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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

by Ill. Sir Tom Holmes Potentate

As I am sure you are aware, Dan Brown recently published his new book "The Lost Symbol." Just before our

Caribbean trip, Sherry and I were walking the aisles of Wal-Mart and happened on a stack of the new publication on sale. Knowing the trip was almost upon us, and I needed something to read, I tossed one into the cart. That was a mistake because once you begin reading this book, you can't put it down, and as a result I spent many hours with book in hand on the ship.

Make no mistake; this is a murder mystery thriller in typical Dan Brown fashion. However, on the first page and on almost every page all the way to the end, Masonry is the underlying subject. Those two points considered, there is another more important portrayal that permeates the pages. That is the history of Brotherly Love, Fellowship, and Trust all the way back to the founding of this country.

Aside from the enjoyment of the reading, I was continually reminded of the real value of our fraternity; that is to cement Brotherly Love and Fellowship throughout our ranks. And . . . if you look back to the founding of the Shrine, this concept was the driving force in addition to "having fun." This reality is often overlooked during the process of living our very active lives.

This concept brings me to one of the most important happenings of our trip. Keep in mind that there were over 50 of us on the ship and the ship was very large; large enough for people to get lost in the crowd if you wanted to. Now let me set the scene for what turned out to be an everyday occurrence. In the evenings before our dinner seating, one couple would occupy a table on the Promenade outside one of the bars. Pretty soon (not planned) other Al *(continued on page 4)*



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Tirst Lady's Note POTENTATE'S APPRECIATION EVENT

by Sherry Holmes

Hi everyone. Happy December! Can you believe that

2009 is on its way out??? There will be lots of parties and celebrations during this month so just enjoy yourselves and be careful.

On December 13th, Tom and I will host the "Potentate's Appreciation" at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club from 1 to 4pm. This is in honor of all of you for your support. We plan on having a good meal prepared by our one and only, Ill. Sir Bart Guthrie and his Lady Rosemary. We all know what good food they serve!

See you there.



Shrine Ladies

- Colorado Springs Area -

by Deborah Jordan President

My this year is going by so fast! Our December 7 meeting will be at Fargo's Pizza at 5:00 PM.

This is open to Nobles and Ladies. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Ladies, please bring a gift to exchange (up to \$10). We are meeting earlier to accommodate the Nobles need to attend the CSSC meeting.

We will NOT have a meeting in January, as our Installation of officers will be at the January Colorado Springs Shrine Club dinner.

I wish to thank all the ladies for a wonderful year. You made me look good all year! Thank you so much.

Happy Holidays and a joyous New Year to each of you.

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Kaly passengers would saunter by and join them. Within an hour the large majority of our people wound up taking over all of the tables and having a great time. There were often more of us than the tables would hold and create more of an impasse than the ship would have preferred. They didn't say anything and actually I think they rather enjoyed our being there, the point here is that our people were so comfortable with each other that they started camaraderie in the best tradition of Al Kaly and its members. What a thrill to see us all together having the time of our lives. *Isn't It Fun To Be A Shriner?*

If I might return to the subject of the book once more, another event happened that is very important to our Southern Colorado Masonic family. As many of you know, NBC elected to do a special on Dan Brown and the new



book. As Brother Cliff Porter and Brother Robert Herd are our education all-stars and are well known at the "House of the Temple" in Washington, they were highly recommended to the network as we have a "Chamber of Reflection" housed within our facility. That referral brought a news crew to Colorado Springs to video the inside of our Scottish Rite Temple and use Cliff Porter, Robert Herd, Shawn Beyer and Tim Hogan as representatives in a mock (for the cameras) ceremony. If you see the presentation, you might also recognize the narration during the ceremony as that of Junior Grand Warden Karl Hinkle (pretty undistinguishable voice). I am so proud of our local Masons and what they have accomplished in recent years.

Incidentally, Brother Robert Herd shared with me last night at Consistory that the book is going to be made into a movie. When this happens, we are going to be handed a golden opportunity to tell men who we are and what we do. In other words, it is our chance to bring in new, interested Masons. In a nutshell, bring it on! Start thinking now about how you are going to take advantage of the opportunity.

Well the December holidays are here. I hope you and your family truly enjoy the best of all seasons. God bless you all and have a great, great Christmas season.

Isn't It Fun To Be A Shriner?

The Honored Ladies Club

by Muriel Hansen for President June Williams

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR – 2010!! And once again we head for Canon City and the Belvedere Restaurant on Saturday, December 12th. Doors open at 11:00 am so we can socialize awhile before lunch is served. And, also, during that time, you can be paying you 2010 DUES, \$2.00;



of Al Kaly

Honored Ladies President June Williams

dropping money into the TRANSPORTATION FUND basket; and buying your tickets for the fun Christmas gift raffle! And, if you have a small package for under the tree for the drawing, that will be great! The Transportation Fund is still in need of our help, so let's be as generous as we can.

We will have election and installation of Officers for the upcoming year, which are:

President – HL June Williams (going for 2nd term!) Vice President – HL Betsy Ross Secretary – HL JoAnne Sube Treasurer - HL Kitty Pick

And last, but definitely not least, our Sponsors III. Sir Bob Burr and Lady Betty! A big 'thank you to these Ladies – and Noble – for accepting these offices for next year, and a big 'thank you' to the outgoing officers for a job well done!

How about all those great pictures of CSSA in the November issue of the DUST?! And, a bonus! Pictures of the wonderful Caribbean Cruise! The ship, The Adventure of the Seas, was so big; it was like trying to find your way around an unfamiliar city. Most of the time just plain lost!! There were a couple of days it could have been a tad cooler, but then we—HL June Williams, HL Marge Majors, HL Jane Lucia, and I -- reminded ourselves of what we all had to look forward to at home! Our plane had to be de-iced before we could leave! Personally, I had a great time – my birthday, 16 October, lasted all week long!! Every day, something stuck to the door of our room! Thanks, everyone! What a fun group we had on this trip to honor III. Sir Tom and Lady Sherry! I think I am now addicted to one of those luscious drinks we shared every evening just before dinner.

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Our sincerest condolences to Lady Rose Enyeart for the loss of her Noble, Ill. Sir Bill Stoner. Ill. Sir Bill died very suddenly on Sunday morning, November 8th. Also, Ill. Sir Harold N "Bud" Moore, PP and 33°, passed away Friday, October 30th, at Parkview Hospital. Our sincerest condolences to Lady Pauline and their family.

Today, Monday, November 9th, I received a call informing me that our HL Nettie Terry has died. She died peacefully, at the Care Center in Canon City, with friends around her. Nettie was from Australia. She had no family left.

Truly missed this year is HL Myrtle Shaw who always considered it her duty to sell the raffle chances and HL Barbara Lamborn who always had such a wonderful Christmas program planned for us.

It has been my honor to have been the Publicity Chairman for Honored Ladies for many years, but it is now time for someone to give this monthly article of news of what we Honored Ladies are doing with our time, etc, a fresh read. To those who read the article HONORED LADIES OF AL KALY, I thank you; for those who have said nice things about it, I truly thank you! And, again, thanks to the Nobles and Ladies of Al Kaly who continue to Honor us! YES IT IS FUN TO BE A PART OF THE SHRINE!

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See you soon.

Featured Member Jim Gore

"RECALLING MY TIME AS A POW⁵⁰

The first daylight raid on Hamburg, Germany turned out to be a disaster, because where clouds didn't cover the sky, condensation trails from the aircraft did. Division Commander Colonel Maurice Preston of the 379th Bombardment Group ordered a 360 degree maneuver to get back into formation. Our crew had an engine destroyed by antiaircraft fire. Therefore the loss of power caused us to fall behind our formation. Paul, our pilot, put our plane into a dive and soon we were attacked by German fighters.

I tried to get the pilot on the intercom. No answer. So I slipped out of my parachute to help, because I could fly the plane. I met the pilot and copilot on their way out of the aircraft with the engineer and bombardier close behind. While readjusting my parachute, the plane went into a spin and we took fire from the fighters. The concussion was deafening, but the pain I felt in my rear was like being hit very hard with a hot poker. The plane blew up and I was thrown out.

How my parachute opened, I don't know, but I landed flat on my back in a field of rye. A German peasant came to me, offered me his hand, and helped me up like an old friend. Soon a German car arrived with a driver and a fighter pilot, they took me to a small jail where my wounds were bandaged by one of the pilots that shot me down, using Bauer & Black bandages from Chicago, and I was also given a shot of French Cognac. I was given a cot to rest on but soon awakened to pleading and yelling. I looked out the window to see a young man (probably a Polish Flyer) tied to a pole, stripped and being beaten with what looked like a cat of nine tails. I thought I would be next.

While in captivity at the jail, I was given Black Bread, a hard bread made with ground beets and sawdust that weighed about 5 pounds, and a thin slice of meat along with ersatz coffee. A tough looking peroxide blond came into the room and said "Sprechen Deutsch?" I responded with a "Nein." She then said "Parlez-vous Francais?" She spoke to me in five different languages before saying, "Never mind, Lieutenant, I speak English better than you". She wanted to know what we were doing bombing women and children. All I responded was to give her my name, rank and serial number. She took this information from my dog tags and left.

Later a truck came with a burned and bloodied parachute. They put me in the truck with a "toe-pincher" coffin on which I sat. We went to the burned up aircraft and I was told to get out and carry one end of the coffin to the crash site. I was given a pair of heavy gauntlet gloves to help place the body of the radio operator in the casket. Then they took me where the rest of my crew was located.

I was then trucked to Koln, Germany, where we all boarded a train to Frankfort on the Maine, then unloaded at Dulag Luft. I was interrogated by an officer and then put on another train to Staleg Luft III in Sagan, Poland. We were all put in a camp surrounded by a double barbed wire fence about 10 feet high and quartered with British & Canadian officers, some of whom had already been in the camp for three years. The following March, some 80 British officers escaped from

> a 600 foot tunnel which I had a part in scattering the dirt as I walked around the compound. Thirty officers were caught right away. In April, the Germans brought the ashes of the other 50 who had been shot and cremated. We were called to formation to be counted. We behaved very badly so we were dismissed. Thirty minutes later we were again assembled. Men with rifles on tripods were lined up behind us. We were told, "Now Gentlemen, we will have the count and it

makes no difference whether I count you alive or count you dead." We had an extremely orderly formation that time.

In January of 1945, a play called "You Can't Take It With You" was stopped by Colonel Goodrich and we were told to march for 30 minutes in a blizzard at night. We looked back to see our camp going up in flames. We marched for three nights, spending days in large barns. We arrived at Spremburg, the railroad station, and were put on 40 and 8 cars with 50 men to the car. It was a very miserable journey, much worse than marching in the snow. We were fed potatoes and beans cooked on the vine. Many of us had diarrhea and for the next five months we were fed a bowl of barley soup each day.

On April 29, 1945, we were liberated by General Patton's army. We were flown to LaHarve, France to camp Lucky Strike where we were fed rich food for several days. We were then boarded on General Gordon's troop ship with a contingent of hospital personnel to Port of Spain, Trinidad. We arrived in New York Harbor on June 4th, 1945 with a hero's welcome. I was finally able to call my parents at 3 a.m. at Oxford, Colorado from Bayfield, CO, on the party line with

I LOOKED OUT THE WINDOW TO SEE A YOUNG MAN, PROBABLY A POLISH FLYER, TIED TO A POLE, STRIPPED AND BEING BEATEN WITH WHAT LOOKED LIKE A CAT OF NINE TAILS. I THOUGHT I WOULD BE NEXT.



Noble Jim Gore and daughter Evelyn McLaughlin

two longs and two shorts which woke up everyone on the line. Many receivers could be heard clicking with the listeners encouraging remarks. A few days later, after a long ride on a troop train to Pueblo, CO, I finally met my parents in Pueblo at an aunt's home. When I arrived home, I only weighed 120 pounds. What a great reunion. Great to be with family.

64 YEARS LATER - It's 1:00 a.m. We have been walking for over 2 hours. It is cold and dark, and dogs bark at us as we pass through small villages. Evelyn McLaughlin, Jim Gore's daughter is asking herself - how did we get into this?

After much talk and planning by email and phone, 15 children of POWS from Stalag Luft III met in Germany in January of 2009. Their intention was to recreate the forced march of their fathers in January of 1945. The Russians were entering Germany from the north, and Hitler wanted to move POWs from all over Germany to one spot to use as pawns at the end of the war. So the men from Stalag Luft III were forced to march nearly 60 miles, then they were put on a train for two days to Moosberg, where they lived in overcrowded, horrible conditions until April, when they were liberated.

According to McLaughlin, they started in Zagan, Poland, where Stalag Luft III was located. The museum curator told them a lot about the camp, and was able to locate the spots in the forest where each of their fathers' barracks were. Although the British have recreated this march many times, they were the first Americans to do so.

"We left South camp of Stalag Luft III at 11:00 p.m., just as our fathers had done. We walked 10 miles that first night, 18 miles the next day, 14 miles the third day, and finished our walk in Spremberg after a 17 mile day. We followed the same route that South Camp followed, and were able to see a barn in which they had rested, and a factory where they stayed overnight. We saw the train station in Spremberg where they were loaded on 40 and 8 cars to Moosberg, and met a man who remembers the men coming through town in 1945. We were supported by a charter bus, who followed us as we walked, and we stayed in small inns along the way, so of course our experience was much different than their experiences in 1945, but the emotions of knowing that we had walked in our fathers' footsteps was amazing. We rode in the bus to Moosberg, and toured the area where Stalag Luft 7A was, and where our fathers were liberated. None of our group knew each other before this walk, but we remain fast friends because of the bond we formed."

Noble Jim Gore, returned to his home town near Durango, Colorado in July of 1945. In September of 1945, he married a girl he had known most of his life, Dorothy Klusman. He trained to be a mortician, but only worked in that field for a few years, before returning to school and becoming a teacher. He taught business until his retirement. He has two daughters Carolyn Scott, of Highlands Ranch, Colorado, and Evelyn McLaughlin, living in the nearby town of Bayfield Colorado, and two grandsons, Ryan McLaughlin of El Paso Texas and Tyler McLaughlin of Fruita Colorado.

Noble Gore was made a Shriner on September 29th, 1979. He belongs to Durango Lodge #46 and #3 and is a member of the Scottish Rite. He was born on August 14, 1917.

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WHY WE NEED TO RAISE FUNDS

by Steve Jordan Chief Rabban

By the time you read this article the Basketball tournament

will be over and the selling of our Raffle Cash Calendar and DUST ads will be at full speed. Add the Circus, annual Raffle and Golf tournament and I'm sure that many members feel as if we are constantly doing some kind of fund raising. You're right, we are, we don't have a choice, and we must, in order to stay in business.

What business you ask? The business of being a fraternal/social organization that likes to have fun and find children to help. If we don't stay in business who will find and transport the children? Who will we have fun with? People with which we don't share common values? I think you get the picture.

At one time in Al Kaly's history we had more than twice the number of members we currently have and, for the most part, their membership dues covered the basic cost of operating the Shrine. Today, that is not true. Costs have risen and the membership expects more in terms of communication and social activity.

This is nowhere more apparent than in our three clubs that have physical facilities. Dues in those clubs would have to be about 8 times what they are now if those club Presidents and boards of directors weren't constantly working to raise funds. Take your hats off to all of them because they deserve our "thanks".

The same holds true for those Nobles who work to make our Al Kaly fund raisers a success by selling the ads, Calendars, tickets and finding hole sponsors and running the annual Raffle. The actual number of us who take an active role in that is only around sixty. However, there is a core of about eight or so Nobles that account for the majority of all sales. The first names that come to mind are IS Bob Burr, Bob Zyer, Vern Wolf, Roger Frazier, Wayne McKey, Ron Bowen, Roger Mendenhall and IS Bart Guthrie (does the annual raffle all by himself). The next time you see one of them tell them how much you appreciate what they do to help our fund raisers succeed.

In the mean time get out and sell Calendars and DUST ads!!!

MEMBERSHIP!

by Allan Ake Assistant Rabban

Nobles, declining membership has become the single most critical problem for the Shrine, both locally and nationally. My message in this issue has to do with membership in Al Kaly. We

have approximately 1000 members, possibly slightly fewer. How can we, as concerned members, address this issue? There are several solutions, but let me write about one such solution.

While I was in San Antonio in July attending the Imperial Session, I talked to a friend of mine, an old Montana cowboy who is a member of Al Bedoo Shrine in Billings.

He said to me, "Allan, the Shrine is going to die if we don't do something about membership."

"I agree", I said. "It doesn't look good."

"Selling and recruiting is really hard for me", he said. "It's really one of the most difficult things for me to do. But I realized that if each of us doesn't take responsibility for membership and pull our own weight, the Shrine's gonna die."

I nodded my head. "Ok, so where are you going with this?"

"A few years ago, I made a commitment to myself to bring in one member per year. And that's what I've done for the past four years," he said.

"Wow, Duane, that's a great idea!"

"Yeah," he said, "it's real simple, but it's not real easy."

I know how difficult it is for some of us, myself included, recruiting new members; talking to a prospective member about the Shrine and membership. My point here, Al Kaly Nobles, is that no matter how difficult, we can each bring in one new member per year. If we do that in 2010, we will be 2000 strong by year's end!

First Ceremonial Master Brian Bate has already made that commitment to himself and, in fact, wrote about it in the last Dust issue.

I hereby make that commitment to myself. And, Nobles, I'd like each of you to join Brian and me in that commitment to yourself. It can be a very private, quiet, and personal commitment that you need not share with anyone, or you can shout it from the rooftop.

Please join me today in this simple (but not easy) endeavor.





RAFFLE CASH CALENDARS HAVE ARRIVED!

by Gary Sears High Priest and Prophet

The Raffle Calendars have arrived and are ready to sell. Your unit or club will receive a \$7.00 donation from Al Kaly for each calendar that you sell.

The purchaser of the calendar has the chance to win \$25 every day, \$100 every Saturday and \$1,000 for four Saturdays per year! You can win more than once!

This is an excellent fundraiser for your unit or club. It is much easier then cooking, car washes, or other events. Just sell a calendar to a friend, family member or business associate and your club or unit will receive a \$7.00 donation from Al Kaly. This year all checks need to be made payable to Al Kaly Shrine for \$25/calendar and not to your unit.

Contact your Unit or Club president now to purchase a calendar or to sell some of the calendars.

Thanks for your support for the Raffle Calendar program.



TIS THE SEASON

by Roger Mendenhall Oriental Guide

This time of year brings us all some highs and some lows. It is a time to reflect upon our year with warm feelings. You might think about being alone, but then you remember all the friends who



have been there for you throughout the year and that "fuzzy feeling" comes back. You think about your Shrine Family and the good times you have shared. Unfortunately, some friends and family members have gone on before us, and we truly miss them, especially during this time. Some are in harms way, fighting for our freedom, and we hope they return safely.

By the time you read this, you will have enjoyed Thanksgiving. I hope you and your family truly felt blessed. I hope your kids, grandkids, and the "kid in you" enjoyed the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade with our first views of Saint Nick and the anticipation of Christmas.

The best is yet to come with the Christmas Parades, our unit and club parties, and Christmas at the Broadmoor. We have the party for our Shrine kids and the party showing appreciation for the work our Potentate and Lady Sherry have done for us.

> Finally, we get to December 25th with its family traditions. The day is full with the opening of presents, watching "It's a Wonderful Life" and specials on T.V. and enjoying the company of family, or talking with them long distance. Then comes dinner and falling asleep in that comfy chair.

Soooo, don't forget to find joy in this time of year. Share it with your family and friends and let them know you appreciate them. Happy holidays to one and all.



THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS COMING UP

by Larry Newman Treasurer

Well, a glance at my calendar tells me that we're

coming up on the holiday season. The parade season has long-since passed, but we still have so many fun events to participate in. Many of the units have their elections and installation of officers, unit and club parties, and of course at Al Kaly we're busy trying to finish this year off right while planning and preparing for another great year ahead. For the unit and club officers, get your organizations financial records together and ready so that your financial report can be prepared as quickly (and hopefully painlessly) as possible.

As I write this, we're about to conduct our Fall Ceremonial. We have several candidates scheduled to join our ranks and I want to welcome them to Al Kaly Shriners. Thank you for joining and spending time with us. I hope that you find your journey through the Shrine to be at least as interesting and enjoyable as I have.

I want to thank everyone who came to the basketball tournament. It's always great to see our Nobles and Ladies out and about the town, showing our presence within the community, and being able to spend time in your pleasant company.

I look forward to seeing many of you in the weeks ahead, whether it's at our December stated meeting or one of the unit or club functions. In the meantime, be safe. Enjoy the many blessings of the season. I hope each of you is able to spend some joyous time among friends and family and that this truly is a blessed holiday season for you.





by Brian Bate First Ceremonial Master

A little over a year ago I decided that I needed to be more involved in the Shrine. Lady Roberta and I decided that we would attend more functions and events so we could meet more people. A couple months later Illustrious Sir Tom Holmes asked me to be the 1st Ceremonial Master. My first thought was that I did not want to be "THAT" involved!

The best part of this is I have met some very wonderful people that call themselves Shriners and Lady Shriners. Shriners and their Ladies do make wonderful friends. I would like to thank all of you for the warm reception that Lady Roberta and I have received at the many Official Visits, Shrine Club Dinners and the Al Kaly Shrine Functions we have attended.

Lady Roberta and I celebrated our 35th wedding anniversary by taking a cruise with Al Kaly Shrine to the Southern Caribbean. Every afternoon before dinner the Shriners and their Ladies would gather outside the Dog and Duck Pub on the promenade. As more people arrived, we would add another small table to the group until we had all the tables occupied in a long row with most everyone drinking Rum Punch. We must have been a sight for all the other passengers on the cruise. And yes, It Is Fun To Be A Shriner.

Thank all of you for a very wonderful and memorable year.





THE END OF ANOTHER YEAR...

by Bart Guthrie, P.P. *Recorder*

Well, here we are getting ready to close out another year.

Those of you that are changing titles in 2010 and have Al Kaly fez strips, we would greatly appreciate you turning them in to me or to the office by December 15, 2009. And, if you have an old Al Kaly fez strip stashed away, we would appreciate receiving that too. We spend a lot of money purchasing new strips every year, and they are getting more expensive. Conserving each dollar is helpful.

The Imperial Council's by-laws require that every member being suspended the end of the year for non payment of dues be given an opportunity "to be heard" prior to their suspension. Letters will be going out to them and their opportunity "to be heard" will be the December 11, 2009 stated meeting, if they so desire. This is not a new requirement; but, one that was briefed to us at the Recorder's Seminar. Surprisingly, most temples have not complied with this provision because of the somewhat difficult wording in the by-laws. Al Kaly will be in compliance from now on.

And....don't forget to pay your **dues** that are **due**!

The Holiday season is approaching, and there are lots of fun activities on the schedule. Rosemary and I look forward to seeing you at these events.

In the Guthrie household, the politically correct translation for the Holiday season is....Merry **Christ**mas and Happy New Year! Rosemary and I wish you all a very Merry **Christ**mas and a wonderful 2010.

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IMPORTANT NEWS

Ill. Sir Bob Burr recently received a call from Ron Brunwick, one of our newer Nobles and a member of the Corvettes. Their home in La Veta, burned to the ground. Everything was lost.

Maybe we, his fellow Nobles, can help in some way.

Their address is 615 County Road 352, La Veta, CO 81055.

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that the **<u>Stated Meeting</u>** will be held as follows:

Pueblo Shrine Club

December 11, 2009 Dinner: 6:30 pm / Meeting: 7:30 pm

Attest: Bart Guthrie, P.P. *Recorder*

Tom Holmes *Potentate*

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.

John Schroyer (12/09) Phil Allison (12/09) Ronald G. Crawford (11/09) Harry and Eva Kirkwood (09/09) John Schroyer (09/09) Pikes Peak Long Ears (09/09) Roger and Karen Mendenhall (07/09) Centennial OES (07/09)

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Shirley Fortney (7/09)

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Aitken (7/09)

Bob Anthony by Barlow Westcott (7/09) Bob Anthony by Sharon Anthony (7/09) Don Phillips by Betsy Ross (7/09) Amy Hathaway by Roger and Karen Mendenhall (04/09) Ron Crawford by Davide and Loretta Jones (04/09) Jean Chandler by Billy and Jean Edwards (04/09) Noble Don Bymaster by Lorena Bymaster (03/09)

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John Schrover (02/09)

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William Shellhart (1/09)

William Aitken (12/08)

Lillian Johnson (12/08)

John Schroyer (12/08)

Illustrious Sir Jerry Sube

Bob and Judy Buxmann (11/09) Roger and Karen Mendenhall (09/09) Shriners Ladies Club (07/09) Dave and Bonnie Ragan (07/09) Leah Zink (04/09) Tom Leucht and Jan Jaquith (03/09) Shrine Ladies of Colorado Springs (03/09) Billy and Jean Edwards (03/09) Robert and Barbara Bills (03/09) John and Francis Parrish (03/09) Dan and Pauline Neu (03/09) Dick and Ann Sater (03/09) Jay and Jackie Barrilleaux (03/09) Bob and Betty Burr (03/09) B. June Williams (03/09) Larry and Mary Newman (03/09) Bill Stoner and Rose Enyeart (03/09) David and Mona Hammett (02/09) Mon Ark Shrine Club (02/09) Ill. Sir Bill and Irene Sheard (02/09) Swede and Olga Hanson (02/09) Ill. Sir Bart and Rosemary Guthrie (02/09) Elite Scooter Unit (02/09) Cabiri #43 (02/09) Betty McGrew (02/09) Gloria Sullivan (02/09) Sam and Hazel Quindt (02/09) Wayne McKey (02/09) Chuck and Kathy Tedrow (02/09)

Importance of Selecting Qualified Candidates for the Office of Oriental Guide

by Bart Guthrie, P.P. Recorder

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From the Office of the Imperial Recorder. When the members of a Shrine Temple elect a Noble to the office of Oriental Guide, they are virtually starting that Noble through the Divan line on the assumption that he will prove qualified for any merit achievement to the high office of Potentate.

Hence, it's quite evident that the nominations for Oriental Guide should be based upon thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability, and interest.

A Noble can be a good fellow, a hard worker, and a loyal Shriner...and yet lack the basic qualifications which make a good Potentate. Unless a Noble is fully qualified for the job, he is unfair both to himself and to his temple in seeking the office or in permitting his fellow nobles to support and promote his candidacy.

The normal starting point of Shrine leadership is the office of Oriental Guide. The following checklist may prove helpful in evaluating potential candidates for the office of Oriental Guide. However, no thinking man would be so naïve or presumptuous as to all the virtues, talents, and qualifications which are set forth in this checklist for advance evaluation of potential candidates by the voting members.



- ✓ Leadership
- ✓ Executive ability
- ✓ Business sense
- Community standing and influence
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- ✓ Good habits and moral character
- ✓ Interest in Shrinedom
- ✓ Ability to give and get cooperation
- ✓ Diplomacy

Many temples have placed a definite limitation upon their progress as a result of hasty judgment in connection with nominations for the office of Oriental Guide. Not every Noble is fit to meet the rigorous demands imposed upon Potentates.

So let's be fair, honest, and wise in the all-important matter of electing to office only men who are eminently qualified for the job. We all know that with honor comes responsibility. And while there is high honor associated with a Divan office, the ensuing responsibilities entail a lot of timeconsuming, energy-consuming WORK! Eternal vigilance must be wisely and thoughtfully exercised by the voting membership in order to perpetuate a high caliber of leadership!



The Legacy Continues

Eighty-five years of pride, passion and philanthropy will converge in Orlando, Fla., on Jan. 23. The East-West Shrine Game will kick off at 3 p.m. Eastern Standard Time at the Florida Citrus Bowl and will be broadcast live on ESPN2.

John Elway. Brett Favre. Tom Brady. Just a few of the football greats who played in America's longest-running college all-star football game: the East-West Shrine Game.

For 85 years, this legendary game has benefited Shriners Hospitals for Children, the official philanthropy of Shriners International. All Shriners, friends and family are invited to the East-West Shrine Game to participate in the fun and fellowship, to support their philanthropy, and to enjoy the premier tourist destination that is Orlando.

A ll Al Kaly Shriners who attend the East West festivities are invited to a group pay-your-own dinner on Thursday night. We'll also go to Sea World on a pay-your-own basis. We'll buy tickets after we get to Orlando. Allan Ake is coordinating the activities and can be reached at 719-332-7266 Pitting all-star senior athletes who attend college in Eastern North America against those attending college in Western North America, the East-West Shrine Game and its preceding practice sessions attract representatives from every team in the National Football League.

The East-West Shrine Game is the longest-running college all-star game in the country and features some of the finest NCAA athletes. In April 2009, 90 percent of players from the 84th East-West Shrine Game (played on Jan. 17, 2009) were either drafted or signed as free agents by NFL clubs. A total of 307 East-West Shrine Game alumni were on 2009 NFL opening-day 53-man rosters.

In addition to the big game, there are a number of special events open to Shriners and the general public during the week leading up to the game. These include the players' visit to Shriners Hospitals for Children – Tampa, which gives these college athletes an opportunity to witness first-hand the mission they are supporting by playing in the game. Supporters can also attend the practice sessions, Player Awards Banquet, a golf tournament, and a player and coaches meet and greet at Bahia Shriners.

For more information about the East-West Shrine Game, including sponsorship opportunities, special travel packages, to register for the free Fan Club, and to vote for your All-Time All-Star Team, please visit **www.shrinegame.com**.



Æs Øelamu Aleikum

"We do not lose the ones we love, They only go before Where there is everlasting life Where sorrow is no more And there the soul will always live And peace is everywhere We do not lose the ones we love Stod takes them in his care.

Sn Memoriam

Couis J. Blanc, Castle Rock, CO Born: December 14, 1909 Created: April 13, 1957 Died: September 10, 2009

Merle W. Dibble, Mesa, AZ Born: November 29, 1936 Created: June 3, 1978 Died: August 25, 2009

Dean H. Elliott, Colorado Springs, CO Born: December 19, 1932 Affiliated: May 31, 2004 Died: September 3, 2009

Marvin C. Knudson, South Fork, CO Born: September 1, 1908 Created: November 20, 1954 Died: August 1, 2009 George C. Langley, Pueblo, CO Born: March 27, 1919 Created: November 13, 1963 Died: September 15, 2009

 Sir Harold N. Moore, Pueblo, CO Born: May 31, 1915 Created: May 26, 1962 Died: October 31, 2009

Walter E. Plagge, Pritchett, CO Born: February 17, 1930 Created: November 22, 1980 Died: January 7, 2009

 ⁹.R. Yarbrough, Falcon, CO Born: April 8, 1924
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Please Join Al Kaly Shrine for the 2010 Installation of Officers NOBLES:

The Stated Meeting of Al Kaly Shrine for the Installation of Officers will be held on Friday, January 8, 2010, at: Pueblo Shrine Club 1501 McCulloch Blvd. Pueblo West, Colorado.

Reservations are required. Call the Al Kaly Shrine office (719-544-0658)

Dinner - 6:00pm / **Stated Meeting - 7:30pm** Nobles are invited to join the ladies following Installation of Officers for socializing and refreshments.

LADIES:

A Ladies' Dinner will be held on Friday, January 8, 2010, at: Pueblo Clarion and Conference Center 4001 North Elizabeth Pueblo, CO 81008

Reservations are required. Please send your check for \$20.00 to the Al Kaly Shrine office for arrival no later than January 2, 2010. Your check is your reservation.

Mail to: Al Kaly Shrine ATTN: Ladies' Dinner P.O. Box 193 Pueblo, CO 81002 Phone: (719-544-0658)

Social Hour - 6:00 PM / Dinner Hour - 7:00 PM Introductions - 8:00 PM

Suggested attire for Friday evening is a cocktail dress or semiformal or formal wear. Hospitality Room for Nobles and Ladies begins at 4:00 PM at the Clarion.

Lodging for the evening of Friday, January 8, 2009:

Nobles and ladies wishing to stay at the Clarion need to make reservations.

Call the Clarion no later than December 27, 2009 for room reservations. Be sure to indicate you are with Al Kaly Shrine for the special rate of \$59.00 + tax (single) \$62.00 + tax (Double). Phone 719-543-8050



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Testimonials

"We found a 12 passenger van with Avis for our trip to CSSA in Colorado Springs, CO and saved over \$100 by going S\$....we have the ammo to prove to the Nobles where they should be shopping!!!!" - David Glanz, Potentate, Kaaba Shrine (9/15/09)

"I happened to be booking a room for March 16th in Kansas City. I called the hotel and the price was \$74 before taxes. I booked through the SHRINESAVERS and the rate was \$44. I'm impressed."

- Alan Kindall, Abou Ben Adhem

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Congratulations to the following members that received awards at the October 2, 2009 Stated Meeting

MEDALS

Chandler, Jackson Christian, Don Clark, Ray Hazeltine, Larry Klein, Frank Nicholas, Deane Pike. Zebulon Van Auken, John

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GOLD STARS

Ake, Allan Allen. Bob Bills, Bob Bills, Dave Feeback, Galen Guthrie, Bart Herald. Jack Holmes, Tom (2) Hoyt, Bus Huff, Dave

Jack, Dwain Johnson, Don Jordan, Steve Kidwell, Garnic Moore, Harold Newman, Larry Rodeen, Jim (2) Sears, Gary Stoner, Bill

SILVER STARS

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I look forward to seeing you there.

Megan

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Savers is the best thing since our Hospitals first Opened" and we now have a program that gives immediate benefits to joining the Shrine. Hey, if your sons, grandsons, brother, uncles, etc aren't Shriners, inform them about the prescription benefits, that might be the ticket to get them to join us!" - Stephen Padgett, PP Yaarab, Regional Membership Director, Region 12



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by Queen Jean Marie Renfrow

We will be having an Alligator Party in January. Need information? Call Past Queen Norma Harre at 719-543-5307. This is open to all men related by birth or marriage to a Lady of the Household.

Need Holiday Goodies? Ruhamah Temple is selling their wonderful Pecans: \$7.50 for Pecan Halves and \$7.50 for Chocolate covered Pecans. If you have not yet ordered yours, please call Pr. Tirzah Sherry Holmes at 719-686-1110. The Dancers are selling wonderful homemade pies again this year. To order call Rosa Eaches at 635-3838. The Patrol Unit is selling Peanut Brittle - contact Chris Clark at 719-599-0790. The Pageantry is selling jarred ready to bake cookies and bean soup - contact Jane Huber 719-542-3156.

Membership to Daughters of the Nile is open to ladies related by birth or marriage to a Master Mason/Shriner/ Daughter of the Nile. If you would like more information, please call Queen Jean Marie at 719-566-0057 or our Membership Chairman PQ Deborah Jordan - 719-531-6309. Shriners Hospitals for Children is our only philanthropy.

Wishing all of you Happy Holidays and a Wonderful New Year.



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Children with disabilities, like all children, will learn or absorb what they are taught and react to the way they are treated. Every staff member at Shriners Hospitals for Children works hard to build confidence and self-esteem in their patients, and to help them discover and pursue their dreams, despite their disabilities. In working with kids toward that goal, it's important to remember how language can affect a positive attitude.

Words to avoid include "crippled" and "handicapped." Instead of using these words, which can be considered negative, experts suggest using "disability" or the actual term involved, such as "cerebral palsy" or "muscular dystrophy."

When speaking about people with disabilities, clear, direct words are most positively accepted. For example, say, "Johnny uses a wheelchair," instead of, "Johnny is wheelchair-bound," or, "Johnny is confined to a wheelchair." Wheelchairs allow mobility from place to place, which is the opposite of confining.

Words and tone-of-voice can clearly indicate values, and using positive, affirmative words can make a big difference. Practice care when using value-laden words like *courageous, inspiration*, *pity, suffer, tragic, tragedy, afflicted* or *victim*. While *courageous* and *inspirational* may seem positive, being labeled as such can be burdensome to a child.

It is also important to use "people-first language." For example, saying, "Johnny is a *child with a disability*," is preferred over saying, "Johnny is a *disabled child*." People with disabilities sometimes feel isolated from those without disabilities and left out of activities. People-first language is an attempt to encourage understanding that people with disabilities are people first, and to help alleviate fear and encourage inclusion.

Conversation Starters

Here are some ways to start a conversation with a person who has a disability: Say hello; introduce yourself; comment on the weather. Find something you might share an interest in – television, music, sports, anything. In short, begin the same way you would if there were no disability. Take a deep breath, look past the obvious difference, and find the person.

When you speak to people with disabilities as people, you will find yourself in a conversation with someone who has had different experiences, and the exchange of views could be very enriching for both of you.

If you are interested in finding out more about the person's disability, understand that everyone with a disability reacts to this differently and, like most subjects, there are appropriate and inappropriate ways – and times and places – to ask such questions.

Try using words that reflect acceptance and indicate that a person is not defined by their disability – a message that is especially imperative to convey to children with disabilities.

Words and Phrases to Avoid:

Crippled, handicapped Confined to a wheelchair Wheelchair-bound Suffering from, afflicted with Victim Deformed

Instead, Try:

Person with a disability Person who uses a wheelchair Has (name of condition) Survivor

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE STATED MEETING...ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Notice is given that the Stated Meeting and Election of Officers of Al Kaly Shriners will be held at the Pueblo Shrine Club on December 11, 2009.

You will be called upon to elect the following officers: Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, Recorder, and Representatives to the Imperial Council.

To gain admission into this meeting, the Imperial By Laws require that a member must be in possession of and present his current year's membership card.

Imperial By Laws Election Regulations:

a. The printing, publication, circulating of, distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets or other devices by a Noble suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited.

- b. For any violations of (a), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of officers void and order a new election.
- c. At least one week prior to any meeting or election, the Temple Recorder shall mail each member a notice thereof containing this section.
- d. Installation of newly elected officers for Al Kaly Shriners will be held on January 8, 2010, at the Temple's annual meeting.



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CLUB AND UNIT NEWS

BAND -ron bowen, president

by Elmo Gardner

Here we are looking forward to Christmas already! Halloween and Thanksgiving have come and gone and Winter is just about upon us. It has been an eventful Fall for everyone in the Al Kaly Shrine Band(s). I mean bands because all three of our musical groups have been active this month. The Parade (Fez) Band has played for the Fall Ceremonial on the 14th of November and at the Basketball Tournament on the 20th, the German Band played for another Oktoberfest on the 24th and the Swingin' Shriners Dance Band played a dance on the 23rd. Add in the rehearsals and we have had a busy month!

The only thing scheduled for December (as of this writing) is the annual Band Christmas Party, which will be held at Sky Sox Stadium on the 6th of December. We are definitely looking forward to this one as we have had a busy few months (the whole year has been busy but the memory starts to fade after a few months). Certainly it has been a successful year for the Al Kaly Band. The highlight being the formation of a new band (The Swingin' Shriners). One thing all three bands have in common is the musicians. One way to view it is that the German and Dance Bands are the "German" and "Dance" ensembles of the "Shrine Band". We are Band and we are Fun! Merry Christmas Everyone!

Oh yes, when you begin thinking about your New Year's Resolutions and you think you might like to make a little music next year, come join us ... And Happy New Year Everyone!





Potentate receives gift during visit to Durango



by Roger Hillmeyer

The Tin Lizzies trekked over the mountains early September for the CSSA gathering. It was so much fun to meet Nobles from around the country, and to see the enthusiasm of the participants in the competition. Don Anderson, Sam Johns and Roger Hillmeyer got to judge the Motor Sports portions of the competition, and had an up front seat in seeing it all happen. The Parade was exciting and was definitely longer than any parade we have participated in. Thanks to Ill. Sir Dave Stevens for his Direction, and all the other Nobles who put so much effort into making CSSA a success.

September 26 was the day of the Potentate's visit. The Tin Lizzies had a great time co-hosting the visit with the San Juan Basin Shrine Club.

Tin Lizzies participated in the Veterans Day Parade in Durango Nov.11th; it is was our last parade of the season. The year was eventful and fun filled.

We elected our officers for the coming year; they are Jeff Jaeger president, Roger Landgren secretary/treasurer, Roger Hillmeyer parade organizer.

CLOWNS OF AL KALY

by Jim "Skeeter" Gibson Boss Clown 2009

Another year of Clowning is almost over and did we ever have fun. It wasn't just the occasional parade, it was the visits to schools, Circus shows, CSSA competition, weekly outings at the Golden Corral (6 to 8 PM) on Tuesday nights, entertaining three hundred adults at the National Corvette meeting and especially those events at the Fort Carson USO Center with the military members and their families. In fact, two of the activities coming soon are a Thanksgiving theme party in November and a Christmas theme party in December at the USO for the Military families.

Once again, this year we have a new clown to our midst. A hearty welcome goes out to Sgt. Jamie Perry and his Lady Angie. He had quite a time trying to get just the right name to go with his Hobo outfit until one very observant



COLORADO SPRINGS SHRINE CLUB

I want all the CSSC members to know it has been a great pleasure for me to be your President for the past three years. All of you have shown your love for the Club and the Shrine, as well for the work it does for the Children. However, it's time for me to take a rest and heal, but it has been my honor to serve you, the Shrine Club and Al Kaly.

Please give your support to the new President Noble John Blanscet, and Vice President Tim Stroh, and the rest of the new board members as you have shown me these past years. I love you all and may God Bless.

Yours in the Faith, Swede Hanson Outgoing President fellow clown named him "Shifty." It's him and it stuck.

As the Unit has done in the past, I would like to introduce the officers of the Clowns of Al Kaly for 2010. Our Boss Clown will be Noble Scott "Popo" Hall, who will also be the Worshipful Master of Tejon # 104; the Vice Boss Clown will be Noble Craig "Patches" Sparks, who will also be the Worshipful Master of Colorado Springs Lodge # 76; the Notetaker will be Noble Jim "Kazoo" Burger and our newest clown, Noble Jamie "Shifty" Perry, volunteered to take the position of Money Watcher. That's a great team of Officers and we are looking forward to another excellent year entertaining the children in the area.

The Clowns of Al Kaly and their Ladies would like to wish each and everyone one of you a very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year. Perhaps we will see you at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club Christmas party for the children, December 19, 2009, 11:00 AM.



by Noble James W. Rawlings, PC

The Legion Executive Committee, Chaired by Noble Billy Swartz, PC, met on November 2, to review our current summer uniform requirements and make recommendations for any necessary changes. After a thorough discussion the committee decided on the following changes; replace the white trousers with black trousers, which most members already have; replace the white shoes with black shoes along the fashion of Rockport or Reeboks; change the white socks for black and continue to use the white belt, white shirt with green scarf and the Fez. These recommendations will be presented to the commander at our next meeting on

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KALYKLOWNS

by Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan Vice President

The Kalyklown unit has been continuing hospital visits at Parkview, but has not made any at Sister Mary Corwin while there is an ongoing reevaluation of procedure regarding the clowning activities. We hope to have a resolution to this issue in the near future. As for other activities, our unit has once again been active in selling advertisements for the upcoming Al Kaly Basketball Tournament. We will have participated in the Pueblo Parade of Lights, and also in the Pueblo West Parade of Lights by the time this article is in print. These two will wind up the parade season for the unit and all will be in storage until spring.

Our election of officers for the coming year will have taken place during the final day of the basketball tournament and those incoming officers will be installed at the Kalyklowns Christmas Party which takes place on December 6, 2009 at Zipper's Bar and Grill, 326 S. Union in the Union Historical District. Along with the installation of officers, will be the annual White Elephant Auction, which is another fun way we have of raising money for the unit! The officers who will serve this coming year are as follows: **President**: Noble Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan **Vice President**: Noble Tracy "Tiny" Howard **Secy.-Treasurer**: Noble Gary "Panhandle Slim" Sears

Congratulations to these nobles and thanks to Noble Ron "Rosee" Crawford for his service during the 2009 year, which saw a great deal of work done to make the CSSA Convention a huge success!



by Raymond J. Clark President

Hard to believe another year has just about gone by. A committee is busy planning for our Annual Christmas Party, scheduled for Thursday, December 17th. Be thinking about a gift for our annual gift exchange.

There have been some changes proposed with regards to transporting our mules to various Shrine *(continued from page 23)*

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November 11. The recommended uniform will be worn by a committee at this meeting. The changes will be a matter for discussion at this or a subsequent meeting.

Legion members were enthusiastic about the opportunity to present the colors during the Fall Ceremonial at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. It has been awhile since we have had the occasion to participate in a Ceremonial this close to home. However we have been known to travel afar and often to perform this very serious function of the Legion.

The Legion has a standing invitation to members of Al Kaly Shrine who are active duty military or honorably discharged veterans and are looking for a unit to affiliate with to try the Legion. We have members that have dual memberships in other Al Kaly units. Contact any Legion member for further information. We meet monthly on the second Wednesday at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there!

SAN JUAN BASIN SHRINE CLUB

by Roger Hillmeyer

San Juan Basin Shrine Club co-hosted the official visit on Sept 26, a beautiful day overlooking the city of Durango, the golf course and the surrounding mountains in peak fall



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colors. We were honored with several Divan members, their ladies, and of course Potentate Tom and his Lady Sherry. Our caterer supplied us with some of the best rib eye steak ever.

On Nov 6 the club met at Christina's restaurant for our monthly meeting and election of officers. We had a lengthy discussion about the possibility of bringing the Circus into Durango on the Durango and Silverton narrow gauge train from the north end of town on the day of the circus. We have had a request by the owner of the train to see if it can be done. This would be incredible publicity for both of us.

Some of our members worked a booth at the LaPlata County educational seminar last month, which had many displays and participants. The purpose of the seminar is to bring awareness of educational and health benefits in the community.

Until next time.

BOWLING LEAGUE

by Royce Roland

Everyone seemed to enjoy bowling at Sunset Lanes in Pueblo. Next month we bowl at Harmony. Don't forget to bring something for the pot-luck that we always have at December bowling.

Thanks to everyone who continued contributing to the color pin "Piggie Bank".. \$36.06 has been collected thus far, all for the Bowl-a-thon.

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving.

Team Standings for November

1st-Soaring Eagles 16-0 2nd-Herbs Barber Shop 11-5 3rd- Tie: Colorado Springs #6 / Pueblo #2 9-7

Individual Notables for November

<u>Scratch Series (Men)</u> Dave Eckman- 546 Jim Cain- 544 Phil Allison- 531 Scratch Series (Women) Vicki Hansen- 559 Marion Walmper- 413 Diana Wieger- 359

Scratch Game (Men) Jim Eaches- 207

Jim Eaches- 207 Royce Roland- 195 Cliff Wieger- 190 Scratch Game (Women) Shelia Aldrich- 157 Marion Gollehon- 145 Patty Lowenkamp- 145

POTENTATE'S MOTOR ESCORT

by Rob Cordrey

The Potentate's Motor Escort Unit held its stated meeting on 8 October 2009 at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. The stated meeting was devoted primarily to the planning activities for the upcoming Potentates Motor Escort Official Visit (OV) for 2009 and assigning unit members responsibilities for providing various items for our planned OV activities. Please mark your calendar for Thursday the 10th of December 2009 to be at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club where the social activities are scheduled to commence at 6:00 PM with dinner being served at approximately 6:40 PM.

It is the time for each member to pay their 2010 Dues - \$10.00 per member.



Chief Rabban Steve Jordan and Noble Dave Guevara didn't expect this when they volunteered to be part of the Magician's act at the Elite Scooters, Splinter Group and PR Unit OV.



by Brian Bate President

On November 8, 2009, the ELITE Scooters, Splinter group and the Public Relations Unit had the Official Visit of Illustrious Sir Tom Holmes and First Lady Sherry. Many thanks to the Splinter Group members who made centerpieces that were given away during a drawing. Over half of the 53 guests present left with a door prize.

I would like to thank the ELITE members for wearing their Fez's to all our meetings this past year. Thank you to all the members of the three units that attended the Official Visit wearing their Fez. The Fez is one of the best advertising tools that we have.

Noble Bill Cleek passed away earlier this year. Bill was the last of the founding members of the ELITE that lived in this area. Bill Cleek started the ELITE unit after receiving permission from then Potentate Lyle Altmann. Bill then went to Denver and purchased eight white Honda ELITE scooters with his own money. Bill brought the Honda Elite's *(continued from page 23)*



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to Colorado Springs to be sold to and used by the Charter Members. Bill loved the ELITE Unit like no other that he held membership in through the years. Bill also served as President of the Colorado Springs Shrine Club, and spent many hours doing the job he loved. A Thank You goes to Lady Betty Thompson for the history of the ELITE.



by Roger Mendenhall 2009 Wagon Master

Our November meeting of the Nomads was a get together at the Village Inn on the south side of Colorado Springs. It was a beautiful day, and thirty-four members attended from southern Colorado. After eating our fill and visiting with everyone, we settled down to our business at hand.

Our main order of business was to vote in our 2010 Nomad Board. New officers will be as follows:

Wagon Master - Ray Clark 1st Assistant Wagon Master - Tom Holmes 2nd Assistant Wagon Master - Steve McKee Secretary/Treasurer - Tony Archuletta

We voted in and welcomed our newest members, Steve and Edie Gresley along with Elmo and Carol Gardner.

Fliers were distributed for the December meeting, which will be our Christmas Party/Officer Installation. It is being held at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club on December 5th. Food and camaraderie will be followed by a meeting and the installation of our new officers.

I volunteered to coordinate the sale of the Raffle Calendars for 2010 for the Nomads. By the time you read this, sales will be in full swing. Please, sell some to your friends and relatives. If you purchased some from the Nomads last year, we will be around to ask you again. This is an excellent fund raiser for the good of all.

Finally, we asked everyone to start thinking about campouts for 2010. It might get us through these short, chilly nights to plan for warmer days ahead. Thanks again for everyone's help throughout this year. You all made my job a lot easier.



More photos from the Elite Scooters. Splinter Group and PR Unit OV.

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functions due to the reduced number of riders available for some of the parades. The need for pooper scoopers at some parades forces us to take a rider off their mule to perform that function. We will continue to work with DeMolay to see if they will be available in 2010 to help with that duty, but we are also reaching out to the Nobility to see if anyone would be interested in helping our Unit in 2010 with this duty.

The Mule Train is tentatively planning to have another Barn Sale next summer. So if you have items you would like to donate keep us in mind. Hopefully we will be in a position to start collecting items soon and storing them for next summer's sale. More will follow on this topic.

The Nominating Committee submitted the following slate of officers to the Board for 2010 and they were elected by the Board in September for the remainder of 2009 and then again elected in November for 2010. The Installation of Officers will take place at the Christmas Party on December 17th.

President – Raymond Clark

Vice President – LD Younts

Secretary/Treasurer - Paul Phernetton

The Black Camel visited our unit a number of times during this year. Our sympathy goes out to the families of Ill. Sir Bill Stoner, Noble Bill Cleek, Noble Bob Anthony and Noble Howard Dump.

AL KALY PUBLIC RELATIONS UNIT

by Raymond J. Clark President

The new PR Unit held its Official Visit in November in conjunction with the Elite Scooters and the Splinters Units at Rosario's in Pueblo. We would like to thank Brian Bate and his Lady Roberta for organizing the event for all three Units. We would also like to thank the Splinters Unit for all those great door prizes you made and donated. The food, fellowship



PR Unit Installation of Officers

and entertainment were great. I would like to personally thank Ill. Sir Tom and his Lady Sherry for the beautiful gift that they presented to me. It will serve as an excellent memory of our times together in 2009. I apologize to anyone I left out in my introductions. There are so many people that make the Dust and the other PR activities of Al Kaly Shrine happen that I know I forgot to acknowledge some. One group that I know I forgot to mention were all the reviewers of the Dust, headed up by Ill. Sir Bob Burr and his Lady Betty. What you see has been reviewed by a number of Nobles and Ladies before it goes to print. Thanks Ill. Sir Tom for calling attention in your comments to all Ill. Sir Bob does with selling ads for the Dust!!!!

The new Unit continues to move forward. The three subcommittees of the Unit, Web, Dust and Outreach, submitted a budget request to the Divan for consideration as they put together their 2010 budget. As stated in the November Dust, we are looking for Nobles and Ladies that would like to help us promote our Shrine activities both within our

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organization and also to the community at large. Al Kaly does much more than have fun, we serve our communities in many ways and we need to let folks know who we really are. So if you would like to help write articles or news releases, take pictures, work with the Web group, or be part of a Speakers Bureau for the Temple, let us know. We can't do it alone.

Noble Bob Bills put an excellent CD together of CSSA Photos. They are available at the Al Kaly office for \$5. Thanks Bob for doing this.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the PR Unit!!!



STATED MEETING DINNER

Pueblo Shrine Club December 11, 2009 6:30 pm Cost: \$12.00 per person

> Reservations are a must and are made through the Al Kaly Shriners office at (719) 544-0658

Reservations must be made no later than December 9, 2009.

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