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## POTENTATE'S APPRECIATION EVENT



*Stacey's gag gift*



*Ill. Sir JD Potter with his parents, Wanda and John Potter*



*Ill. Sir JD Potter with Stacey and son Talon*



*JD's gift*



### This Issue's Highlights:

Featured Member: Ill. Sir Jim Eaches ▲ "Fellowship is the Essence of Free Masonry"  
2016 Installation of Officers ▲ Basketball Tournament Photos ▲ and More!

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# POTENTATE AND FIRST LADY'S MESSAGE

by Ill. Sir J.D. Potter  
and Lady Stacey



## SHRINERS BUILD FUTURES

Sitting in front of my computer writing what will be the last article for the Dust as a Divan member, thoughts come flooding into my head of the many special times during the last 6 years. I was going to write about these and their individual highlights but it occurred to me I would have to write a book; so let me just say the last 6 years, moving through the Divan, have meant more to me and Stacey than can be imagined.

The people we have met from all over the world at Imperial Sessions and other meetings, the Nobles and Ladies from all corners of Colorado and the great friendships we have made locally can never be equaled.

I feel my year as Potentate went very well and I want every member of Al Kaly Temple to know it would not have been possible without the help and support you as the members have provided.

As I leave the Board of Directors I look forward at the leadership coming up and I can truthfully say I think Al Kaly will be in very good hands for the foreseeable future. I hope each of them will have as fulfilling year as Stacey and I have had.

In closing - THANK YOU FOR CHANGING MY LIFE FOR THE BETTER. "SHRINERS BUILD FUTURES"

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# OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that the next annual meeting will be held as follows:

## Pueblo Shrine Club

January 15, 2015

Dinner: 6:30 p.m. / Meeting: 7:30 p.m.

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*Featured Shriner III, Sir Jim Eaches  
(article on page 6)*



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*Editor's Note: If your name was omitted, I apologize as we value your contributions of photos for the Dust and Al Kaly's Zenfolio site.*

# *The Honored Ladies Club* *of Al Kaly*

*by Rose Enyeart*  
*Secretary*

PP Ray Gibson put the idea of a widow's group into reality in 1983. Since that time we have grown and have had a real place in the Shriner family.

The only prerequisite for membership is to be the widow or a widowed sister or daughter or mother of a Shriner. We meet quarterly- Summer and Winter in Colorado Springs with Spring and Fall in Pueblo.

We enjoy each other and have made new and better friends through our meetings. If you would like to meet with us, call President Ruth Wilber Sheaves, 633-3024 or Rose Enyeart 650-9730.

## *Shrine Ladies* *~Colorado Springs Area~*



*by Marlene Mouirguies*  
*President*

The Colorado Springs Shrine Ladies held their monthly meeting and annual Christmas party on 7 Dec at the Stagecoach Inn (Manitou Springs) with 15 Ladies in attendance. Gifts were exchanged amongst the attendees – much fun prevailed during the exchange.

Current by-laws were presented and approved as changed. Our 2016 slate of officer's were elected – Pres: JoAnn Sube, VP: Marlene Mouirguies, Sec: Rosa Eaches, Treas: Ann Delancey and Jackie Barrilleaux – all officer's are to be installed at the January COS Shrine Club dinner meeting.

The COS Shrine Club held their Annual Children's Christmas Party on 12 Dec with many children and Santa in attendance. The COS Shriner's Ladies provided home made cookies for all to enjoy – thank you ladies very much.

I take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Pueblo Area*

## *Shrine Ladies*



*IS Ray Barbour, Doris Lease, Norma Harre, Donna Samuelson, Phyllis Allen, Carol and Torry Krutzke at the Christmas luncheon.*

*by Glenda Terrill*

Our ladies are running everywhere; if you don't believe that try to call one of them and get an answer. Constant busy is a way of life, and they get things accomplished along the way.

Over Thanksgiving weekend Nancy Palmer found a gorgeous OLD rocking chair near Denver (Yeah Craig's List), Norma Harre wrote a check for it, Glenda and her daughter, Shadra, picked it up, and it is ready to take its place at the Shrine Club. The small nursery area is only short a couple of high chairs at this point.

Donations from our ladies have provided a crib, several small blankets, two booster chairs and the rocker. Shriners, their ladies, grandparent Shriners or visitors are welcome to use this area to feed, calm or change fussy little ones if they aren't comfortable doing such in the dining room or in with whatever group they are attending.

We had a delicious (really, not just good, delicious) stuffed pork loin Christmas luncheon at the Pueblo Villa December 5th with "fixins" and turtle pie for dessert. It was YUMMY!! Eighteen attended and several wish they had.

Our next meeting will be back at the Hen House on January 7th at 11:30am and we will save a chair for you. Let us know if you are not on a calling list and would like to come join us! Call Glenda at 719-250-1443.



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**JANUARY**



- |       |                            |         |                       |
|-------|----------------------------|---------|-----------------------|
| 1 - 3 | Office Closed              | 17      | OV, Legion of Honor   |
| 8     | Installation of Officers   | 22 - 24 | East West Shrine Bowl |
| 9     | Kickoff Breakfast          | 22 - 24 | Grand Lodge           |
| 11    | MLK Day (Office Closed)    | 31      | Trip Presentation     |
| 15    | Annual/Stated Meeting, PSC |         |                       |

**FEBRUARY**

- |       |                                 |    |   |
|-------|---------------------------------|----|---|
| 1 - 5 | Burn Awareness Week             | 28 | Shrine Recorder's Association Meeting - Tampa |
| 6     | Daughter's of the Nile Tea      |    |   |
| 15    | President's Day (Office Closed) |    |   |

**PHOTOGRAPHERS NEEDED**

Al Kaly is looking for Nobles who are interested in photography. If you have a digital camera or a smart phone, and an interest in taking pictures of Al Kaly events, we need you. If we get enough Nobles who would like to pursue this hobby, we can start a Photography Unit to increase our skills and learn how to become more proficient on the computer with digital technology. We would have picture-taking outings, and social events. Email Roger Mendenhall at rogerm52@q.com if you are interested.

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## Featured Member

# IS Jim Eaches



by Rose Enyeart

IS Jim Eaches is from Lehighton, PA which he describes as a small town in the Blue Mountains of eastern Pennsylvania. After finishing high school, he was assigned his draft number; it was low and he decided to enlist. He joined the Air Force, and, although it wasn't the Navy, IS Jim got to see the world, or at least got his desire growing to travel and experience other people and their cultures. When he was assigned to Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, he met and married Lady Rosa. They have two children, Ruby and Jimmy, and four granddaughters and two grandsons. Both children have served in the Navy which makes them proud.

His favorite assignment was four years in Yokota, Japan. He loved the people and the country. It was peaceful, quiet, and had a slow pace with lovely, fantastic people and food. They came back to the States because their families health became a concern and they needed to be closer to their families. His worst assignment was in Georgia because the racism was so blatant and the humidity was miserable. It was a tough two years.

He soon received a special assignment to the Air Force Academy where he found new challenges. His duties there included, among other things, supervisor of a mechanical shop, central heating plant, and contract management at the



Academy. In this capacity he also helped each new General's wife to shop for carpet and cabinets and assisted them in renovating their new home. IS Jim's 21 years in the Air Force opened up the world for him and he is grateful for his great-aunt Emily who supported his enlistment.

When he retired from the Air Force in 1993 Lady Rosa suggested he should look for a way to get involved in the community. At this time he accepted a position at Air Academy School Dist. 20 as an HVAC mechanic and having previously met several friends who were Masons he contacted El Paso Lodge #13 where he talked to Jerry McGill about what the Masonic Brotherhood meant.

IS Jim joined El Paso #13 in 1996 and was Worshipful Master in 2002. After he'd become a Mason, he found, on a visit to a Pennsylvania Lodge, one of his cousins was the Junior Deacon in that Lodge and another cousin was also a Mason. He is not sure if other relatives were Masons or not.

As he met more Masons he joined the Consistory and was a member of the last Reunion Class in the old building at 15th & Elizabeth in Pueblo. All he knew about the Shrine was they had hospitals that helped children. One of the speakers at this class was IS Earl Aldrich who talked about becoming a Shriner. In 1999 he joined Al Kaly and was soon drafted by Nobles Jim Stivers and Jerry McGill on the Ritualistic Team and is active with that unit still.

Jim also became an Al Kaly Clown. After IS Bob Burr helped work with him to learn how to use make up, he decided to name Jim "Smiley, the Clown". At a Cripple Creek parade Noble Joe Wooten asked where "Pancakes" was. IS Jim liked it and the name stuck. "Pancakes" often dresses in a chef's outfit and loves to interface with the children.

In fact, the children and helping them through the Shrine Hospitals, was the reason he wanted to join the Shrine. His current job with School District #11 also allows him to interface with children. This year he had a mental block when considering his pin, so he held a contest with the children at Holmes Middle School art class to design his Potentate's pin. There were several designs presented and Jim and Rosa then

*(IS Jim Eaches, continued at right)*

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 Charles H. Wingfield



*(IS Jim Eaches, continued from left)*

picked the one that represented his theme of “**Shriners Believe**” in the most meaningful way.

He and Lady Rosa have driven in every state except North Dakota; they enjoy seeing new places and exploring the country they love. Lady Rosa belongs to Daughters of the Nile, which has their Supreme Sessions in various cities around the country as Shrine has their Imperial in various places. They drive to many of the meetings also.

As IS Jim looks forward to his year as Potentate, he realizes membership is crucial and, because he is an optimist, he knows that Shriners International is **300,000 members Strong** - a great thing for Al Kaly members to remember.

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# FAREWELL TO ANOTHER YEAR

by *Jim Eaches, Sr.*  
Chief Rabban



To recount all that transpired throughout 2015 would probably fill this Dust edition and perhaps many more editions. Time goes by so quickly that sometimes we lose sight of what month we are actually in. I look at the calendar and think, "Oh Boy, the beginning of another year," then in the blink of an eye I'm thinking, "it's December already, where has the time gone?"

Looking back though, I wouldn't change anything for the world. The memories of places we've been, people we met and to all those we lost are still fresh. Nothing is as precious as life and family.

Growing up as a child it seemed like the days lasted forever and Christmas was never going to arrive. Then you worried whether you were going to get the gift you wanted. Well, my savvy older brother had a remedy for that worry. He would search the house to see where the gifts were hidden. When he found already-wrapped gifts, no problem: you would carefully unwrap one end, get the gift out, play with it and then carefully put it back and close up the wrapping paper.

Lo and behold, on Christmas Day, joy was in your eyes because there was the gift you wanted so much. But parents are naturally smarter, so from then on they just kept your gifts at a relative's house. Yeah well, it was still a great time.

Now we are older and we see the tricks our children use on us. Nothing has changed from the old days to the new; it's just a different year that's all.

So with the New Year arriving, let's all get ready to make it the best year we can. We can start by embracing the new but never forgetting the past. Try a new dance and listen to a new song. Read a new novel or write about your life. I have talked with many of our Nobles and Ladies and what wonderful stories they have told me about their life. However, if no one writes anything down, how will our children realize what our life was like? It's simple things like this that bring us together and make us who we are, isn't this the same things we need to accomplish to make our Shrine grow.

Let us all start the year off by saying 2016 is going to be the best year there ever was and I'm going to do my best to make it a great year!

Yours in Shrinedom

# THE YEAR IN RETROSPECT

by *Ron Bowen*  
Assistant Rabban



Nobles, Ladies and Friends,  
greetings!

As we slip out of 2015 with a whimper and a sigh from all of the hard work and great accomplishments, we have our running shoes on and are off for our 2016 year!

The past year brought some good times and unfortunately some bad. We lost several Brothers throughout the year who will all be greatly missed. I am glad we will have many good memories to take forward with us.

Ill. Sir J.D. and Stacey brought us a breath of fresh air. The installation was open for the first time and everyone had such a great time. I hope we are able to continue with this type of Installation. (One of the many highlights of the year for me occurred at the Installation. We saw Ill. Sir Merv and Glenda behind bars! I really enjoyed that!)

Under J.D.'s leadership we accomplished many things and I believe all were for the betterment of Al Kaly. He brought the Temple through some hard times as well as good and made the Brothers feel good about the direction we are heading.

We saw some movement toward coming together for the betterment of the Temple. Of course, we still have the membership issue and will have for the near future, but I truly believe it is getting better. Let's all continue to work toward the common goal of building the membership and having fun while doing it!

Again, my thanks and appreciation to Ill. Sir J.D. and Lady Stacey. It was a tremendous year and a job well done!

Take care, and I hope to see you all at the many functions throughout the year. It's going to be a great year!

Until next time, stay healthy.

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# HAPPY NEW YEAR

by **Jim Burger**  
High Priest and Prophet

First of all My Lady Mary and I wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Wow, what a year we have had! We have enjoyed meeting more of the people in the Shrine. This next year we look forward to meeting many more members of this great organization and strengthening our relationships with those we have already met.

I would like to thank everyone for the great support I received this past year as High Priest and Prophet. Thank you for your confidence and trust.

December is turning out to be a busy month; we will be attending many functions and Christmas Parties. One of the best events, as always, will be the Colorado Springs Shrine Club Kids Party held on the 19th of December.

Between the clowns and the kids all full of sugar, I don't know which is more exciting: the clowns or the kids. I always wonder how the parents settle the kids down after the party. Or do they just let them crash from all of the excitement? I know I do, crash that is. At least the kids do not go home with a free puppy. Thank you to all of the Ladies of the Colorado Springs Shrine Club for your work for this party.

The New Year will bring a new Potentate and First Lady; give them your support in the upcoming year. Installation will be on January 8th with a team breakfast the next morning. Then we will be going up to Denver for the El Jebel Installation that evening. Busy, busy, but so very fun.

On January 15th we have another stated meeting to discuss more options of parade season and other items for the next year. I hope to see many of you there.

Put April 9 & 10 on your calendar. This is our second annual Softball Tournament to be held in Pueblo again. This went great last year and everyone was pleased with the tournament. Let us make this one better than last year! We will still need some volunteers to help out. If you are interested, contact one of the Divan members and we will gladly put your skills to use. More information will follow in the next issue of the Dust and/or the Nuts & Bolts.

I once again would like thank Butch Holmes for his years of Service as editor of Dust. You did a great Job Brother Butch.

*(High Priest and Prophet, continued on page 10)*



# BRING BACK THE FUN

by **James Hinojosa, C.R.L.**  
Oriental Guide

Nobles and Ladies,  
This article comes to you with much excitement in the air. On March 19th Ill. Sir JD Potter and myself will be hosting a COUNTRY DANCE and DINNER. The event will take place in Pueblo at the Shrine Club, 1501 W. McCulloch, and is open to all Shriners, their friends and family and the public. We will have a DINNER and a DANCE.

The cost will be \$15.00 per single or \$25.00 per couple and is open only to the first 200 people. The event will begin at 7pm and go through 10pm. Dinner will be available throughout the event; there will be no set time to eat.

This will be very non-formal; it is just a time of fellowship and fun. FEZZES are encouraged, if you want to wear them, since the public will be invited. I would encourage all to plan on attending and bringing a non-Shriner friend or Mason who would enjoy kicking up their boots and having fun. The bar will be open about 5pm so come on out early!

Attire for this event is "come as you are". The music will be performed by Southern Belle, a local band with a great sound and lots of energy, so mark your calendars for March 19, 2016.

Please RSVP to either myself (719-320-1829) or JD (719-240-0675). Send checks made out to "Pueblo Shrine Club" to: 557 Pear Street, Pueblo, CO 81005. We will also be taking money at the door until our 200 person limit is reached. However, we would appreciate, if you can, RSVP so we know how much food we need. The menu will come out in February as we are still deciding on what to serve.

Thank you all for your support this year to my Lady Liz and myself. We will be seeing many old friends and making new ones again next year. Happy Holidays to all!





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# CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE

by *Brian Carter*  
First Ceremonial Master

It is my hope and prayer you all had a very Merry Christmas and the best of a new year; 2015 is behind us now and it was a great year for everyone.

In the next week or so some of you will be heading to Tampa, Florida for the East-West Shrine Football Game. Hopefully the weather and travel plans will happen without any problems and everyone there will have a great Shrine weekend. At this writing there are nine people going and I expect they will have a fun time at the "tailgate" before the game and watching the game.

We had a great Winter Ceremonial in Colorado Springs on November 21st with eight new Nobles created. As usual the Director's Staff did a wonderful job performing the initiation ceremony.

We all need to continue to show our support of the Blue Lodges, the Consistory and the other appendant bodies as these are the places we will be able to find more new members.

See you at Installation, meetings and other 2016 events. Be sure and support your new Potentate and his Divan.

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*(High Priest and Prophet, continued from page 9)*

I would now like to welcome the new Dust Editor; what's her name? "gt", who we all know as the First Lady in 2014, Glenda Terrill. We all know she will do a great job.

January also brings a new OV season beginning with the Legion of Honor; the East West Shrine Game the 23rd & 24th of January, in Tampa FL. and, Grand Lodge is also that weekend. Hope you are ready to hit the ground running. As you can see we are off to a busy start next year in Al Kaly.

My Lady Mary and I thank you again for your support and ask you to remember being a Shriner is Always Fun! (That's what we do!) As always, participation is the key ingredient of having FUN!

Till next month



# WEB FEZ AND DUES UPDATE

by *Bart Guthrie, P.P.*  
Recorder

I've given you much information on the new Internet based Web Fez program. Probably the item popping up in your mind first is dues cards. Dues notices were supposed to be sent to you in October 2015. However, due to snags the notices did not get sent out from Tampa until November. They did get sent and we were "swamped" with dues payments for a while! Especially in early December we got those payments posted immediately because we did not want anyone to miss getting their dues card. Anyone with a \$0 balance will be mailed a dues card (from Tampa). This includes life members and anyone who has paid 2016 dues. There will be two mailings during December and two in January, probably monthly thereafter. You will receive a plastic card that will be good for future years – stickers with the year after 2016. If you lose your card, you will have to pay for a replacement – procedures have not been set up for that yet.

It's very important that each member log in to the Web Fez system. There is a link on the Al Kaly web site. In addition to being able to access and update your own personal information, the system has been set up for unit and club (probably secretaries) to obtain information on their respective unit or club. At this writing only 65 members have registered.

January means installation of officers, new fez strips and name badge ladders. If you have one of these items at your house you are not using please turn it in to the Office. The ladders are not expensive but fez strips have gone up in price. A strip costs approximately \$11 and \$5 for each letter. Thank you for your support. We are operating on a very tight budget this year and need every dollar.



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# EDITOR'S VIEW

by *Glenda Terrill*

No. NO. No! NO!!! Just practicing in case I get weak next time someone asks, "Hey, would you...?"

This endeavor, however, promises to be fun. Butch has a phone and email and both will be worn out by the February issue of the Dust. His help has been immeasurable, his support and ornery comments have kept me grounded when I questioned my sanity and began to panic... thanks so much Butch!!

And Jina. Poor Jina may just quit being our graphic artist if she has to put up with me more than one issue...she deserves a medal.

With help from these two, your patience, lots of articles and a couple issues under my belt, I think this is going to be one of the most fun things I've taken on...for me anyway.

I will be contacting presidents, secretaries and anyone else who might write an article for some of the clubs and units we haven't heard from lately. Ladies have asked for recipes lately and we may just put in a small Ladies Only Area. Like the guys won't read it... Ha.

We will continue to do just what we have been with only a few small changes. **Beginning with the April issue articles will be due on the first of the month before publication.**

The most repeated complaint I have heard is the Dust arrives too late to remind us of some of the events

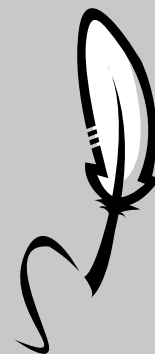
inside. Reporters will be encouraged to remember when publication and delivery of the paper mode will happen and write upcoming events which will occur from that date forward. The internet/website color edition will continue to be online as soon as possible and we will endeavor to keep our webmaster "in the loop" to assure this.

If you have something in your family/work life you believe we would all enjoy (such as the Clowns of Al Kaly article in this issue) please feel free to send it to me

It took me nearly 2 weeks to get an exclusive Dust email set up (I hate the internet) and then it worked slowly and differently from anything I've had before (I hate Outlook and computers in general) but it appears I have learned what buttons to push (I hate old age) – or at least I'm learning. The problems I had were real but there was one I couldn't seem to figure out. Magically yesterday (Dec 10th) it cleared up and doing the same thing I was doing previously produced different results.... Remember that when someone tells you differently!!

Anyway...write this down, cut this out, check your directory, or ask Merv. To get a hold of the Dust Editor send an email to [alkaly\\_dust@outlook.com](mailto:alkaly_dust@outlook.com) Call 719-250-1443 or text me at the same number. I am horrible at answering voice mail...text me!!! Or ask Merv to give you any of this information again. He's a great secretary!!

Let's have fun producing a great product.



## FREE BEER!!!!!!

by *Doug Gabel*

Ok, now that I have your attention let me tell you about a new club forming in Al Kaly.

Some of us are self proclaimed beer aficionados or brewmasters, so we have decided to start a club with that purpose. The thrust will be to make, talk, and drink the nectar of the gods. We will also work with wine makers and a few distillers of spirits. So if that interests you in any way, lets talk. Call me at 250-0224 or email me at [ddtraps@gmail.com](mailto:ddtraps@gmail.com) and let's start slamming some brewskis.

An organizational get together is planned for Friday, January 15, 5 p.m. at the Pueblo Shrine Club. See you there!

For more photos of the events covered in this issue of the Dust, please visit:

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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.

## In Memory/Honor of...

**Steve Jordan** by Clowns of Al Kaly (1/16)  
**Dave Hammett** by Mona Hammett (1/16)  
**Steve Jordan** by Mona Hammett (1/16)  
**Steve Jordan** by Norma Harre (1/16)  
**Steve Jordan** by Lois Torri (1/16)  
**Steve Jordan** by Clifton & Diana Snow (1/16)  
**Ron Yerkey** by Deborah Jordan (1/16)  
**Ron Yerkey** by Wayne McKey (1/16)  
**Ron Yerkey** by Bob & Betty Burr (1/16)  
**Jane Monohon** by Bob & Donna Hudson (1/16)  
**Jane Monohon** by Dick & Mary Mills (1/16)  
**Ron Yerkey** by Ray & LorAnn Singmaster (1/16)  
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**Steve Jordan** by Swede & Olga Hanson (1/16)  
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**Ron Yerkey** by Bob & Phyllis Allen (1/16)  
**Louise Allison** by Bob & Betty Burr (1/16)  
**Guy Hammerland** by Al Kaly Public Relations (12/15)  
**Guy Hammerland** by Bob & Betty Burr (12/15)  
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**Steve Jordan** by Floyd & Carmella Scoggin (12/15)  
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**Steve Jordan** by Jackie Barrilleaux (11/15)  
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Bills (11/15)  
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**Steve Jordan** by Shriners Ladies Club c/o Ann Delancey (11/15)  
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**Dave Huff** by Steve & Deborah Jordan (7/15)  
**Bill Husted** by Steve & Deborah Jordan (7/15)  
**Dave Hammett** by Steve & Deborah Jordan (7/15)  
**Mary Mendenhall** by Bob & Phyllis Allen (5/15)  
**Fred Olme** by Robert & Barbara Winklemeyer (5/15)  
**Rita Meacham** by Bob & Betty Burr (5/15)

**South Pueblo IHOP Workers** by Grant Anderson (5/15)  
**Kay Shaum** by Wayne & Mary Alice Whittaker (5/15)  
**Ruth B. Westcott** by Barlow Westcott (4/15)  
**Mary Mendenhall** by Bob & Betty Burr (4/15)  
**Dave Hammett** by Bob & Betty Burr (4/15)  
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**Gordon Milligan** by Escalante Shrine Club (2/15)  
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**Jay Barrilleaux** by John & Jane Gnad (2/15)  
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**J.R. White** (1/16)  
**Elite Scooters** (1/16)  
**Jackson & Robin Chandler** (1/16)  
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**Jackson & Robin Chandler** (12/15)  
**Jackson Chandler** (11/15)  
**Larry Newman** (11/15)  
**Pueblo Shrine Club** (11/15)  
**John Schroyer** (11/15)  
**James M. Bennett** (9/15)  
**Trinidad Shrine Club** (9/15)  
**Fremont Shrine Club** (9/15)  
**John Schroyer** (9/15)  
**Jackson & Robin Chandler** (9/15)  
**Hazel Kula** (9/15)  
**LOH Bluebirds** (8/15)  
**James M. Bennett** (8/15)  
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**John Schroyer** (8/15)  
**Mon-Ark Shrine Club** (8/15)  
**James M. Bennett II** (7/15)

**Jon & Diane Bower** (7/15)  
**Jackson & Robin Chandler** (7/15)  
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**Mule Train** (7/15)  
**John Schroyer** (7/15)  
**David Salberg** (7/15)  
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**John Schroyer** (3/15)  
**Glenda Terrill** (3/15)  
**B. June Williams** (3/15)  
**Norma Harre** (3/15)  
**Honored Ladies** (3/15)  
**Legion of Honor** (3/15)  
**Al Kaly Band** (2/15)  
**Jackson & Robin Chandler** (2/15)  
**Elite Scooters** (2/15)  
**Diane Leach** (2/15)  
**Wayne Gene Howard McKey** (2/15)  
**Potentate's Escort** (2/15)  
**Shriners Ladies of Pueblo** (2/15)

# "FELLOWSHIP IS THE ESSENCE OF FREE MASONRY"

A feisty old fellow grew tired of his tiresome daily chore of watching T.V. and was digging through his wallet for something to do. "Oh yea," he said "there is my Consistory dues card" and my Shrine card, too".

"I wonder how those guys are doing?", he sighed. As he pondered the good ole days he grew despondent. "I wonder if they ever think of me?", he queried. Angrily he said out loud, "I'm going to write those Brothers."

He wrote: "Where are you when I need you? I have reached a point in my life where things are not good, nor will they ever be again. I need you now, but where are you? You profess to care about those in distress, but where are you? I have grown weak, I am feeble, my body is strong but my mind has turned on me. I know I live in fantasies and talk foolishly. Please forgive me. It is now my reality, no matter what has happened to me or will happen to me."

"I need to know I still have friends who care about me. Don't let me become an old forgotten man!"

"Don't come to my funeral when my time comes; come now when I need you. I have heard people say, 'It is hard to see 'how he has changed' as an excuse not to visit. Do you not think it is hard on me, on my family? It hurts us more than you can imagine."

"I know your life is full and there are still so many things for you to do so I don't expect a lot of your time and I don't want to be selfish; but even a phone call or a card would be so nice."

Please don't forget me!



## *In Memoriam* as of November 30, 2015

*Do not stand at my grave and weep,  
I am not there, I do not sleep.  
I am in a thousand winds that blow,  
I am the softly falling snow.  
I am the gentle showers of rain,  
I am the fields of ripening grain.  
I am in the morning hush,  
I am in the graceful rush.  
Of beautiful birds in circling flight,  
I am the starshine of the night.  
I am in the flowers that bloom,  
I am in a quiet room.  
I am in the birds that sing,  
I am in each lovely thing.  
Do not stand at my grave and cry,  
I am not there. I do not die.*

*- Mary Elizabeth Frye*

Ronald R. Yerkey, Colorado Springs, CO  
Born: June 21, 1942  
Created: July 15, 2006  
Died: November 18, 2015

## *Come Get Them!*



I have a jar full of soda tabs that I've been collecting for over a year now. I know some of the Nobles and Ladies here collect them for the Shrine, so I am giving them away! The first person who emails me on January 15, 2016 at [j-lee@live.com](mailto:j-lee@live.com) with "Soda Tabs" in the subject line will get the whole jar.  
- Jina Lee



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**5:00pm – Nobles, Ladies and Guests** – Make your way to the Convention Center Ballroom, Fortino Hall A, for Social Hour and your opportunity to have your picture taken.

**6:00pm** – Dinner will be served. Installation of Officers immediately following dinner and dessert.

Send your check for \$32.00 per person or \$64.00 a couple to Al Kaly Shrine Office, PO Box 193, Pueblo, CO 81002. Your Reservation must be received before January 4, 2016.

Al Kaly Photographers will be taking individual, couple and group photos for the ensuing year.

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*Rhonda Davidson and Chris Crawford*

## RESOLUTION

Whereas, money from Al Kaly initiation fee is short of meeting requirements to cover the administrative fees of initiating new candidates, and

Whereas, it is our goal to keep initiation fees as low as possible and,

Whereas, to the extent Al Kaly continues in the spirit of keeping initiation fees at covering costs only,

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Suspensions:	1
Deaths:	1
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# IT IS NEVER TOO LATE TO VISIT SHRINERS HOSPITALS

by Rose Enyeart

When Heather Hudson was born, she was immediately taken to the Neonatal ICU, and for the next eighteen years has struggled with her health. At five months old she had a Grand Mal Seizure which was controlled with medicines. She had a CAT scan that showed she had too much spinal fluid which was benign and resolved itself over time. Heather's skull is problematic and she has suffered with various problems related to it.

During her short life she had numerous, severe sinus infections and her jaws are not in alignment so only two teeth met for chewing. As she grew, so did some of her difficulties.

The jaw misalignment impacted her breathing so it was restricted. Her Eustachian tubes were not able to drain properly so there were chronic ear infections. If someone caught a cold and was through with it in weeks; Heather would take months to get rid of the same cold. Her throat was also constricted and with the difficulty in chewing, digestion was a problem.

Yet Heather has a sunny personality and doesn't complain. Her mother, Holly Brilliant, has followed through on the various symptoms and issues.

Heather's orthodontist did what he could to get her jaws aligned to allow the teeth to meet. He wanted to do surgery but the insurance carrier refused to authorize it. Then they found a maxillofacial surgeon in town who would perform the surgery on an out-patient basis at an estimated cost of well over one hundred thousand dollars. Again the insurance said that that type of surgery was not recognized on their policy.

A young woman who worked with Heather's older sister, Amy Ann, had a friend with a baby who had an issue the Shriners dealt with. Maybe the Shriners Hospitals could help.

Meanwhile the family struggled to find some help for Heather and her numerous issues. In desperation, Holly checked out the Shriners Hospitals' web site; she couldn't believe what she saw. Free, State-of-the-Art orthopedic services! She called Shriners Hospital in Chicago and



was told they had an opening the next Monday and that would start the process. And, of course, it was at no cost.

She said she needed to think about it. First came crying at the prospect of help for Heather. Then came the disbelief it could really be true, an organization dedicated to giving expert medical help to children. She was assured, even though Heather was seventeen, if they saw her before her eighteenth birthday, she was a patient until she no longer needed their services.

Off they went to Chicago and spent time with the various specialists. It was a meeting which lasted about four hours. Questions were asked, procedures were explained, details worked out. Holly could not believe the wonderful staff of caring, concerned, and kind people who met with them.

Now the good part. The Chicago Hospital brought them out for extensive MRI images of the skull so they could minutely plan the surgery. Holly thought it was to the micro-millimeter, so they knew exactly what they would do once the surgery was begun.

The surgery proposed can be done now that Heather's growth seems to be complete. Her top jaw will be pulled forward which will allow the sinus area to expand and stop the sinus issues. The Eustachian tubes will be allowed to move into place for proper drainage for her ears and the trachea will have room to expand to allow her breathing space. Her lower jaw will be aligned to allow her teeth to meet and properly chew her food. There will be more room for her to swallow her food!

Because her tongue has been affected she may require speech therapy, but that doesn't worry anyone. She will be free from so many restrictions and physical difficulties. Also reassuring is the fact that Chicago's Hospital performs about three hundred of these surgeries a year.

Heather is excited and looking forward to surgery in a few months. The plan for her surgery is nearly in place and she knows her life will change drastically for the better. After graduating from Doherty High School, Heather is following her passion for working with young

*(Shriner Child, continued at right)*





children and is attending PPCC to work toward a degree in Early Childhood Education. She will complete the degree at UCCS. Her interest for this degree was sparked by working as an “educator helper” at Helen Hunt Elementary where the children responded well to her and she loved them right back.

Even though Heather’s life has been full of challenges, at eighteen, it will be helped and changed by the attention of the Shriners Hospital System. Her insurance wouldn’t help her get the care she needed, but the Shriners didn’t require insurance. The hospital said they’d bill the insurance, but they knew it would be ignored. After the first denial, the insurance hasn’t responded again.

Holly and I cried at the generosity of the Shriners



who help children because that is what they are dedicated to doing. Her disbelief turned to wonder and gratitude that her daughter will finally be given the medical help she needs.

Keep the tradition alive. Aren’t you proud to be a Shriner?

## ANNUAL MEETING DINNER

**Pueblo Shrine Club**

January 15, 2015

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# Ruhamah Temple No. 71 - Daughters of the Nile



by Jo Anne Sube  
Queen

Wow! where has the year gone? I'm now on the downside of my year as Queen of Ruhamah Temple and I would like to take this opportunity to give a big THANK YOU to all who have made this past year such an enjoyable one. This is the season for giving thanks for all wonderful things in our lives.



Our January meeting will be on the 25th and I hope as many of you as can will be in attendance. A few dates to keep in mind-February 6th will be the High Tea at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club-you don't want to miss this annual event, March is election of new officers for Ruhamah Temple and April 2nd will be the OPEN INSTALLATION of officers for Ruhamah Temple. Also several of us will be traveling in January to El Giza Temple in Las Vegas for Supreme Queen Sharon's official visit and to visit with Pr. Mona Hammett who is always willing to come to Ruhamah Temple to help with our music. In



Karen Mendenhall and Phyllis Allen selling dolls at recent event

February there will be a few of us going to Supreme Queen Sharon's homecoming in Albuquerque weather permitting. Mark your calendars for these dates.

~Nile Love and Angels kisses



Queen JoAnne and the Wish Fairy (Karen Mendenhall)



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# CLUB AND UNIT NEWS

## MON-ARK SHRINE CLUB

by **Bob McCormick**  
*President*

Just to let everyone know that Mon-Ark is still alive. We are in the process of looking at a very promising offer on our property. If all goes well we could look at closing in early March next year. We all know that it takes two signatures at time of closing to seal the deal. We are hoping for a harmonious outcome.

Our Christmas Observance Social was held on December 4th at "The Bounty Restaurant" with twenty-two attending. The meal was great and everyone had a pleasant evening. Past Potentate III. Sir Mervin Terrill installed the 2016 Club Officers with it being witnessed by Lady Glenda's photo (see photo on page 25). Since Ed Kinzie was unable to be present to be installed as Secretary/Treasurer, Jerry Long was installed by proxy for him.

The "History of Laura Evans" presentation held at the Shrine Club on Saturday, July 25th was an outstanding



(left to right) Nobles Jerry Long, Bob McCormick, Ed Kinzie, Jack Herald and Keith Franklin. (in rear left) Larry Kovacic, Treasurer and (right) is Bob Campbell, Vice President of the Salida Museum.

experience. The Club Hall was standing room only for a program given by Ms. Tracy Beech. The Historical Slide Show was very informative in that it gave little known facts and history about Laura Evans, early day Salida "Madam". Her book- "My Life as a Whore-the Biography of Madam Laura Evans" sold out that day and she took orders for

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# COLORADO SPRINGS SHRINE CLUB

by **Roger Mendenhall**  
President

The Colorado Springs Shrine Club 2016 officers were installed at the December dinner meeting. Many thanks go to our 2015 officers. We had a very busy year as far as rentals go, and the board members worked long and hard.

The Shriners' Ladies Club will install their officers for 2016 at the January meeting. Thanks to Marlene Mouriguis for working all year as President of Shriners' Ladies in spite of some health issues she suffered in late summer. What a great lady. Any lady of a Shrine Club member can join Shriners' ladies by letting them know you wish to be included. They meet for lunch on the first Monday of each month from September through May. There are no dues, and their focus is camaraderie and working together for the good of our club.

If you haven't been to the club lately, come and see the improvements we have been making. We still hold our monthly dinners on the third Wednesday of each month, year round. Reservations need to be turned in the Monday before, by noon if at all possible. Call the club to let us know you are coming. (632-3881).

## CLOWNS OF AL KALY

by **Noble Larry "Three Putt" Newman**  
Boss Clown

This is a short clown story I thought you might enjoy. Jerry "Dr Malpractice" Proctor (so named by a doctor at the AFA) wrote these words:

"You never know what you will encounter when you do a clown gig, but this one bears repeating to our Shrine family.

I was doing our usual weekly appearance at a local buffet when I approached a table with an older lady, a younger lady and a young boy about five years old. As I approached the table the young boy asked if he could have a balloon animal. With that the older woman started to cry. When I asked if she was alright she replied this was only the third time she had ever heard the young boy speak. She went

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those who wanted a copy. The four great-grandsons of Laura were present and added to the special occasion. It was an event that will most certainly be remembered by those who were present.

With the sale of the Shrine Club property pending the Club voted to donate the Laura Evans Standing Lamp that was in the ladies restroom to the Salida Museum because of its historical significance associated with our building.

Wishing all Nobles and Ladies a fabulous "New Year" !!

## AL KALY PR COMMITTEE

by **Ill. Sir Bob Burr**  
Chairman

This month our plans and discussions were centered around the upcoming IHOP Day, a fund raiser for the Shrine and Burns Awareness Week, when we distribute burns awareness information to all of the 4th graders in the area. It just so happens that a member of this Committee, Noble Ralph "Doc" Hathaway is in charge of both activities and our Committee is there to support him in any way we can.

Once again, the Committee will be sending postcards to our supporters, the advertisers in the Basketball Program and the Dust, asking them to publicize the Shrine and their activities. When you visit any of our supporters, please take the time to thank them for their support. Without their support, it would be a difficult task for all of us to maintain our place in the Community.

Noble Richard Mills mentioned that he is working with the Canon City radio station to get air time for a Masonic/Shrine discussion that will make the Community aware of both Masonic and Shrine activities, our Shrine Hospitals and if there is time, membership will be discussed.

Please let me reiterate, this Committee has room for any Shriners or Shriners Ladies that would like to attend. We really would like your thoughts and ideas. At the same time you could take our thoughts and ideas back to your Unit or Club. Please come and join us. We meet the second Tuesday of the Month, alternating between Denny's in Pueblo and Cokes in Fountain. Meeting time is 10:00AM. Next meeting on January 12th will be at Denny's in Pueblo.

Hope to see you there.

# POTENTATE'S MOTOR ESCORT

by *Dave C. Dickey*  
President

*Somehow this missed the December Dust. Here it is a month after anticipated printing...our apologies. - Editor*

## ~December~

Greetings and Happy Holidays to you all. Amazing how quickly this year has passed and here we are celebrating another OV and election of new officers.

The December Potentates Motor Escort OV will be held at the Pueblo Shrine Club on December 3, 2015. Active Escort members and their ladies were invited to a pot luck dinner meeting on October 22. There were 14 attending and a wonderful pot luck was served. Escort members held their meeting while the ladies had a chance to visit and enjoy the evening.

Election of officers took place and our new officers will be installed at the Official Visit. Our new president is Terry "Doc" Collinson, vice president is JR White, Secretary is Tim Carson and Mike Kruse will serve as treasurer. Bill Sheard was voted in as a new active member to the unit.

We will once again be selling the raffle calendars. They make excellent Christmas gifts and serve as a great way for the unit to make some money.

One more parade is on the calendar, weather permitting. Escort will ride in the Festival of Lights parade in downtown Colorado Springs the evening of December 5th. We are hoping to see lots of riders out for this final show of Shriners for 2015.

I have been honored to serve as Escort President and have truly enjoyed the office. I thank everyone for the past several years of good fellowship. I am pleased that we will have 4 incredible new officers taking the reins.

Merry Christmas



*Tim Carson, Mike Kruse, JR White, Terry "Doc" Collinson*

## ~January~

Greetings, Nobles.

We had our OV at the Pueblo Shrine Club On December 3, 2015. I have to say it was one of the nicest OV's we have had. There were about 40 attendee's, the meal was very good, and the price was pleasing.

Our new officers were installed by J D Potter, our Illustrious Potentate. Officers for 2016 are as follows: Terry (Doc) Collinson - - President, J. R. White - - Vice President, Mike Kruse - -Treasurer and Tim Carson - -Secretary.

I have really enjoyed being the Escort president for the last 5 years but it will be good to sit back and be a follower under our new president. I thank everyone for your confidence in me and for helping to make the job as easy as possible. Thank you so very much for the awesome retirement gift. I hope that, in the future, I will be able to spend a bit more time on the golf course and improve my swing.

Our final parade, The "Festival of Lights" was December 5. It was a very chilly but invigorating evening. The floats were beautiful and the crowds made it so worthwhile. Wishing you all a Blessed Christmas and a Wonderful New Year.

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# PUEBLO SHRINE CLUB

by *Glenda Terrill*

It has been a busy rental season...seems everyone wants to celebrate Christmas in December, imagine that.

Due to the multitude of requests for use of the building we moved our monthly Friday night meeting to Saturday and then to Sunday. So, we had Friday on Sunday this month; but it was fun and the food was super as usual. Lora treats us like royalty and keeps the cost to a do-able minimum. Somehow we can't pay hamburger or hot dog prices and get a chicken or "specialty" dinner.

Breakfast is picking up after a couple slow months when the kids went back to school and vacations ended. We are still having right around 100 customers every month and the workers love showing up to do this chore. Please come eat with us or volunteer to pour coffee for a day. We really have fun! We serve from 8am to 11:30am the first Sunday of EVERY month...we don't take off for Easter, Mother's Day or New Year's...someone else will always want us to cook for them!

We are just about ready to set up our new nursery area as the ladies have purchased or donated all the items we should need to provide for anyone who needs to bring a child with them to a meeting. Come visit!!

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on to explain her grandson was Autistic and never talks but points at something he wants. The boy's mother said her son talks a little bit to the doctor where he is treated. Perhaps it was the fact that I dress as a Clown Doctor.

Whatever the reason, I was honored the young man chose to speak to me. I pray someday they will find the cause and a cure to end this condition. Needless to say the young man left the buffet that night with many balloon animals and I left feeling great pride in what I, and the other clowns, do in and for our community."

## BAND

by *Larry Weed*  
President

Happy New Year Everyone! We ended last year with several performances including the Stated Meeting in Pueblo and the Kid's Christmas Party at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club in December. Thanks to everyone, particularly to Director's Mel Graner, Elmo Gardner, and Norm Churchill, for all the work they put in, and for last year's officers and members, for a great year!

Please come join us for our annual "Christmas Party" at the Mason Jar (that's appropriate isn't it) in Colorado Springs on Sunday, January 17th. As before, we enjoy extending the season and having a good time.

We've got lots of plans developing this coming year, parades, stated meetings, practices, and parties (check the Shrine web events pages). If you're wanting a great time, contact a band member and let us know you're interested in supporting. Please contact us if you are interested in playing, have a gig you'd like us to play for, or if you just want to listen – we'd love to have you come and join us!



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# AL KALY MULE TRAIN

by Allan Ake  
President

Mules are very interesting animals, without a doubt. They smell kinda good in a kinda bad way. They are endearing in a frustrating sort of way, too. They amuse us and anger us and soothe us. For some of us they are the best therapy going. They even are affectionate once in a while with their noses against our neck or shoulder. And they generally have a bit of their own agenda, even when we are keeping them busy. Sometimes, during a drill practice, Drill Captain Gale would call a halt to the practice and pull the team together in a circle to talk. The mule noses would be pointed inward. His young mule, KC, would invariably literally chomp at the bit. When he'd get bored with that, he'd take a nip at a neighboring mule's cheek, just to stir things up a bit and maybe to interrupt the "important" human activities. Let's face it, what could be more important than nipping the neighbor's cheek just to stir things up a bit?

Even during drill practice, occasionally a mule would decide to side kick another mule, mostly to let the other mule know who was dominant. That would generally invoke the rider's obligatory, "Hyaaaah! Behave yourself!"

The ears would rotate to the rear towards the rider momentarily to listen and the mule undoubtedly thought, Just my human talkin' to me. No problem.

We all have a connection to our animals and they all have a connection to us. We understand our connection to them, but their connection to us is a little more difficult to figure out. Do they really like us? Probably, but who can be sure?

Not surprisingly, like other animals, they each have an individual personality. Linda's mule, Jill, is somewhat like a cat. I can walk across the corral, and she will stop in my path so I can stroke her ears or pet her a little. My mule Maggie, sometimes brays at me when she sees me, then gives me a nose on the chest or arm, begging for a treat. One of our smaller mules, upon seeing us approach with a halter, would trot away and hide behind a larger mule. What, like we couldn't see him? We laughed every time.

I heard a mule trainer say, "If you want your mule to trust you and work for you, you must give that mule 110% of your respect. You'll never get that respect back from your mule, but that animal will deliver for you."

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Reading Christmas riddles.



IS Mery Terrill, Jerry Long, Bob McCormick, Jim Dickson

# KALYKLOWNS

by Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan  
Dust Reporter

As we approach Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, the Kalyklowns have attended the last three major events of 2015, which were the Pueblo Parade of Lights, The Al Kaly Basketball Tournament and the Kalyklowns Christmas Party/Installation of Officers/White Elephant Auction.

Attending the Basketball Tournament for the two days from the Kalyklowns were the following: Frank "Halftrack" Caffey, IS Gary "Panhandle Slim" Sears, PP 2012, Vern "El Lobo" Wolf, Bill "Billy-Bob" Davidson, Wayne "Howdy" McKey, Ron "Rosee" Crawford, Doug "John Deere" Gabel, Tracy "Tiny" Howard, Larry "Sleepy" Ruiz, our newest member, Mike "Poo-Bah" Palmer, and Howard "Cuz'n Clem. At this time, we also elected a new slate of officers for the ensuing year who were installed at the Christmas Party.

The Saturday following Thanksgiving saw Vern Wolf towing our Kalyklowns Kalliope, which was well lit this year thanks to the loan of a strong generator by Lady Connie. Riding along in back, this year without having made up due to the extremely frigid temperature were Nick Forgit, Bill Davidson, Larry Ruiz, and Howard Magan. Due to the recent Thanksgiving Eve snowstorm, we had to sweep off about 6" of snow just to be able to sit on dry benches! "Brrrr!" Is the only way to describe it, but we enjoy the crowds and look forward to this event all year long.

The Christmas Party was held at Willie G's Barbecue in Pueblo with a very good dinner of chicken, pulled pork, coleslaw, rolls, butter, baked beans and hot peach cobbler. The following guests were also in attendance at the party. From the Divan were: First Ceremonial



(from left to right) Vern Wolf, Bill Davidson, Mike Palmer, Larry Ruiz, Gary Sears, Ill. Sir JD Potter

Master Brian Carter, Chaplain and Past Potentate William Sheard and his Lady Irene, and Ill. Sir J. D. Potter, 2015 Potentate, and Lady Stacey. Other Past Potentates attending were IS Gary Sears and Lady Donna, IS Mike Palmer and Lady Nancy, and IS Merv Terrill and Lady Glenda. Also attending was Noble Dick Mills, President of the Publicity Unit and his Lady Mary. Following dinner the following were installed as elected at the November meeting held at the Basketball Tournament. They are Vern Wolf as President, IS Mike Palmer, PP as Vice President, and IS Gary Sears. PP as Secretary/ Treasurer.

The Clown of the Year Award went to Vern Wolf. Following the Installation of Officers by IS J. D. Potter, we held our annual White Elephant Auction with Lady Glenda Terrill as Auctioneer ably assisted by Nick "Pocket Change" Forgit as ELF. Lady Glenda feels the auction always moves faster when she has an ELF! The evening was made all the more enjoyable with the attendance of two of the Kalyklowns Honored Ladies, Lady Ruthie Howard and Lady Ronnie Robbins; we are always so pleased to have them in attendance at any of our functions. We are so pleased you were both able to attend!

Lastly, on December 13, John "Buttons" Montoya, IS Gary "Panhandle Slim" Sears, and Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan went to the Union Depot to participate in entertaining the guests at the Dream Weavers annual Christmas Party. Noble John has been participating in this event for more years than I can remember, mostly with the assistance of IS Gary Sears and this has been the first time I have had an opportunity to join them. It has been well worth doing and we hope for many years to come we will continue to have that opportunity.

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No matter how gentle the animal, working with the big ones comes with a risk. Some of the ornery ones are a riskier than the gentler ones, but there is always a risk of being hurt. Comes with the territory. I'd venture to say there is not a one of us Mule Train riders who has not been hurt some way or other when working with the mules. Some worse than others, of course. Not long ago, a rider was thrown and was so sore he had trouble getting out of bed the next morning. Another of our riders carried a saddle behind a mule and startled the mule. The mule kicked, hit the saddle and knocked the rider down. No harm done, but he was lucky the saddle was between him and the mule. So why do we do what we do?

*“She raised her head, looked at me, smiled, and said, “Yeah, ‘cus I love it.””*

I had the opportunity to talk to a young lady recently, whom I judged to be about 22 or 23 years old. She was sporting a minor injury, a huge bruise on her forearm, caused by a “big ol’ horse.” She and I talked about the similarities and differences between horses and mules and the enjoyment of being around those critters. She told me that she had been thrown and hurt many times, but nothing too serious. She told me a friend of hers asked why she keeps getting back on. “I couldn’t really answer her,” she said. She paused and looked down at the floor, searching in her mind for words.

“‘Cus you love it,” I said.

She raised her head, looked at me, smiled, and said, “Yeah, ‘cus I love it.”

That summed up pretty well why we work with and ride the big animals.

## RACERS

by *Butch Holmes*  
President

The new unit held its first meeting at Fiesta Jalisco's Restaurant in Colorado Springs. The new officers for 2016 were installed by Ill Sir J.D. Potter. We now have six pedal karts ready for parading in 2016. Had we received the new karts earlier we could have tried to participate in the December 2015 Festival of Lights parade in Colorado Springs (maybe next year). We also welcomed Noble Gene Dobrzelecki in to our unit as an associate (pit crew) member. Noble Gene will also take unit treasurer responsibility. Many of our members had fun driving the kart on the inside of the Colo Spgs Shrine Club during the ceremonial. We were under the watchful eye of Club President Ill Sir Roger Mendenhall ensuring we did not make skid marks on the wood floor.

If you are not in a unit and may be interested in joining or just have questions please contact Ill Sir Bart in the Al Kaly Shriners Office, (719) 544-0658.



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