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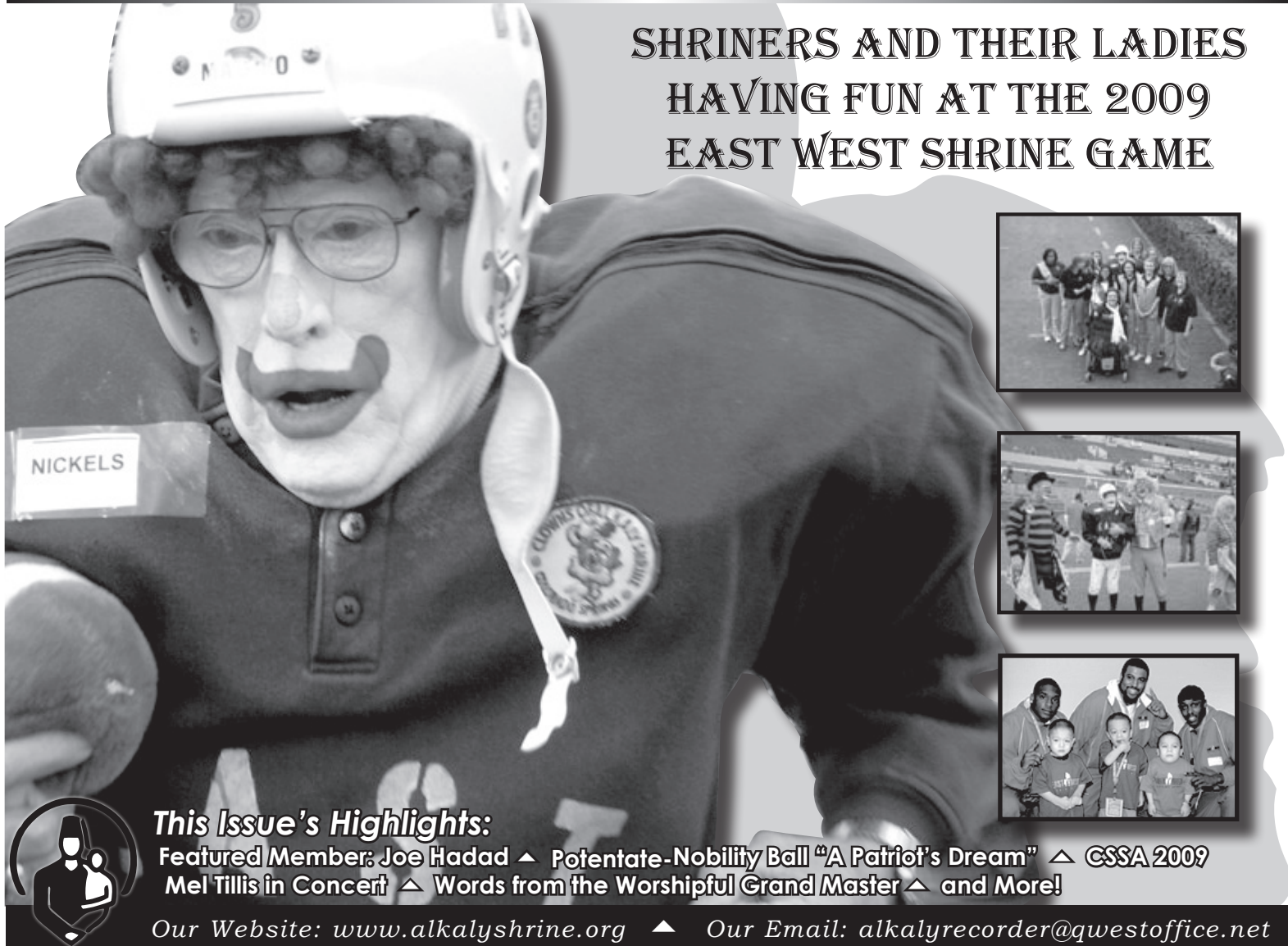
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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

THE MIGHTY MONTH OF MARCH

by Ill. Sir Tom Holmes
Potentate



By the time this article is on the street, we will be closing in on "The Mel Tillis Concert." As you all know by now, this concert will be held at the Pikes Peak Center in Colorado Springs on March 28th, 2009.

At the time of this writing, the Nobility and friends have purchased almost 400 tickets which is a long way from the 2,100 seats available. Actually, I think this is a pretty good number given that the only promotion so far has been

the Dust and unit/club meetings. Up until now, we have not released promotion to the public through advertising.

On February 16th, the major media will start running advertising to promote the concert. And, (again) because this article will not be released until a couple of weeks ahead of the performance, the numbers should be significantly different.

Most of the Divan saw the Mel Tillis show in Anaheim at the Imperial session in 2007. Believe me; he puts on a great performance. And . . . at the end of his show, he will be fezed as an honorary Al Kaly Ambassador at Large. There will be a "Meet and Greet" immediately afterwards in "Studio Bee" which is part of the PPC complex. It will be a cash bar and all of our Nobility is invited. At the "Meet and Greet", Nobles and their guests will have the opportunity to have their picture taken with Mel and some hospitality.

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2005 James Rodeen
2006 R. Don Taylor (Bonnie)
2007 David P. Stevens (Maddy)
2008 Bill Stoner (Rose Enyeart)

INSTALLATION WEEKEND

by Sherry Holmes

Hi Everyone!

This is a stretch for me...
having to write an article each
month and trying to make it worth
your while to read!

Tom, the Divan and I have been very busy since
installation. We have already had two Official Visits, one
after Christmas party, El Jebel's installation, and two Shrine
Club dinners...in other words, we are off to a great start!
We are looking forward to having a great and fun year with
all of you!

In the immediate future, our Nobles are having
a Stated Session on February 27th, the CSSA business
meeting in Sioux City, Iowa, returning just in time to kick
off our first parade for St. Patrick's Day. Afterwards we are
off to the Colorado Springs Shrine Club to enjoy corned
beef and cabbage prepared by the Shrine Club ladies
(reservations are appreciated 632-3881). YUM!

So that none of us get bored...on March 28th,



Ruhamah Temple #71, Daughters' of the Nile is having
their "Open Installation of Officers" to be held at the
Masonic Temple at 1:00PM, with a reception to follow.
Hold on to your hats and fezzes, we are all invited to the
Potentate's Mel Tillis concert that night at the Pikes Peak
Center, get your tickets early (866-464-2626/719-520-
7469).

Ladies, please keep in mind my Ladies Luncheon
will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Pueblo on April 4th
(invitations are in this issue of the Dust). We will watch
our Al Kaly units and new candidates parade, yes, parade
in front of the Clarion Hotel on Elizabeth Street. How
better to make our new candidates and their ladies feel truly
welcomed by us, their new family! Please, let's overwhelm
them with our presence.

Till next time, be healthy, happy and enjoy life!



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Al Kaly's 1st Lady, Sherry, Cordially invites you to join her at the **2009 "Easter Fun" Ladies' Luncheon**

When

Saturday, April 4, 2009
Doors open and Social Time: 11:00am
Luncheon Served: 11:30am

Where

Pueblo Clarion and Conference Center
4001 North Elizabeth
Pueblo, CO 81008

Reservations Are Required

Please send your check for \$16.00 to the Al Kaly Shrine office for arrival no later than
March 27, 2009. Your check is your reservation.

Mail Your Check For Reservations To

Al Kaly Shrine ATTN: Ladies' Apr 4 Luncheon
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Note: Al Kaly Ladies of Elected and Appointed Divan, please wear your 2009 uniform.

See you there!

The Honored Ladies Club

by *Muriel Hansen* of *Al Kaly*

It seems we only just said “goodbye” to St Nick and, now, already, we are saying “hello” to St Patrick! Personally, I was glad to see the end of January, because it meant the days were getting longer. Now, on Sunday, the 8th of March, we have Daylight Saving Time again! That means we set our clocks an hour AHEAD, right?

Our luncheon/meeting will be in Pueblo, on Saturday, March 14th. More info on time, location, menu and price from our Callers. If you haven’t heard from your Caller by the time you are reading this, please try to get in touch with her – or President June Williams. And please do make your reservations with HL Kitty Pick, our Treasurer. And, if you need a ride, let your Caller know, so maybe she can direct you to someone. Or, if you know of someone who is going, call, say, “Hey, I need a ride! Got room for me?”

Another happening on Saturday, March 14th – the St Patrick’s Day Parade! The Shrine Ladies are offering a corned beef and cabbage dinner, immediately after the parade, at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club.

On Saturday, March 28th, at 1 PM, Ruhamah Temple #71, Daughters of the Nile will hold Open Installation of Officers for the year 2009 – 2010. Being installed as Queen for this year is again one of our Honored Ladies, Jean Marie Renfrow, from Pueblo, CO. The Installation will be held at the Masonic Center at 1150 Panorama Dr in Colorado Springs. Hope to see you there!

On that same date, in the evening, we will be going to the Pikes Peak Center to enjoy a concert by Mel Tillis! Hope you have your tickets by now.

Health and Welfare: One of our long time members, HL Myrtle Shaw died on Friday, January 23rd. Just a few

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days short of her 98th birthday, Feb 2nd. She had no living relatives. Myrtle was a member of the Ruhamah Patrol Unit, DON, for more than 30 years!

On a happy note – HL Norma Harre, HL Fumiko Fox, HL Muriel Hansen (and former HL Tommie Money maker) accompanied our Ruhamah Temple Queen Rosa Eaches and Noble Jim on a visit to four Temples in Texas. Supreme Queen Muriel Knapp gave after dinner talks after sessions at each Temple, and one of the things she was happy about was her trip to the Galveston Hospital. It will not close!

See you soon.

Shrine Ladies - Colorado Springs Area

by *Deborah Jordan, President*

Our ladies meet the first Monday of the month (except June, July and August) for a lunch or potluck - the lunches start at Noon and usually run about an hour. We encourage all Shrine Ladies to join us, when your time allows. Reservations are not required.

This year we will again be hosting the St. Patrick’s corned beef and cabbage lunch at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club on March 14. The Club has asked the ladies to cook and serve the meal. If you would like to help us

with this event, please give me a call at 531-6309. The more the merrier! Let’s make this a fun day for all.

March 2 - Luncheon will be held at IHOP at Stetson Hills and Powers

March 14 – St Patrick’s Day corned beef and cabbage from 1-3PM (following the parade)

April 6 - Luncheon at Peak Grill on Garden of the Gods

May 4 - We will have a potluck at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club at 6PM, with our Nobles. The main dish will be provided. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share, your own table service and your Noble.

EDITOR'S VIEWS

by Raymond J. Clark, Ph.D.



Thanks to all for your efforts in helping the Dust come together nicely each month. I have been trying to send out friendly deadline reminders to those who typically submit articles for publication in the Dust. However, I am often asked what the deadline dates are, so I thought I would post them in the Dust this month (see right).

Although these timelines are nice targets to have for each issue, these dates cannot always be adhered to. But we do stay pretty close to meeting them. So with your help in the future we can continue to get the Dust published in time to have it delivered within the first week of the month.

I appreciate all the positive comments that have been made recently about the Dust and your suggestions for how we can continue to make it better each month. Ill. Sir Tom Holmes has asked that I make sure we

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get the Dust entered into the Imperial's Newsletter Competitions. Recently I contacted Imperial and was informed they are changing their competition guidelines for this year and will be sending each Temple the details as soon as they are finalized. So as soon as we get the word, we will enter the Dust in the Competition. Thanks for a great job in submitting meaningful information and pictures to back it up for our Nobility and their Ladies. I know we will have something to be proud of when it comes time to submit our entry into the competition.

In staying with this year's Al Kaly theme "Isn't

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Now, why are we taking on such an enormous project? Two reasons, - First, for the visibility of Al Kaly! I am continually reminded that we as a Shrine are not as well known as we once were. This is a condition that we as Shrine Nobles need to correct. The promotion and the concert itself will go a long way to bringing visibility to Al Kaly Shrine.

Second, as a fund raiser! If we have the support of the Nobility, and fill the center, we will have offset the lack of income from the annual trip. Due to the cost of travel and the reluctance to travel outside the US, the trip participation has been less than stellar. The concert is our first attempt to create new fund raising activities.

Now what can you do? Obviously you can buy tickets. This will help a lot. But just as important, we need a great turnout of the units of Al Kaly. Motor Units, may bring their car, bike, etc. into the center lobby and have a contingency of unit members on hand to talk to potential members. Other larger units may set up outside. The important thing is to be there so our visiting public will see a sea of Fez's. Not only Fez's but Shriners having fun. After

all, our theme for 2009 is "Isn't It Fun To Be A Shriner?" – Let's be on hand to demonstrate this theme to the world.

If you need to buy your tickets, call the numbers on the ad for Mel Tills in this newsletter.

Thanks to Doc Hathaway, we now are in possession of the traveling exhibit trailer from Imperial. With less than an hours notice, Doc and a friend traveled to Muskogee, Oklahoma and returned with the trailer and truck to pull it in 1 1/2 days. It was a killer trip for Doc and friend but they pulled it off.

The exhibit trailer is a real accomplishment for Al Kaly. The public will be able to go in one door and out the back to see many photos and video of just what we Shriners do. It will make you proud once again to be a part of this great organization.

In summary, the bottom line is very simple. In order for efforts like these to be successful we need the help and support of the entire Nobility. I am open to any suggestions to help make this as good as it can be. My e-mail is shrinertom@yahoo.com please let me know your thoughts.

"Isn't It Fun To Be A Shriner?"

The Al Kaly Shriners of Southern Colorado present

Mel Tillis in Concert

March 28th, 2009 - 7:30pm

Pikes Peak Center, Colorado Springs

Shrine Nobles, their family and friends can still order good seating tickets, however, tickets are now available to the public.

Ticket prices range between \$35 and \$45.
(Mezzanine Box seats are available for slightly more)
Purchase tickets through one of the following methods:

- Call direct: 719-520-SHOW (7469)
- Western Tickets TicketsWest.com
- King Soopers
- World Arena or Pikes Peak Center ticket offices

****Al Kaly will not sell tickets directly through any person or through the Al Kaly Shrine office. We have a contract with the PPC for exclusive ticket sales.****

*Proceeds are for the benefit of Al Kaly Shriners
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Featured Member

Joe Hadad

by Charlotte Burrous



When she walked into the automotive dealership, she was just another stranded motorist in Trinidad. But it was one Joe Hadad will never forget.

"A young lady stopped at the dealership the Saturday before Christmas with car troubles. It was an extremely cold day," said Hadad, who owns Hadad Motors in Trinidad. "I tried to find a garage or a mechanic to work on her car because she needed to get home to Midland, Texas, for Christmas."

Hadad ended up fixing it for her. He sent her to the restaurant and called them to tell them he would pay for her breakfast. He also gave her \$100 and sent her on her way.

"They asked me what her name was and I said, 'I don't know, I just called her honey,'" Hadad said.

Several months later, he received a large envelope from Washington, D.C. This girl's mother was Mrs. Green, one of the secretaries to President George H.W. Bush. "I received a picture of President Bush, signed to me with his thanks for helping her," Hadad said. "It was quite an honor."

Born Oct. 21, 1931, in Trinidad, Hadad graduated from Trinidad High School in 1949 and from Trinidad State Junior College in 1951.

After his parents started Hadad Motors in 1936, he worked through his high school and college years at the dealership. "I started out with sweeping the floors and cleaning the shop," Hadad said. "Then I worked myself up to doing the mechanical work. I worked in sales and then in management."

His brother, George joined him in 1954 and

worked with him until he died in 2001. His sister also helped him as office manager. After his father died in 1973, his mother became involved in the business as well until 1999 when she broke her hip and died in 2001.

But he was not content to be idle. He and his brother founded a finance company they called GJM Associates Inc. and then formed Hadad Realtors.

Along the way, Hadad Motors received four dealership awards from the Chrysler Corporation.

In 1970, Hadad joined the Trinidad Masonic Lodge No. 28, where he served as master three different times. He worked as a degree coach and helped the members with several obligations for the different Masonic degrees.

When Trinidad celebrated its 100th anniversary, former Grand Master Ben Bell noticed Hadad and appointed him to the Grand Lodge line. He worked his way through the chairs and was elected as the Grand Master in 2002, which took nine years.

"I traveled all over the state and other states we have Masonic affiliation with," Hadad said.

In addition, he joined York Rite, Scottish Rite and Red Cross of Constantine, as well as several other affiliates and the Al Kaly Shriners about 11 years ago. Several years later, he became a member of the Al Kaly Past Masters Shrine unit.

He got involved with the Optimist Club, the Toastmasters Club and several other civic organizations.

"We were always supportive of all the schools and also supported both city and county functions," Hadad said.

In his leisure time, his hobbies include woodworking, remodeling and building.

For 49 years, he was married to Mary Ann, who worked for Dr. Biber for 53 years until his retirement. She died in April 2007. Hadad has a daughter, Renee (Tom) Cichoin, a grandson, Caleb, who recently turned 2 years old.





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UPCOMING EVENTS



MARCH

- 2 El Jebel - Special Election
- 5, 6, 7 CSSA Business Meeting Sioux City, IA
- 14 Screening Clinic - Colorado Springs Shrine Club
- 14 St Patricks Day Parade - Colorado Springs
- 18 OV - Colorado Springs Shrine Club
- 20 OV - Arkansas Valley Shrine Club
- 22 Chief Rabban Trip Presentation
- 25, 26, 27, 28 Shrine Director's Association
- 28 Ruhamah # 73 Installation
- 28 Mel Tillis Concert

APRIL

- 2 OV - Corvette Unit
- 4 Spring Ceremonial - Parade - Pueblo
- 4 Ladies Luncheon - Pueblo
- 5 Bowl-A-Thon
- 5 LOH Spaghetti Dinner
- 11 Screening Clinic - Colorado Springs Shrine Club
- 13 OV - Clowns of Al Kaly
- 16 OV - Mule Train
- 18 Potentate's Ball - Colorado Springs Shrine Club
- 19 OV - Bowling League
- 22 OV - Drum Corps
- 24 Parade - Las Animas
- 24 El Jebel - Spring Fling - Potentate's Ball

CSSA Ladies Luncheon Baskets

by Rosemary Guthrie

The CSSA Ladies Luncheon will be held on Friday, September 11, 2009. That seems a long way off but it will be here before you know it. At the luncheon, baskets of goodies are raffled off to the ladies. We are requesting that each of Al Kaly's units donate one basket of goodies for this raffle. The basket can be anything the unit or club would like to put in to it or it could be a special theme. Theme examples are Christmas, Thanksgiving, or Halloween or any special theme the unit would like to have. The sky is the limit as to ideas. One time we won a basket full of car care products. Pet lovers could come up with a basket with pet care products. Western slope units/clubs could come up with a theme unique to their geography

and I could go on and on. The choice is yours. Try to out do other units and clubs with a great basket and have fun with it. Our goal is 16 baskets and....units and clubs will be recognized at the luncheon. If you have any questions, please call me at (719) 593-2842.

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It Fun To Be A Shriner" the front cover of the March Dust highlights the recent activities of Al Kaly Shriners And Their Ladies Having Fun At The 2009 East West Shrine Games. Get out and have some fun by getting involved in the various Al Kaly activities – maybe one of our photographers will catch you in the act and your photo will be on the front cover or within future issues of the Dust.

"HAVING FUN" AS A SHRINER

by *Steve Jordan*
Chief Rabban

I'm reminded of the phrase the Colorado Lotto folks use "You Have to Play to Win." I think that applies to having fun in the Shrine as well. In our case you have to "be there" to have fun or you have to "join in" or "participate" to have fun. If you join a unit and participate in its activities (parades and dinners) or one of our area clubs and attend their social functions (dinners, picnics, etc.) I'm confident you will have fun.

I'm sure most of you know that I just have a "Dandy" time being a clown and seeing the smiles on children's faces in parades or at our Shrine Club Christmas party. I also know the Nobles who ride their motor cycles, Scooters, Little T's, Corvettes or Tractors do too because I see the bugs on their teeth from smiling while riding. I see how straight and proud our Mule Train riders sit and how shiny the "Flivvers" look. I hear the "Tunes" our bands play and sense their feeling of accomplishment (not to mention ... the smiles on the faces of the listeners).

Deborah and I see "fun" every time we go to an OV or Club dinner and shake a hand or give a hug because a smile appears. I have to tell you it's just as "Dandy" seeing a friend smile. So, come join us in the fun at the next club dinner, St Patrick's parade (and the corned beef and cabbage dinner that follows at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club), Mel Tillis Concert, etc. etc. etc.

And Remember - If the weather outside is frightful thinking of the Al Kaly Golf Tournament, July 17th at 8 AM at the Ft Carson Golf Course, is simply delightful. OK, so much for my poetic side.



THE EAST/ WEST GAME AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

by *Allan Ake*
Assistant Rabban



Nobles and Ladies, here is a short report on the East/West game and associated activities. There were five Nobles and five Ladies who made the trek to Houston and what a fun time we had! The Al Kaly Shriners who went were Ill. Sir Tom Holmes and Lady Sherry; Chief Rabban Steve Jordan (Dandy) and Lady Deborah; Assistant Rabban (me) and Lady Linda Agresta; Ill. Sir Bob Burr (Nickels) and Lady Betty; Ill. Sir Dave Stevens and Lady Maddy.

Friday night Ill. Sir Tom and Lady Sherry, Lady Linda, and I attended the Player Awards Banquet for a delicious steak and chicken dinner. One of the perks of the banquet is that a player or two sits at each table and talks to the Shriners and their Ladies. At our table was Morgan Trent, a recent graduate of Michigan State University. We asked him what he wanted to do for a career now that he had graduated. "Play football," he calmly replied. ("Duh!" he thought, I'm sure.) In fact, he was scheduled, the following week, to attend a training camp that specializes in preparing college grads for the NFL. We also learned that the scouts and agents watch the practice games and interview players during the week. They may or may not stay for the game. There was a fund-raising auction after dinner. Hall of Fame inductees' Jerseys and helmets were auctioned to the attendees. El Jebel Lady Kendy Cusick-Rindone was the high bidder for a Hall-of-Famer Doug Williams' jersey. (I won't tell how much she paid.)

On Saturday morning, my Lady Linda and I attended the Hall of Fame Brunch. It is so named because the Junior Past Potentates from Temples that support the game are honored with a plaque presented by the Imperial Potentate. I was there to pick up Ill. Sir Bill Stoner's plaque in his absence. There was a huge "tailgate party" prior to game time, which was at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday. Believe me it is anything but a "tailgate". Three or four temples set up in the campus parking lot shelters and fixed the most delicious Cajun food, BBQ chicken, ribs, and all sorts of goodies. Nickels the Clown was, of course, blowing balloons for the children and Dandy was

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NOBLE NAMED WORSHIPFUL MASTER OF THE YEAR

by Gary Sears
High Priest and Prophet



Noble WB John Montoya was named Worshipful Master of the Year for 2008 for the MW Grand Lodge AF&AM of Colorado at their Grand Lodge session in January. WB Montoya was the Master of Pueblo Lodge #17 in Pueblo during 2008.

WB John and Pueblo Lodge #17 were very busy in 2008. They upgraded their lodge room, dining area and other parts of the lodge. They also provide a very generous scholarship program for the Pueblo area and WB John and his officers discussed this program at several area schools.

WB John Montoya and his officers regularly visit the sick and distressed. Usually every Sunday afternoon WB John and a group of Brothers will visit local nursing homes and hospitals to keep in touch with Brothers and widows at these locations.

WB John joined Pueblo Lodge #17 in 1984. Due to his interest in Masonry he was appointed to the line and served as Worshipful Master of Pueblo Lodge #17 in 1990. WB John joined Al Kaly Shrine in 1992 and has been a member of the KalyKlown Unit since 1992 and served as President of the Unit in 2004. He is also a member of the York Rite Bodies.

In 2005, WB John was again appointed to the progressive line of Pueblo Lodge #17 and was elected Master of his lodge in 2008 for the second time.

In addition to his lodge duties WB John is also the area supervisor for JR's Country Stores, raises and trains horses and participates in activities with the KalyKlowns. WB John has been married to Debbie Montoya for 31 years.

Congratulations WB John for a well deserved award and recognition.

For more photos of the events covered in this issue of the Dust, please visit
<http://gallery.mac.com/rlbills> and
<http://gallery.me.com/tomleucht>



JOINS US FOR SHRINER FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

by Roger Mendenhall
Oriental Guide



Nobles, Ladies, and friends of Al Kaly Shrine:

I hope by the time you read this, Ill. Sir Tom Holmes can relate that we have sold all cash/raffle calendars, and this fund raiser is a success. Our second event, the Mel Tillis concert, is coming up at the end of the month. These and other programs need the support of every Al Kaly member. Our Potentate and board put together events for the enjoyment of all Shriners, their families, and friends. My ninety year old father, who is a member of Ansar Shrine of central Illinois, will be attending the Mel Tillis concert with Lady Karen and me. He and my mother are flying out to join us for the performance of one of their favorite country singers. They are excited about meeting Mel after the show. Dad will proudly wear his Ansar Fez.

With the motto of "Isn't It Fun To Be A Shriner" this year, it is a perfect opportunity to share in the fun. Bring friends and family members, and let them see what a grand fraternity we have. Wouldn't it be great if all of them would become Masons and Shriners? Remember that the fee to become an Al Kaly member has been reduced for the first six months of 2009 by our Potentate and board. There are several programs that will recognize your efforts if you bring in a new member this year. Come on out, be part of our functions, and you will enjoy yourself. Then, talk to folks about joining us for fun and fellowship, which is what the Shrine is all about.

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THE UPCOMING PARADE SEASON

by **Brian Bate**

First Ceremonial Master

Parade Season will soon be here. Saturday, March 14, is St Patrick's Day Parade in Colorado Springs. This has always been a fun parade with a big turnout from the local community.

In conjunction with every parade, there is almost always another event, such as a dinner or a picnic that is not always publicized in the directory or on the Web Site.

On Saturday, March 14, after the St Patrick's Day Parade, Colorado Springs Shrine Club will sponsor a Corned Beef and Cabbage lunch at 1:00 PM at the Shrine Club located at 6 South 33rd St. (Old Colorado City Area). No reservations are needed for this event - but are appreciated by calling 719-632-3881.

On Saturday, April 4, the Potentate has scheduled a parade in Pueblo in conjunction with the Spring Ceremonial. This will give our new Nobles an opportunity to see the Parade Units in action.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the parades.



THE PROPOSED BUDGET

by **Larry Newman**

Treasurer

At the annual meeting in January, I briefed the proposed budget and the nobility voted to approve it. Below is an overview, but the detailed budget that I briefed is way too long to roll into an article, so I will post it on-line for everyone's review.

Overview:

Total Income: \$203,379

Total Expenses: \$191,727

Net Operating Income: \$11,652

Key income generators in the budget are:

Fund Raiser	Budget Net Income
Football/B-Ball CSU-P	\$5,084
Mel Tillis concert	\$37,617
Circus's	\$10,000
Cash Calendar	\$20,520
Raffle	\$10,600
Golf Tournament	\$7,113
Gun Shows	\$7,600
Recycling	\$2,000
Trip/Cruise	\$3,200

Please be aware that these fund raisers can not be successful without your support. We've got many fun-filled activities in the works for this year, but we need to generate the funds to pay for them. Such things as the picnic and other family-oriented events, after-parade lunches, etc. all require some funds to support. Please help us to make our fund raisers successful so that we can forge ahead to make these our activities as much fun as possible.

At the end of March, I will be going to Tampa to attend the Shrine Treasurer's conference and training for new Treasurers. I'm anxious to being able to "pick the brains" of the Imperial accounting experts, as well as the experienced Treasurers in attendance.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at your unit OV's, our parades, and the other many events that will be going on over the next year.

Let's have a great time!



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THEN AND NOW

by Bart Guthrie, P.P.
Recorder

In trying to think of something to write about, I looked at the Recorder's article I wrote in March 2006. I'm sure all of you remember and kept a copy; but, in case you don't have it close at hand, it dealt with returning Al Kaly fez strips, supporting Dust advertisers, and enhancing communications with members.

Nothing has changed in the last three years. Fez strips have gotten more expensive so if you have an Al Kaly fez strip that is not being used, please turn it in to the office. If you have a fez strip that you purchased and no longer need, we'll take it at the office. Somebody may come in and ask for that fez strip – save them some money. The potentate has agreed to award 25 points to any noble returning a fez strip to the office whether it's a personal or Al Kaly strip. So, help Al Kaly and get some points.

Ill. Sir Bob Burr has done a fantastic job coordinating Dust ads. Those businesses, out of the goodness of their heart, advertise in our publication. Let's support them by doing business with them. When you go there, thank them for advertising in the Dust. I was taught to say thank you because you will get rewarded for it.

Communications? We've gotten better; but, we'll never get it totally right until we are able to reach each member of Al Kaly at the instant click of a mouse. I've been sending the Nuts and Bolts out for some time. HP&P Gary Sears has been instrumental in ensuring that you receive this email publication weekly. You're not receiving it? Probably the office has an outdated or incorrect email address on you. If you would like to receive this award winning email each week, let me know at alkalyrecorder@qwestoffice.net.

Many of you know that Imperial Sir Terry McGuire, Deputy Imperial Potentate passed away early January 2009. He would have been your Imperial Potentate for Shrine year 2009-2010. Next in line is Imperial Chief Rabban George Mitchell. Because of personal and business matters Imperial Sir George could not step up. So as not to disrupt the Imperial line, Imperial Recorder Jack Jones was asked to have his name placed in nomination for Imperial Potentate for the 2009-2010 year. He agreed and will step aside for one year as Imperial Recorder. Those of you that know Jack, know that he is a true gentleman and very capable of filling in this capacity. He will make an outstanding Imperial Potentate.



OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

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

Pueblo Shrine Club

May 22, 2009

Dinner: 6:30pm

Meeting: 7:30pm

Attest:

Bart Guthrie, P.P.
Recorder

Tom Holmes
Potentate

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there clowning around as well. Later that evening, the ten of us gathered in the Holmes's hotel room for a bit of hospitality, camaraderie, and fellowship.

Nobles and Ladies, the East/West game is a great venue for a good time as well as to help raise funds for the hospitals. Truly the phrase, "Fun and fellowship is our purpose; the Hospitals is our cause" rings true at the East/West game.



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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.

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Jo Anne Sube

CSSA 2009 Meeting

CSSA 2009 is coming September 9-12th and I need your help. I need help with gathering items to put in coffee mugs that will be used for banquet table decorations. I need items to fill between 40-60 cups. I also need items to put into about 12 baskets that will be raffled off. Baskets already filled with items would be nice, and I need items for the ladies luncheon gift bags. If we gather enough donated items, I would like to have a little bag of goodies to give to each of the clown's ladies that come.

I would like to focus on getting items donated, so we do not have to spend a lot of money. If you are able to help in any way please let me know.

There will be a CSSA meeting for all clowns and their ladies at 6:30 PM on March 12th at the CSSC. Refreshments will be served. Please let us know if you can attend or not so that we will have enough refreshments on hand. Clown ladies: If you have gathered any items please bring them along.

Thank you.

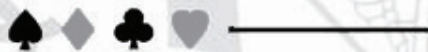
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Imperial Shriner's Exhibit Truck & Trailer

by Ralph "Doc" Hathaway & Mija
Al Kaly Shrine Public Relations
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January 26th at 7 o'clock am, Mija and I were at our favorite coffee shop in Falcon sitting at the liars' table, when a call came in from Imperial. The Exhibit truck and trailer was ready for pick up, if we wanted it, otherwise it would go to some one else.

I had a second Shriner to help me return the equipment, however he was way south and my coffee buddy (Bob) was sitting beside me. "Bob, would you like to go for a ride?" Sure, came his reply. So off we went and arriving at Limon and the interstate heading east, Bob said; where are we going? I had some how forgot to mention my destination. Muskogee, OK was my reply and as I looked over, the expression on his face was something to behold.

After a day and evening driving through Kansas, as my GPS would not put me on toll roads, we traveled every backwater town on the KS & OK boarder. We arrived at the Shrine Temple at 11:01 pm. The Potentate met us in a field and gave me the keys. Thank you and we left. Found a fleabag motel on the main highway out of town and crashed. About 30 minutes into our cold restless sleep, we



awakened freezing and remained that way until five am. No one had looked for, nor turned up the thermostat before heading to bed. Trucks went by the motel every 30 sec., I swear. Mija had got so close to me that I thought she had become part of me. I know why neither of us didn't get up and turn on the light to find the thermostat, we were just so cold we didn't dare get up.

Five a.m. arrived and we had had enough without sleep, so we got up and I turned the light on and right next to my bed was the thermostat. In the bath room was a half glass of water with a rim of ice on top. After a fine breakfast at IHOP and a long uneventful day ahead of us, we arrived back in Falcon at 10 pm.

Our first Exhibit display was at the monthly Pancake breakfast at the Pueblo Shrine Club. The next exhibit was at the Mule Barn for their monthly breakfast. We will have the Exhibits available for IHOP and the Mel Tillis concert. So give me a call if you have an event you would like to see the exhibit trailer at during the next couple of months. If you provide a good lead-time, I can probably make it for your event. We have the unit until after Mel Tillis and even longer for using the equipment. Will make it in a couple of parades and possible be able to set it up after the parade for folks to see.

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Letter from a Shriner Kid



A letter of Thanks, from one of your Shiners Kids:

To say the words “Thank You” for all that you folks have done for me just seems so little, for everything that you’ve done for me.

You have your “Silent Messenger” in front of the hospital in Salt Lake City, where I was a patient for 14 years. I have no intention of being silent, not when it comes to me telling people about the Shriners’s.

I was first seen in 1958 for general examinations. There was a waiting list – not the last time that I heard those two words. Because of the structure of the rules during those years, my last year out there was 1971. I went in at 2 years old, and out a sophomore in high school. I believe my longest stay was about 15 months, when I was still very young. Hey, there were quite a few things you folks did.

Sixteen operations later and almost 14 years of my life, was shaped in one way or another, by either you folks as a reputation or the hospital staff and their care. But mostly it was the other patients. You could sit there and feel sorry for yourself, that way nobody else has to, or you can at least try. So what if you fail – you tried. We all practiced that philosophy, if you will; whether we knew it or not, every time a new patient came onto the ward, for the first time.

Knowing that there were other kids from all over the western states coming to this “other” home of mine, I was most in awe, when there was a boy that came in from Bolivia, South America. His back was so twisted that he was brought in on a stretcher. About 5 years later, he was running! Let me set the stage for you: here is a ward of around 14 boys - and 1 boy who spoke no English. How was he to let a nurse know he was in pain or that he needed a urinal? How was a doctor or a nurse to ask him a question that he would understand?

Well, enter the other patients and let’s see what happens – we got to learn “naughty” words (Hey, we were in our early teens, ok? We thought that was pretty cool to know “words like that” in another language.) and he learned what he needed to know – pain, bad, urinal, hello, nurse, ouch, TV and radio, good, doctor, surgery, etc... I’ll never forget that little guy Marcos, mi amigo.

I’ve approached vehicles with the Shriners emblem on them, at a stop light or in a shopping center parking lot, just to thank them or wave at ‘em in traffic. I’ve bought tickets for the whole family, for years to the Shrine Circus, whether any of us could go or not. I’ve talked to groups such as the Boy Scouts or Cub Scouts – putting things on their level of understanding. Having been there, it is easier to explain what it means to be handicapped. But, without the help of the Shriners, where would I be today -- alive, to be sure; but would I be in a wheelchair or on crutches, or in a bed?

I’ve noticed that people have heard the name of the Shriners, but very few of them really know anything about them. Well, I’ve been opening my mouth for years, and I’ll continue to do so, for just as long as I am able to!

My most heartfelt thanks,

A.J. Smith

A.J. Smith



Editor’s Note – Noble Gale Fortney brought A.J. as a guest to the February Mule Train breakfast where he personally thanked all in attendance for what the Shriners have done in his life.



Words from the Colorado Grand Lodge Installation of Most Worshipful Grand Master Brian Cotter (January 24, 2009)

As with every year in the life of everyone and everything, this year will be no different. There will be joyous events we wish to share with all. There will be sad events we wish on no one. There will be goals reached and triumphs achieved. There will be set backs and challenges. I submit to you that as in life and Freemasonry, we will prevail. Our predecessors have all taken the path we continue. All have been good Stewards of our resources and we will continue the trend. After all, the path to our future is clearly demonstrated for us in those sacred pages within and represented by the Three Great Lights, which are laid out before us. They direct our steps on the path to happiness and point out the whole duty of man. Those steps we take on that path are then clearly out lined for us in that other book upon the Altar here today; our Book of Constitutions. A clear understanding and the realization that we must never stop studying and strive to live by and learn from these formidable, inestimable and indispensable parts of the furniture of every Masonic lodge will insure a glorious future for us as men and Masons.

This year I will encourage the start of a new era for Freemasonry in Colorado; an era in which every Lodge and every Mason may further seek to improve themselves. The

Masonic Education edict put forth by my predecessor, MWB McConnell, has proved to be very successful in helping to educate the brethren with the lessons inculcated in our ritual. I will continue this effort. In addition, I am going to encourage every lodge to seek out and find some type of community service project that is within reach. Just as no two lodges in the state are exactly alike, no one project is suitable for the entire craft. Every area, every neighborhood, every community in our jurisdiction has needs; needs we can meet. Whether picking up trash on the side of the highway, collecting recyclable materials, distributing commodities to the needy, insuring every child is protected by an ID kit or by simply producing better men by effectively teaching and practicing a way of life discovered by an in depth study of our ritual and esoteric work, there is a need we can meet. I consider the job of your Grand Lodge to be the encouragement, support and resource for the tools our lodges need to accomplish their chosen mission.

I submit to you my friends and brethren; there has never been a time in the history of our society when the teachings of the fraternity have been more needed. That's

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what makes this such an exciting time for Freemasonry. There is a renewed interest in our craft. Sadly, not by our own doing, but it is there, none the less. Society has discovered that it has needs, needs we can meet. Do you think I'm wrong or exaggerating? Pick up a newspaper or watch the evening news the next time some one insists that we remove "God" from the Pledge of Allegiance or "In God We Trust" from our currency. For nearly 300 years, Freemasonry, as we know it, has provided a place where God, Country, neighbor, family and self can all live in harmony. We still do today.

In the last few days, the United States of America has undergone a change in the office of the President. This change has taken place 44 times over some 237 years. We are pretty good at it as Americans. This weekend Colorado Freemasonry will undergo a change in our own leadership, something we have done some 141 times over 148 years. We just may be better at it. I am looking forward to the journey, which lies before us all. With the help, support and guidance of all of you, assisted by the wisdom, strength and beauty of the Grand Architect of the Universe, I will endeavor to lead us on journey that will teach and perpetuate a fraternal way of life that promotes brotherhood and self improvement through education, moral standards, charity and community involvement, because that is the mission of Freemasonry in Colorado.

We will serve the Brethren well. No doubt, I will be proud to serve with you all.

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January 9, 2009 Stated Meeting Minutes

Introductions were given.

Past Potentates present: Ill. Sirs: Dan Neu, Bill Sheard, Ray Barbour, Sam Pisciotta, Billy Thornburg, Lester Tedrow, Bart Guthrie, Dick Sater, Bob Burr, Lionel Robertson and Dave Stevens

Divan Introductions: Potentate Ill. Sir Bill Stoner, Chief Rabban Tom Holmes, Assistant Rabban Steve Jordan, High Priest and Prophet, Ill. Sir Dick for Rex Reid, Oriental Guide Allan Ake, Treasurer Larry Newman, Recorder Ill. Sir Bart Guthrie, 1st Ceremonial Master Gary Sears, Director Jim Stivers for Larry Newman, Chaplain Kennard Henry, Captain of the Guard L.D. Younts, Outer Guards Grant Anderson and Bob Colgrove. A number of dignitaries were in attendance and introduced: Potentate Elect Jim Stewart, El Jebel Shriners, Ben Crossno, Past Grand Master, Karl Hinkle, Senior Grand Deacon, and Allan Frost, Grand Orator.

Following the introductions Ill. Sir Bill opened the stated meeting at 7:45pm. The chaplain gave the invocation; the Colors were posted by the Legion of Honor; Ill. Sir Bill led in the Pledge of Allegiance; and the Band played the National Anthem.

The minutes from the December 19, 2008 meeting were approved as printed in the Dust.

The annual Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Larry Newman and accepted.

Communications: Ill. Sir Bart read several pieces of correspondence. They are as follows: A letter from the SLC Hospital thanking Al Kaly for a \$69.00 donation from the basketball tournament and a letter from Escalante Shrine Club donating \$2,000 to the Al Kaly Children's Transportation Fund.

A Necrology report was given by Chaplain Henry honoring the following nobles: Wayne A. Davis, Hal Marems, John Skoglund, and Ill. Sir Gerald B. Sube.

Petitions: None

Affiliations: Roger J. Lawrence recommended by Frank Pyle

Demits: Verlynn Hume

Suspensions: Richard D. Broce, John M. Dunn, Fred M. Feinsod, Mallory S. Henning, Christopher I. Johansson, Alvin L. Meadows, James R. Myrick, Steven M. O'Neil, Hugo A. Perez, Richard A. Reason, Edward S. Shouse, Floyd O. Stallworth, and Ben Syler

Old Business: None

New Business:

The Recorder gave his annual report. Approved

The Treasurer presented the 2009 budget. Approved

Awards were then presented to deserving nobles. A complete list of their names will appear in the Dust.

Ill. Sir Bill gave his report on his assessment on 2008. A copy of his report will be included with these minutes.

Special recognition was made to Noble Bus Hoyt, a 93 year old noble with the Band unit that makes every stated meeting.

The installation of Officers for 2009 was then held. The installing officer was Ill. Sir Lionel Robertson and installing Marshal Noble Jim Stivers. The following were installed:

Board of Directors

Potentate	Tom Holmes
Chief Rabban	Steve Jordan
Assistant Rabban	Allan Ake
High Priest and Prophet	Gary Sears
Oriental Guide	Roger Mendenhall
Treasurer	Larry Newman
Recorder	Ill. Sir Bart Guthrie

Appointive Divan

1st Ceremonial Master	Brian Bate
2nd Ceremonial Master	Lester Nowell
Director	Jim Johnson
Marshal	Don Niles
Asst Marshal	Fred Kiger
Chaplain	Kennard Henry
Captain of the Guard	Phil Allison
Outer Guard	David Burrous
Outer Guard	Bob Ragan

Ill. Sir Tom then gave his acceptance speech. His concentration is on membership with a goal of 130 new members in 2009. His motto will be "Isn't It Fun To Be A Shriner?" He then covered the membership Medallion Program and encouraged all to attend the March 28, 2009 Mel Tillis concert.

Ill. Sir Dan Neu reported that Ill. Sir Myron "Sody" Bodam was in the hospital.

AR Allan Ake thanked El Jebel members for attending.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bart Guthrie, P.P.
Recorder



A few scenes from the Daughters of the Nile High Tea.

Ruhamah Temple No. 71

- Daughters of the Nile



by Deborah Jordan

Past Queen

This year is moving quickly. Our ladies continue to sew pre-op dolls and "fun" pillow cases for the Children at Shriner Hospitals. Thanks to all the ladies who spend time to make these items.

Upcoming Events:

March 28 -- Open Installation of Officers to be held at 1:00 PM at the Colorado Springs Masonic Center. All Nobles and ladies are invited to attend. A short reception will follow – and don't worry, there is time to refresh yourself before you go onto the Mel Tellis concert that night.

Ongoing Events:

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*Rosa M Eaches PQ Diane Thompson
Queen Princess Recorder*

*Jean Marie Renfrow
Princess Royal*



CLUB AND UNIT NEWS

DUST UNIT

by *Tom Leucht*
President

Ill. Sir Tom Holmes installed the 2009 officers for a new Al Kaly unit called the "Dust Unit" on Sunday morning Feb. 9, 2009 during the Social Hour at the Mule Train breakfast. The 2009 officers for the Dust Unit will be Tom Leucht, President, Bob Bills, VP and Ray Clark, Secretary/Treasurer.

The purpose of this new Al Kaly Shrine unit is to encourage Al Kaly members across the state to submit photos and articles to our newsletter, "The Dust". We encourage all the Shrine clubs and units to send in articles about their activities so everyone is represented in the Dust. It is important that we all keep in touch and know what the other clubs are doing.

Since it is not possible for our Al Kaly photographers to be everywhere, it would be helpful if others who enjoy photography would join our Unit and send us pictures to put with your articles. Likewise, if



Dust Unit Officers being installed by Ill. Sir Tom Holmes at the Mule Train Breakfast.

your unit or club doesn't have anyone regularly submitting articles, then why not join our unit and step up to the plate and let the Nobles and their Ladies throughout our territory both see what your unit is going as well as hear from you.

We also, would like for others to join the unit officially and help support the main communications tool for our Shrine. Send your articles and pictures to the Dust Editor by e-mail at dusteditor@gmail.com or by mail to: Raymond J. Clark, PhD, 5655 Ansel Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80923. You can also request a Membership Application the same way.

BAND

-RON BOWEN, PRESIDENT

by *E. H. Gardner*

Rehearsals for the Shrine Dance Band are proceeding weekly. The band's director, Bob Hill, has provided the band with a large number of charts of original swing era tunes. They are beginning to sound great! The band still needs musicians – they can always use more of everything. There is a critical need for a bass player and a pianist (piano is available). The goal of the band is to be ready this summer to play dances, short concerts and to be a part of this year's CSSA Band Conference entertainment.

Meanwhile, the Fez Band is active, playing at Stated Meetings and looking forward to Daylight Savings Time (parade season) and Lew Mchone tells me that the German Band is getting ready to begin its spring rehearsals. –And you know that Spring (March 22) is just around the corner!



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LEGION OF HONOR

-COMMANDER DWAIN P. JACK, PC

by Noble James W. Rawlings, PC

The Potentates official visit and installation of The Legion of Honor Officers was conducted on January 25th, at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. Ill. Sir Tom Holmes presented his program for 2009 which was enthusiastically received by the large turnout of Ladies, Nobles and guests for the dinner and ceremony.

Ill. Sir Tom Holmes Installed Commander Jack and his new staff and wished them a successful year.

During our January meeting, Nobles Roy Wampler



Swearing in the new Board by Ill. Sir Tom Holmes.

and Richard A. Hanson were initiated into the Legion of Honor. The initiation ceremony was conducted by Commander Jack. A warm welcome is extended to Roy and Richard (Swede) and their Ladies.

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Al Kaly Bowl-A-Thon

In Memory of Jerry Sube

Sunday, April 5th, 2009

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The pledges for this year's Bowl-A-Thon will again be used for the Al Kaly Children's Transportation Fund. Everyone is invited to participate and have a fun time doing a good service. All nobles, ladies, and friends of Al Kaly Shrine are invited to bowl along with us or just come out and visit and help with some donations; the children will greatly appreciate it.

Please see or call Jon Ross V.P. or our President Cliff Weiger (634-1206) for pledge sheets.

Tell your sponsors that their pledges are tax deductible. Checks can be made out to *Al Kaly Children's Transportation Fund*.

**Let's have a great turnout. See you all
April 5th at King Pin Lanes, 9 a.m.**

ELITE

by **Brian Bate**
President

The ELITE Unit held their January meeting at the Edelweiss Restaurant in Colorado Springs. My Lady Roberta and I had invited our good friends, Noble Tom Scheulen and his Lady Sharon, to attend the Dinner Meeting with us. As the four of us were entering the building we passed a couple that was leaving the restaurant. I greeted the couple as we passed and the man acknowledged us and then noticed our Fez's, the man then said "God bless you for what you do". That comment made the whole evening all worthwhile.

Before the evening was over, the ELITE unit gathered for a group picture in the restaurant. Later in the month Bob Bills delivered a copy of the picture to the Edelweiss Restaurant with a Thank You note for allowing the Al Kaly Shriners to meet in their restaurant. The response from the Edelweiss Restaurant was, "Thank You, no group has ever thanked us with a picture like this". My hope is that the restaurant will post that picture where the public can see it.

I would like to thank everyone that attended; it was a fun and productive meeting.

Our Dinner Meetings are open to everyone, and we still have two scooters for sale, so please feel free to join us. All Dinner Meetings are held at different restaurants in Colorado Springs and two meetings each year are held in Pueblo. Please feel free to contact me at (719) 560-8516 or brian_roberta_bate@yahoo.com, if you would like to attend and be part of the fun.

AL KALY NOMADS

by Roger Mendenhall
Wagon Master

Our January 24th meeting at the Stetson Hills IHOP was very successful with fifteen members attending. The food was great, and everyone got their fill. We discussed the 2009 campouts and several members signed up to be hosts. Thanks, folks. We hope to get the calendar finalized with hosts on board at our March 1st meeting at the Pueblo IHOP. I will pass on information about this meeting next month.

Make sure you have your tickets to the Mel Tillis concert on Friday, March 28th. We would like to see Nomads well represented at this important event.

The Salida Fib-Ark campout is set for the Four Seasons Campground on June 19-21. This is always an exciting festival with one of the best parades around. Also, CSSA camping is set for The Garden of Gods Campground from the 9 - 12 of September. Spaces for both Fib-Ark and CSSA can be made now. See our Club email letter or call me for details. These will be two campouts you won't want to miss.

Long time member of Al Kaly and the Nomads, Pat Wetmore, is recovering from a lower back surgery, which was quite an ordeal. She is at home and doing better now, but faces a long recovery. Nomads wish her and Al the best in her return to health. We would like to see them join us once again at a campout.

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Preparations are underway for the Legions' annual Spaghetti Dinner at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club on April 5, 2009, between 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

Tickets for the event will be in the mail soon. We urge members to support this annual fund raiser as it is now our only source of funds to cover our expenses for the coming year.

If you are active military or honorably discharged veteran seeking an Al Kaly Shrine unit to affiliate with we invite you to try the Legion. We meet the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club.



Nomads are saddened by the loss of Jerry Sube. He and Jo Anne were active members of the Nomads for many years. He will be deeply missed by all of us at Al Kaly.

Our next social/meeting will be at the Pueblo Shrine Club's monthly pancake breakfast on April 5th. Bill Sheard P.P. and Lady Irene will host. We will arrive between 9:00 and 9:30 to eat and visit, then hold our meeting at 10:30. Hope everyone can turn out to enjoy good food and fellowship as we support the Pueblo Shrine Club's monthly breakfast.

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KALYKLOWNS



Ill. Sir Tom Holmes with Chris and Ron Crawford, and Jay and Carolyn Johnson.

by Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan
Vice President

The Kalyklown unit has been getting more active as the winter has worn on. On February 3, the Tuesday following Super Bowl Sunday, Denny's Restaurant in Pueblo advertised "Free Grand Slam Breakfast" from 6:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Thanks to Ken "Smiley" Kiniston, we were asked to come and entertain the patrons as they either waited to be seated or while they were eating their meals. Between Vern "El Lobo" Wolf, Ken "Smiley" Kiniston, Ron "Squeeky" Robbins and Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan, we tied and twisted about 500 balloons and Denny's donated two hundred dollars to our unit. Thanks to all the clowns who participated in this effort, since we have assurances that Denny's would like to have us come back for future events.

At the annual Grand Lodge Session this year, the Kalyklown Unit had another monumental moment with the second of our members added to the list of Worshipful Masters of the year. Noble WB John "Buttons" Montoya was the master so named. The first of our members was Noble WB Vern "El Lobo" Wolf, who was selected for this honor in 1997. Our heartiest congratulations to you, Buttons!!!!!!

This year's National Pancake Day at the IHOP restaurants will also see some of our members participating in that effort with other nobles from other units as we did last year.

Our Official Visit with Ill. Sir Tom Holmes and his Divan was a rousing success with the following members of the elected and appointed Divan present: Lady Sherry

Holmes, Chief Rabban Steve Jordan and Lady Deborah, Assistant Rabban Allan Ake and Lady Linda, High Priest and Prophet Gary Sears and Lady Donna, Treasurer Larry Newman, but absent was Lady Mary who was

unable to attend because of illness. Appointed Divan consisted of First Ceremonial Master Brian Bate and Lady Roberta, Captain of the Guard Phil Allison and Lady Louise, Outer Guard Dave Burrows and Lady Charlotte and Potentate's Aide Garnic "Pockets" Kidwell and Lady Marilyn, and the newest appointee in the Divan, Director of Protocol Tim Felton and Lady Regina.

During the Potentate's remarks, Ill. Sir Tom praised Lady Charlotte Burrows for her contributions to the Al Kaly Dust, writing about the Featured Noble each month. Congratulations Lady Charlotte for all your contributions!!!

Also present were Photographer Bob Bills, and president of CSSCA Dave Bills and Lady Rose, who also serves as a photographer for the Temple. Lastly, but certainly not least were the following Past Potentates who chose to celebrate our OV with us: Ill. Sir William Sheard and Lady Irene, Ill. Sir Ray Barbour and Lady Geraldine Ill. Sir Billy Thornburg and Lady Leah, and Ill. Sir Earl Aldrich and Lady Sheila. Our entertainment was provided by Jay Johnson, The Cowboy Poet, who graced us with several poems and anecdotes about his life both here and in California.

Thanks to all those who attended, both Kalyklowns and Shabob members and the Potentate and his Divan who helped make this a very fine OV indeed!



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AL KALY MULE TRAIN

Mule Train members participated in the Shriner's IHOP Day on 24 February. It was a great opportunity to spread the word about our Hospital activities and to fill the coffers of the Transportation Fund. What a deal! Having fun and earning money for our cause. I know the people we greeted at the IHOPs enjoyed our presence and our stories. Thanks to Doc Hathaway for helping to organize this event. And thanks to IHOP for making this event happen. Our kids will benefit from the generosity of all concerned.

Congratulations to Mule Train members Ray Clark and Bob Bills for being elected as officers of the brand new Dust Unit along with Tom Leucht. Illustrious Sir Tom Holmes installed them into office at the Mule Train breakfast in February. Ray will act as the Secretary/Treasurer this year, Bob as Vice President and Tom as their President. Bob will continue to annoy us all with his incessant picture taking!



Mule Train Honorary Honored Lady Edie Johnson

The Central States Shrine Horse Patrols' (CSSHP) mid-winter business meeting is scheduled for March 21st. The meeting is all about taking care of business to ensure that the drill competition goes smoothly. It's not too soon to begin planning



Ill. Sir Dan and Pauline Neu given a picture that caught them kissing at the Annual Christmas Party - Pauline quickly responded, "After 60+ years we should have had plenty of practice!!!"

for next September when Al Kaly hosts Central States here in Colorado Springs and Fountain. Imagine that, we don't have to travel to Iowa this year and stay in hotels. I expect all Al Kaly Shriners and their wives to turn out in force to support this event.

The Mule Train hosts a monthly breakfast (second Sunday of each month) and dinner (as published in the Mule Train directory). All prospective members are always welcome and any Shriner may attend too. Just contact any Mule Train member or his wife to make reservations.

The Potentates Trip presentation will be at the Mule Train Tack Room on Sunday afternoon March 22nd at 2PM. If there are any questions call Steve or Deborah Jordan at 719-598-9229.

POTENTATE'S MOTOR ESCORT

The Potentate's Motor Escort Unit has begun a New Year. The first stated meeting January 8, 2009 introduced the new officers: Noble Mark Pesut as President, Noble Robert Cordrey as Vice President, and Noble Tim Carson as Secretary and Treasurer. The Unit has reviewed the myriad of upcoming Shrine activities for the year especially the parade events and is planning to participate and support the Potentate.

The Potentate's Motor Escort Unit Social was held at Will's Sports Pub in Colorado Springs, CO on January 28, 2009, and our thanks to Dr. Terry Collinson for arranging a fine time and feast for all. As part of the festivities Noble Harley Thompson was awarded a fine Masonic pocket watch in tribute to and recognition of his leadership as Past President of the Potentate's Motor Escort Unit of Al Kaly Shrine.

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COLORADO SPRINGS SHRINE CLUB

by Richard "Swede" Hanson
President

It has been my pleasure to serve the Colorado Springs Shrine Club for the past two years, now going into my third year.

The Potentates, Nobles, Ladies and Honored Ladies have just been a joy to work with during this time. Those who have donated to the special fund raisers in 2007 and 2008 have been recognized on the two plaques I have purchased and posted in the foyer of the Club. Thank you all so much for your support, your time and your donations. I am still looking for donations to cover the mutual funds

CLOWNS OF AL KALY

by Jim "Skeeter" Gibson
Boss Clown

The Clowns have a lot going on right now, especially with the planning for our Central States Shrine Convention to be held here in Colorado Springs, September 9 thru 12, 2009. For those who may not know, Noble Dave Bills "Reboot" was elected President of the Central States Shrine Clown Association for 2009 and he and his Lady Rose are working very hard to see that everything is ready for that convention. The Clowns of Al Kaly and the Kalyklowns are working as a team to insure the success of this project. If you get a call from David or his Lady Rose, with a request for your help, please step up.

That's just the finale for our summer and right now we are all planning on being at the St. Patrick's Day parade, to be held March 14th, in Colorado Springs. Then it's pretty much as usual with parades in Las Animas- April 24th, Canon City- May 2, Salida- June 20th, Cripple Creek- June 27th, etc, etc. We'll discuss the others at a later date.

We only get one shot at this Boss Clown year and I'd like to make it special, not only for myself and Lady Lorrie, but for the whole Unit. Fellow Clowns, look at the book and mark your calendar for all of the parades and plan to be there to show our support for Ill. Sir Tom and our Divan. Please remember that "We Run So That Children Might Walk", so let's get out there and run-or maybe walk real fast.

we cashed to get the jobs done in 2008 – the parking lot and outside buildings painted.

My hat's off to the Legion of Honor for coming out and helping paint the interior of the club – it sure needed it. To Nobles Doc Hathaway, Dick Smith and Dwain Jack for completing the disabled entry way - sure looks great!!! To my janitors Carl Wright and Tim Fisher for the great clean-up work they do in the club. And of course, my super bartenders, Nobles Ron Yerkey and John Miser for all your work. These are people who have supported me in making the Shrine Club what it is today. Thank you all!!!

My hat's off also, to the supporters of the club at dinner functions, the Shrine Ladies for the decorations, and most especially the man who makes all the jewelry to auction at the club, Noble Bob Kula. My biggest supporters during the past two years have been Nobles Billy Swartz, P.P. Bill Stoner, and Doc Hathaway, who if I didn't have to back me, I probably wouldn't be here today. All the great members of the Shrine Club and you know who I'm addressing. Thank you so very much and may God Bless.



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