which was a lot

of fun for everyone who attended. This is a big fundraiser for our Unit and a great deal for everyone else who likes a good meal and a chance to win the grand prize. The Patrol picnic on September 13 will be over by the time this article is released, but I know there will have been a lot of fun and good food, as this is a way of getting the families and friends together for our celebration for the time we have spent away from them and to help the KIDS in the Shriners Hospitals. This is why we all have come together as a unit and an organization to do our part to make their world a better place.

Going on to the personal notes, I would like to send condolences to the family and friends of Robert Hancock, a member of the Patrol Unit who recently passed away. I would also like to send get better wishes to a few of our other members not doing well at the moment: Hardy Hicks, Mike Priest, and Jack Bell—hope all of you feel better real soon. Anyone who would like to join a fun and active Unit, we meet the first Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

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## Smyrna Shrine Guild

Barb Wimmenauer

Thanks to all who attended the Imperial Convention. Everyone had a wonderful time. Food, fun and sun were an added bonus. Now, it is time to gear up for the Annual Card Party. Please get your donations to Vicki and Bobbi as soon as possible and reserve your tables for a great time. Lunch, Cards and Shopping – “What A Girl Wants!” Hope to see you there!

### OCTOBER CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 1 – Guild Night: 5:30 p.m., Gatling Gun Club.

Saturday, October 25 – Annual Smyrna Card Party: 10 a.m., Gatling Gun Club. Ticket price is \$12 each, with a \$2 table reserve price.

Vicki Wilson is the Silent Auction chairman. Please get all donations for the Silent Auction to Vicki so that we will be able to have a great auction! Bobbi Bertram is candy chairman; she needs donations too.

Tuesday, October 28 – Board Meeting: 6:30 p.m. & Stated Meeting: 7 p.m. at Murat.

### NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 5 – Guild Night: 5:30 p.m., Gatling Gun Club.

Tuesday, November 25 – Board Meeting: 6:30 p.m. & Stated Meeting: 7 p.m., Election of Officers, Murat.

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 p.m. at Murat. Make your reservation by contacting Guild Night Chairman Melanie Close at 859-9617 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

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## Ladies Oriental Shrine

Nancy Gillie

Now that we are back into the “swing of things,” I would like to remind and strongly encourage each of you to support our Ways and Means Pizza Sales during this month of October. Ladies Ruby and Ruth Ann are diligently working on this last project for this year. Ask your family and friends for as many pizza orders as they can use. We will be selling 12” pizzas consisting of cheese, sausage, pepperoni, and deluxe for prices ranging from \$6 to \$8.50. Contact any LOS member by October 7 to place an order for these delicious pizzas. Pizzas may be picked up after noon on October 11 at the Speedway Christian Church. Attention: Helpers are strongly needed at 8 a.m. to help prepare all of our orders. If you can help or have additional questions, please contact Ruby Warmouth (241-3730) or Ruth Ann Kelly (690-4290).

Since the Mt. Comfort Air Show was “taken away” from the Murat Shriners, I am asking that you think about another possible Ways and Means activity our Court could use this year. Put on your thinking caps and call one of our Ways and Means co-chairmen if you can come up with a new project we might use.

Your High Priestess and her noble, Mike, will be in San Antonio, TX, from October 16 through October 21 attending the Mid-States Unit Meet and representing Tarum Court #14. During my absence, I have asked Lady Peg Strawser, PHP (244-3737) to be in charge. Please contact her if you need any assistance.

A great big “Thank You” to three special ladies who have helped me so much this year. To my advisor, Lady Roberta Griffith, PHP, thanks for answering and guiding me this year with all my questions and concerns. You are the greatest! What can I say about two dedicated ladies who served as my instructresses? Lady Peg Strawser, PHP, and Lady Peggy Hoose, PHP, your help in the ritualistic and floor work was greatly appreciated.

Please remember that our November meeting has been changed to Thursday, November 6, at 7 p.m. in the Corinthian Room due to the General Election being held on our regular meeting night. Mark your calendars accordingly. Refreshment hostesses for that evening will be the Harp Angels. At the October Stated Meeting, the Unit Leaders will be responsible for our after meeting refreshments.

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## Montgomery County Shrine Club

Donnie Jessie

Hello Nobles ...

Well, the summer is gone. The weather will still be fine for a few more rounds of golf. Sounds like everyone has been busy. Here at the Montgomery County Shrine Club we have been cooking up some activities. Our next function is our Fish Fry October 11 at the American Legion in Crawfordsville. We start serving around 7 p.m. Mark “Cooter” Hampton and Steve Lewis will head that event along with the rest of us volunteers. The fish went quickly last year. We hope the same for this year and would like to see as many of you as possible.

We had a pretty good turnout at our last meeting with 10 past presidents of the Club present. They were Edd Consoer (1995), Steve Middleton (1996), Jimmie Byers (2003), Charlie Homsher (1984), Fred Baker (1998), Russell Switzer (2006), Jerry Myers (1981), and Leo Califf. Thank you, gentlemen, for your continued support.

Russell Switzer, Terry Switzer and his lady did the honors of cooking for us. It was excellent—meatloaf, potatoes and corn. Oh boy, we were all hurting after that. The pain sure did taste good.

We will see you all soon at the next Stated Meeting. Until then, take care and good luck with all of your events.

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## Southeastern Indiana Shrine Club

Noel Houze

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Wow, it's hard to believe summer is over and Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner. We're finishing up our parade schedule for 2008 and soon we'll be turning off the grills, cleaning up the cook shack, and stowing away the utensils until next year. It's still not too late, though, to enjoy a good Southeastern Indiana Shrine Club steak. Our last two steak nights are Friday, October 17, and Friday, November 14, so if you haven't had steak yet this year, come see us. We start serving at 5 p.m. up until 8 p.m.

As always, we'd like to thank all the nobles who have donated their time all summer to help out on steak nights. For those who haven't had the opportunity to help out, plan on taking part at one of the last suppers this year. Yes, it's work ... but remember, we're Shriners so we always have a good time.

Those of us who work every month want to say a special thank you to our ladies. We couldn't pull this off without their support. Those gals work just as hard as the men but they have a good time too.

For you ladies (or nobles) who have an interest in crafts, Sue Wolfe, wife of Noble Ed Wolfe, is heading up a craft fair to take place at Southeastern Indiana Shrine Club. The date is October 11 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. You ladies bring your nobles and come see what some of our "crafty" ladies have put together. There'll be light refreshments and lots of crafts.

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## Caravan Club

Ray Gotshall

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The Caravan Club is Murat's Luncheon club. All Murat members are automatically members. There are no dues, initiations or obligations. We are almost 80 years old and still meet every Thursday at noon in the Tunisian Room in the Shrine Club.

We have a nice buffet which includes soup, salad bar, meat, starch, vegetables, dessert and beverage. All this for \$10, tax & tip included. Guests, especially your lady, are welcome. See the events section of the Murat Magazine for the October speakers. So come on down on Thursdays and join us for an informative speaker and good fellowship.

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## Daughters of the Nile

Ruth Ann Kelly

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Slowly drifting downward toward the ground, the many colorful leaves are in their autumn mode. During the spring and summer months, they provided much shade and enjoyment for all the family fun and cookouts enjoyed by everyone. Now, their purpose has ended and the trees will prepare for their resting phase in the winter months ahead. Yes, we have been blessed with these majestic "umbrella" trees and their beautiful green leaves hovering over our land.

The annual card party will be held on Saturday, October 4, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Information has been sent to everyone through the mail. If you have not received this notification, please contact Queen Cheryl at (317) 247-1505 as soon as possible. Since this is one of our Ways and Means projects for the year, we hope to have many attend this event. Be sure to ask your friends and neighbors to come with you for a day of good food, fun and fellowship.

November Reminder: The Supreme Appointee Luncheon will be held on Saturday, November 22, in the Tunisian Room at the Murat Shrine. We will honor our two Supreme Appointees: Past Queen Dorothy Tinch, Supreme Goodwill Ambassador to the Central Area, and Past Queen Dorothy Abel, Supreme Escort to the Canadian Flag. The buffet menu will be Country Style Meat Loaf, Broccoli with Cheddar Cheese Sauce, Whipped Mashed Potatoes, Chicken Noodle Soup, Salad, Apple Pie, Rolls, Tea and Coffee. Reservations can be made with Betty J. Rathbun at (317) 846-2800 by Tuesday, November 18. The price is \$19 per person.

Koran Temple is proud of these two ladies for their many years of leadership and dedication. Congratulations to both Dorothy's.

Historical Information: A Koran Temple member discovered many of our lost historical records from 1940 through 1970 in an old Indianapolis warehouse. They included such items as old minute and attendance record books plus many more items of historical value to Koran Temple. Queen Cheryl has them and will turn all files over to our recorder, Past Queen Betty J. Rathbun, soon. If you would like to see any of these records, please contact Queen Cheryl.

Koran Temple will honor all Past Queens at our October meeting. The Founder's Day presentation will be given at the meeting in November. Make that extra effort to attend these coming meetings on Wednesday, October 1 and November 5, in the Corinthian Room at the Murat Shrine.

Our last two sewing sessions for this year will be held in the Mediterranean Room at the Murat Shrine from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Past Queen Tina B. Lee will serve as our hostess on Wednesday, October 15, and Past Queen Carol Rose will be in charge at the November 19 sewing session. Please come and help us prepare the various items needed for the children in the Shriners Hospitals. They eagerly look forward to receiving these handmade "love projects" from our ladies.

October thought: Good judgment comes from experience and experience comes from bad judgment.



October means Happy Halloween. It is Trick or Treat time at Tarum. We hope everyone had a great time at Tarum during the Shrine parade in September. We were very happy to see everyone and really appreciate the Unit turnout. Next year should be a good parade and Shrine day and we hope to see everyone again.

August was another rough month for Tarum. We lost two more of our nobles. Noble Jack Dickey and Noble Gordon Bringle passed away. Our condolences go out to both families. Gordon was always ready to help with Tarum's projects and he will be missed by everyone at Tarum. Jack Dickey was very involved in every aspect of Tarum. He was instrumental in the formation of the Can Committee. He picked up thousands of cans, sorted, crushed, and loaded them. He loved taking children to the circus, was a past president, Can Man of the Year, and Shriner of the Year. He will be missed by Tarum. I will miss him especially as he was my father and my brother in Masonry. Rest easy nobles and enjoy the rewards of your work.

Tarum's ladies held their annual bingo salad bar in September and as always, wow, what a great job. Well done ladies. The ladies also had a food booth at the Richmond Art Festival. They sold burgers and dogs to the hungry festival attendees and raised money for their projects and the Club. Thank you to all who helped with both of these events.

Finally, we have a new caretaker. Robert Whalen, who is also one of our newest nobles, has taken on this job. He has done a great job so far. He arrived just as the summer came to a close. However, he has been very busy as there were some big parties and a wedding reception to take care of. We want to welcome Robert to Tarum.

See you at Tarum.

### 59 and Growing

The first meeting of the Murat Firemen's Club was held in the Kneipe Room of Murat temple January 5, 1949. Ray Cogan was elected president and Harry Branson was elected secretary-treasurer. Encouraged by Potentate Calvin Richey and Noble Harry Geisel, the Club grew in both membership and activities from a modest beginning that year under its first president to its present stature of more than 40 members.

The name "Murat Firemen's Club" was suggested by Noble Harry Branson and adopted at the second meeting February 17, 1949. The Club treasury was started by a \$10 donation from Potentate Richey and has grown until the services of a separate treasurer are now required. During that first year, President Cogan and Secretary-Treasurer Branson drew up the Club bylaws. The bylaws allow the Club to have Active, Associate and Honorary members.

At the beginning, our Club was a marching unit where we marched all across the country in various Imperial and Great Lakes Shrine Association parades. But in 1980, we became a motorized unit when the city of Indianapolis sold us a 1955 Maxim Fire Engine. This is the big "Red Fire Engine" you see when we parade at the Indiana Masonic Home and other parades locally and nationally.

The Club now operates with five principal officers, has dues, meets monthly, and participates in as many Murat functions as possible. It manages to have a good turnout at various events, in spite of the unique working hours of firemen, working three shifts of 24 hours each plus a Kelly Day.

Objectives of the Club are to provide Murat with a Safety Committee, while forming a social club for Indianapolis area firemen, both active and retired, who are members of Murat.

Club members provide emergency medical services at the circus, provide circus ads, assist with the Paper Crusade, Mini-Clinic, and participate in many Shrine and civic parades.

Our Unit has been very diverse for the past 59 years. We are proud of our involvement in Shrine and civic affairs. We are especially proud of our members' accomplishments and for the many who have taken leadership roles in the Indianapolis Fire Department and surrounding fire departments. Our membership represents various ranks in fire departments in Indianapolis, Marion County, and other cities within the state of Indiana. Many have even become chiefs of some of those departments.

The Murat Firemen's Club membership has participated and held high offices in Shrine groups on the local and national levels. We are especially proud of Ronald M. Elliott, Potentate of Murat. (Ron is a retired member of IFD.) Elected as Potentate of Murat for 2008, he is the first firefighter from Indianapolis ever to hold the position of Illustrious Potentate of Murat. Ron is also a past president of our Murat Firemen's Club. His goal for Murat this past year has been "Nobles ... Create in '08."

Our time is growing short, but you too can help Illustrious Sir Ron help create new nobles for Murat. Ask your MASON friend to join Murat either in the October 18 Grand Master All the Way in One Day Class or the December 13 Hot Sands Ceremonial.

**Band Nights  
return to the  
Oasis Lounge  
this fall.**

**See Coming  
Events for  
dates.**

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on page 27*

**PICNIC** – The Transportation Club held its annual picnic at Beech Grove Park in August.

The day was bright and sunny and so were the many members and their ladies. This was the largest gathering for the picnic we've had in several years. President Ron Bolyard organized a great day with enough food to feed an army thanks to the ladies who never disappoint us. Thanks to Paul Herzog (our resident chef) for preparing all the meat and to Don Schildgen for bringing the portable cooker. In attendance were our Potentate, Ron Elliott, and Sally Jo; Assistant Rabban Craig Hinshaw and Kay; Oriental Guide Charles Crabtree and Faye; Recorder Gordon Husk and Marian; and Outer Guard Bill Rasner and Vicki Franklin.

**MAKING PROGRESS** – It was good to see past President Elmer Habicht and Carl Schnepf join us for our picnic. Both have been on our sick list and we hope they continue to get better.

**PARADES** – As the parade season begins to wind down, thanks should be given to several members who

devoted their time to help promote Shriners Hospitals.

**CEREMONIALS** – There will be two ceremonies this fall. The first will be a one-day class at Murat on October 18 following the Scottish Rite Convocation. The final full ceremonial for the year will be on December 13. You can bring a candidate for either or both ceremonies. The December ceremonial will include the "Club and Unit Fair."

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY** – Past President Bucky Everhart will again chair the 2008 party which will be held on Sunday, December 14. We ask for the help of every member to make this another successful party. The committee began meeting in September and will meet monthly before the Stated Meetings. As always, we are in need of toys. Bucky is sending out a letter to all Clubs and Units for donations of toys.

**CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY** – The Club will again go to the University of Indianapolis for their Christmas party on December 17. More about the party will be communicated at our meetings.

**WHITE ELEPHANT** – The Club will have a white elephant at our Christmas party this year to raise money for the Club. Members are asked to bring an item worth at least \$15.

We will learn more particulars as the time approaches.

Please join us at our Stated Meetings held each month on the third Wednesday at Murat.

We enjoy dinner together in the Mecca Room around 5:30 p.m. and meet in the same room at 7 p.m. See you there.

## Murpah Shrine

Murpah Shrine Club celebrates its 50th anniversary.



President David Wilcox presents Potentate Ron Elliott with a check for \$2,500 for the Murat Transportation Fund.



The time capsule was opened by President David Wilcox and Potentate Ron Elliott. Additional items were added and the capsule resealed and returned to its burial site.

## Mini Cycle Club

Russ Butters

It's October already and we are still parading. Right now we have only three parades left. They are Plainfield and Franklin – October 4 and Martinsville – October 12.

This year we have had 26 parade invites. Soon parade season will be over and then this

means painting, repairing and chroming our bikes for next year's parade season.

It's time to start thinking about new officers for 2009. At our meeting on November 4, we will hold election of officers.

Happy Birthday wishes go out to members and their ladies.

To those who are ill, we wish them a speedy recovery.

Enjoy your Shrine by joining a Unit or Club at Murat.

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# Grand Master's One-Day Class

*"All the Way in One Day"*

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Hosted by Murat Shrine Center

*In honor of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of  
Masons of the State of Indiana, Jeffery P Zaring*

**Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008**

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Following the conclusion of the Master Mason degree, the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Indianapolis, will be opening and conferring the fourth and fourteenth degrees.

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

*Note: All Candidates for the degrees of Symbolic Masonry will need to have a mentor present who can vouch for their eligibility. The mentor will need to bring the apron, Bible and Monitor for each of his candidates. As a reminder, candidates for this class must have been elected prior to October 18, 2008.*

## Schedule of Events

7 AM

Registration of all Candidates  
Coffee and doughnuts available

8 AM

Symbolic Lodge opened and  
conferral of the Entered Apprentice

10 AM

Break, followed by the  
Fellow Craft degree

12 PM

Luncheon Buffet served  
Cost is \$10 per person.

1 PM

Lodge resumes Labor and conferral  
of the Master Mason degree.

3 PM

Scottish Rite confers the fourth  
and fourteenth degrees.

4:30 PM

Murat Shrine Ceremonial



# Kentucky Colonels

Dennis Scott

**RAFFLE** – The Club held its first annual raffle in September for the Red Bull Motorcycle Race held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. The raffle was a great success and will provide those extra funds for the Club. Many thanks to all of the members who either bought or sold the tickets for the raffle. The raffle winner was Phil Linxwiler from Greenwood. The winning ticket was sold by Colonel Bud Pearson. Four members of the Club were present at the drawing held at Murat on August 20. See picture.



Ernie Condra and Garvie Piercy.

**PLAQUE PROGRAM** – The Plaque program is going well and several Clubs and Units, as well as individuals and businesses, have made contributions and received their plaque.

Remember this is a Club project and will benefit our Shriners Hospitals for Children.

We still need to reach those who have not donated as yet and definitely need more businesses to contribute. We ask that all members approach a business you know and see if they would be interested in participating in this worthwhile cause. We have example plaques for your use in the Fraternal Office as well as sales slips. There is still time to get some sold before the end of the year.

**CEREMONIALS** – There are two ceremonials this fall to bring in a new member. The first is a one-day class to be held on October 18, 2008, as part of the Scottish Rite Convocation. The second is a full Hot Sands to be held on December 13, 2008, at Murat.

We will need volunteers to work the Club and Unit Fair table for the December 13 ceremonial.

**SICK AND DISTRESSED** – Two Colonels have and are going through some tough times healthwise and need our support and encouragement. We wish the best to Colonel Paul Traub and Colonel Ed Andrews. If there are any other members who are sick, please let me know.

Please join us on the first Wednesday of the month in the Mecca Room around 5:30 p.m. for dinner. The Stated Meeting will follow at 7 p.m.



(L-R) Ray Hunt, Ernie Condra, Wally Renn, Garvie Piercy, and Ray Gotshall.

**Band Nights return to the Oasis Lounge this fall.**

**See Coming Events for dates.**

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## Dining Specials at the Oasis Lounge

### WEDNESDAYS:

6 Buffalo Wings and a Pitcher of Beer for \$10

### THURSDAYS:

Combo Appetizer Platter and a Pitcher of Beer for \$10

### FRIDAYS:

Ribeye Steak and Shrimp Combo Platter for \$12

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# Symphony on the Prairie

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## Fall Ladies Luncheon

**Saturday, November 15**  
**Arabian Room**  
**Doors open at 10:30**  
**Lunch at noon**



Shopping boutique  
 Lunch  
 Door prizes  
 Entertainment

*Tickets will be \$25  
 and available in the  
 office.*



# COLTS GAMES AT THE OASIS

Have a "tailgate" party and enjoy the Indianapolis Colts Murat Style!

Come to the Oasis for these Colts "away" games and watch them with your fellow Shriners, family and friends. The Oasis will open on these dates two hours before the start of the game.

SUN Oct 5  
Houston Texans

SUN Oct 19  
Green Bay Packers

MON Oct 27  
Tennessee Titans

SUN Nov 9  
Pittsburgh Steelers

SUN Nov 23  
San Diego Chargers

SUN Nov 30  
Cleveland Browns

SUN Dec 18  
Jacksonville Jaguars

# MURAT ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

## Friday Nights at the Oasis Lounge

### October:

FRI 3	Band Night
FRI 10	Dart Tournament
FRI 24	Contemporary Live Music Night
SAT 25	NexGen Halloween Party
FRI 31	Dress like a Rock Star Karaoke by NexGen

### November:

FRI 7	Band Night
FRI 14	Dart Tournament
FRI 21	AASR Afterglow
FRI 27	Thanksgiving Weekend – no events

### December:

FRI 5	Band Night
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## Dancing in the Arabian Room: \*

SAT Oct. 11	Fred Astaire Dance Studio presents "Lights, Camera, Action" in the Arabian Room – \$75 per guest
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FRI Oct. 17	Live Music Night – \$17 per ticket/Margot and the Nuclear So and So's
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FRI Dec. 12	Ballroom Dance Holiday Gala/Fred Astaire Dance Studio – \$75 per guest/in the Arabian Room
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*\* These events are sponsored by Oasis Events.*

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## COMING EVENTS

*The current Murat calendars for 2008 and 2009 are available at [www.muratshrine.org](http://www.muratshrine.org)*

### OCTOBER

- WED. 1** **DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER MAGAZINE**  
**THU. 2** Caravan Club  
**FRI. 3** Band Night – Leedsman Band  
**THU. 9** Caravan Club – Theater of Performing Arts at the Scottish Rite  
**THU. 16** Caravan Club – Gordon Husk, Recorder  
**FRI. 17–SAT. 18** AASR Membership Play  
**SAT. 18** Grand Master's One-Day Class at Murat "All the Way in One Day"  
**MON. 20** Divan Meeting, Board Meeting **Stated Meeting 7 p.m.**  
**THU. 23** Caravan Club – Christmas Gift & Hobby Show  
**FRI. 24–SAT. 25** AASR Membership Play  
**SAT. 25** NexGen Halloween Party  
**SUN. 26–SUN. 2** Potentate's Mexican Riviera Cruise  
**THU. 30** Caravan Club – Beef & Boards Shows

### NOVEMBER

- MON. 3** **DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER MAGAZINE**  
**THU. 6** Caravan Club  
**FRI. 7** Band Night – Lady Di and the Kings  
**THU. 13** Caravan Club  
**FRI. 15** Ladies Luncheon & Boutique  
**MON. 17** Divan Meeting, Board Meeting **Stated Meeting 7 p.m.**  
**THU. 20** Caravan Club  
**THU. 20–SAT. 22** AASR Convocation  
**THU. 27** **HAVE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING**  
**THU. 27–FRI. 28** Fraternal Office closed

### DECEMBER

- MON. 1** **DEADLINE FOR JANUARY MAGAZINE**  
**THU. 4** Caravan Club  
**THU. 11** Caravan Club  
**SAT. 13** **Ceremonial**  
**SUN. 14** Children's Christmas Party  
**MON. 15** Divan Meeting, Board Meeting **Stated Meeting 7 p.m.**  
**THU. 18** Caravan Club  
**THU. 25** **Merry Christmas!**  
**WED. 31** NexGen New Year's Eve Party

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