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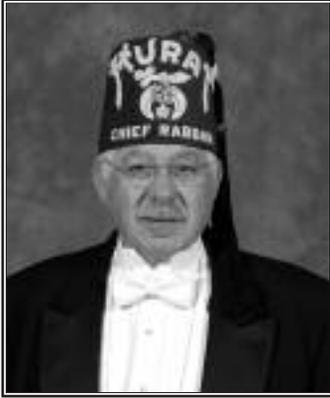
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Honoring the Legion of Honor

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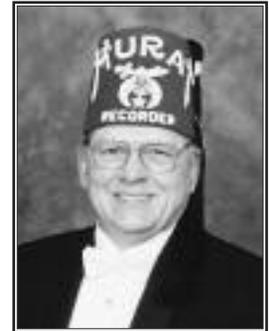
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About the Cover:

Murat hosted the Annual Meeting of the International Association Legions of Honor. Murat's own James Taflinger celebrated the completion of his year as the Association's International Commander. Murat's Legion Color Guard seven man team captured First Place in the competition.

(L to R) John Cheeley, Bruce Hall, Ron Bolyard, Clyde House, Bob Watson Potentate Jerry Markovich and Imperial Sir John Cinotto, Jim Taflinger, Louie Galati, Lloyd Hearn and Competition Captain George Choung.



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POTENTATE MESSAGE

From the Potentate

It has been my pleasure in previous years to attend Shrine Directors Association national conventions. The 2007 convention was in Mt. Pleasant, SC, where the Murat Directors Staff exhibited their talents and received the fourth

place award, with 40 units from other temples participating. What a great job, Nobles!

Murat was honored to have the 76th annual International Association Legions of Honor convention held in Indianapolis during the month of May. Murat was proudly represented by International Commander Jim Taflinger and our highly regarded Murat Legion of Honor. They are a great team!

We have an opportunity to visit two open Hospital Day events at our Shriners Hospitals in June. The Chicago Hospital Day is June 3, and the Cincinnati Hospital Day is June 10. If you have a potential candidate for membership, I suggest you invite him to attend one of these Hospital Days. That visit might very well assure you of becoming a top-line signer for a



new Shriner, and you could begin sharing with your friend the joy of being a Shriner.

Membership is our priority – Remember, “407 in ‘07.” We must reach out to all Masons and invite them to join our great organization. If

you know of a Brother who is not a Shriner, I ask you to invite him to join. If you know a Shriner who is not regularly attending meetings, invite him to come to our Stated Meetings, enjoy the excitement and perhaps win a door prize at the meeting. We need the support of all Murat Units and Clubs, and each Unit and Club needs the support of one another. Let’s “Think Positive,” and have a fun year.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve you!

Yours in the Faith,

Jerry Markovich
Illustrious Potentate

BYLAW AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON AT THE JUNE, 2007, STATED MEETING

Linville Coner, a member of Murat Temple and a member of the Board of Directors of Murat Temple Association, Inc., proposed the following amendment to the Bylaws of Murat Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.:

Amend Article VII, Section 7.1 of the Bylaws of Murat Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., by adding and deleting certain language so that such section, as amended, will read as follows, with the new language italicized and deleted language bracketed:

Article VII ANNUAL DUES AND ASSESSMENT

Section 7.1. Amount. The annual dues payable to the Temple by each of its regular Members is [~~\$62.00~~] \$90.00.

Latest Update on 407 IN '07

ART BORTON

Now that we have survived Kerbela Fun Fest, we closed out the month with the 500 Festival Parade, and, of course, the "Greatest Spectacle in Racing," the Indianapolis 500. As always, the Imperial Potentate has joined us for race weekend. It has been a busy month of May, and now we prepare for parade season, the paper crusade, and getting ready for our trip to Anaheim, CA, for this year's Imperial Session.

Having said that, let's not forget about our membership plans for this year and how we are going to achieve our goals.

Our Potentate, Jerry Markovich, has established lofty goals for 2007, and he is working hard to make sure that Murat holds onto our position of being the largest temple in Shrinedom. His goal for this year is "407 in '07." This means we are looking to create 407 new Nobles during the year. This is an aggressive goal.

Our plan this year calls for a drawing to be held after receiving petitions 100, 200, 300, and 407. After 100, one name will be drawn, and the top-line signer will receive free dues for 2008. After petition 200, two names will be drawn for free dues, and after 300, three names will be drawn. After petition 407, four names will be drawn for free dues. So overall, 10 members will have free dues for 2008.

As I am writing this article on April 30, we have 93 new members so far this year, so we are falling behind our goal. Not only that, but at this time, no one has gotten their dues paid by Murat for 2008. At this pace, we would create only 279 new members for the year, so we have to step up our efforts.

We continue to offer ceremonials at your Club or Unit or before Stated Meetings. Full ceremonials at outlying Clubs will be scheduled as you gather a group of 20 candidates. This is in

addition to our regular Temple Hot Sands Ceremonial on December 8, 2007.

What can we do now to continue these efforts? The Scottish Rite held its Convocation and Reunion on April 20 and 21. Get petitions into the hands of these new Scottish Rite members and get them into the Shrine. Get them into your Club or Unit and get them active before we go dark for the summer.

Continue to work with the Blue Lodges, and get them involved in Shrine. You do not have to be a Scottish Rite or York Rite Mason to belong to the Shrine anymore. Let's get the new Master Masons involved with the Shrine as soon as we can. We should also encourage new Shriners to consider York Rite and Scottish Rite.

Continue to push candidates to our website (www.murat-shrine.org) to let them see what we are doing, what Clubs are available, and where they can find Nobles with similar interests.

The membership committee stands ready to help you grow your Club or Unit. During the next few months, we will be traveling to as many Clubs as possible to assist you with your recruitment plans, help with a rush party, or to perform a ceremonial at your home location. We look forward to working with you and helping grow your Club and Murat in general.

As you can see, this year will be a different year, with us taking our membership efforts on the road to your Clubs and Units rather than having you always come to Indianapolis. This should help create enthusiasm and energy for the Shrine in your local communities.

This is going to be another exciting year, and I look forward to working with each of you as we work together to bring Jerry "407 in '07."

Veteran Car Club

Danny Thomas

"We're rolling," even at \$3 per gallon for fuel – \$3.20 per gallon for some of us. But we must also remember that it's for the kids.

By the time you get this, our first parade in Nashville, IN, to the "Spring Blossom Festival" (May 5) will already have happened. Then on May 10, some of us will be traveling to Kerbela Shriner's "Smoky Mountain Fun Festival." Our first stop will be at Columbia, KY, then on into Pigeon Forge, TN. We will leave Pigeon Forge and travel to Danville, KY, resting both our autos and bodies before traveling back home. The whole trip will be traveled via the "back roads." Oh, but what a beautiful nation we do have.

On June 17 we will be taking some of the autos to Shelbyville, IN, to Ashford Place (a retirement home). We hope to let some of the residents, see, touch, and feel some of the old cars they may have once owned. We hope some will be able to have their photos taken inside the cars. The location is at I-74 and State Road 9 N exit. Turn left from Indianapolis and go

about three-tenths of a mile on the right. Why not come join us. The time is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Remember, you need not have an old car to join our Unit. We love to share autos with all our members. If you want to ride along, "choose your poison" – we would be delighted to have you "come ride with us."

It seems some of our ill members are getting better. Maybe cabin fever or the love of that old car is bringing them out. Anyway, it is always great to see all of these fellas and ladies. My what you can learn from these folks!

We are planning a new touring event this year – a trip to Barbourville, KY, October 11-14. You will not want to miss this week-long event that celebrates the treaty signing between the settlers of Barbourville and the Cherokee Indians. The parade is on Saturday, October 13. Why not join us. For more information check these sites out: [HYPERLINK "http://www.ky24ihc.org/dbf/index.html"](http://www.ky24ihc.org/dbf/index.html) <http://www.ky24ihc.org/dbf/index.html>; <http://www.ky24ihc.org/dbf/events.html>; <http://www.kyfestivals.com/details.php?id=438>.

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For the Ladies

Dianah Louks

Now that summer is looming upon us, it is time for parades, picnics, cook-outs, and outdoor activities! It is also time to plan for and take that family vacation.

Thanks to all of your work and participation, we were very successful in entertaining the Imperial Sir, Nicholas Thomas, and his Lady Elaine. Of course, the month of May with all of its celebrations and activities is an excellent time to entertain in a Hoosier way! Thank you again, for helping make all of our Imperial Family members feel our warm Hoosier-style hospitality!

Looking for the listing of someone to contact for a particular Club and Unit? Good news – the 2007 directories are out. My contact information is: Dianah M. Louks, email: realbzlady@hotmail.com, cell phone: (317) 432-8458, and you may always leave a message for me at the Fraternal Office!

Please remember to check the articles of the ladies' organizations and at

the back of the magazine for events that all ladies are welcome to attend. Also, be sure and join us for the first ever "Better Together" fashion show on Saturday, August 4, in the Arabian Room and seating is limited. There will be a Market Place prior to the fashion show in the Tunisian Room from 10 a.m. – noon, lunch will be served at noon, and the show will begin shortly after we are served! We have lots of surprises for you, and we will have lots of fun together!

We look forward to seeing everyone soon! Together, we will have fun and make a difference in the lives of the children we serve in the Shriners Hospitals!

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Potentate's Golf Outing

July 19 • Noon Shotgun Start

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Saturday, June 23, 2007

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Within the Shrine Potentate's Golf Outing, we have established the Hiram's Masonic Golf Challenge for Blue Lodge Masons. Here your Lodge will compete against other Lodges for the large trophy and dinner for the winning team at the Murat Shrine Club!

The rules are all four golfers must belong to the same Lodge and play together. None of the four golfers on the team may have played in either the 2005 or 2006 Potentate's Golf Outing. All players will be eligible to receive prizes from both the Shrine outing and the Hiram's Masonic Golf Challenge.

The game will be a Bankers Handicap playing your own ball. The winning Lodge team will be from the handicapped score.

The \$62 cost includes green fees, 1/2 cart, refreshments on the course, prizes and dinner at Winding Ridge after golf.

Cart decoration is up to the Lodge.

Which Lodge will win?

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Contact Don Melvin, Murat Shrine, or
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"It Means So Much To Me"

GORDON J HUSK

Hospital Driver Phil Algood and I met Jessica, a bright and smiling 4-year-old girl who was scheduled for surgery the following day at our Chicago hospital. We took Jessica and her parents, Richard and Heather Woodrum, from Crawfordsville to Chicago. During the trip, Jessica kept us entertained with her quick wit and smiles.

Richard and Heather talked about Jessica being born with club feet. At the time of Jessica's birth, Richard was serving overseas with the U.S. Marine Corps. He says, "Jessica had her first surgery at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego. It means so much to me to be with her for tomorrow's surgery. You can't imagine how difficult it was for me to be overseas while my baby had her first surgery. I appreciate the Shriners providing her

surgery and allowing me to go on this trip. It is hard for me to believe your organization provides such great medical treatment and doesn't charge for it."

The parents said the Navy doctors told them after Jessica's first surgery that a second surgery is usually necessary because of normal growth patterns. After moving to Indiana, the parents made application for treatment at Shriners Hospital for Children in Chicago. After Jessica was accepted as a patient, our drivers took Jessica and her parents to the hospital for an examination. Dr. Peter Smith examined Jessica, said the original surgery had been very well done, and recommended a second surgery. Following this surgery, Jessica will wear casts on both feet for four to six weeks, and will return to the hospital for examination. Dr. Smith believes

this will be the final surgery she will need. He expects her to walk and run normally.

While we were in the hospital lobby, Jessica went into an enclosed play area with many doors that can be opened to view exhibits. Knowing the lower, right door had a mirror behind it, I told Jessica to open it so she could see the monkey. She opened the door, looked at me and said, "Yep, it's a monkey." As I prepared to leave the play area, Jessica said, "You stay. I said."

Before we left the family at the hospital, Richard expressed interest in becoming a Mason and Shriner. He has membership petitions for both groups, and we gave him contact information for Divan member Kevin Rhodes, who plans to keep in touch with Richard and chart his membership progress.

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From the Recorder

Gordon J Husk

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Proposed dues increase: An announcement in this magazine indicates a Murat member has proposed a bylaw amendment, the effect of which is to increase Murat dues. It has been a considerable time since Murat's dues have been increased, and we all know operating expenses have increased. The proposed dues increase would enable Murat to continue (and increase) the level of member activities and its support of Units and Clubs. In addition, your Divan officers are committed to controlling discretionary spending. Plans are underway to introduce more family-oriented events to be enjoyed by Murat members, their families, friends and potential new Shriners. Our food caterers, (Noble) John Stowers and Patti, are actively working with us in planning and presenting these events. Stay tuned. New and exciting events will be announced soon.

Murat calendar raffle: There are 245 remaining opportunities to win cash in the Murat Calendar Raffle. There will be a \$25 winner each Monday through Saturday (except a Special Day), a \$100 winner each Sunday and a \$1,000 winner on each Special Day (July 4, November 24 and December 25). Calendars may be purchased at the Fraternal Office. To purchase a calendar, visit or call the office at (317) 635-2433 and give us cash or a check, or give your credit card number. A calendar will be handed to you or mailed, and you will be eligible for the May drawing if the purchase is made by May 29.

April drawing – \$25 Winners: Bob Poynter, Robert Berauer, Johnny Brown, Brent Mears, Roberta Rasner-Cummings, Phyllis Stickles, Alicia Jacobs, Dwayne Kesler, Mike Hargrove, Montgomery County Shine Club, Tri-County Shrine Club (won twice), Robert Dancey, Ralph Judge, Steve Childers, Police Club Drill Team, Joshua Barker, Michael Yoder, Jerry Anderson, R.D. Moffitt, Tom Senzig, Karen Wagner, Dwight Moody, Ed Johnson, Jon Elrod. \$100 Winners: Dave Heckman, Betty Huckeba, Tom Ohrn, Bob Hickok. \$1,000 Winner: Wanda Bohanon.

R.V. Club

Irv Lewis

I think that our second spring has sprung. We had our shakedown campout at the Last Resort at Nashville, IN, with 18 registered Units.

Friday evening found us having a nice pitch-in with Ken Duncan providing the main course, "Chili," and the rest of us providing the salads and desserts.

John & Barbara Sword gave the tentative dates and campgrounds for the season except for July which will be a surprise. All the wagon masters are ready to go.

May – Terre Haute, IN; June – New Castle, IN; July - ?; August – Johnson County Fairgrounds; September – Terre Haute, IN; and October – New Palestine, IL.

We are looking forward to a great campout season this year. If you would like to go camping with us, please call Paul Shambaugh at (317) 736-8708. Our Club meets the fourth Tuesday at the Murat Temple with dinner at 6 p.m. and the meeting following at 7 p.m.

Hillbillies

Harold Summers

Things are back to normal with the Hillbillies. The Snowbirds have come home to roost for the summer.

Our April meeting was held at the Gun Club. A large crowd was on hand to take pleasure in Rita's baked spaghetti, which is always a crowd pleaser, not to mention all the low calorie, sugar free desserts available.

As customary, we enjoyed music for our listening and dancing pleasure provided by the most excellent Hillbilly band in Murat Temple.

On a happier note, there wasn't a big sick report. Guess the warm weather we enjoyed the first part of April was good for everyone.

By the time you read this, if anybody traveled to Pikeville, KY, for their Annual Hillbilly Days festivities in April, they have returned by now.

Some of the Hillbillies did journey to Pigeon Forge, TN, for Kerbela Temple's Fun Fest weekend the first part of May.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 2, for our annual pitch-in/auction which will be held at the Gun Club this year. This fun-filled event will get underway at noon sharp with some magnificent foods provided by all the fantastic cooks in the Unit. The Unit will provide drinks and meats.

Also fetch lots of fine stuff for the auction. Remember, the more objects you bring, the more merriment we will have. Remember BLOM (bring lots of money).

The Hillbillies DO NOT have a meeting in July.

However, the big event of the year will be August 6 at the Gun Club when we select an honored lady to reign as Possum Queen for the next 12 months. What an honor.

Also, the Hillbillies do not meet in September. We need our rest.



Arab Patrol

Jim Monroe

In our last Stated Meeting we had three new members join the Unit. They are: Tim Murphy, Ed Jacobs, and Chris Planeaux. In the meeting, Captain Mike Long thanked everyone for the great participation in the Shrine Circus and reminded everyone to get ready for the upcoming parades. We were also informed that Walter Louks had hip surgery. We hope his recovery is coming along, so he will be able to get in on the parades with us.

Jim Harris let everyone know that the Butler Feast will be June 23 from noon until 7 p.m. Jim owns the Butler Inn at 5221 E. Washington St. For anyone who has not attended before, there will be food, entertainment, tip boards and a lot of fun for everyone – make plans to attend.

We had a guest at the meeting, Potentate Jerry Markovich, who asked Jim Priest to inform everyone as to the advertisement value of the Murat Magazine classified ads – a really good price for selling things or just for putting information about a promotion or Club event or function that may be coming up. Jerry also thanked everyone for the Patrol's showing at the Shrine Circus and said he would present an award to the Patrol at the Ringmaster's Banquet, which Jerry did present to our president, Scott Eder, during the Circus ceremonial awards after the dinner. The Patrol Unit is also trying to put together a directory with all members' information (name, address, phone numbers) for everyone, so we will have a way to contact and inform people of any last-minute changes, illnesses or anything that may come up. We would appreciate all the help we can get from our members. Please contact any officer with any information that may help us put this together as it will benefit us all. We will try to let everyone know about a parade schedule as soon as more information is available to us. Anyone wanting to join a fun and active Unit, we meet the first Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Gun Club

Herb Arthur

The uniform body of the Murat Gun Club have made and confirmed reservations to Anaheim, CA, for the 2007 Imperial Session. It seems such a short time ago we were in Tampa for the 2006 Imperial Session. Those who are going to Anaheim certainly are dedicated to continue in support of Murat Temple, still the largest Shrine temple. These sessions allow us to meet and socialize with other Nobles and wives whom we might never come in contact with in the various other cities and towns across this beautiful country.

After Anaheim we want to parade at the Franklin Masonic Home and Indiana State Fair. It would be great to have some of our veterans join in and help fill the voids. Remember we meet every Friday at 7 p.m. for practice and fellowship at the Gatling Gun Club, 709 N. Illinois St.

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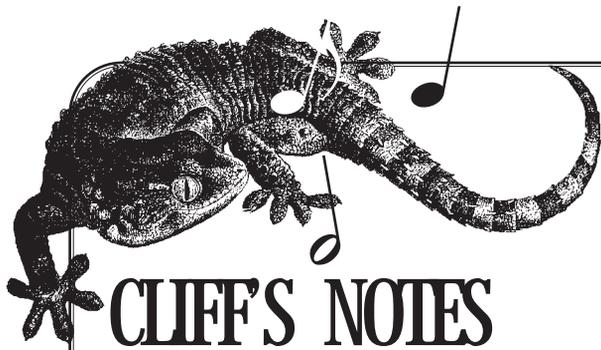
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CLIFF'S NOTES

What a wonderful Memorial Day Holiday! The Oasis was busy on May 25 partially due to the great entertainment provided by Jeff Brown, but mostly because of the visit from our Imperial Sir and his Lady. The evening was capped off in fine fashion in the Arabian Room thanks to the wonderful sounds of the Dwight Edwards Blues Band.

Don't forget your Oasis Lounge as we dash into summer. We have bands scheduled for June 1 and August 24. There is no better place to stop after a hot day of mowing grass (or 18 holes of golf) to rest and refresh yourself than your Oasis Lounge.

Did you ever wonder?:

1. Why is it that people say that they "slept like a baby" when most babies wake up every couple of hours?
2. Why does a round pizza come in a square box?
3. What disease did "cured ham" actually have?



Noble Frank Bohannon and his Lady Julie came back to the Oasis to get reacquainted after an extended absence. Welcome back!

VOLUNTEERS: Don't forget to lend a helping hand this summer by volunteering to help the VCM at the State Fair or Flying Fezzes at the Mount Comfort Air Show. Both of these fund-raising activities are good publicity for Shrine Masonry and Murat. Talk with a member of one of these two Units about how you can help.



Police Club member Noble Dennis Parks got comfy on an Oasis bar stool.



Noble Mike Close and Lady Candy are joined by Nobles Jeff Close and Chuck Gilson and their ladies Melanie and Nancy at Band Night.



Band Nights are not the only reason to have a party at the Oasis. On 4/12, Lady Vicki Wilson was surprised by family and friends with a birthday party in her honor.

More questions for the inquiring mind:

1. How is it that we put a man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?
2. Does the Alphabet Song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?
3. Why did you just try singing the two songs mentioned above?

Always remember: A man may enter our Shrine a stranger, but never let him leave as one.

See you at the Oasis aaaaanndddd Keep on Rockin!! 🎵

Tarum

Jeff Dickey

HEAR YE, HEAR YE, By order of Illustrious Sir Jerry Markovich, Potentate, Murat Shrine, and President Larry Pippin, Tarum Shrine, Saturday, June 16, 2007, has been designated Shrine Day at Tarum Shrine Club. All Shriners and their families are invited to come to Tarum Shrine and enjoy a day of food, fun, and fellowship in the Club and many outdoor activities in and around the pool. Please encourage all members of our Masonic Family to attend. You never know, there could be new Shriners among them just waiting to join.

President Pippin wanted to once again thank all who answered his call for the Spring Clean-Up. There were about 20 people who came to help. Once again, Noble John Anderson came to the rescue with some of his workers to fix the shelter house roof, patch some more of the Club roof, and bring a dump truck to haul away the trash. John has taken being a Shriner to heart. He and his Lady Rose have helped with many of the outside parties and wedding receptions. They are very busy people with their own business and kids; however, they find the time to still come and help at the Club. They attend Friday night dinner at least once or twice per month and always try to help where they are needed. They donate time and materials whenever possible so that Tarum may continue to be the club we all want it to be. So from President Larry, Tarum, and myself, thank you John and Rosie.

Remember that our Richmond Masonic Family has breakfast the first Saturday of the month. The food is good and the friends and the fellowship are hard to beat. So make plans to attend this once monthly event. On Saturday the 4th of August Webb Lodge will be hosting a Masonic Family picnic and fun day at Tarum Shrine Club. Brother Ken Toler and Brother Curt McDivitt are chairing this event and they need your help. So give them a call and plan on attending this fun day.

Have a great summer, enjoy yourselves, and be safe. See you at Tarum.

Hello from your Dramatic Cast.

Here we are in June already and almost time to go dark again. This has been a very strange spring. Snow one week then 75° and sunny the next. Oh well, it sure keeps things interesting.

Speaking of interesting, the Dramatic Cast made another trip to Indiana Downs at the end of April. This was another fun event and well attended. I think we had somewhere around 30 to 32 Nobles and their ladies with us for the event. It was nice to see that we also had some Nobles and ladies from other Clubs and Units join us. It is always great to get together with friends, and it's especially nice when the weather cooperates.

Noble President Tim Lloyd and Noble Larry Davis had this outing planned to a "T." To start with, we had our own suite on the third floor overlooking the track. We had our own cashier so we only had to walk about 20 feet to lose our money. Being a bunch of Masons, we put food right at the top of important things as far as good planning. Larry had selected buffet items that were just right (no horse meat) and had most of us going back for seconds.

Probably the most important thing was that we had our own bar and bartender. No waiting in line for anything. My Lady

Nina was on a roll and was picking sure winners (or place or show) in almost every race. I think she paid for most of our evening with her winnings. I did learn one very important thing – if someone (Nina) thinks you are placing a bet for her, be sure you do it.

The "407 in 07" membership campaign is moving along nicely but needs for all of us to bring in at least one new Shriner this year. Surely you know someone in your Lodge or the Scottish Rite or York Rite who would enjoy joining Murat. If you can get 20 candidates together, the Dramatic Cast will arrange to come to your Shrine Club and put on a full ceremonial. Can't come up with 20? No problem. We can arrange to do smaller groups prior to our monthly Stated Meeting.

If you know of any Nobles, or their family members, who are under the weather, please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as well as our service men and women who are protecting this great country.

As always,
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2007 Murat Shrine Golf Schedules

(Note: Murat Golf Outings are Stag)

JUNE 7

Reception Unit Golf Outing, Timbergate Golf Course, Edinburgh, IN; \$65 each, 12:30 p.m. Shotgun Start. Includes: Green Fees, Cart/Range Balls, Complimentary Beverage. Contact: Bill Rasner (317) 398-0105 x12.

JUNE 21

Knights of the Sea, Oak Tree Golf Course, Plainfield, IN (Clandestine Org., Non-Shrine) 8:30 a.m. Sign-In, 10 a.m. Shotgun Start. Contact: John Hess, 844-1377.

JULY 14

Montgomery County Shrine Club, Rocky Ridge Golf Club, Darlington, IN; \$60 each, 1 p.m. Shotgun Start. Includes: Golf with Cart, Food All Day, Comp. Beverage Cart, Hole-in-One Prizes with One Special Hole-in-One Prize. Contact: Steve Dawson, (765) 361-5826 or Mike Utterback, (765) 362-3557.

JULY 19

Murat Potentate's Golf, Winding Ridge Golf Course, East 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN; \$62, 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: Attn: Don Melvin, Golf Meister, Murat Shrine Golf, 510 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

AUGUST 2

Chanters Golf, Greenfield Country Club, Greenfield, IN; \$55, Bankers Scramble. Includes: Golf, 1/2 Cart, Prizes and Buffet Dinner after Golf at Country Club. Contacts: Andy Barbera, (317) 467-0775; Carl Gentry, (317) 286-3501; and Harry McClintic, (317) 865-3082.

AUGUST 16

White County Shrine Club, Tippecanoe Country Club, Monticello, IN; \$55. Includes Green Fees, 1/2 Cart and Prizes with dinner afterwards. Contact: P.P. Bob Hancock for Tee Times, (317) 501-1969 or (317) 844-2616.

AUGUST 20

Business Connection Golf Outing, The Fort Golf Resort, Indianapolis, IN; \$75, 12:15 p.m. Shotgun. Includes: Green Fee, Gift Bag, Golf Cart, Driving Range, Group Lessons, Prizes and a Catered Box Lunch. Contact: Randy Nail, (317) 578-0001.

SEPTEMBER 6

Johnson County Shrine Club; \$65 each, 4-person Scramble. Includes: Green Fees, Cart, Prizes, Zem-Zem on Course, and Prime Rib Dinner after Golf at Johnson County Shrine Club. Contact: Toddy Inabrit, 2857 S. Mullinix Rd., Greenwood, IN 46143, (317) 422-8949.

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.

Highlanders

Joe "Wee Piper" Ketterman

Hello Nobles!

Band Activities

The Murat Highlanders will travel to Ft. Wayne, IN, on June 9 to participate in the Fort Wayne Scottish Cultural Society Indiana Highland Games. This is a fun day that features several pipe bands, Highland athletic competition, Highland dance competition, and Women's Rugby. In addition to several food, drink and merchandise vendors, there is a Bonnie Knees Contest and the fabled Haggis Toss.

Bagpipe Basics/You can tune a bagpipe?

This is a question many people ask and yes, you can tune a set of pipes. The drones are tuned to the pitch of 'low A' on the chanter. The two tenor drones are tuned one octave below the chanter and the bass drone is tuned one octave below that. The drones can be moved up or down at their joints to change their pitch. Moving the joint up flattens the tone and moving it down sharpens the tone. Electronic tuners can be used to set these at precisely the right pitch.

The chanter can also be fine tuned, first by moving the reed upward or downward within its seat to flatten or sharpen its overall tuning. Individual notes on the chanter can be adjusted also. Remember, there are nine notes made by various configurations of the fingers on eight holes. Normally, a bit of thin tape like electrical tape is used. This is placed over various holes on the chanter to bring those notes into tune. In radical circumstances, material can be removed from the chanter to flatten a note. Most pipers would rather avoid taking the knife to a \$200 chanter.

Of course, the bagpipe tuning constantly changes during playing, being affected by temperature, humidity, internal moisture and the physical (or mental) state of the piper. Pipers have even attributed tuning problems to sunspots or phases of the moon! Bagpipes are very temperamental instruments and require a good ear to keep in tune!

While it is relatively easy to tune the individual bagpipe, the whole process really gets ugly when tuning the entire band. That will be the subject of a future article. Stay tuned.

BECOMING A HIGHLANDER

The band is always looking for new members. Musical experience is very helpful. We supply instruction for piping and drumming. If you are interested, please visit one of our meetings or practices. Our business meetings are the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Nile Room, which is in the lower level of the Shrine Club. Practices are the second and fourth Mondays at the Gatling Gun Club.

Rookie practice and instruction begins at 6:30 p.m. and the entire band rehearsal begins at 7 p.m. For additional information, contact Joe "Wee Piper" Ketterman at (317) 849-1807 or jmketterman@aol.com.



MSBC Texas Holdem Tournament

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- \$50.00 Buy-in includes tournament, beer, wine, and snacks
- See any MSBC Officer for Tickets

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Here it is June already. The 91st running of the Indianapolis 500 is now in the history books, along with the 500 Festival Parade. Since the festival committee considers the Mini-Mystics too dangerous for their parade, we no longer take part. Anyway, there are many more parades that really do enjoy us!

For instance, the Edison Electric Light Parade in Ft. Myers, FL. The people there are true Mini-Mystic fans. Since the Florida trip, Beech Grove Little League, the Spring Blossom Festival in Nashville, and the people in Pigeon Forge, TN, at the Kerbela Fun Fest have cheered the little cars on.

June will be a very busy time for all the Mini-Mystics. The parade schedule picks up considerably. Incidentally, all of our Club members are happy to extend a big WELCOME to our newest member. Lee Langlotz just joined our group and along with all his dues, he purchased a unit car. He will be joining the parades as soon as we can get his car ready. Glad to have you as a part of our Mini-Mystics team. Happy parading!

In June we have the Indiana Glass Days Parade in Dunkirk on June 2. Since this town became famous for the glass bottles they manufacture, don't even consider ordering a "can" of Zem-Zem – they may run you out of town. The following weekend will find the Club in Vincennes early Saturday morning for the Red Skelton Parade, then a quick trip back to Franklin Sunday morning and we'll be off to North Vernon for their Railroad Days Parade. Then on the 24th, we'll go to Fishers for the Freedom Fest Parade.



Empty mailbox



Chef Jim Carter



Mechanic Joe Inabnitt

After Fishers, seven or eight of our members will be preparing their cars for the trip to Anaheim, CA. Before the cars can be loaded on the semi, all the gasoline must be drained out of the tanks. Then the cars will leave by semi, while the drivers and their ladies will fly to California. July 3 they will meet up for the Imperial Parade in downtown Anaheim; should be awfully exciting to see the West Coast Shriners and their various clubs.

Back in April, the Mini-Mystics golf outing was put on hold due to inclement weather. Then a week later, the Shriners filled Hickory Stick Golf Course for the outing. A pat on the back should go to Joe Inabnitt, Bill Sparks, and Jim Carter who made the outing a success. The golf was lots of fun with lots of Zem-Zem available all day long.

When the golf was completed, everyone headed to the Johnson County Shrine Club for one of Jim Carter's famous dinners. After dinner, you may have heard, "Who will give me 5, 5, 5; I got 5; who'll go 10?" Well, Tony Wills, a professional auctioneer, came at Joe Inabnitt's invitation to auction off several donated door prizes. Tony was so good, many people at the Club stuck around just to hear his "jargon." All in all, it was quite a day.

If you noticed Picture #1 with this article, the mailbox is still empty. And you'll also note a couple of names and pictures missing as well. Sure hope the U.S. Mail improves their deliveries. Then we can put those gentlemen back into the magazine.

Have a great summer ... see you in September.

Motor Corps

Tom Austin

The parade season is upon us and the schedule is filling up. Please make sure your Unit is approved for each parade by contacting Earl Moore, parade marshal, or someone in the Motor Corps.

We have our annual picnic for the Motor Corps, Police Club and Mini-Mystics on July 21. It will be at Rohn McGee's again this year, so if you are not a member of Motor Corps, please join so you can enjoy this great outing.

The Motor Corps is here to assist your Unit with the latest information on upcoming parades, but we need you to attend our meetings so we can support your needs and help

you get better participation in your organized events.

Our goal in 2007 is to have every Unit be a part of Motor Corps so we can make the 2007 parade season successful and fun. We at Motor Corps also know that our officers must be more involved in your meetings, so let us know how we can help. Together we will make this our best and most organized season ever!

We meet the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Mecca Room. Contact Tom Austin at 752-0519 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.



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My name is Andy Hudson. I am the owner of Greenbriar Athletic Club and also a member of the New Castle Lodge No. 91, F.&A.M. I would like to invite all Shriners to join my club. I purchased the club in January 2007 and I am in the process of updating and remodeling the facility so that we will continue to be "Indiana's Premier Fitness and Racquetball Facility" since 1978. Greenbriar Athletic Club is over 28,000 square feet, has 60+ Fitness/Aerobic Classes per week for everyone, Tanning, Martial Arts, 10 Racquetball Courts, Cardio Rooms, Free Weight Room, Day Care, Personal Training, Racquetball Classes and more.

I am having an Open House for all Shriners on June 16 from 6 - 8 p.m. We will have refreshments, tours and membership information available to those interested. We will also be giving away 10 Free 30-day memberships and Free Trial Passes during the Open House. Our normal membership rates are as follows for a single membership:

Fitness:	\$34 a month
Racquetball:	\$52 a month
Towel Service:	\$35 a year
Martial Arts:	\$69 a month
Tanning:	\$35 a month

I am offering an exclusive deal for all Shriners. Your price for all the following above is \$99 a month. If you sign up for a new membership during our Open House on June 16, we will also include your spouse at no additional charge. Your membership would include Fitness, Racquetball, Towel Service, Tanning, & Martial Arts for a savings of \$219 a month. We also have a great deal on just a Fitness or Racquetball membership if you are not interested in the whole package. This is a great value and is only available to you!!! Please call or email me for directions and I hope to see you there.

Fraternally,


Andy L. Hudson, Owner

What a great time we had at our May meeting and fellowship dinner at the Athenaeum across from Murat. There were around 50 plus members and their ladies in attendance. All enjoyed the unique German food and nobody went away hungry. Thanks to our president, Colonel Kent Smith, Sr., and Colonel Carl Sputh for making this an enjoyable evening.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS – Several of the Colonels and their ladies visited the Lexington Hospital in May for Hospital Day. Our Murat trailer was also present to advertise our hospitals to the public. Chicago visitation will be on June 3, and Cincinnati Hospital will be on June 10. This is a great opportunity to expose your lady and friends to our hospitals. There will be tours at each of our hospitals with plenty of food and fun.

PAPER CRUSADE – June 22 and 23 are the dates for this year's Paper Crusade.

This is always a great opportunity for the Club to help advertise our hospitals to the general public. We have a new paper this year which is full of stories and information on how a family can receive free hospital care together with contact information, conditions treated, and a method for donations. The Colonels Club will be at the Walmart store at 7325 N. Keystone Avenue. If you would like to help spread the word, please contact the Club Paper Crusade chairman, Paul Schneck. It's not much work and is a very rewarding experience.

WELCOME – Let's all welcome our newest member, Terry Boyer. Terry belongs to the Clown Unit and is known as "Stinky." He also is second vice of the

Transportation Club.

JUNE MEETING – At our June meeting, we will have our pictures taken in our white suits (if you have one) to be put in the 2008 Murat calendar. This is an excellent opportunity to show off the Kentucky Colonel Club so mark your calendar to attend the meeting on June 6.

WHITE SUITS – Our suits are available for a limited time at S & K Menswear Greenwood, Park Plaza on Lafayette Road, Castleton, Carmel and at Value City. Please check to see if the suits are available before you make a trip to the store. White suits are manufactured for a brief time only and when they are gone, you will have to wait another year before they are available again. Any questions, contact Ray Gotshall.

Don't forget to join us the first Wednesday of the month in the Mecca Room. We always eat in the Mecca Room around 5:30 p.m. and are served where you sit. Board meeting is at 6:30 and the meeting will start at 7 p.m. See you there.

NexGen

Michael Joe Smith

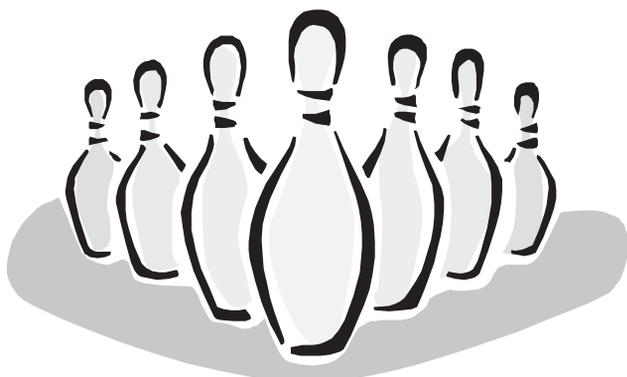
Happy Father's Day Nobles.

My, how the time is speeding by. It's hard to believe this year is half over! It seems like it just began. I would like to say thanks to all who came out May 25 for Band Night and reception of our Imperial Sir.

Nobles, if you are under the age of 46, come join the fun. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

On August 11, we are having a Murder Mystery Dinner in the Corinthian Room. Tickets are \$35 per person. I would like to thank Vice President Matt Boyer for all of his help in organizing our Lexington Hospital trip on May 19 and 20. We had a great time with lots of fun and fellowship.

May God bless you all.



Nobles,

All Master Masons who are interested in bowling with the Shrine Men's 5:45 p.m. Thursday night FALL bowling league at WESTERN BOWL, which begins August 30, 2007, please contact me (email: msmth1986@yahoo.com or phone: 317-881-5397).

As we enter the summer months, the Johnson County Shrine Club, like everyone else, is making plans for a busy, busy season. We will continue our BINGO on Tuesday evenings as well as on Saturday mornings. This is a year-round project for the Club.

While attending BINGO, take notice of the new floor in the room where the numbers are called. Recently, we underwent some major repairs on the floor joists, replacing flooring and having the entire floor sanded and refinished. It really dressed up the area. Looks nice!

The next big project for the Club will be the Johnson County Fair. From the opening day parade through the last day of the Fair, our members will be manning the Shrine building near the midway. It is here that the Club serves meals throughout the Fair. Three meals a day are served – breakfast, lunch, and supper. The feature dinner is the three-piece fish sandwich served with large side orders of fries, onion rings, baked beans, or cold slaw. This sandwich is a big hit ... year in, year out. I've actually heard people say that you can't beat the fish sandwich. You know, I'm getting hungry just writing about them.

When coming down to Franklin for the Fair, you can find excellent parking at the Johnson County Shrine Club. Our members sell parking spaces all during the Fair. Where else can you get parking at the front door of the Fair for \$3? Easy in, easy out. It's a lot like our fish sandwich, HARD TO BEAT!



Boarding one of two buses for the Argosy Casino trip.

Recently, you may have noticed a shortage of tomato juice in the Franklin area. A lot of that shortage could be due to the trip sponsored by the Club to the Argosy River Boat. As it is well known, such a trip is impossible to complete without Bloody Marys ... hence the shortage of tomato juice.

The trip to Lawrenceburg amounted to two bus loads of people; one bus was for smokers while the second bus was for non-smokers. The day started early at the Johnson County Shrine Club. Those in attendance enjoyed doughnuts, rolls, and coffee before boarding the buses. After an hour's drive, we rolled up to the front door of the Argosy Casino. Before heading into the casino to gamble, everyone was given tickets to the buffet for lunch.

The lunch buffet was excellent. It was quickly decided that no one would go away hungry. There was everything from bacon and eggs to prime rib. Upon completing the meal, there was a super dessert buffet. I'm sure it was calorie free.

When it came time to return to



Folks on one of the buses enjoying the ride, sipping on Bloody Marys.

Franklin, we ran into a problem. The non-smoker's bus had broken down. It took almost three hours to get a bus from Indianapolis down to Lawrenceburg. Finally, a bus was found and we boarded it to return. Even with the delay, a good time was had by everyone. It should be noted that Carl Howard III was claiming that he was leaving the casino "a winner," but many were questioning the one-cent voucher he was carrying. When it comes to gambling ... maybe we should follow the advice of the "Old Farmer." Here's what he has to say, "If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop digging."

Here's hoping your summer is filled with lots of enjoyment and good times. If you're wondering what to do on a Friday evening, come by our Shrine Club for dinner. That experience can only make your summer that much better. If you want more fun, remember this ... forgive your enemies, that really messes up their heads! See you in September.



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SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN

The year is going great over here in the eastern part of the state. We are proud to announce we took in another three new members. They are Nobles Matt Vanover, David Atwood and Rick Rowe. We are very excited to get these new members and hope to get a lot more. We hope our membership rally brings in a lot of members also. We plan on having appetizers, a great time expressing the values of being a Shriner and entertaining new prospective members. We hope the food alone may convince some of them to join. The menu that night is Mexican 7-Layer Dip, Hot Wings, Crab Cheese Ball, Chips & Fresh Salsa, Hot Poppers, Egg Rolls, Cheese Ball, Cheesy Mushrooms, Pin Wheel finger sandwiches, Shrimp, Hot Stuffed Mushrooms, Veggie Pizza, Fruit Pizza and tons of desserts. We hope to fill them so they will fill out applications. Ha Ha.

We have had our first fundraiser of the year and it was a great success. We raised 50 percent more than we had expected. We also have started teaming up with local PTOs to provide the food at their school carnivals. We were lucky enough to have had Noble Ron Zimmerman's granddaughter on Student Council at Orange Elementary, and their council is donating all the money they

made to us for the Hospitals. My own son is on the Student Council at Maplewood Elementary, and we are selling Cotton Candy, Carmel Corn, Lemon Shake-Ups and drinks at their school carnival. This is just another way our Club is raising funds and becoming involved in the community. We believe more involvement means more chances to meet new prospective members.

We also had another great turnout on our night to cook dinner at The Lord's Table. This is a compassionate way to let people who need a free meal know that we as Shriners care and are willing to do our part to help.

The Club has another fundraiser right around the corner – Party on the Square – and with the prospect of great weather, we hope to be able to report another great fundraiser. This year, besides the items we normally sell that President Noble Bobby DeVaughn makes in the bus, we are adding Italian Sausage sandwiches, Nachos and French Fries. Noble Hillbilly Nevin Selke is in charge of the grill.

The Whitewater Shrine Club has been and is blessed to have Noble Jack Gilland as our chaplain. He has been a voice of reason and has by example shown us how a great Mason and Shriner should act. He is both giving of time and

care. When I spent a couple nights in the hospital, it was nice having Jack come in and give prayer and hope of a better tomorrow. If you have not yet had the pleasure of meeting Jack, you should try and come to a meeting. At over 80 years of age, he is an inspiration to us all.

I would now like to tell you of another Shriner who works tirelessly, and that is our treasurer, Noble Gus Harmeyer. Gus works every function and never complains about anything. He also is an inspiration to be around. I give Gus a hard time joking around, but he knows I could not do that if I did not have a great deal of respect for him. He is a calming voice and a voice of reason. It is hard to find men like Gus.

When I started writing this article for the Murat Magazine a couple of months ago, I only talked about events and dates. I think it is important for those who read this to know a little bit about our members. They are all trying to help in one way or another. Not all can stand and sell or cook food, but they all can help.

Nobles Danny Boggs and Jim Hedrick have trouble standing very long, so they sit and run a table that has info about Shriners and our fundraisers. Helping make and bag Carmel Corn we have Nobles President Bobby DeVaughn, Leo Baker, Roger McQueen, Ricci Allen, Jim Baker, David Niemiec, Rick Julien, Clarence (Bud) Whipple, Gus Harmeyer, David Kehl, Gary Winstead, Jack Gilland, myself, our ladies and kids.

Running the hot food booth are Noble Nevin Selke, Leroy Combs, Dave Jordan, Bob Puckett, Bob Sherk (our past president), Ron Zimmerman, Terry Warner, and their ladies.

We would also like to thank Noble Billy Reeves who provides the entertainment each year at our handicapped children's Christmas Party.

We also ask that all Shrine brothers help pray for the health of Noble Ralph Clem. If you know Ralph Clem or just want to be nice, send him a card. Mail it to Ralph Clem in care of Whitewater Shrine Club, 722 N. Eastern Ave., Connersville, IN 47331. We will make sure all cards are delivered to him. This is just another way of showing as Shriners we care.

This may be little long but I thought we should tell all of the state who we are.

Remember a smile is contagious but a Child's Smile is Priceless.

Mobil Nobles

Jim Ennis

Our Mobil Noble members have many skills. Have you ever wanted to know how to juggle balls and/or bowling pins? Recently, our first vice president, Steve Bunting, taught several of our Shrine clowns to juggle balls illustrated via this photograph. Steve shared that everybody enjoyed the evening and that a few of the clowns are now jugglers. They intend to include this new skill into their own clown acts.



The legionnaires at Fisher's American Legion Post #470 keep asking fellow legionnaire and Mobil Noble Bob Sculthorp when the next Spaghetti Dinner is going to be. Now Bob and all of the Mobil Nobles are announcing the Spaghetti Dinner is being conducted on Saturday, October 27, from 4:30 p.m. until the spaghetti sauce runs out or 8 p.m., whichever happens first. The American Legion Post is located at 9091 E. 126th St., Fishers, IN, near IN 37.

Our newest member is Bill Cothran. Greet him and make him feel a part of our family.

We do not go "dark" in the summer. We will be meeting at places outside of our center. The locations will be announced in future communications.

We meet on the second Friday evening each month. Bring your lady and join us in the Oasis about 6 p.m. Our meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

"We are everywhere."

Greetings from Maharanee Betty Huckeba: "I would like to remind everyone that SMYRNA will be dark in July and August. I hope everyone gets and enjoys their needed time off – I know I will. Best wishes for a great summer! Please be sure to mark your calendars for our upcoming fall events. You know how time flies; fall will be here before we know it."

JUNE

Wednesday, June 6 – Guild Night – Smyrna Birthday Month. Please make your reservations with Tammy Priest.

Saturday, June 9 – Ceremonial for Smyrna members to be held at the Gun Club. The event will begin at 10 a.m.

Saturday, June 16 – Smyrna will be having a Summer Party in honor of all Divan Ladies & Past Potentate's ladies at the Gatling Gun Club. Cocktails will be at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. We will have a DJ for the rest of the evening. Come visit with old friends and meet some new ones! Tickets are available from Smyrna members for \$30 a couple or \$15 per person.

Tuesday, June 26 – Smyrna Board Meeting 6:30 and Stated Meeting 7:30.

REMINDER – SMYRNA IS DARK IN JULY AND AUGUST.

Please mark your calendars for upcoming fall events.

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

Wednesday, September 5 – Guild Night. Please make your reservations with Tammy Priest.

Tuesday, September 25 – Smyrna Board Meeting 6:30 and Stated Meeting 7:30.

We will not have Guild Night in October due to Imperial Session.

September 30 through October 5 – Imperial Session in Lexington, KY.

The Imperial Session will be at the Holiday Inn North in Lexington, KY, from September 30 through October 5. The luncheon will be on Tuesday this year (a change from most years). We will be celebrating our 60th anniversary at the luncheon. Also, everyone in attendance will have the opportunity to perform "nursery rhymes" for the children at the hospital on Wednesday night. (If you would like to participate, please bring black slacks and a white top). Thursday night will be fun night (Elaine promises a good time)! Friday night will be the

Installation of New Officers dinner.

Elaine has a project where she will be presenting instruments to the hospitals this year. Some instruments will remain at the hospital for "music" therapy. Other instruments will be donated for the patients to take home with them. All the instruments will be purchased with the help of donations.

Other activities include visits to the Lexington Shrine Hospital. If you haven't been to a Shrine Hospital, this would be a great opportunity. Lexington is a beautiful place to visit as well. Please consider attending this Imperial Session. Reminder: You will need to register by August 31. All members should be receiving paperwork in your Chatterbox regarding registration and hotel accommoda-

tions. We sincerely hope that you will plan to attend the Session and support Elaine Thrasher, our very own Imperial Maharanee.

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. Please leave a message.

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.

Transportation Club

Dennis Scott

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS – Several members of the Transportation Club and their ladies were at the Lexington Hospital in May for their annual Hospital Day. The Murat trailer was there to advertise our hospitals to the public and Nobles alike. The day began with tours of the hospital, entertainment, food, speeches in the main tent, and a parade of Units from many of the 14 temples that serve Lexington. All had a good time as usual. Our Chicago Hospital will have their open house on June 3 and the Cincinnati Burns Hospital will hold its open house on June 10.

PAPER CRUSADE – Don't forget the Paper Crusade on June 22 and 23. The Club has selected the Kroger store at 5325 E. Thompson Road and Wal-Mart in Noblesville. This year, the Legion of Honor will be helping man our locations. If you would like to help pass out papers at either location, see or call the Club chairman, Terry Boyer.

THANKS MIKE - From the grapevine, I found out that Mike Metzger took it upon himself to clean and restore one of our hospital vans to its original beauty. I don't know which one it was, but it is the shiny one in the parking lot. After several trips all our vans need some tender love and care and this couldn't have come at a better time. If someone else would like to do the same, I'm sure you can talk to Ernie Jackson and set up a time.

ANNUAL PICNIC – What's better than to have a picnic on a hot August day? That's exactly what we will have on August 15. The location will be the same place at Beech Grove Park where Paul Herzog will do his wonders with the hamburgers, tenderloins and hot dogs. Everyone else is asked to bring a covered dish of garnishes, vegetables, fruit, dessert, and drinks. We usually are there around 5 p.m. and will hold a short meeting after our bellies are full.

AIR SHOW – August 25 and 26 are the dates for the Mount Comfort Air Show. If you want to sell air show merchandise and help make money for our Club, please let our president, Mike Harrison, know you are interested. We will have five-hour shifts or you can elect to work all day. Before or after your shift, you can watch the show and visit the static displays. Remember the Blue Angles will be there in all their glory accompanied by the Navy high altitude parachute team. Each worker will receive a lunch coupon to eat at the Flying Fez tent. What more can you ask for?

We meet every month on the third Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Mediterranean Room downstairs. Come join us in the Oasis Lounge for dinner prior to the meeting.

Legion of Honor

Bob Watson

By the time you read this, the International Association Legions of Honor annual convention will be history. To all who attended, I hope you enjoyed yourselves and came away with fond memories and just maybe a new friendship or two. I'll be able to offer more details in the next issue of the magazine.

This month, the Legion of Honor is teaming up with the Transportation Club to participate in the Paper Crusade. This annual event is held specifically to raise awareness of the great work the Shiners Hospitals do for the kids. All money collected goes directly to Shriners Hospitals or to Murat Transportation Fund.

Discussed at our April Stated Meeting was the possibility of touring a military museum in Anderson, IN. From what I've been told, this particular museum has an extensive collection of military vehicles, many of which have been utilized in the making of several movies. At this point, a tentative September date has been set. I'll share more details when they become available.

Also, again this year, the Legion of Honor is planning a bus trip to Arlington National Cemetery over Veterans Day weekend, in November, for the wreath laying ceremony at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. We are considering adding another day to the trip so as to

give us more time to see the sights. There is so much to do and see in our nation's capitol. As we did last year, if we don't have enough Legion of Honor members to fill the bus, we will then open it up to any Shriner. I'll have more information on this at a later date.

Don't forget the Legion of Honor is dark in July and August, but the Color Guard will be available to present colors at your Club or Unit's function. Contact our Color Guard captain, John Cheeley, to make arrangements. Remember, "It is an honor to belong to the Legion of Honor."

Motorcycle Fun Club

Tom Austin

The warm weather is finally here and we have our bikes out and are starting to ride. Our meetings are showing life again with the anticipation of riding as a group to different events.

We have scheduled several rides already and hope to see you out there with us. We have the Grand Masters' ride, lunch/dinner rides, and car and motorcycle show events.

We welcome new members to join our Club – growing with enthusiasm, good fellowship and fun activities planned every month. All you need is a licensed street worthy motorcycle and you are ready to go! We meet the third Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Mecca Room.

We need you to come to our meetings so we can better plan events and get organized to make this a fun club once again. Please feel free to stop by and visit to learn more about our Club. Contact Tom Austin, our Club president, at 752-0519 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you on the road.

Chanters

Gayle L. Byers

A POP QUIZ

School is out for the summer so it's time to test what you've learned this year through the informative and erudite materials that have been brought to you in this column. Take a minute and see how you score.

1. Who is the current president of Murat's premier singing ensemble?
2. The Chanters are proud of having two Past Potentates in the Unit – who are they?
3. What famous Golfmeister is an honorary Chanter, but not allowed to sing?
4. What annual fall event at the Shrine provides not only great food, marvelous liquid libations, and enormous hospitality but also the most fabulous display of talent under one roof?
5. What Shrine event will you mark on your calendar now for October 6, 2007, and promise not to miss?
6. What currently "inactive" Chanter was recently feted as a Prom King and was photographed in the clutches of a dowager Queen?
7. If you had your choice of eating a gizzard, drinking a blizzard, being enchanted by a wizard or slithering with a Lounge Lizard, which would you choose for maximum enjoyment?
8. Who would you put money on to be late for his own funeral (or any other activity requiring his presence)?
9. Whose Fez did the Chanter Director have to borrow for a recent photo shoot in the Murat Magazine?
10. What reward is yours for the successful completion of this quiz?

Answers: 1. Greg Edwards 2. Robert Hancock, Jr. and Phillip Thrasher 3. Donovan Melvin 4. The Chanter Men's Show 5. The Chanter Men's Show 6. Charlie Edmonds 7. Name Withheld 8. Ed Adams 9. Imperial Sir and P.P. John A. Cinotto 10. Are you kidding?

June has arrived. With this arrival is the hard labor required for gardening, planting flowers, and general outdoor maintenance. Lower back pain, leg cramps, and sore muscles we never knew existed are the by-products from these tasks. Sales of muscle relaxers and pain killers have been on the rise.

April 28 was Madison County's famous "Style Show." Lady President Jo Ann Anderson and her committee did a superb job. Doors opened at 10 a.m. and the free champagne started flowing. Yes, at 10 a.m. Past presidents of Madison County, led by Past Potentate Jeff Zaring and his trusty towel, tippy-toed throughout the dining room, pouring the bubbly. P.P. Dick Dawson's thumbs became bruised due to uncorking 78 bottles of champagne. As I glanced around the room, I've never seen so many smiling ladies in one setting. You can't imagine the traffic in and out of our ladies' restrooms.



The show's theme "Steppin' Out in Style" was most fitting. Madison



County's lady models graced our carpeted runway with smiling faces decked out in trendy outfits of various colors. Male models wooed the crowd with their professional runway showmanship and colorful attire.

Hopefully this magazine reaches your mailbox by June 9 to alert you to an upcoming event. This is our Madison County Car Show. Vintage cars, trucks, and even motorcycles will be present featuring entertainment, a barbeque, and our lounge will be open.

Visit us at our website, www.madisoncountyrshrineclub.com.

Till next month ...

Southeastern

Ed Johnson

Parade season has started and the Crescent Patrol is ready to entertain! The Crescent Patrol is our parade unit and currently consists of mini-bikes, clowns, a giant fez float, antique cars, a semi-tractor and our hospital van (a good way to remind the folks at the parade what we are all about). Members who are not already participating in the parades are encouraged to come out and join us. We will find a place for you somewhere in the line-up; just remember to bring your fez.

Our ceremonial at the Club will be coming up on the 4th of August. Keep bringing in those petitions so we can reach our goal of 27 new Shriners. We have high hopes of getting at least 20 petitions so we can host a full ceremonial. Nobles from other Clubs who would like to attend our ceremonial are also welcome. We will be serving a T-bone steak dinner as well, but we must have an RSVP, so mark your calendars and call today!

Just a reminder to our members, we are still hosting an open house on the fourth Friday each month. There is good food to be enjoyed and fine friends to enjoy it with. The meal is served at 6 p.m.; please bring a covered dish.

Railroad Club

Raymond E. Gotshall

The Murat Railroad Club was entertained at our May 22 meeting by Noble Jay McLaughlin, master magician. Great show!! If you didn't come, you missed it. Many things were made to disappear, but rest assured all of our trains are still in place.

President and Chief Engineer Bobby Crawford announced he will be showing a video of "Freight Operations in the U.S." Commentary about the video will be by President Bobby Crawford. Shriners visitors are welcome.



An early reminder – the annual picnic of the Murat Railroad Club will be held at the Foxes Den, Johnson County Park, just north of Camp Aterbury, IN, on Saturday, August 18. This is a pitch-in. We will be able to visit the Columbus Area Model Railroad Club and ride on the Indiana Live Steamers. Put this date on your calendar. More info will be in the monthly newsletter.

The Railroad Club is looking for some Shriners 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 tail light stickers are still available from the Fraternal Office as well as from Murat Railroad Club officers. Let's light up your car's tail lights with the Shrine Emblem.

Contributions

Photos by Bob Wilson, Murat Camera Club

(April 2007)



Potentate Jerry Markovich is joined at the podium by Murat Shrine Business Connection President Art Borton, Noble Tom Weartz, and Noble Chris Schaler who presented a \$3,000 scholarship check to Shriners Hospital patient Brock Heinsen and his grandparents, Sam and Sandy Jackson.



Ben Cahill, John Stowers, Jack Davis, and Donald Endress are made Nobles of the Mystic Shrine prior to the start of Murat's 4-16-07 Stated Meeting. Joining the new Shriners for a photo session are Potentate Jerry Markovich, his Divan, and Dramatic Cast members Phil Herthel, Carl Culmann, and Frank Tharp. Three more Nobles were created earlier in the evening. They are Charles Winings, Jr., Aaron Pearlman, and David Ritenour.



Treasurer Ron Williams of the Director's Staff hands over a \$500 check to Potentate Jerry Markovich for the Murat Transportation Fund. He is ably assisted in the presentation by Nobles Dick Smith, Norm Jones, Mack Fishburn, Mike Clem, Jack Klingartner, and Gerald Frost.



Potentate Jerry Markovich accepts a \$1,000 check for the Transportation Fund from Railroad Club President Bobby Crawford and Club members Dave Beck, Ray Gotshall, Stanley Moore, Garland Moore, David Kaufman, Fred Schowengerdt, George Weaver, Past Potentate Jeff Zaring, and Wade Neal.



Potentate Jerry Markovich, Stated Meeting Raffle Chairman, and Noble Bob McGee of McGee & Company Fine Jewelers pose with the lucky raffle winners at the April Stated Meeting. Nobles Ray Gotshall and Chris Robbins won oil change certificates from Sharp Ford. Noble Roland Chastain won a \$50 gift certificate from Artistic Skin Design. The Golf Meister, Don Melvin, won a \$500 gift certificate from McGee & Company Fine Jewelers.



Johnson County Shrine Club President John Miller, accompanied by Nobles/Club members Ray Miller, Mike Percy, Carl Howard, Chief Rabban Ron Elliott, Assistant Rabban George Proctor, High Priest & Prophet Craig Hinshaw and Recorder Gordon Husk, presents to Potentate Jerry Markovich checks for \$1,000 each to the Chicago, Cincinnati and Lexington Hospitals.



Veteran Car Club President Dave Heckman, along with Club members Jim Lasley and Bill Arterberry, present Potentate Jerry Markovich a \$200 check for the Murat Transportation Fund on behalf of the Club's Ladies Auxillary.



Past Potentate Phil Thrasher is joined by High Priest & Prophet Craig Hinshaw, Outer Guard James Priest and Chief Aid George Clark in presenting a lapel pin to Floyd Sendmeyer in recognition of his donation to the Shrine Annual Gift fund.



Potentate Jerry Markovich and Recorder Gordon Husk present Transportation Club member Car Schnepf with a Transportation Club jacket which is awarded to Noble Carl for having made 100 trips with patients to our Shriners Hospitals.



Potentate Jerry Markovich congratulates Past Potentate Wes Kidwell on 65 years of participation with the Murat Bowlers. The Illustrious Sir is joined by Wes's fellow bowlers Mike Percy and Ray Miller in the presentation of a plaque commemorating this achievement.



Potentate Jerry Markovich receives two "gifts" from Madison County Shrine Club President Chris Robbins and Club members Clyde House, Jim Vest, Wendell Hilligoss, Curly McNally, Dick Dawson, Don Nelson, and Bill Edgeman. They are a portrait of the "Editorial Without Words" and a \$3,500 check for the Transportation Fund.



Shelby County Shrine Club President Bill Johnson hands over a \$1,000 check for the Transportation Fund to Potentate Jerry Markovich. Club members also present are Nobles Earl Moore and Bill Rasner.



The Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America, Tarum Court #14, High Priestess Barbara Tafflinger donated \$4,065.00 to Murat Transportation Fund and \$1,000.00 to Cincinnati Hospital for Campability Program to Potentate Jerry Markovich on March 24, 2007 during their installation.



Nobles Roger Stafford, Bill Capler, and Ed Andrews of the Murat 500 Club give a \$500 "helping hand" to Potentate Jerry Markovich for the Murat Transportation Fund.



Potentate Jerry Markovich accepts a \$500 check for the Transportation Fund from Murat Bowlers Mike Percy, Past Potentate Wes Kidwell, Ray Miller, Gene Snipes, Herb Arthur, Carl Culmann, and Larry Sutherlin.

DeMolay

Jeff Koleszar

The DeMolay Unit will be meeting on Tuesday, June 26, at 7 p.m. The DeMolay Unit was started in the early '70s to provide support for the young men of DeMolay in Indiana. The Unit has not been as active over the last few years as it had over the last two decades. DeMolay in Indiana is growing and the DeMolay Unit wants to look for new ways to support these young men. Indiana DeMolay has had positive net growth each of the past six years, and the young men in DeMolay are some of the finest young men you could ever meet. Over the past several years, nine new chapters have been opened across the state. We have a chance to support them and perhaps we can positively influence them to join the Shrine when they become old enough. These young men are our future.

Our meeting in June will be open to all Shriners who wish to find out more about our Unit. Regardless of if you were in DeMolay or not, we want you to be involved with the DeMolay Unit. Please join us on Tuesday, June 26, at 7 p.m.

Yacht Club

Fred Schowengerdt

This is an exciting time for the Yacht Club. We have a new group of officers who are ready and chomping at the bit to make this a great year for the Club. The Knights of the Sea Initiation was a huge success and our Club recruited many new members at this fun annual event. We wish to thank all of the brothers who devoted their time and talents to make this initiation one of the most fun in Shrinedom.

It is hard to believe, but the Golf Outing is almost here. It is set for Thursday, June 21, at Oak Hill Golf Club, which is the old Elks Club on U.S 40 in Plainfield. This is absolutely the zaniest golf outing in Shrinedom and we want you to attend. There is still room for a few more. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Bring a buddy and come to this great golf event. Call Bob Dancey at (317) 788-9539 for further details. We need Sponsors, Sponsors, Sponsors, and more Sponsors to make this event happen. If you are a Yacht Club member, please consider sponsoring a hole, as this is the biggest fundraiser of the year. A sponsorship is only \$50 and all sponsors will be given wide-spread publicity.

We have been promising you a schedule of the rest of the social activities and by next issue I pledge to you that we will have a schedule for the rest of the year. We have our annual deck party and our annual fall picnic but there will be more. Stay tuned!

If you have an email address, please let our secretary-treasurer, Ted Stewart, know. His address is stew0627@aol.com. If you want to order a shirt, please contact our store-keeper, Delbert Drummond at Dbert10@aol.com. If you have a complaint, email me when I get an email address!

We continue to have a weekly luncheon meeting at the Kennington American Legion Post in Broad Ripple each Friday as well as our Stated Meeting at the temple on the third Thursday of each month. Please just show up and you will never leave a stranger. Since Bill Graam has started to attend these meetings again, there are many stories to tell. Just show up and join the fun.

Until then, fair winds and following seas!

FUN!!!! FUN!!!!FUN!!!!

April has found your clowns involved in attending dinners, parades and conventions ... just to mention a few things. Special recognition was given to the clown Unit for their participation in the annual circus and plaques given to Mike "Tic-Kits" Nelson and Charles "Wrongway" Howard for their circus chairman functions. We are also proud to announce that the "Joey's" in the picture went to the I.S.C.A. convention in Evansville and all finished in the Top Ten in costume competition with Mike "Tic-Tac Tic-Kits" Nelson finishing second and also Top Ten in the One-Man skits. Rob "Dr. Floppy" Plummer finished first in the balloon competition for multiple balloons.

As you can see, we take pride in our craft and are more than just a "bunch of pretty faces."

Wrongway's World

The Potentate, Jerry, and a clown, Wrongway, apply for a job setting telephone poles.

The boss says, "OK, I'll hire you both but on a trial basis. Whoever out performs the other will get to keep the job."

Both men are satisfied with the agreement and go to work the next day. At the end of the day the foreman calls both men in for their report. He asks the Potentate, "Alright Jerry, how many telephone poles did you set today?" The Potentate replies, "I set 12 today." The foreman marks it down with a nodding gesture and says, "Very good."

He then looks at the clown and asks him the same question. Wrongway replies proudly, "I set two telephone poles today!" The foreman says, "What?? Only two?? Did you hear that he set 12 today?" Whereupon the clown replies, "Yes, but look how far his are still sticking out of the ground!"

The Shrine clowns are always looking for new members with new ideas and a willingness to "clown around." We can teach you the art of makeup, costumes, juggling, etc. If you would be interested in joining our Unit, please contact President Chuck "Zero"

Shull at 788-8384 or check our website for any of the other officers.

If you are in need of any clowns for your activities, please contact our business manager, Rob "Dr Floppy" Plummer at (317) 892-2957 or email at

drfloppy1@yahoo.com. A 'donation' is generally expected for appearances.

Daughters of the Nile

Ruth Ann Kelly

Halfway through this year, the song "June is busting out all over" can be heard from shore to shore. This is the beautiful month of June weddings, Flag Day and Father's Day. To the happy couples, good luck as you begin your lives as one and plan for many years of togetherness. Be sure to get "Old Glory" out and display it with pride and passion for a country loved and honored by all. The majestic colors of red, white, and blue flying in the clear sky above represent our symbol of patriotism. Everyone should pay homage to our flag by saluting, singing, or reciting words of appreciation. Finally, be sure to spend precious time with your father, commonly referred to as the "Head of the Household." Pay reverence to him; honor and cherish the moments and times he shares or has shared with you, your family and friends. Thank you for our fathers.

To those ladies traveling to the 91st Annual Supreme Session "The New England Experience" in Springfield, MA, from June 10-14, renew your friendships across the country, learn many new ideas and procedures for our organization, and enjoy the historical Eastern coast of the United States. Everyone will be anxious to hear about your travels when you return.

The Shrine Paper Crusade will be held on Friday, June 22 (4 p.m. - 8 p.m.) and Saturday, June 23 (10 a.m. - 5 p.m.) in Marion and surrounding counties. It would be an honor for those ladies who are available to help with this philanthropic project. The papers contain information about the Shriners Hospitals' locations, telephone numbers, medical treatments, and success stories of former patients. If your time permits, contact the Murat Centre for additional information.

Supreme Appointees are Past Queens of Koran Temple who have received recognition from Supreme Queen Elect Eleanor Green for the coming year. Hopefully, several appointments will be given to Koran at this Supreme Session. Our "Hearts in Love" Supreme Appointee luncheon will be held in the Tunisian Room of the Murat Centre on Saturday, July 28, at 12 p.m. The cost for this event will be \$15 per person and everyone is welcome to attend. Make your reservations with Recorder Betty J. Rathbun, PQ, (317) 846-2800 by Tuesday, July 24.

On Saturday, August 4, the "Better Together" Luncheon Style Show will be held in the Arabian Room at noon. A bazaar at 10:30 a.m. in the Tunisian Room will have many gift baskets and opportunities for purchase. Call Ruby Warmouth at (317) 241-3730 and get your \$25 ticket for this event.

Sewing will be held on these two Wednesdays: June 20 and July 18 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Trowel Trades Building. These luncheons will be hosted by Past Queen Kathryn Whisner and Ruby Warmouth at a cost of \$3 per person. Please try to attend and help with our projects for the hospital children.

Reminder: Past Queen Manuella Jefferson, (317) 844-6222, is anxiously awaiting your call to get a petition for membership for your friend(s) to join our organization. Call her soon and get the process started.

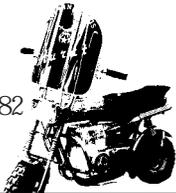
Our next Stated Meeting will be on Wednesday, September 7, at 7 p.m. in the Trowel Trades Building. Enjoy your summer months with family and friends. Finally, my closing thought to each of you: True friendship is like sound health; the value of it is seldom known until it is lost.

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

You are cordially invited to join the...
MURAT MINI-CYCLE CLUB
We are a "family-oriented" motorized parade unit.

The Fun Club

Phone 831-4683 or 882-0482
for information
Russ Butters • Dale Dougherty



Well, we are about to enter a new parade season and I am now back from my Florida home and would like to give a special thanks to my first vice president, David Doyle, for standing in for me and Second Vice President Russ Butters for handling the newsletter in my absence. I believe we are going to have a good parade season and am looking forward to all our travels to Pigeon Forge, the Imperial in Los Angeles, and hopefully competing in the Great Lakes for the first time since 1998.

I would like to welcome Bill Cothran, our newest rookie, to the Club and also provide an open invitation to all Nobles to join our family oriented Club.

Montgomery County Donnie Jessie

Hello Nobles, It sure is getting hot out there. Bet that you all have played a few holes and are practicing for the Montgomery County Shrine Club Golf Scramble July 14 at Rocky Ridge. We look forward to seeing all of you.

We have been busy as always. We have some more news about our annual c o u n t d o w n headed by Vice President Bob Chezem and assisted by his Lady Jane. The pork loin was prepared and



(Left to right) President Mike Utterback, Vice President Bob Chezem, also head of the count-down, and Noble Jim West.

served by President Mike Utterback, Mark Hampton, Wayne Smith, Jay Clifton and Steve Lewis. It was excellent. Baked beans and cold slaw were the sides. The baked beans were gone in a flash – wow they were good. We had all types of entertainment games and dancing. Mike Cloncs kept a table full entertained all night. Jim Byers and Jimmy Stevenson handled black jack pretty well. "Big Al" Harris was the master of ceremonies. He did great as well. Not enough jokes though. We had a huge crowd – over 180 ate and hard telling how many more just came in later for the entertainment.

Big thanks to our treasurer, Greg Miller. He kept the bank that night and has served the Club for the past couple of years now and is doing an excellent job. I want to thank Bob Vanderkolk for helping with the article this time and more in the future.

The Illustrious Sir adorned us with his presence at our humble abode, the American Legion, on a Friday afternoon. We will have more going on next month as well as you all do. Good luck Nobles and we hope to see you at some of our events soon.

El' Ameen Nabeel

Leonard Hull

Three years ago I wrote a Shrine Magazine article about U.S. currency and the dollar bill. Since that time I have had no less than 100 requests for copies and related information. So I decided to reproduce said articles in the next two magazines. So get out yer riten sticks and make notes. I'll not repeat it again.

As an avid patriot, history is one of my priorities. When you make small purchases, do you ever look at that dollar bill and wonder what those symbols represent? Of course, you recognize George Washington, brother Mason and this beautiful country's first president, but what is the meaning of the design?

School is now in session! This being the first class meeting, June 2007, and will last for three issues of the Murat Magazine.

Take out a one-dollar bill (or borrow one) (older version) and look at it.

The one-dollar bill you're looking at first came off the presses in 1957 in its present design. This so-called paper money is in fact a cotton and linen blend, with red and blue minute silk fibers running through it. It is actually material. We've all washed it without it falling apart.

A special blend of ink is used, the contents we will never know.

It is overprinted with symbols and then it is starched to make it water resistant and pressed to give it that nice crisp look. If you look on the front of the bill, you will see the United States Treasury Seal (pictured above). On the top you will see the scales for the balance – a balanced budget.

In the center you have a carpenter's square, a tool used for an even cut. Underneath is the key to the United States Treasury. That's all pretty easy to figure out, but what is on the back of that dollar bill is something we should all know.

If you turn the bill over, you will see two circles. Both circles, together, comprise the Great Seal of the United States. The First Continental Congress requested that Benjamin Franklin and a group of men come up with a seal.

It took them four years to accomplish this task and another two years to get it approved. It took another three issues of Murat Magazine to explain it to you and four months to get it to you, there being no magazine in July and August. Do I have your attention? Tune in on September El' Ameen Nabeel article for Class 2. As we explain the backside of history, try to keep a dollar handy.

Next El' Ameen Nabeel Banquet, October 17, 2007.



Department of Treasury Seal today and future articles notice the Masonic influence.



George Washington

Directors Staff

Gerald Frost

Greetings Nobles and friends.

The Directors Staff has just recently returned from our SDA (Shrine Directors Association of North America) convention in Charleston, SC. This was a very informative and fun-filled event. It was a great chance to meet other directors from all across the country and enjoy hospitality and friendship that come from Shrinedom.

This year's event was hosted by Omar Shrine Center in Mt. Pleasant, SC, just across the bridge from Charleston. They made sure everyone was welcome and enjoyed themselves to the fullest. Again we were in great company with several Divan members who enhanced our party.

We want to thank our Illustrious Potentate Jerry Markovich and his Divan members: Ron Elliott, Chief Rabban; Craig Hinshaw, High Priest and Prophet; Charles Crabtree, Captain of the Guard; and William Wimmenauer, Jr., Past Potentate, from Murat Shrine. The Divan was also supported by Aide Bud Abel. All who attended this year's SDA were welcomed for their attendance, leadership and fellowship. You are all welcome back next year in Milwaukee, WI, to be sponsored by the Tripoli Shriners.



Our local Directors Staff members and officers in attendance were Mike Adams, Chief Director; Rex Mardis, First Vice President; Bob Bland, Second Vice President; Ron Williams, Treasurer; Dick Smith, Secretary; Kelly Glass, Director Emeritus; and Norm Jones, Assistant Chief Director. All totaled, we were well represented with 22 from our temple in attendance. Thanks to all of you for your support of our fine Club.

This year the Directors Staff took a brand new stunt to SDA. Our theme was "Jerry's Motorcycle Repair." In this stunt we poked a lot of fun at our Illustrious Potentate Jerry Markovich and carried his theme of "Think Positive." We must say he took it all in stride and had a lot of fun with us. Our stunt took fourth place in the competition out of over 36 stunts. We were all very proud of our accomplishment this year.

May the Shrine tradition continue – "Shriners Having Fun and Helping Kids."

Band

Leonard Hull

Saturday, April 28 – a date that will not go down in infamy. Our world champion Colts take the NFL 32nd first round pick. As a 22-year season ticket holder, I like what President Bill Polian says about our system, "It works." Perhaps a couple of years rebuilding but as General MacArthur says, "We shall return." So it is with Murat Shrine Resident Units. As an 82-year-old, I attended Shrine functions long before I was a Shriner; New Year's, July 4th, just to name a couple. The Mosque was standing room only in the Arabian Room, Social Room and the Banquet Room – 3,300 attending would be a conservative estimate. But what happened? I pulled out of my archives a picture of the Band's Ol' Timers Night on October 23, 1981, by Indy Star staff photographer Bill Oates (deceased). With 20 pictured, only one survives today, Herb Laswell. This 82-year-old was not an Ol' Timer 26 years ago.

But there is always hope and the number one priority by Illustrious Jerry Markovich, as with all Potentates in the last 26 years, is membership, membership, membership.

We of the Band are no exception. Grade schools, high schools and colleges still have musical organizations. Where



Pictured is Chip Rethmeier, the hope of tomorrow. But we have to show Chip, as well as 30,000 Master Masons, what a sales program can do. Nothing sells itself. Chip has taken the first step. It's up to us now to sell Shrinedom and its rewards to Chip.

does that talent go? This 82-year senior, once a soloist in the great Purdue University Marching and Concert Band, now plays first chair "kazoo" and sits back as the next generation picks up the pieces and fills the holes left by the new Ol' Timers.

We ask where are the new members coming from? At Prospect Lodge No. 714 last Wednesday (4-26-07) was an answer to the above question. Band member Skip Rethmeier's son "Chip" was raised to that sublime 3rd Master Mason degree. Being a member of Prospect Lodge, I wanted to be there Wednesday but due to back pain and under doctor's orders (that's Dr. Dolores), it wasn't in the cards. Chip played in the high school band and although he might be a little out of tune, it's like riding a bicycle. Once you learn, you don't forget. But we new seniors have to make music appealing and fun with members and family activities. Friendships developed in

musical groups are everlasting. Murat Band has been an important step in my lifetime, and I encourage band fellowship as often as I have an opportunity.

As we seniors forget anniversaries and birthdays, the bicycle trick still holds true in front of the musical score.

The Indiana Pacers have fired their coach, Rick Carlisle, but after Rick went to the owner, Herb Simon, he still might have a job with the front office, depending on if he has a call to coach another team. The Pacers did not make the playoffs and are awaiting a new team from top to bottom. It is indeed needed.

The Indianapolis Colts team has selected two good players from the draft, receiver Anthony Gonzalez and Arkansas offensive tackle Tony Ugoh. The draft is still going on at this writing and Indianapolis has five more picks today.

Police Club

Joshua L. Barker

Summer greetings, Nobles all! With the warm weather here, we Shriners continue to work hard and play harder. I want to begin this article by thanking all of my fellow members for their hard work and continued support for membership. I have not presided over a meeting yet this year where I have not had the pleasure of welcoming a new member into our Club. Congratulations to our newest members: Mamoon Anwarzai, Jim Dortch and Larry Wilson. Welcome to the slate brothers!

ATTENTION ALL CARS, ATTENTION ALL CARS ... Past President Sighting: Our May meeting was attended by a very special guest, John Mickey, president of the Police Club, 1952. John retired from the Indianapolis Police Department in 1966, and I know that I speak for everyone in the Club when I say it was a great honor to have John at the meeting with us.

Don't forget that we have the Paper Crusade coming up Friday, June 22, and Saturday, June 23. I have faith that the Police Club and Motorcycle Drill Team will do their best to assist all the Clubs and Units of the Shrine collecting the money around the various locations in the Indianapolis area.

To my fellow officers still working those "mean streets" – let's be careful out there. 2007 is shaping up to be a fun and safe summer. Don't forget the regular business meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. I look forward to seeing you all there.

The new stadium is going up ahead of schedule and has had several big donations, a million dollar price tag for using the Lucas name and several million from the Eli Lilly Foundation. They now have plenty of money and are looking for volunteer help.

The Indianapolis Speedway has attracted another woman driver, Milka Duno, a 35-year-old Venezuelan. She has very little open wheel experience and very little racing on curved tracks. She is just learning to "stay out of the way." Jeff Gordon won another pole and a race at Talladega Raceway.

The Indianapolis Indians are off to a great start at 12-8 to lead the Western Division of the International League. The Chicago Bulls basketball team ousted last

year's winners of the playoffs of the NBA. This is Derby weekend and I don't believe my fourth pick got on the boat that left the Emirates, so I'll find another nag to put my two bucks on. The golfers have finally had some good weather locally and our golf guru has a full list in this issue. Tiger Woods and Mickelson must be out of the country.

The bowling season is over and a party is in the works to invite any Shrine bowler who might be interested in joining a Shrine league before the next season starts. Meanwhile, the leagues are over and the houses are either repairing their facility or getting it ready for their yearly inspection and repair of equipment for next season.

Firemen's Club

Tim Whitaker

"THE BIG RED FIRE TRUCK," owned by the Murat Firemen's Club, is actually a big Red Fire Engine. Although most people don't know the difference (or really care), firefighters through the ages have argued that one is better than the other. The major difference is that trucks carry ladders and engines carry water. So, our BIG RED FIRE ENGINE, like our active firefighter members, served our Fire Department and city of Indianapolis for more than 25 years. Once it was taken out of service, it was put into a reserve fleet and used only sparingly. Our Club was able to purchase this gem, a 1955 Maxim fire engine, in 1980 from the city of Indianapolis. We were able to refurbish the apparatus and rebuild to carry people safely, rather than hose. Now after 22 years of service with our Club, it is time to do some additional refurbishing. So look for us at the next parade in your neighborhood or at the Indiana Masonic Home on August 15.



Don't forget June is Paper Crusade Month!

If you are going to California in early July, have a safe trip and remember to "Think Positive" in reaching our goal of "407 in '07."

I want to extend President Floyd Sendmeyer's personal appreciation for attendance at our Ringmaster's Banquet. We had several members there and the Shrine turnout was large.

At the same night it was announced that next year's circus date is February 28, so mark your calendar now and make plans to help our largest fund-raising event of the year.

As the Club's circus chair for 2007, I would like to send a special thank you to Circus Director Larry Selig for his hard work in making this year's circus a SUCCESS. Each year he puts together a good team and they perform. I hope to work with Larry in 2008.

Finally, last month I wrote to the Nobility to keep Ed Pierce and Brother Bill Earle in your thoughts and prayers as they both had heart operations. I am happy to report both men are doing well and mending. Look for them at your next event, as they are both active Shriners.

Please mark your calendars now! The Voluntary Contributing Membership (VCM) Worker's Sign-Up Party is scheduled from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 23, at the Gatling Gun Club, 709 N. Illinois St. No RSVP is required, just drop in at your convenience to enjoy an evening of fun, food and fellowship.

The VCM operates a food booth annually at the State Fair. The proceeds from our endeavors are donated to the Shriners Hospitals, the Shrine Burns Institute, the Transportation Fund and other related funds. The more than \$870,000 that the VCM has donated to these fine institutions over the past 55

years is a direct result of Nobles just like you volunteering their time to work with the VCM at the Fair.

As the VCM membership continues to age, we need all the help we can get! So please, if you haven't helped us before, consider volunteering this year. If you've volunteered previously, we need you now more than ever.

The 2007 Indiana State Fair is scheduled for August 8-19.

The VCM booth will be operational several days prior to the Fair opening and we have post-fair responsibilities as well. You don't need to be a master chef to qualify as a valuable

member of the VCM team. Openings are available for cashiers, dishwashers, buss staff, set-up and tear-down crew members, and more. You'll discover we mix a little work with a lot of fun – all for a great cause.

All Nobles are encouraged to join us at any regularly scheduled meeting. The VCM meets at the Gun Club on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. For more information about the VCM, or to volunteer to work at the Fair, please contact President Charlie Craft at (317) 201-8713 (cwcsenior@aol.com) or Mark Price at (317) 507-0934 (mark@mark-price.com).

VCM (VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTING MEMBERSHIP)

THE VCM NEEDS YOUR HELP! PLEASE VOLUNTEER NOW!

Don't miss the opportunity to join in the fun, fellowship and philanthropy of the VCM at the State Fair.

The generous donation of your time will help the VCM increase our contributions to the Shriner's Hospitals for Children, the Transportation Fund, and other related funds.

Please complete the form below and:

- 1) Fax the form to (317) 774-9517 (or)
- 2) Mail the form to Mark Price, 9976 Jasper Ct., Noblesville, IN 46060 (or)
- 3) Bring the form to our Sign-up Party on Saturday, June 23 at the Gatling Gun Club, 4-8 p.m. (or)
- 4) Email the dates & shifts you are volunteering to mark@mark-price.com (or)
- 5) Phone (317) 507-0934 with your preferred dates and shifts

STATE FAIR VOLUNTEER'S SCHEDULE

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: () _____ E-mail: _____

(Please circle the shift(s) that you will work)

AUGUST	DAY	SHIFT		
8th	Wednesday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
9th	Thursday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
10th	Friday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
11th	Saturday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
12th	Sunday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
13th	Monday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
14th	Tuesday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
15th	Wednesday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
16th	Thursday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
17th	Friday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
18th	Saturday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close
19th	Sunday	6 am -11 am	11 am – 5 pm	5 pm - Close

The year is half over and most of the available parades are still ahead of us! So far we have had a great year and are looking forward to continued success. There are just a few glitches that need to be worked out for that to occur. Unit Parade Chairmen must remember to secure an invitation from the parade promoters and then consent from the Potentate so everyone is aware of what is going on and all the paperwork is in order for insurance coverage to be in effect. In some cases, protocol is in place where our Potentate must ask permission from the Potentate of the Oasis that is sovereign where the parade is taking place, such as Kerbela Shriners in Knoxville, TN, for the "Smoky Mountain Fun Fest" at Pigeon Forge, or a parade in South Bend, IN (ORAK), or Vincennes, IN (HADI), all in other jurisdictions. There is still time to get those invitations and permission out of the way for upcoming events, and there are some GREAT ones to have! Some of the more popular ones with the greatest crowds and most participation are:

Fri., July 20 – Putnam County Fair, 6 p.m., contact Tom Stringer, (765) 653-9543

Sun., July 23 – Circus City Festival (Peru, IN)

Sat., July 28 – Batesville Lodge 100th Anniversary, Don Browning, (812) 934-4761

Sun., Aug 12 – INDIANA STATE FAIR, Bobbi Bates, (317) 927-7524

Sun., Aug 19 – Indiana MASONIC HOME Festival, Chappy Chapman, 319-2700

Sat., Aug 25 – Shrine Day @ Indiana Beach, Kenny Kelly, (219) 984-5144

Sun., Aug 26 – Bears of Blue River (Shelbyville), Terry Kohn, (317) 392-4898

Of course, there are a lot more to choose from (see the list we distributed) and some we do not yet know about! This will get you through August anyway. If you have any questions feel free to contact Earl Moore at (317) 899-2751 (WilliamMary@aol.com) or me at (317) 460-7318 (BigWavDav@prodigy.net). Have a favorite for your Unit? Let us know. Remember that we are promoting the Shrine and the Children's Hospitals, and no matter what, HAVE FUN! Jes' me, Dave

Flying Fezzes

Patrick DeCallier

We met at the American Military Heritage Foundation Museum at Post-Air Airport for a cookout for our members in the "Bizzard's Roost."

The "airplane" is getting some minor maintenance work accomplished and there was a "progress report." Mike Blaydoe showed everyone the outstanding job he had done in "slicking up" the prop spinner that had been slightly damaged. Most of the members, as usual, brought their ladies with them to fully enjoy the festivities.

You do not need to be a pilot to join the Flying Fezzes. Meetings are the second Monday of the month in the Mecca Room.

Murat Reception Unit ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

12:30 p.m. Shot Gun Start
Thursday, June 7, 2007

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3. _____
4. _____

Make checks payable to: Murat Reception Unit
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Email: brasner@yahoo.com

Field Director of Membership Recruitment and Retention Indianapolis Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

Job Description:

The Indianapolis Scottish Rite, a men's fraternity of 32nd degree Freemasons, seeks Field Director of Membership Recruitment and Retention to directly solicit Master Masons to become members of the Scottish Rite and motivate existing members to retain their membership. This will be accomplished through planning and implementing events designed to inform potential members of the benefits of membership and executing follow-up mechanisms on prospects. In addition, the Field Director will recruit and train volunteer membership team members in local lodges and on county wide basis to supplement direct solicitation efforts.

This is a full time position with significant evening and weekend travel. The candidate must be a Master Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite. The candidate must be enthusiastic about the Fraternity, be familiar with the structure and leadership of the Scottish Rite and affiliated fraternal organizations, have advanced communication skills and should have some experience at visiting Lodges and other Masonic organizations.

The compensation consists of modest base salary plus significant incentives depending on success level of recruitment efforts. The Indianapolis Scottish Rite offers health, dental, life, and long term disability insurance; paid time off; and an excellent defined benefit retirement program.

For a complete job description and additional information, contact Jeff Saunders, Executive Director, jsaunders@aasr-indy.org. The deadline for submitting applications is June 15, 2007.

Aloha Nobles and Ladies!

As you might have guessed, Lady Pam and I along with corvette club President Mike McArthur with Lady Mary Jane and Second Vice President Rod Kyle and Lady Linda recently made a visit to Hawaii.

We spent two days on the beach in Honolulu then boarded the Pride of Hawaii NCL ship to sail to Hilo, Maui, Kona, and Kauai. We were set to have seven days of fun, but Mary Jane took ill and she and Mike had to leave the ship in Kona for the hospital. Thanks to all of you who prayed for her and Mike. They arrived home about four days later than we did and is going well. Some people will do anything to stay in Hawaii longer!

While we were there we made plans to visit the Honolulu Shriners Children Hospital. A member of the staff gave us an excellent tour. The children we saw seemed to be well adjusted and having fun. I am still beaming from the smiles when they recognized us as Shriners.

We were told that as of December 31, 2006 children treated at this hospital totaled 24,534 from many surrounding countries. Now that is what it is all about! If you are ever in Honolulu please take time to visit. They love to see people from Big America, as they call it.



Nobles Ken Herald, Ron Kyle and Mike McArthur at the Honolulu Shriners Children Hospital

Have you heard what is going on in Nashville, Indiana on Saturday nights? It is a wonderful event called, Saturday Night in Nashville where you can see some cool cars, listen to the bands and have some good clean fun. Let's get our corvettes out and show some plastic to the people while helping a good Noble and Corvette Club member, Harry Bond, Brown County Councilman.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Taylorsville, Indiana on Thursday May 10, 2007 where we will meet to caravan to the Kerbella Fun Fest. You will be there, won't you?

"Bit of Trivia" Did you know that 1965 was the first year to have two separate hoods – the smooth small block hood and the bulge of the big block hood.

Just for your information...Anyone interested in joining the Murat Corvette Club will be welcome. Our dues are just \$25.00 per year. You do not have to own a corvette to join us. We meet the third Thursday (7:30 p.m.) of each month at the Temple.

Come early (around 6 p.m.) to join us for dinner in the Oasis Lounge. For more information call President, Mike McArthur at 317-293-9116 or Vice President, Ken Herald at 317-422-9107 or just ask any member of the club.

First Annual Murat Shrine and Prather York Rite Bodies Potentate's York Rite One-Day Class *In Honor of the Illustrious Sir Jerry Mărkovich*

Saturday, September 8, 2007

Murat Shrine – 510 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46204

Schedule of Events

6:30	Doors Open – Candidate Registration Begins	1:00	Royal & Select Master Degrees
8:00	Mark Master Degree	2:45	Order of the Red Cross
9:15	Past Master Degree	4:00	Order of Malta
9:45	Most Excellent Master Degree	5:15	Order of the Temple
10:15	Royal Arch Degree	7:30	Dinner
12:00	Lunch	9:00	New Member Reception

Pre-registration for all candidates and attendees will be required. Information on lunch and dinner costs for other York Rite Bodies wishing to send candidates or other York Rite members wishing to attend is currently pending. If you would like to receive this information when it becomes available, please send an email to Brian Lewis, EC at BrianLewis@MuratShrine.org and we'll send you more information via email when it becomes available.

Hospital Gifts Update

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

Shriners Hospitals for Children and the Murat Annual Gift drive were given a significant boost by the Directors Staff, Mike Adams DRC ("Donor Relations Coordinator"), when they gave TEN annual gift donations at the April Stated Meeting. Great work men, and congratulations to Mike and his friends.

Since the previous article, we have signed up the following new DRCs:

Montgomery Cty SC; Greg Miller Transportation Club; Terry Boyer Tri-County SC ; Bill Hensley

That brings us to a total of 20 DRCs. We need another 50 or so, so please volunteer before your Club President appoints someone else. If you would like to help in this year's campaign, just drop me a line at our new email address of donor-relations@murat-shrine.org, or call me at 317-407-3650 and I will add you to the list. Or, just see me at the Stated Meeting in the back of the room.

At the April Stated Meeting, we also had the pleasure of presenting new, shiny, SHC lapel pins to four Nobles, as shown in the photo elsewhere in this issue. Three of them are Divan members, which means that all of the Divan members are now Annual Gift contributors. Thanks, Nobles, for helping to lead the way.

For those who cannot afford a large gift, any amount will be accepted. Our goal is to achieve 100% participation in as many Units and Clubs as possible so we can all feel that we are doing our part. For those that can afford more, there are special pins for the \$100, \$500, \$1,000, and \$2,500 per year donors.

The DRCs have two important functions: serve as an extension of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Donor Relations Committee in their own Clubs and Units, and to identify those members who have contributed from a list that SHC will provide to you. At the end of 2007 the Potentate will present to each Unit and Club that has 50% participation an attractive Plaque, including the names of the President and DRC. If the Unit or Club is the leader in terms of total contributors or percentage of contributors among active members, then its Plaque will be special. At the end of 2008 we will have the same awards, except that this time it will take 75% participation instead of 50% to guaranty receipt of the Plaque. Any Unit or Club achieving 100% participation will receive special recognition at the Annual Meeting of Murat.

With the increasing costs of providing the best health care for crippled and burned children in the World, as contrasted to our currently declining

membership, we need strong support from all of our Nobles to help stem the tide and put our SHC endowment fund back on solid footing.

This can be done in three ways: make an Annual Gift, no matter how small; discuss gift-giving with your fellow Nobles and others in your community that have a strong interest in making charitable gifts; and, work seriously on improving our membership by inviting the best men you can into our Fraternity. Direct invitations to good men are now encouraged by the Indiana Grand Lodge, and as soon as these men are Masons they are eligible to become Murat Nobles. A good Noble will always be a good Mason, so you can help both organizations at the same time. Don't be shy: be successful.

A hearty THANKS from Shriners Hospitals to the 35 Nobles from Murat who have recently contributed to the Annual Gift Campaign. That is triple the number from last year already, but barely a start on our goal of 1,000 for 2007. We are on a good roll, but it is up to you to keep up the momentum to reach Murat's goal. Remember, no amount is too small, so please make your contribution today. Remember the email option at www.shrinenet.org.

See you at Stated Meeting on May 20, 2007.

Yes, I'd like to make an annual contribution to Shriners Hospitals for Children!

Please add my name to the rolls of the...

- Bronze Society: Annual Gift of \$100-\$499
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- Gold Society: Annual Gift of \$1,000-\$2,499
- Diamond Society: Annual Gift of \$2,500 and above

Please print neatly and complete all applicable information.

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Please send me information about planned giving.

Thank you for your tax-deductible gift to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Your Society Pin should arrive in 2-4 weeks to the address listed above.

Please detach and mail this card with your check or credit card information to: Shriners Hospitals for Children, P.O. Box 20827, Tampa, FL 33622-0827, or to your local Hospital. Please send all Canadian donations to: Shriners Hospitals for Children-Canada, 1529 Cedar Ave., Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3G 1A6.

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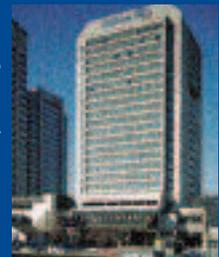
Great Lakes Ceremonial Session September 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2007 London, Ontario, Canada

The GLSA will be in beautiful London, Ontario, Canada.

Our hotel is the Four Diamond Hilton, London, Ontario. It is located at 300 King Street, London, Ontario, close to the Convention Center, John LaBatt Center and downtown shopping.

The first night deposit is \$158.75 (\$138.75 plus \$20 Room Binder).
Reservations are due no later than August 8, 2007.

Self-Parking is \$11.40 per day and Valet Parking is \$17.10 per day. The GLSA Parade will be on Saturday, September 22, 2007. A Murat Temple After-Glow will follow at our hotel.



Let's support Potentate Jerry Markovich and attend GLSA!

Shriners Hospitals for Children Earns The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval

The Shriners Hospitals for Children in the U.S. are proud to have earned the Gold Seal of Approval™ from The Joint Commission. The Joint Commission evaluates and accredits nearly 15,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. An independent, not-for-profit organization, it is the nation's predominant standards-setting and accrediting body in health care.

The award is recognized as a symbol of quality, reflecting an organization's commitment to meeting performance standards. To earn and maintain The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval™, Shriners Hospitals undergo an unannounced, on-site survey at least every three years.

To evaluate patient care, Joint Commission surveyors visit a hospital and follow a patient through their visit. The survey begins the moment the patient arrives, tracks them through all treatments, tests and services, and ends with the patient's discharge. The survey also includes interviews with clinicians and staff.

In addition to the unannounced survey, each Shriners Hospital conducts an annual self-assessment to ensure they are in continual compliance with Joint Commission standards.

The Shriners Hospital in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, has earned the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation, and the Shriners Hospital in Mexico City, Mexico, is accredited by the Mexican Society for Healthcare Quality.

Why accreditation matters

"The Joint Commission is the gold standard for safety and quality of care," said Tammy Trottier, project manager

for the Division of Healthcare Quality for Shriners Hospitals. "If our organization truly wants to be comparable and recognized, we need to set standards, and The Joint Commission is that standard."

Shriners Hospitals for Children is dedicated to providing superior specialized pediatric care in the safest environment possible. A review by an independent organization, such as The Joint Commission, provides valuable feedback on hospital programs and procedures, and reveals how well it performs as an organization. The Joint Commission also offers Shriners Hospitals and other Gold Seal members guidance and

continuing education about what more can be done to ensure they provide the highest quality health care and patient safety possible.

What accreditation means to patients and families

Choosing where to take a child for specialized medical care is one of the most important decisions a family can make. "Families expect the best. Earning full accreditation by The Joint Commission reflects the commitment of our physicians, nurses, therapists, residents, fellows and administrators—in fact, all hospital staff—to offer the best medical care in a family-centered environment," said Peter Armstrong, M.D., chief medical officer for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

About The Joint Commission

Founded in 1951, The Joint Commission seeks to continuously improve the safety and quality of care provided to the public through the provision of health care accreditation and related services that support performance improvement in health care organizations. The Joint Commission is the nation's oldest and largest standards-setting and accrediting body in health care.

About Shriners Hospitals for Children

Shriners Hospitals for Children is a network of 22 hospitals dedicated to providing specialized pediatric care, innovative research and outstanding teaching programs. Children up to age 18 with orthopaedic conditions, burn injuries of all degrees, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate are eligible for admission and receive all care at no charge – regardless of financial need or relationship to a Shriner.





Mastering

New Information System

To provide patients with a higher level of care, staff at 20 of the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children is investing a great deal of time, energy and patience in learning a new software system, called Shriners Hospitals for Children Information System (SHCIS). The ultimate goal of SHCIS is to provide a complete computer-based, digital electronic medical record (EMR) for every patient at Shriners Hospitals.

The magnitude of the new system's capability is enormous, providing complete, comprehensive, secure medical information in one location, available when and where it's needed. It allows users secure access to a patient's EMR from computers at the hospital, including those in a physician's office, physicians' lounge, outpatient department or an inpatient unit. Plans are underway to provide authorized users remote access from outside the hospital, as well. The system also assists hospital staff in a variety of functions, including patient registration and scheduling, physician order entry, clinical documentation, medical record tracking and more.

"Once SHCIS is fully implemented, patients and staff will realize significant benefits in service, care and work processes," said Shriners Hospitals Corporate Chief Information Officer Gene D'Amore.

eMERGE

enhanced Medical Records Generated Electronically

The second phase of SHCIS will be referred to as eMERGE. This name symbolizes the essence of Phase II, which is the "electronic merging" of medical records and the "emergence" of new technology, benefits and realized results for our patients and staff.



How will it help our patients?

- Increased accuracy: Easy-to-read, organized and comprehensive patient information is available at the point of care, reducing repetitive questions and duplication of tests and services
- Enhanced patient safety: Eliminates handwritten patient records, improves alerts for drug interactions and allergy conflicts, and allows verification of orders generated through the creation of task lists
- Enhanced patient security: Secure access to EMRs is available only to authorized users
- Increased time efficiency: Complete EMRs are available in real-time from every terminal in every hospital, eliminating time spent waiting for staff to locate paper records

How will it help our hospital staff?

- Speedier and more comprehensive access to patient records: EMRs are available in real-time from every computer in the hospital
- Better communication between care providers and other team members: Chart review, order entry and documentation of work performed can be entered simultaneously by multiple staff members, eliminating time spent vying for one paper chart
- Simplified daily routine: Ability to create patient, task and assignment lists

The program is being implemented over the course of two phases. The rollout of Phase I, which included the bulk of the work required to bring this project to life, began in January 2004. Every hospital, with the exception of the Canadian and Mexico City Shriners Hospitals, has completed Phase I.

The rollout of Phase II - now officially called eMERGE, the winning entry of a naming contest held among all Shriners Hospitals employees - is tentatively scheduled to begin in early 2007.

"This step will provide enhanced documentation capabilities," said Shriners Hospitals Chief Medical Information Officer Bill Bria, M.D. "It will also include specialty applications that will impact surgery, radiology, pharmacy, clinical lab, critical care and other departments."

Establishing SHCIS in 22 unique hospitals in three countries across six time zones is a gigantic undertaking. The training process requires a steep learning curve, but the diligent staff at Shriners Hospitals has admirably taken on the new responsibility and is forging ahead.

COMING EVENTS

JUNE

NO MAGAZINE IN JULY

- FRI. 1 Band Night – Boomers Revenge
SAT. 2 Grand Master's Motorcycle Ride
THU. 7 Caravan Club – Donald Davidson,
Indianapolis Motor Speedway
THU. 14 Caravan Club – Honoring the Flag
MON. 18 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.
THU. 21 Caravan Club – Jack Bussell, Florida
THU. 28 Caravan Club – George Eastman, Indiana
Masonic Home
SAT. 30-
THU. 5 **Imperial Session**
Anaheim, California

JULY

NO MAGAZINE IN AUGUST

- SAT. 30-
THU. 5 **Imperial Session**,
Anaheim, California
THU. 12 Caravan Club – Amber Worthman,
Indiana Reading and Info Services
THU. 19 Potentate's Golf Outing
Caravan Club – Amber Worthman,
Indiana Reading and Info Services
THU. 26 Caravan Club

AUGUST

- MON. 1 **DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER
MAGAZINE**
THU. 2 Caravan Club
SAT. 4 Ladies Style Show
THU. 9-
SUN. 19 Indiana State Fair
THU. 9 Caravan Club
SAT. 11 Murder Mystery Dinner Theater at the
Shrine
THU. 16 Caravan Club – Deanna Austin,
Help for Visually Impaired
SUN. 19 Indiana Masonic Home Festival
THU. 23 Caravan Club
FRI. 24 Band Night – Easy Does It Band
SUN. 26-
TUE. 28 AASR – Supreme Council Meeting
Washington, D.C.
THU. 30 Caravan Club

SEPTEMBER

- TUE. 4 **DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER MAGAZINE**
FRI. 7 AASR – Bean Supper
Band Night – American Cheese
MON. 17 Divan Meeting, Board Meeting
Stated Meeting 7 p.m.
THU. 20-
SUN. 23 GLSA – London, Ontario

OCTOBER

- MON. 1 **DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER
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October 5 • 8 p.m. to midnight
Lemon Wheel

October 19 • 8 p.m. to midnight
TBA