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Featured Member: Dave Huff ▲ Masonic Family Night with the Sky Sox
 Calling in the Hogs ▲ Potentate's Ball ▲ Shriner Child Jacob Mopp ▲ and More!

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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

by Ill. Sir Gary Sears
Potentate

Well the first quarter of 2012 is history! Time goes by so quickly!

I would like to thank all the Nobles, Ladies and friends that helped at the annual IHOP National Pancake Day promotion. The event was very successful, raising \$17,366.98 for Shriners Hospitals for Children. Your hard work and dedication is very much appreciated.

In March we completed our first parade, St. Patrick's Day in Colorado Springs. Thanks to all the Nobles for participating and thanks to the Colorado Springs Shrine Club for a great meal after the parade. Our next parade is May 5, Apple Blossom Day Parade in Canon City. Check the website www.alkalyshrine.org for further details. This is always a fun event, with great fellowship after the parade.

We have several important and fun events coming soon. The Spring Ceremonial and Ladies Luncheon will be held at the Pueblo Shrine Club on April 21. Check in is at 8:30 am and we should be finished by 3 pm. Bring new candidates to the Ceremonial and have them ready for parade season!

The Al Kaly Spring Ball will be held May 12 at the Doubletree Hotel at I-25 & Circle Drive. Please save the date and make plans to attend. We also have the Bowl-a-Thon on April 15, the Canon City Parade on May 5, and the circus season begins May 18! Come to the events and have some fun.

Please remember to support and attend your Lodge. I attended Pueblo Lodge #17 in February and March, helped with an EA degree, and posted a new Master Mason at Silver State Lodge #95. We attended Fremont Lodge in Florence in March and enjoyed a delicious meal, great fellowship and an excellent meeting with a very good turnout of Brothers at the meeting. We will keep you informed as we visit other Lodges.

Thanks for your support. See you at upcoming events!



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OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that a Stated Meeting will be held as follows:

Pueblo Shrine Club

May 11, 2012

Dinner: 6:30 pm / Meeting: 7:30 pm

Attest:

Bart Guthrie, P.P.
Recorder

Gary Sears
Potentate

First Lady's Note
**PARADE
 SEASON!**

by **Donna Sears**

Hello Shrine Family,
 Well we are having a lot
 of fun at Al Kaly. Join us in the
 events. Parade season is starting;
 we did have our first parade on March 17th, St. Patrick's Day
 in Colorado Springs. The next parade will be the Canon City
 Blossom Day Parade on May 5th. This is always a lot of fun
 and the Honda Patrol OV is always great and immediately
 follows the parade. Check alkalyshrine.org for details.



Speaking of parades, FIBArk in Salida will be here
 soon; parade day is June 16th, check the website for lineup
 details, www.alkalyshrine.org. Rooms will be available
 at the Gateway Inn, 1310 East Highway 50 in Salida.
 Contact information is phone 719-539-2895, or www.salidagatewayinnandsuites.com. Please call quickly; they fill
 up fast for FIBArk weekend. When calling for your room
 remember to tell them you are with Al Kaly Shriners. The
 Nobles of MonArk Shrine Club are great hosts and always
 provide a great time that weekend, with a nice dinner Friday
 and refreshments and hospitality after the parade Saturday.
 There will also be a hospitality room at the Gateway Friday
 evening, see you there!

We have the Ceremonial and Ladies Luncheon this
 month at the Pueblo Shrine Club; I hope to see you all there
 for lunch and Ceremonial for new Nobles. This will be a fun

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 Be sure to check out all their photos at www.zenfolio.com/alkalyshrinephotos*

The Honored Ladies Club of Al Kaly

by Rose Enyeart
Secretary

A BRIEF HISTORY

The Honored Ladies of Al Kaly Shrine was formally started by the late IS Ray Gibson in 1983. At one of the Western States Shrine Association meetings, IS Ray talked with another Potentate who explained the Club that they had formed for women who had been widowed. Ray had often told Lady Jeanne of his desire to do more than give a card to the new widow. He felt that women were crucial to a man's success as a Shriner and contributed their support for his activities in a Club, a Unit, or the Line. Formally starting a Club for the widows seemed like what he should do. In 1983, he and Jeanne talked about how to form the Club. He divided the Al Kaly area into four sections and designated a town to be the hosting town each quarter. The spring meeting was in Pueblo, the summer in Colorado Springs, the fall in Salida and winter in Canon City. The meetings were to consist of lunch and entertainment. IS Ray saw this as his

mission to promote a way for widows to stay connected to Al Kaly Shrine.

Twenty-nine years later, IS Ray Gibson's creation is going on. The Honored Ladies still meet quarterly, although with the activities of Al Kaly we sometimes have to move our meetings a bit. Fellowship and friendship that was extended all those years ago is still our top priority. We all have joined this very special group through the loss of our spouse. We all know that can be a lonely time and we are glad to welcome those who share our journey. When we learn of a loss of a Shriner, we send a letter or extend a personal invitation to the new widow. It sometimes takes a while before she is ready to join a new group, but we are always ready to welcome and embrace her. If we have not contacted the new widow, it is because we are very informal and may not learn of the loss in a timely manner. Please consider joining us for a new way to participate in Al Kaly Shrine. If you have questions call IS Bob and Lady Betty Burr who sponsor the Honored Ladies at the request of the late IS Ray Gibson. Phone number 597-7281 or cell 332-3799.



Past Potentate Ray Gibson.



Honored Lady Jeanne Gibson.

(First Lady, continued from page 3)

day and look forward to seeing you there.

The Al Kaly Potentate's Spring Ball is May 12 at the Double Tree Hotel on Circle in Colorado Springs. Please save the date and join us for a fun evening at the Double Tree.

I hope you all have a great Easter; we will have a house full of grandchildren for the season.

Thanks for your support for Al Kaly Shrine and I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events.

Shrine Love~



Shrine Ladies - Colorado Springs Area -

by Karen Mendenhall
President

Shrine Ladies of the Colorado Springs Shrine Club proudly support the Club with their attendance at monthly dinners where they sell baskets and check coats. All proceeds go to support the Shrine and the Club in various ways. At the March OV a check for \$250 was presented to Potentate Gary Sears for the Transportation Fund. At the same time the Ladies presented the Club with a check for \$500 to pay for the new flat screen TV in the bar. We would like to thank all those who buy basket tickets and tip our coat check Ladies at each dinner. We appreciate your support.

Featured Member

Dave Huff

by Rose Enyeart

What Keeps the Shrine Alive?

So many times we look at Al Kaly Shrine and wonder how it has survived and how it continues to grow and be a force in our communities and in our state. We have only to look at the partnership that has been forged between IHOP and Al Kaly and the way that Waste Management and the recycling program manage to keep rolling and bringing funds into the Clubs and Transportation Funds. We need also to look deeper into the membership of Al Kaly Shrine and see the quiet men who have dedicated so much of their time and talents to Al Kaly and its Units and Clubs. One of these men is Dave Huff from Colorado Springs. He comes from a long tradition of family membership in the Masonic fraternity.

Like so many men in The Great Generation, Dave joined the military as soon as he was old enough to join. He'd signed up for the fledgling Air Force in high school but found out that those young men would end up as infantry anyhow. So, when he graduated and was days from being eighteen, (his mother wouldn't sign for him to join) he joined the Navy. This was in September 1944. Listening to Dave recount these memories, I tried to picture the eighteen year old kid being sent off with a bunch of other kids to do the "right thing" for his country. His stories reminded me of how much we owe to kids like that, who were doing what they could for their country. Their living conditions and their world were so out of sync with the way they had been living and how they knew the world to be.

When he got out of the Navy in May 1946, he found his way back to Colorado Springs and the girl he'd been

dating in high school, Verna. They were married sixty-five years ago and have lived in Colorado Springs for all but three years during that time.

He was a member of the Drum Corps Unit, which had thirty-five drums, and there was a waiting list for a drum to open up. The cadets from the Air Force Academy trained the original unit. Getting the large drum from place to place, pulling it in parades and maintaining it were quite a big deal. The drumhead was sensitive to weather changes and they had to pay attention or possibly damage the head that cost about a thousand dollars to replace. One of their best fundraisers was the monthly dances that they held at the Shrine Club during the winter months. They had live music and drew large crowds. People came and danced and ate the hot dogs and snacks that the Drum Corps sold. It was a great time and people loved to dance.

They were part of the Nomads, and then, they were part of the Hillbilly's. As far as I've been able to determine, the purpose of that unit was to have fun and that also required them to do things for a laugh. Both Dave and Verna had a ball with the Hillbilly group and joined in the great fun of it. He was part of the Spirit of '76 Unit that was quite unique. They were all ex-military and would dress up and depict scenes from our history on their trailer in the parades. They created their own costumes and did their own skits. Dave was the bloodied drummer boy from the Revolutionary War. They had a number of scenes that they portrayed during the parade season.

Dave helped with maintenance on the Shrine Club over the years by painting, remodeling, repairs, and keeping up with the parking lot. He is one of the quiet men who keep things running and supports the activities that are required so that things keep running.

We talked about how they used to recruit the new members to join a Unit right after their initiation. They didn't try to interfere with those who were already committed to a Unit, but they worked to keep their numbers up. Things have changed in the last forty years or so, television, and all sorts of other activities are available. There is still a need for the things that helped the Shrine to grow then, and it is wonderful that the Shrine is here and addressing those needs. As the new PR slogan says: Keep the tradition alive. Aren't you proud to be a Shriner?





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UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

6	Good Friday - Office Closed	15	Bowl-A-Thon	21	Ceremonial
9	OV - Clowns of Al Kaly	15	LOH Spaghetti Dinner	29	OV - Bowling Unit
14	Screening Clinic - CSSC	19	OV - Mule Train		

MAY

4	OV - Pueblo Shrine Club	18, 19	Circus, Colorado Springs
5	Apple Blossom Day Parade, Canon City	19	Mule Train BBQ
5	OV - Honda Patrol	20	Circus, Canon City
7	Visit Rocky Ford Lodge	28	Circus, Lamar
11	Stated Meeting - PSC	29	Circus, Rocky Ford
12	Screening Clinic - CSSC	30	Circus, Pueblo
12	Potentate's Ball	31	Circus, Salida
15	OV Trinidad Shrine Club		



New Nobles Needed Al Kaly Shriners Spring Ceremonial & Ladies Luncheon

April 21, 2012

Location:

Pueblo Shrine Club
1501 W McCullogh Blvd
Pueblo West, CO

*Lunch: \$13.00
per person*

Please RSVP by sending your check for \$13.00 per Noble and Lady for your lunch reservation to:

Al Kaly Shriners
P.O. Box 193
Pueblo, CO 81002

Schedule of Events:

8:30am Candidates & Ladies Check in
9am 1st Section Ritual Ceremony
10am Unit and Club presentations
Noon Nobles and Ladies lunch
1pm Arch Presentation
2:30pm Camel Herder Degree & Ladies Presentation
3pm Divan and Divan Ladies Address & Closing
Remarks



by Dr. Ralph "Doc" Hathaway

February 28th, The International House of Pancakes (IHOP) and Al Kaly Shriners celebrated National Pancake day. With every free short stack of pancakes served, guests were invited to make a donation to Shriners Hospitals for Children, at all four IHOPs in Colorado Springs and the two in Pueblo.

In addition to raising funds, the campaign also raised awareness of the Shriners Hospitals for Children, a 22 hospital health care system - founded by the Shriners International Fraternity. All Shriners Hospitals provide children with the best available pediatric specialty care regardless of their family's ability to pay for services. Nearly one million children have benefited from the Shriners Hospitals unique approach to health care, and gone on to live happy and fulfilled lives.

We at Al Kaly Shriners, appreciate the efforts of

IHOP in bringing our community together for an enjoyable meal. In addition, it provides Al Kaly Shriners the opportunity to spread awareness of the Shriners Hospitals for Children to our community. Plus, we are able to raise funds for our incredible health care system through this community sponsored venue. We also want to thank all the IHOP staff, volunteer Shriners and most of all the folks that came in to the various IHOPs and supported the Shriners Hospital for Children with their generous donations.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing state of the art pediatric specialty care of spinal cord injuries, cleft lip and palate, burn injuries and club foot deformities. Children up to the age of 18 are eligible for care and receive all services in a family-center environment, regardless of their family's ability to pay.

The second Saturday of each month, from 10 AM until noon, Shriners in Colorado Springs hold a Medical assessment clinic at 6 South 33rd street. No appointment is needed, as it is a walk in clinic.

Al Kaly Shriners are indebted to IHOP and the community that supported us during the National Pancake Day. Through your generosity, and the results of all our efforts, we were able to raise \$17,366.98 (9th out of 25 Temples) for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. The total collected by 25 Temples participating in this fundraiser for our Hospitals was \$585, 377. **Thank you one and all.**

Al Kaly Shriners of Southern Colorado



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SPRING SHRINE FUN

by **Roger Mendenhall**
Chief Rabban

Spring is here at last and so is parade season. I really look forward to being part of our Al Kaly Units in action, especially in the small towns where folks really cheer us on. It puts an “all day” smile on my face.

Our Spring Ceremonial is coming up on Saturday, April 21st at the Pueblo Shrine Club. Please talk to your Masonic friends and ask them to join our fraternity and the “World’s Greatest Philanthropy”. Let’s break some records! We still have the medals for five new members, and I know several of you are very close to that Membership Medal.

The Spring Scottish Rite Reunion follows the next week on April 26th through April 28th. It always ends with a ‘quite nice’ banquet on that last evening. Sign up a candidate and come on out for some fun and fellowship. If you aren’t part of Scottish Rite and you’d like to join us, give me a call.

If you are looking for some early circus fun, El Jebel’s circus starts on April 20th and continues through the 22nd. It is inside the Western Stock Show Arena, which is a different atmosphere from our outdoor venues and holds an excitement all its own. Wear your Fez so our Noble friends to the north will know you are supporting them. They will be glad to see you. You can get the schedule for performances on El Jebel’s website at <http://eljebelshrine.org/>.

Finally, don’t forget to support your local Shrine Club by attending their monthly dinners. Also, attend the Official Visit of your Club or Unit. It’s always a special time for all.



SPRING CEREMONIAL IN APRIL

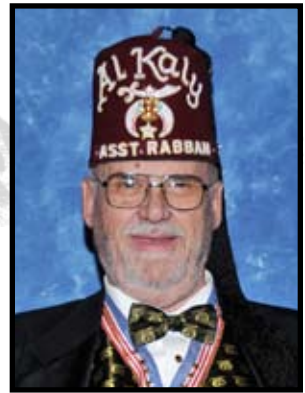
by **Merv Terrill**
Assistant Rabban

The April Ceremonial is to be held on the 21st in Pueblo at the Shrine Club. It appears all the Masons in the Al Kaly area have taken leave. They have gone on vacation, left the state or are hiding behind trees, trash cans and cars or have locked themselves in their respective houses and won’t answer the door or the phone. If this wasn’t true we would have petitions for the Ceremonial in the Al Kaly Office waiting for our Recorder to verify the last minute “things” he has to verify. Each of us knows someone who has expressed an interest in our Shrine or someone we would be proud to sponsor as a first line signer. We need to get out there and contact them for the Spring Ceremonial. This is the perfect time to join as the summer offers so much for new people to become involved with.

The Ceremonial and Arch Teams are beginning their planning and practices for this session, we need to have people for them to initiate.

And don’t forget to contact the people who have just joined, as this is the season to show them how much fun we have as a family. Make a phone call to someone you haven’t seen in a while. A simple, “Hey, Pete, where have you been?” shows genuine concern and may be all that is needed to retrieve someone you really enjoyed being around. Wives—you can be as important in this as your Noble. Ladies often just need to be reminded we miss them to get them to the next parade or circus.

Keep our people active and activate a new member in April!!



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PARADE PHOTOS

by *J.D. Potter*
High Priest and Prophet

By the time this article is published, the Saint Patrick's Day Parade will be over, and we will be starting the parade season in high gear. That brings up a thought about photos for the Dust, the Raffle Calendar and other Al Kaly publications. If you take your camera to a parade, an Official Visit, or a special event, consider electronically sending those photos to Dust Editor Ray Clark, so he can put them up on the Zenfolio site for everyone to enjoy. Remember to set your cameras on high resolution, as high resolution photos print well without being grainy. If in doubt, contact one of our Al Kaly Photographers as they would be willing to help you, I am sure.

Speaking of the 2012 Calendar, we need everyone to get the last of the Calendars sold so we can close the books and get the reward checks out to the Units and Clubs. We will be starting on the 2013 calendar soon. So, as stated previously, get some good photos in, so 2013 will be the best Calendar yet.

I have been working on the hog smoker, getting it ready for the Calling in the Hogs event set for September 9th, don't forget to get your banks filled and if you need a new one, see Jim Eaches at the next meeting.



DON'T FORGET CALLING IN THE HOGS

by *Jim Eaches, Sr.*
Oriental Guide



Greetings:

Here it is March already and parade season has already gotten started with the St. Patrick's Day parade already under our belts. Hope you had your green on, and hopped over to the Colorado Springs Shrine Club after the parade for some good home made Corned Beef and Cabbage, courtesy of the Shrine Club and prepared by the Shrine Ladies who as always do a wonderful job.

For those of you who attended the Nile Tea, what a great day it turned out to be, the weather wasn't the best but it was a still a nice day. It is a lot of hard work and the tea and sandwiches, along with all the sweets treats, is enough to keep everyone coming back year after year, as this really is another amazing event.

At this time, I would like to mention once again the Calling in the Hogs scheduled for September 9th at the Pueblo Shrine Club. As most of you are aware, the entry fee for this event is just filling up a piggy bank. If you have a purple piggy from last year, just bring him back nice and stuffed. If you don't have a bank, please contact me, our Illustrious Sir Gary Sears or our Recorder Bart Guthrie. The cost of a bank is \$2.00. Now I have to tell you that I made a change in picking out the piggy we are going to roast, at first I had chosen the pig that built the straw house, that was for an obvious reason (not a very smart carpenter) so I changed my mind and I have a new alternate. How many of you see that pig on the television commercials going WEE WEE WEE, whether in the car, on the zip line or on the skate board? Well, he bugs the hell out of me, so guess who just got the top nomination for getting his butt burned, that's right, little old WEE WEE WEE, he is definitely going down this year!

We also have the Spring Ceremonial in April, a bus trip to Cripple Creek, the Potentate's Ball and parades galore, so there is no way you can be bored as the Summer approaches, with that being said, hope to see you all somewhere along the road.

Yours in Shrinedom.

RESOLUTION I

Whereas, the fee to petition for membership in to Al Kaly Shriners is \$225, and,

Whereas, our membership is continuing on the decline and,

Whereas, new members come from the Masonic Lodges.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that upon the request of a Masonic Lodge in Colorado, a short or long form ceremonial may be conducted at a Colorado Masonic Lodge social or special function set up by them with a minimum of 10 candidates at a cost of \$150.00 per candidate for the year 2012 and 2013.

SO MANY EVENTS!

by Ron Bowen
First Ceremonial Master

Greetings!

I've jumped in with both feet and am already learning so much! To date, I have attended two OV's, the El Jebel Potentate's Gala, and have participated in the IHOP National Pancake Day. It has been a great learning experience so far.

The Legion of Honor OV was held on January 15 with Ill. Sir Gary doing the honors for their Installation of Officers. This was very impressive. The Past Masters had their OV in Canon City on February 26, and if Roger and Karen hadn't invited me to ride down with them, I probably would still be trying to find the restaurant! I met several members that I had never seen before. It was a fun evening and Ill. Sir Gary also installed their new officers. The Gala at El Jebel was a lot of fun. I met several members of El Jebel and shared a table with my counterpart. I believe we will be sharing many ideas with each other as time goes by. The entertainer for the evening was comedian Randy Riggle who took us down memory lane through the 40s, 50s, and 60s in his Nostalgia show. He closed the show with a special poem he had written, inspired by his father, in tribute to veterans. For me, this tribute was the highlight of the evening – very awesome and moving.

If you have never participated in the IHOP National Pancake Day you are really missing a lot! I encourage all of you to do so. It is such a humbling experience. Talking with people as they come and go is fun and they really appreciate what we do. Several offered their personal stories of how the Shriners touched their lives. One young lady shared her story as a Shriner Kid born with a club foot. After several operations she is like any of us, and she is so grateful for the difference the Shriners made. Another gentleman from California who came in with a group of seven stopped to talk with us. His uncle was a Mason and he was interested in becoming one but didn't know where to begin or who to contact. We gave him some pamphlets and suggested how he could contact Masons in California. This gentleman had also been a Shriner Kid. He was born with two club feet. The Shriners made it possible, through several operations, for him to walk as well as anyone. For both of these grown Shriners Kids, you would have never known that they had started out with physical challenges.

(First Ceremonial Master, continued on page 13)



KEEP YOUR SHRINE ACCOUNTS CURRENT!

by Eugene Dobrzelecki
Treasurer



This past January, ENT FCU brought to our attention that some of the Unit and Club checking and savings accounts that were held at ENT had some problems. Remember that Units use the Shrine tax number (EIN) on the accounts while Clubs are to have their own EIN. Also, if your accounts are dormant or not used after awhile, they are considered to be dead and are turned over to the state. I would ask all Unit and Club Treasurers to verify the EIN on their bank accounts and to make sure that periodic transactions, deposits or withdrawals, are made to keep all accounts active and current. If over the years, the names of authorized signers have changed, please make sure that the bank accounts reflect those changes. It is highly recommended that at least two authorized signers be placed on all bank accounts.

Here is where we stand at the end of February.

Income:

Dues	\$46,000
Cash Calendar Sales	\$31,000
Dust Ads	\$6,000

Expenses:

Calendar Expenses	\$ 6,000
Insurance	\$12,000
Payroll	\$ 7,000
Potentate Expenses	\$ 7,000
Installation Expenses	\$ 2,000
Travel & Allowances	\$ 1,000

Summary Totals:

Income	\$86,000
Expenses	\$49,000
Net Income	\$37,000

Did you know that in addition to sending patients to the Salt Lake Shriners Hospital, we also assist in sending children as far away as Philadelphia, Sacramento and Chicago? This is all due to the donations and fund raising activities the Transportation Fund receives during the year. Remember that donations to our Transportation Fund are

(Treasurer, continued at right)

PROPOSED MEMBERSHIP FEES CHANGES

by **Bart Guthrie, P.P.**
Recorder



At the March 10, 2012 stated meeting two resolutions were read proposing a couple of fee changes for Al Kaly Shriners. The resolutions are contained in this issue of the Dust on pages 9 and 18, and will be voted on at the May 21, 2012 stated meeting. They are as follows:

Reduced petition membership fee. Effective for 2012 and 2013. Currently, the fee for a new member into Al Kaly is \$225.00. This year, if one of Colorado's Masonic Lodges within our jurisdiction has 10 brothers that wish to be Shriners joining Al Kaly we will perform a short form (or a long form subject to negotiation) ceremonial at a facility of their choice for a \$75 reduction or \$150.00. Obviously this cannot be done during a tiled lodge meeting; but, prior to lodge or at a social. The number 10 is not negotiable. If a lodge doesn't have 10, maybe they can contact another lodge and combine potential members to reach this number.

Associate member fees. Effective with 2013 dues. Currently, fees for an associate member (dual member where Al Kaly is not the primary temple) from \$60.00 per year to \$30.00 per year. This fee puts Al Kaly in line with El Jebel, who also charges \$30.00 per year for associate members. We hope this will be attractive to those Shriners living in Colorado, currently not a member of Al Kaly, to join up with us. We have had some inquire about associate membership with us but decline to join because our fees are too high.

If there are any questions on either of these items please don't hesitate to contact me.

(Treasurer, continued from left)

tax deductible and you earn one point for every dollar you donate. What a wonderful way to earn your stars!

During the month of February we received \$2,855 in the Fund and used \$5,709 to help 12 of our children get to their appointments. Right now our Transportation Fund is valued at \$145,419. The IHOP campaign earned \$16,982 (\$17,382 minus \$400 in expenses) this year all of which will be forwarded to the Shriners Hospital.

*Featured
Club/Unit:
by Glenda Terrill*

SHABOB

The year is 1994, Fannie M. Cline Rainbow Assembly is going strong in Pueblo, and the girls are excited about the things girls get excited about. We can even get them excited about Rainbow Meetings, visiting the Eastern Star Home in Denver, Christmas Caroling and fundraising activities... periodically. But the meeting they talked about more than others was when Shabob member Noble Ray Setser showed up "unannounced" (Mother Advisor knew he was coming) and presented a plaque to the outgoing Worthy Advisor, saying she had done a great job as leader the past year.

Youth groups, and specifically their elected leaders, expect the support of their groups and the adult leaders, be it Rainbow, DeMolay or Jobs Daughters. And while some show much more leadership than others, they ALL deserve the support of the larger group of Masons, Shriners, York and Scottish Rite bodies. The Shabob does that for the Shrine.

This year the group that holds no meetings, pays minimal dues, and is not heard about often, sent each Masonic Youth Group in Al Kaly Territory an "unannounced" \$50 to be used for the best interest of the group. They can decide whether to send a member to their Grand session, pay their rent, or eliminate another need of the unit. The groups were excited by the unrequested donation and sent many thanks to the Shabob for their support.

I can't say, "go to a meeting" or "join them at a parade" or any of the other things you would expect when introducing a Unit or encouraging our support of a Unit. I can only say support the "Quiet Unit" as they support the future Masons, Shriners and the girls who will become the wives, mothers, daughters and sisters of those. Five dollars a year is a super small fee to become a Quiet Member of a Unit that does what we all should do...support our youth.

Contact Ron Crawford (croseeclown@msn.com), Tracy Howard, Vern Wolf or Frank Caffey to pay your \$5 membership fee and feel that warm fuzzy feeling parting with it will give.

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The Al Kaly Shrine Transportation Fund is in need of a financial boost.

The increasing cost of transporting our Shriner Kids to one of the Shriners Hospitals combined with the number of kids being served is putting a strain on our Transportation Fund. The Dust each month will highlight those who have contributed to the Transportation Fund.

Help us fill this page!!!! For your contribution, your name or "in Memory of" will be listed in the Dust for one year (10 issues).

Support the Al Kaly Shrine Transportation Fund. Send your donation to: Al Kaly Shrine -P.O. Box 193, Pueblo Colorado 81002. A date will be posted behind each name indicating the year and month of your last donation.

Individual Contributions

Past Masters Unit (4/12)
John Montoya (3/12)
Allan Ake & Linda Agresta (3/12)
John Schroyer (3/12)
Al Kaly Band (2/12)
Norma Harre (2/12)
Honored Ladies of Al Kaly (2/12)
Ralph Hathaway & Jo Anne Sube (1/12)
Elite Shooters (1/12)
William Maxwell (1/12)
John Schroyer (1/12)
Mon Ark Shrine Club (12/11)
Beatrice Beckett (11/11)

Escalante Shrine Club (11/11)
John Schroyer (11/11)
Ken & Hannah Hunter (9/11)
John Schroyer (9/11)
Dick & Mary Mills (9/11)
Little Ts (9/11)
Flivvers (9/11)
Paul Sazonick (8/11)
Job's Daughters Bethel #31 (7/11)
Honda Patrol (7/11)
Pueblo Shrine Club (7/11)
Ray & Lorann Singmaster (7/11)
John Schroyer (7/11)

Clowns of Al Kaly (7/11)
Ken Hunter (7/11)
Lee & Marge Logan (7/11)
Colorado Springs Shrine Ladies (7/11)
Al Kaly Bowling League (7/11)
Colorado Springs Shrine Club (7/11)
David & Ruby Ashley (7/11)
Arkansas Valley Shrine Club (5/11)
Don & Jean Johnson (5/11)
Don Christian (5/11)
John Schroyer (5/11)
George Cann (5/11)

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Pauline Neu by Frank & Carol Krutzke (4/12)
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Pauline Neu by Ray & Geraldine Barbour (4/12)
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Pauline Neu by Barlow Westcott (4/12)
Pauline Neu by Chuck & Kathy Tedrow (4/12)
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Donna Burger by Dan & Pauline Neu (9/11)
Fremont Shrine Club by Dick & Mary Mills (9/11)
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Mary K. Davis by G.B. & Bettye Anderson (9/11)
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Manny Herzberger by G.B. & Bettye Anderson (9/11)
Chris Pannunzio by G.B. & Bettye Anderson (9/11)
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Musings from the Blue Lodges

by Richard Mills

The dining hall at Fremont Lodge #97 was spotless and the table settings gave the appearance of an elegant banquet hall. The Master was a bundle of nerves as he awaited the arrival of the first guests of the evening. This was the long anticipated dinner for the local First Responders, Fire and Police. This was a chance for the Lodge to express our appreciation and that of the community. As expected, the dinner was a great success and fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all. This was Fremont Lodge's first attempt in a long time to engage the public and explain the purpose of our fraternity.

When you visit the quaint little Lodge at Coal Creek, you can now ascend to the upper level in modern style. A bequest from our beloved Brother Langill, who passed away recently, enabled the Lodge to install a much needed chair lift. His love of Masonry lives on in helping others attend Lodge who may not have been able to otherwise.



The first meeting of Fremont Lodge in March was awesome. Brothers from Trinidad, Pueblo and Colorado Springs swelled our ranks to 36 members. The Brethren were honored with the presence of Past Grand Master Joseph Hadad and Past Grand Master of Cryptic Masons, Norman L. Lane. The Shrine was represented by Ill. Sir Gary Sears, Potentate of Al Kaly, who was accompanied by Past Potentate, Ill Sir Bill Sheard. There was not enough room in the East to accommodate all of the Past Masters and they elected to remain with the Craft. This was a most enjoyable and informative meeting. Most worshipful GM Joe Hadad gave an inspiring talk and closed the meeting in ample form.

Silvercliffe Lodge #38 saw the passing of one of its pillars of the Lodge and a Brother that will be greatly missed. Past Master Bruce Nardin lost his battle with cancer but he will live on in our hearts. Remember, we owe it to Brothers like Nardin and Langill to do all in our power to keep the Blue Lodges active.

BE KINDER THAN NECESSARY, EVERYONE IS FIGHTING SOME TYPE OF BATTLE.

(First Ceremonial Master, continued from page 10)

These were just two of the stories that touched me, and I am so glad they took the time to share. Yes, this very humbling experience was a reminder (at least in part) of why I am so happy that I am a Shriner.

So, now I'll switch gears. I would like to share some information about our upcoming Cripple Creek bus trip on September 29. The location for the departure is not yet finalized, but I will get that information out to you as soon as I can. The bus ride will take a little over an hour and we will be able to spend five hours in Cripple Creek. The cost is \$20.00 per person. Please send your checks to the office and if you currently have a "Most Valuable Players" (MVP) Club card please include that information as well. (Don't worry if you don't have one – you'll be able to get one on the trip.) More information will be provided in the upcoming months. I will be your point of contact for information, so if you have any questions feel free to get in touch. My home phone number is 719-596-5594, cell is 719-209-3081, and my e-mail is wildblueronder@aol.com. This should be a really fun trip and I hope you will come to enjoy the fun!

More later. Take Care All.



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Shriner Child Jacob Mopp

by Rose Enyeart

How do you say Thank You?

One of the important things that I have learned is the deep gratitude the families and their children have for the services extended by the Shriner Hospitals for Children and the Shriners. They appreciate our efforts. Efforts? Well, we support parades, Clubs, Units, the Transportation Fund and numerous other Shriner activities. How this translates to the Shriner families is what these articles on Shriner Kids are all about. Telling their stories and perhaps helping another family, another child. What Shriners do makes a difference to the quality of life of these children and their families.

Recently I visited with the Mopp family, Brian, Lisa and their children Crystal and Jacob. Jacob is six and in first grade and full of energy and curiosity. There was a bicycle ramp and a bike in the front yard when I arrived. Brian had built it for Jacob and was thinking it was time to build another larger one. This is for a child who was born with a clubfoot that was casted for the first time when he was two days old. As Jacob zipped around and played, there was simply no evidence of his ever having such a problem.

Jacob's foot was casted here by their orthopedic specialist and it needed to be changed frequently, as in weekly. Their co-payments were significant. Brian's mom mentioned that they should contact the Shriners. She had heard someone mention that maybe the Shriners could help. (Was that someone you? Are you spreading the word about what the Shriner Hospitals do for children?) Lisa looked on-line and called the Shriners. They went to Denver to the clinic and at eight months old, Lisa, Jacob and Crystal went to Salt Lake City for Jacob's first surgery. They stayed in the Ronald MacDonald House for a month while he healed and the casts were changed several times a week. That first surgery brought his heel down and he was in a cast when he learned to walk. They did their best to make it strong enough to withstand this active and growing boy.

The local community supports the Hospital by giving passes or discounted prices to the aquarium, the children's museum and the zoo. The Shriners have a shuttle that helps families get around. They are treated as valued guests in the community and their stay is enjoyable.

Jacob's last surgery was when he was three and the

casts required extra strength and support as he went right through them. Although he is doing great, he is still a part of the Shriner Hospital network. He continues his hospital and clinic visits at least once a year and will go back this fall to see his doctors and check his progress. He will be monitored to make sure that things go according to plan when his growth spurts occur. If there are problems, the Shrine will help make sure Jacob is still moving at the speed of light.

The family reminisced about their surgeon, Dr. Santora, who operated to the music of Willie Nelson and always had jokes for Jake. Dr. Pond also was involved with Jake and the two of them came in on a day off just to make sure things were going well with him. Jake would hear a

story and want to go to Salt Lake to tell Dr. Santora the latest joke. The nurses and the doctors take the time to explain what they are going to do so that the parents and the child understand what is going to happen. Everyone is tuned into the child and the child's welfare.

They care about the outcome.

Because Jake is quite a comedian, he loved entertaining the staff and had a wonderfully positive attitude about his times visiting and his surgeries.

Listening to the family describe the care was touching. They have had their share of hospital visits as Crystal has managed to break a bone or two. Lisa assured me that nothing compares to the care and attention they receive when they go to the Shriners Hospital. The staff is attuned to the children and their families. They want to visit to be pleasant and productive. What a remarkable gift the Mopps received when they entered the Shriner Hospital system. We need to be proud and remember to "tell the story." The new PR saying: Keep the tradition alive. Aren't you proud to be a Shriner?



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AWARDS

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Gold Star

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Ruhamah Temple No. 71



- Daughters of the Nile



by **Sherry Holmes**
Queen

Hello everyone! Hard to believe this is my last article as Queen of Ruhamah Temple No 71!

My reign has been an exciting one. I can remember saying on many occasions that I would never get "in line" to become Queen. NEVER say NEVER!



Queen Sherry Holmes

My life has certainly been enriched by my journey in Nile. I can certainly say to anyone "willing to step up to the plate," that you will not be disappointed. Nile is a wonderful organization filled with wonderful Ladies. You will make many long-lasting friendships.

By the time you get this article, we will be installing a new Queen and her officers. How exciting! I hope that you will mark your calendars for March 31st at the Masonic Center, 1 PM start. Please help me support and congratulate these Ladies.

Bless all of you.

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RESOLUTION II

Whereas, the fee for an Associate member of Al Kaly Shriners is \$60.00, the same as dues for a regular member, and

Whereas, our number of Associate members remains at approximately 20 members and,

Whereas, associate dues for Associate members for our sister temple, El Jebel, is \$30.00.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that although a decrease in Associate member dues will result in a decrease in revenue for Al Kaly, it has the potential to significantly increase Associate members from the pool of Colorado Shriners not active in the Shrine.



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2012 Membership Program

At the end of the year the Club or Unit with the largest increases over their set goal will be given a banner to hang in the Shrine Club of their choice that states they were the #1 Club or Unit for Membership in 2012. A table will appear in the Dust every issue showing the current number of new Nobles and which Club or Unit received credit for the new Nobles. The goals will be set at one new Noble for every 20 Members of the Club or Unit. If a Club or Unit has less than 20 members the goal will be set at one. If the first line signer is a member of multiple Clubs or Units it will be the first line signers choice where the points are awarded.

Have fun and let the competition begin!

Club/ Unit	# of Members	Goal	New Nobles
Arkansas Valley Shrine Club	16	1	
Colorado Springs Shrine Club	216	11	
Escalante Shrine Club	43	3	
Fremont Shrine Club	18	1	
MonArk Shrine Club	29	2	
Pueblo Shrine Club	103	6	1
San Juna Basin Shrine Club	16	1	
Sand Dunes Shrine Club	3	1	
South Eastern Shrine Club	38	2	
Trinidad Shrine Club	10	1	
Al Kaly Band	26	2	
Clowns of Al Kaly	23	2	
Corvettes	15	1	
Drum Corps	9	1	
Elite	12	1	
Flivvers	26	2	

Club/ Unit	# of Members	Goal	New Nobles
Honda Patrol	17	1	
Kalyklowns	17	1	
Legion of Honor	41	3	
Little T's	15	1	
Mule Train	38	2	
Nomads	38	2	
Pipes and Drums	11	1	
Potentate's Escort	34	2	1
Provost Guard	16	1	1
Splinter Woodworking	8	1	
Three Wheelers	15	1	
Tin Lizzies's	11	1	
Tractors	4	1	
Past Masters	104	6	
Totals	972	61	3

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CLUB AND UNIT NEWS

KALYKLOWNS

by Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan
Past President & Correspondent

The 2012 season is upon us, beginning with the Pueblo City Council's proclamation of IHOP's National Pancake Day on February 27th, followed by the actual event on the 28th. Thanks go out to the following Nobles from the Kalyklowns who were on hand for the event: Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan, Vern "El Lobo" Wolf, Ron "Rosee" Crawford, Dave "Choo-Choo" Jones, Wayne "Howdy" McKey, Bill "Billy Bob" Davidson and John "Buttons" Montoya. Just around \$4500 was raised in Pueblo, with the total for both Colorado Springs and Pueblo at \$17,366.98. On St. Patrick's Day, we will travel to Colorado Springs for our annual participation in the parade there. The kickoff of Al Kaly's annual parade season will be marked by that event.

As you may know, our Unit has suffered losses in the recent months; this has depleted our ranks substantially. We are now, more than ever, seeking new members from



Kalyklowns at the Pueblo IHOP Pancake Day with Hospital Representative Wayne McKey and IHOP's General Manager Marla Ross.

Pueblo and the surrounding areas to come join us and become a Kalyklown. If any Noble is interested in joining us, please feel free to contact any Noble in the Kalyklowns for a petition. Remember, no experience is necessary ---- we will train you!!! Hope to see you along the parade routes this season. As I have been appointed Parade Announcer for the 2012 season, I will be in makeup for all parades, so that I don't get lost in the crowd!

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FREMONT SHRINE CLUB

by **Richard Mills**
Vice President

The wonder lust has once again invaded the Fremont Shrine Club and we have moved our meetings on to the Country Club. It is the same time and format, first Sunday of the month at 4 pm. The Country Club gives us more space and privacy. The view is spectacular and the food and service is great. Of course, the President had the same old tired jokes. We had a fun group and an overwhelming turnout of 36 members. Our 50/50 drawing is always popular. This meeting was enhanced by homemade gift baskets donated by Dianne Brown and Kathy Judy. Noble Paul Monohan donated an antique silver tea set. Paul claimed that the set was made by Paul Revere. All the members questioned this.

We were honored to have among our guests, Ill. Sir Steve Jordan and Lady Deborah. Ill Sir Steve means so much to us for two reasons: 1) He is the past Potentate and 2) He has encouraged and supported us from day one. He cheered us on when we had five or six members and we were wondering if Fremont Shrine Club was worth reviving. Steve would laugh and slap us on the back and tell us that things would get better. He missed very few meetings in the beginning and his presence gave us the incentive to keep going. Backing Ill. Steve in those early days was Ill. Sir Bill Sheard and Lady Irene. They were always there to give direction and encouragement. Just knowing that they were there, was a stabilizing factor. Through these efforts, our club now stands at 46 members. We were honored with our latest addition, Noble Jim Stivers and Lady Cindy.

The discussion at the meeting, centered on fundraisers for the coming year. The idea of an auction is still being battered around. Although we haven't put all the pieces together yet. Noble Ken Morse has a band and is quite an entertainer. He is an accomplished song writer and has 23 songs in the Library of Congress. Ken will put on a Concert for the Club on July 7th and 8th. Tickets will cost \$15/person – however, you will be limited to five per member, ha ha. Details to follow. Noble Marvin Brown had a very intriguing suggestion, collecting scrap metal. He elaborated on the high price of metal at this time. The members thought this to be a fantastic idea.

Our next meeting will be April 1st 2012. See you April Fool's day at 4 pm at the Country Club. No Joke!!!

BE KINDER THAN NECESSARY, EVERYONE IS
FIGHTING SOME TYPE OF BATTLE.



Mule Train March birthdays - from left to right, Bob Colgrove, Kathy Tedrow and Ill. Sir Dan Neu.

ALKALY MULE TRAIN

by **Allan Ake**
Secretary

The Mule Train had a good turnout for the March breakfast. We had about 50 people partake of a delicious pancake, sausage, and egg (both fried and scrambled) breakfast. We had two entire tables occupied by families. Life member Illustrious Sir Jim Rodeen was there safely delivered by Hanna Hunter. It was wonderful to see and hear the camaraderie, friendship, and family interaction. "This is really a rowdy bunch this morning", remarked President Jim Johnson as he tried to call the meeting to order. Thanks to caretaker/cook/chef Debbie Dupont for a great meal!

The Mule Train Riders have been invited to present their Flag Ceremony at the Castle Rock Mule and Donkey Show on Saturday or Sunday, April 28th or 29th with our Flag Ceremony. As of press time, the board had not yet

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BOWLING LEAGUE

by David Kochis
President

MARCH TOP SCORES:

Men	Scratch Series	Scratch Game
	611 Dave Eckman	213 Dwain Jack
	581 Dan Eckman	193 Ron Smith
	486 Cliff Wieger	186 Swede Hanson
Women	Scratch Series	Scratch Game
	617 Vicki Hanson	151 Rosa Eaches
	363 Millicent Ramsay	138 Pat Jack
	328 Carrie Wieger	107 Diana Wieger

On a sad note, Nobles and Ladies, the Bowling League has dropped down to twenty one (21) bowlers, and it has come time to make the hard decision to keep on going or to disband the Unit. This decision needs to be made at the Bowlers Banquet on April 29th at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. This League has been around for several years with a lot of different Nobles and Ladies from all over Shrinedom having a lot of fun.

On a happier note, the annual Bowl-a-Thon will be held on April 15th at Harmony Bowl in Colorado Springs, sign up is at 9 am and bowling starts at 10 am. This year's event is in memory of George Ray Jr. Remember, all of the money and donations made that day goes to the Shriner's Hospitals for Children. All are invited to bowl along with us or just come out and visit and help with some donations, the children will greatly appreciate it.

As someone always says every month, "I LOVE TO BOWL!!!"

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PUEBLO SHRINE CLUB

by Glenda Terrill

Spring has come to the Pueblo Shrine Club. That means several things including the Spring rentals are beginning again, the yard will soon need to be mowed and weeded periodically and vacations will soon start. In other words we are just like a family; some of us will do inside work, some will do outside work and some will be gone some of the time. All in all the work will be done and we will be slapping each other on the back for jobs well done.

We have experienced a disheartening couple of months concerning our monthly meetings. It snowed the day before or the day of the meeting in February and again in March. Due to that, we were VERY short of mouths to consume the delicious meals prepared by our caterer, Lara. Now, that was wonderful if you were in attendance, as quantities were anything but limited and seconds (and even take-homes) were available. However, this presents us with a monetary dilemma. When we order 42 dinners and 20 people show up...well, we can't just say "King's X" to the caterer, we have to pay for 42 dinners which causes us to pay out more than we take in. Up to now we have not asked for payment for dinner reservations if you were not able to come to the meeting after all, and we do not wish to start that practice. We do ask that you are fairly certain you will be able to attend when you make the reservations and call as soon as you realize you can't make it. This way we can adjust the count right up to the last minute...this gal is really great to work with in this respect!! Thanks for your help in doing this, we greatly appreciate it.

When this comes out we will have had another great Gun Show at the Club and Chief Rabban Roger Mendenhall and his Lady Karen are to be commended for their commitment to this project. Good friends who return as "sellers" and as "browsers", great atmosphere, door prizes and good food contribute to the success of this venture... thanks to all involved.

Come visit us at our Official Visit May 4th. This will, again, be the Steak Fry and anyone who has previously attended can testify to the wonderful menu, cooks and friends of the evening. Get your reservations in to your phone caller or the Stacey or JD Potter...phone numbers and email in the yearly Potentate's Directory or in the Pueblo Shrine Club newsletter.

Don't forget breakfasts on the first Sunday of each month...\$6 will buy you all you can eat and a great morning of conversation and friendship.



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made a decision. One of the key components of the decision is number of riders.

IHOP Day was a huge success for Al Kaly and the Mule Train members were extremely happy to have helped in the effort. The Southgate IHOP collected \$3,036.47 and one car wash token during the day.

Look for a spruced up look around the Mule Train about mid-summer. We're making decisions on painting the Big Barn, the Tack Room, and generally giving the place a good spring-cleaning.

AL KALY MULE TRAIN BBQ

When: Saturday, May 19th

5:00-6:30 p.m. with music provided upstairs
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POTENTATE'S MOTOR ESCORT

by **Noble Hiram T. Leza**
Vice President

Greetings Nobles and Ladies, you will be reading this after our first successful parade, which is the Saint Patrick Day Parade. As usual, all our Units performed well above standard. And we are preparing for the next parade, which will be the Canon City Apple Blossom and Music Festival. I encourage Nobles and their families to enjoy those days at the parade and carry around some information cards as to when and where our clinics are held, as well as information cards for your respective Lodges or Masonry as a whole.

We would like to welcome two new members to the Potentate's Escort, Nobles Charles Buck and Richard Crum. We know your membership will be positive and mutually rewarding. Our next goal as a Unit is to bring in a new Noble into Shrine, regardless of Unit affiliation. That's not to say we in the Potentate's Escort would not love to have a new Noble.

Numbers...why is it important? Numbers are important, like when a military unit goes in to take over area saturation. For us, it is getting the word out about Shriners and our Mission. Not only are we looking for people to donate to the Shriner's Hospitals, we would like to see some of those good men come into our Lodges and keep the blood fresh and flowing. Displaying who we are at events, not just as Shriners, but also as Freemasons is in our Masonic roots, helps us develop our charitable character. This is my second Parade Season. I enjoyed last year's and will carry those memories with me forever. I would hope that all our Nobles feel the same. That smile and wave conveys goodness and giving of oneself to those waving back. Hopefully that impression will give those watching a nudge to donate to our Hospitals.

Pictures of our Parades and Nobles interacting with people in the crowds - I would ask everyone and their friends and family who have pictures of the parades to share them with others, as those photos are great to keep memories alive, and you never know how they can be used to promote Shriner's International and Al Kaly.

March will have had two motorcycle happenings- the 22nd Annual Super Show and Swap Meet and March Madness Fun Run on 31 March in Colorado Springs, followed by the 9th Annual ABATE of Colorado District 10 Blessing of the Bikes and Poker Run in Franktown Colorado on 5 May. Hope to see a few Nobles and Brethren there. This would make a great ride for the Potentate's Escort.

(Motor Escort, continued on page 27)



CLOWNS OF AL KALY

by **Jim Burger**
Boss Clown

IHOP's Free Pancake Day, February 28, was busy for the Clowns; we were at all the IHOPs in Colorado Springs. Parade Season started on St Patrick's Day, in Colorado Springs, and continues thru September. Our next parade will be in May at the Apple Blossom Festival in Canon City.

Welcome aboard to the two new members of the Clowns: George Hamburg, who comes from back in Pennsylvania and Tom Park who just became a Shriner this past January. We welcome both of these Nobles to the Unit. I'll give you more about these clowns in future articles.

Last month we talked about our Note Taker John Brown. This month we will talk about our Vice Boss Clown, Dave Bills. Dave is a Past Boss Clown of Al Kaly from 2008 and past President of CSSA in 2009. Dave also is the Webmaster for Al Kaly and the website. Dave also does a lot of other things for the Shrine of Al Kaly, which will take up more space than allowed.

Anyone interested in being active, this is the group that clowns around and has a lot of Fun doing it!

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Band playing at the March Stated Meeting.

BAND

by Larry Weed
Vice President

Spring is Springing up All Over, and the Al Kaly Shrine Band is getting "In the Mood"!

In a recent performance by the Al Kaly Band's Swinging Shriners at the Village at Skyline, the performers brought in some additional cash for the AL Kaly Shrine Transportation Fund, to the tune of several Glenn Miller arrangements, with songs such as "Moonlight Serenade" and "Pennsylvania 6-5000", and some oldies and goodies dance numbers from other composers. We also brought in some additional recognition for the Shriners who are always out in the community here in Southern Colorado doing good. In the Band we've got something for everyone, with lots of opportunities for playing at every performance level.

During this past month, we also put smiles on the faces of the residents in a performance at the Veteran's Home in Walsenburg, and brought tears to the eyes of attendees at the Saint Patrick's Day parade in Colorado Springs (or was that vice versa?). Band performances and making music by Shriners has been around almost since the inception of Shrinedom, and Shriners love to get together to make music with other Shriners like at the Central States Shrine Association gatherings – this year it's hosted by the El Kahir Shrine at Cedar Rapids Iowa on 8-11 August.

The Al Kaly Shrine Band is the oldest unit in Al Kaly. Our rehearsals are on 2nd Tuesdays and 4th Sundays, and we play for all the Stated Meetings. Our members come from all kinds of backgrounds and experiences: former school band directors, military musicians, others of varied musical experiences, and even some folks that have always wanted to play, but just never got the chance before. We love parades and getting together to have fun.

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LEGION OF HONOR

by CDR Don W. Lam

Greetings Nobles,

It seems as if it were just yesterday that I was writing the LOH article for the March Dust and here we are again. Time flies when you are having fun, and Al Kaly Shriners have the most fun. The 28th of February found LOH Nobles gathered at the North Colorado Springs IHOP for their annual National Pancake Day. What a great day to be a Shriner. A huge pat-on-the-back goes out to Dwain Jack, Gene Dobrzelecki, Rex and Lady Jane Reid, Nick Spath, Jim Rawlings, Dick Larke, Marvin Narragon, Jack Ryan, Swede and Lady Olga Hanson, Rob Cordrey, Don Christian, Duane McGee, Duke and Lady Dot Dwyer. Because of their enthusiasm and good charms, donations were at an all time high....Attention ALL NOBLES AND LADIES... just a reminder of our 15 APRIL Legion of Honor SPAGHETTI DINNER at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. Come out and partake in some excellent vittles. As always, we are looking forward to the continuing support that you have provided year after year. This is another great opportunity for Shriners to come together in social harmony with the local community; to meet and make new friends.

And to our ailing Nobles and their Families, we are always thinking of you and wishing you the best. Our prayers are heard daily for your fast recovery.

Always remember that if you are active duty or an honorably discharged veteran and seek to "perpetuate the memory of those who have made the supreme sacrifice in the service of their country; to foster a spirit of patriotism and love of country and its flag..." and are seeking a Unit to affiliate with, we invite you to try the Legion of Honor. We meet at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM

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AL KALY PR UNIT

by Ray Clark
Vice President

With Al Kaly's parade season just getting started, it is important that we share with you Imperial's Crisis Management Plan. Last fall, Ill. Sir Bob Burr contacted each Club/Unit asking to appoint a person to the **Crisis Management Committee**. Up until now, the Committee has not met to talk about our Crisis Management Plan. However, we have asked Ill. Sir Bart Guthrie for time during the next Stated Meeting to share the plan with the Nobility and how it should be followed by our Temple. Has your Club/Unit identified a contact to work with this new Committee? If not, contact Ill. Sir Bob Burr ASAP with the name of your representative, so they and your members are kept in the loop.

Since 50-60 Nobles typically attend the Stated Meetings, I have included the outline for our Crisis Communication Plan below, so all our Nobles and Ladies would know what it is, should an event happen that would require our Crisis Management Plan to be implemented:

CRISIS COMMUNICATION PLAN

This plan is intended to serve as a crisis communication guide for the leadership of Al Kaly Shrine and its members.

I. **PURPOSE:** To effectively manage communications through a formal, clearly defined channel, in order to mitigate a crisis or a serious negative situation, and to maintain a reputation of leadership and transparency. This plan is not intended to govern or curtail the normal everyday public relations of the Units, Clubs, or individuals.

II. **DEFINITIONS:** For the purpose of this plan, the following definitions will apply.

A. **CRISIS:** An event, accident, rumor or any situation that has the potential to affect the Shrine's reputation, image or creditability in a negative manner.

B. **SPOKESPERSON:** A Noble designated by the Potentate to interact and represent Al Kaly Shrine to all media. This will usually be Crisis Management Director.

C. **CRISIS MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR:** A position established by the Potentate to coordinate and disseminate information to the general public that will enhance the overall mission of the Shrine.

D. **CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM:** Staff and key members designated by the Potentate to assess the crisis situation and design a plan of action.

III. DETAIL MANAGEMENT PLAN:

A. PREPARING FOR A CRISIS:

1. Disseminate to all Clubs, Units and Key Members an emergency list of phone numbers, cell phones and Emails of members of the Crisis Response Team. This list should be updated quarterly.

2. **MEDIA TRAINING:** Training for key staff and spokesman in how to interact with the media.

3. **MEMBERSHIP TRAINING:** All Units and Clubs are to receive training on the Crisis Management Plan. This should be on a yearly basis.

B. EXECUTION OF THE PLAN:

1. **Notification:** The Noble having the first knowledge of an actual or pending crisis shall contact the first person available on the emergency list. That person will then initiate further notification to the necessary staff.

2. The first person on the crisis response team to receive notification will assess the situation, ascertain the facts and begin delegation to other team members. Below are some points to consider;

- What is the situation and what will likely happen?
- What staff needs to be involved?
- What is known and who already knows it?
- Is there potential public interest?
- What can and can't be said?
- What is Al Kaly Temple's privacy policy?
- Be prepared to discuss the situation with the Potentate.

IV. CRISIS MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR:

A. Receive the report and briefing from the first response team member.

B. Notify and brief the Potentate or the next ranking Divan Member.

C. Insure that all that should know are informed.

D. Using the necessary team members, develop a factual responsive message to be used by the Temple and its members

E. With the Potentates approval, release statement to the media if necessary.

F. Submit report to Shriners International if necessary.

G. Keep record of situation on file.

H. Prepare a briefing to be shared with all Clubs and Units.

I. Evaluation/Post Crises Cleanup.

V. CRISIS MANAGEMENT TEAM:

(PR Unit, continued at right)

(PR Unit, continued from left)

- A. Ill. Sir Bart Guthrie: Crisis Management Director
- B. Divan Members
- C. Club and Unit Presidents

The PR Unit would like to thank all Nobles and Ladies who took part in the recent IHOP Free Pancake Day. You helped our Unit spread the word as to who Shriners are and how we help to get children with one of the Shriners Hospital for Children conditions into the system. Media coverage for this event was great this year. Thanks to everyone who helped to make that possible. The community knows a lot more about US now because of your efforts.

One project of the PR Unit that needs to be highlighted again this month is the Placemat Project. Thanks to Lady Glenda Terrill and Ill. Sir Bob Burr, we now have almost 25,000 Place Mats out in restaurants across the Al Kaly Territory tell the community about our Temple and how the Shriners Hospitals for Children are helping children lead healthy and productive lives. We want to thank all the Clubs, Units and Individual who have donated to the PR effort. If you would like to get on board and make a donation, please contact either Lady Glenda Terrill or Ill. Sir Bob Burr.

The Shriners and PBR project is continuing to move forward. Noble Doug Gabel met this winter with officials at Shriners International in Tampa about the project. He and others will be going to the PBR event in Albuquerque, NM, from March 23-25 to set up a Shriners Hospital Display and to Montana in May for a similar PBR event. Noble Doug will be

working with Ill. Sir Jim Long and members of both Al Kaly and El Jebel to develop a Business Plan for this event. Watch for some of the neat items that are going to be developed and sold at the PBR events to support the relationship between the PBR and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

During our March PR Unit meeting a number of items were discussed to help promote Al Kaly and our hospitals. If you have ideas as to how we can do a better job, come on out to our next PR Unit meeting on April 10th at Denny's Restaurant in Pueblo and tell us about your ideas. We would love to hear them. The PR Unit meets each month at 10 a.m.

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Recent performance by the Swinging Shriners at Village at Skyline.

Please contact any bandsman if you are interested in playing (or just listening) – we'd love to have you come and join us! To reiterate the motto of the Shrine Band Association of North America, "We play so Children Can".

(Motor Escort, continued from page 24)

I can say the next parade will be our first real warm one, the Music and Blossom Festival in Canon City. Additional information can be found at <http://www.ccblossomfestival.com/cms2/>. The parade is great and the streets are wide. Nothing like enjoying a cool drink at the park listening to great music after the parade.

The Nobles of the Potentate's Escort would like to thank all those that helped out with IHOP's National Pancake Day. I spent time at both the Stetson Hills and Chelton locations and the turnout was great. Again, big thanks to those that came in and donated or assisted in putting a face to the Shriners Hospitals for Children and representing Al Kaly that day.



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