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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

by Ill. Sir Gary Sears
Potentate

Nobles, Ladies & Friends of Al Kaly,

Well it is official, summer is over and we are in the autumn

season now, the leaves will be falling and we will probably see some snow soon! It has been a great summer at Al Kaly and I would like to thank all of you for your participation and support for the many activities at Al Kaly Shriners, it is very much appreciated!

We had the Official Visits at The San Juan Basin Shrine Club, Escalante Shrine Club, and Sand Dunes Shrine Club at the end of August. We had a large crowd and a great time at each of these events. I would like to thank all the Clubs for their hospitality and for everything they do for Al Kaly and Shriners International.

We had the Annual Pig Roast at the Pueblo Shrine Club on September 7 and as usual, Noble JD Potter and Lady Stacy did an excellent job smoking the pig. We had a large crowd, the food and fellowship was great and it was a great fundraiser. Thanks to all of you for your support for this event! Remember to save your change in your Al Kaly bank. If you need a bank contact Noble Jim Eaches or the Al Kaly Office.

On September 13, 2012, I visited South Pueblo Lodge #31 where two young men received their Entered Apprentice Degree! One of the candidates was the grandson of Noble Doug Gable. This was his Entered Apprentice Degree. This was a great evening and it was my honor to present one of the lectures to the new candidates!

We will be attending the last parade of the season on October 6, 2012 at Penrose. Then we will be on the Al Kaly Canada/New England Cruise October 11-October 20, we are looking forward to a vacation!

When we return, we have the Al Kaly Stated Meeting on October 27 at the Pueblo Shrine Club, the Scottish Rite Reunion, Al Kaly Ceremonial, Basketball Tournament and other events! We look forward to seeing you at these events.

Thanks again for your support for Al Kaly, it is very much appreciated! Remember to attend and support your Masonic Lodge.

Thanks again and I am looking forward to seeing you at the events this autumn and winter.



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OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that a Stated Meeting/Election of Officers will be held as follows:

Pueblo Shrine Club

December 14, 2012 Dinner: 6:30 pm / Meeting: 7:30 pm

Attest:

Bart Guthrie, P.P. Gary Sears Recorder Potentate



First Lady's Note

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

by Donna Sears

We have had a busy and fun summer at Al Kaly. Again, I would like to thank all of you for your support and dedication to Al Kaly Shriners and the Hospitals we help to

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We have had a great time at the parades this season. I would like to thank all the Nobles and parade units for their participation and support this parade season. Shriners are always the main event at most parades, and we always hear



many great comments and thanks from the audience for our participation in community parades. At almost every parade this season there has been a lunch served by the local Shrine Club or Unit, this is always fun, the food and fellowship is always great. Thank you to all the Clubs who take the time to prepare these meals.

Our last parade this season was at Florence, with a lunch served at the home of Noble Dick Mills and Lady Mary. They served over seventy people after the parade, thanks for your hard work!

We attended the Official Visits at the Sand Dunes Shrine Club, Escalante Shrine Club and San Juan Basin Shrine Club. We had a great time at each of these events; there was a good crowd, good food and good fellowship at each of these events. We had a great group at Durango and Gary gave an animal balloon sculpture lesson for President Billy Hawkins

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and Noble Don Jeter, the local clowns in the group. At Cortez we had a great time at the annual picnic at the VFW campground in Dolores, the food was excellent, the location is fantastic, and great fellowship. The Sand Dunes Club had their visit at the home of President Noble Philip Craig & Lady Cristy at South Fork! There was plenty of food, fun, fellowship and the location was fantastic.

The Al Kaly pig roast was outstanding as always! Thanks to JD Potter and Stacy for another great pig roast!

The Al Kaly trip is this month; we are ready for a vacation. When we return we still have many events left at Al Kaly. Please review your calendar and check the website at alkalyshrine.org for the latest information.

Thanks again for your support, and we will see you at the events.

The Honored Ladies Club by Rose Enyeart of M Kaly Secretary

We had a wonderful time in Salida for our fall meeting. We had a Memorial Service conducted by Queen June Williams for Marie Berggren and Johnnie Sollee. Our Nominating committee presented the new slate of officers: President Rose Enyeart, Vice President Muriel Hansen, Secretary Jane Lucia, Treasurer Kitty Pick, and Chaplain Jeanne Gibson. Betty Burr our Sponsor installed these officers for the coming year. Dues of \$2 are due in December.

Our next meeting, December 8, is our Christmas Party and Official Visit for IS Gary Sears and First Lady Donna, at Merlino's in Canon City. We all bring gifts which are raffled off for our money raiser for the year. It is always fun and our entertainment of the Madrigal Singers from Canon City High School is always outstanding. Hope to see you there.

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It does not matter whether you are 25 or 85, if you are an experienced writer or have not formally written anything since you were in school. Please take the time to reflect on your life as a Shriner. We love reading all your stories and appreciate your participation.

What are some of the qualities of a good personal essay?

- Reflective
- Humorous

Genuine

Nostalgic

- Creative
- Truthful
- Inspirational

Heartfelt

How will the winners be recognized?

The top three essays and winner photos will be printed in the 2012-2013 Annual Report as well as in a new Shriner publication that will be relased in July 2013. They will receive a plaque and a pin and will be recognized at the 2013 Imperial Session in Indianapolis. Each winner will also receive an Amazon.com gift card.

Essays must be submitted to shrinepr@shrinenet.org by January 4, 2013. For an entry form and a complete list of rules and guidelines, visit www.shrinersvillage.com or call 813-281-8162.

Rules, Guidelines and Entry Form

- 1. Your essay must be typed and double-spaced.
- 2. It must not exceed 1500 words.
- 3. All essays must be non-fiction.
- 4. You must be a Shriner in good standing.
- 5. You must not include any personal names in your essay.
- 6. Each applicant must only submit one essay. It must be the original work of the submitter.
- 7. Each applicant must complete an entry form.
- 8. Do not put your name on the pages of your actual essay. They will be reviewed anonymously.
- 9. Please spell-check your essay and use proper grammar.
- A panel of personal essay contest judges decides which entries win. Three entries will be chosen.
 All decisions will be final.
- 11. By submitting an essay, you acknowledge that it has not been published before, and that it will become property of Shriners International. By submitting your essay, you give permission to Shriners International to publish your essay and/or parts of your essay, regardless of whether your entry is chosen as a winner. You also agree and understand that you will receive no compensation, payment or royalties from publication of your essay, and that you agree to promptly execute any release necessary to allow publication by Shriners International.
- 12. Winners of last year's essay contest may not win again this year.
- Shriners International has the right to announce the winners of the contest by any manner in which it deems appropriate.
- 14. Entries must be received no later than January 4, 2013.

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Please submit your essay by email to shrinepr@shrinenet.org or by mail to Shriners International Headquarters, Public Relations Department, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607. Entries must be received by January 4, 2013. Please call 813-281-8162 with questions.





by Glenda Terrill

In 1957, Don Anderson joined Azalea Lodge #715 in Valdosta, Georgia, where his father was a 32nd Degree Mason and in the York and Scottish Rite Bodies. Six weeks later he took his Master Mason Degree and finished his proficiency while flying airplanes daily. After being "lost" for 13 years and his lodge burning to the ground he became active in Durango Lodge #46 (Colorado's gain – Georgia's loss) and was Tiler for two years, Chaplain for a while and, in 2001, Rick Calhoun pushed him into running for Secretary where he still sits. He joined San Juan Lodge #33 in Silverton during 2009 and this year is their Master. Al Kaly Shrine called in 2003 where he was the Pomegranate Award recipient in 2010 and is active in the circus every year.

Don was born in Border, Texas, 52 miles northeast of Amarillo, on January 30, 1934; went to school through the 4th grade there then moved to Oak Ridge, Tennessee. After 9th grade the family moved again, this time to Dallas Grove, Illinois where he graduated from Dallas Grove High School.

He worked for the CB & Q – that's the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad – where he started as bond clerk but 6 months later joined the Air Force.

It wasn't long before someone in basic training asked him if he wanted to learn to fly and, as they say, "the rest is history." He tested for and was appointed to the Aviation Cadet Program. In 1953, he found himself at Lackland Air Force Base in Enid, Oklahoma as a pre-cadet. Soon he was located in Bainbridge, Georgia then Big Springs, Texas where he was in Basic Flight School. November 15, 1954 he graduated there with his wings and a 2nd Lieutenant commission. Next stop was Selma, Alabama, Craig Air Force Base, where he was in Instructor School.

Big Springs again...no longer as a student but as an instructor for the next three years then off to Moody AFB, Georgia and 86th Interceptor School. Outside Casablanca, Morocco at Nousseur AFB for a stint and then back to Moody for another year-and- a- half where he changed from Interceptor Instructor to T37 Instructor.

Somewhere in there he found the time to court and marry the woman of his dreams in Farmington, NM on

Christmas Eve 1954. He had met Nita years before in Pampa, TX, while visiting his grandparents and for this memorable occasion his grand parents stood up for them as it was their wedding anniversary, as well.

By 1964, they were at Webb Air Force Base in Big Springs where Don was the Flight Commander, re-organized the flight room and oversaw the T41 flight program. This particular program was the pre-primary training where Air Force cadets were tested and observed, and those deemed not flightworthy for any reason were "weeded out".

Another part of the world also was his home during 1964... until 1966. Don took his skills as a pilot to Vietnam being stationed in Plei Me, Ducco, and Plei Djerang as visual reconnaissance and convoy reconnaissance flying a small plane the size of a Cessna 172. For six months he counted the vehicles in convoys both front-to-back and back-to-front making sure the numbers stayed the same among the other responsibilities of his position...all these carrying only a pistol and M16 for protection. His was the final "yes" to fire during direct air strikes against the enemy; his was the decision on how and where to approach the enemy during air fights and how to break off from the target. These decisions were critical in approach, and disconnect from enemy targets needed to be changed each time so the opposing pilots did not see a pattern and set up for a kill shot. "If you did the same thing twice, the second was a 'gotcha'." He became a master at going right, left, loop up, loop down and the Immelmann maneuver, saving innumerable pilots to fight another day. Training in Forward Air Control was intensive as each of the four quarters of Vietnam had to be treated separately due to the specifics of the area but he taught it effectively for six months then returned to the US, Perrin AFB in Texas, where he taught future instructors. Then he was off to Randolph AFB where he was the Ops Officer in 1971 and the Chief of Plans until 1973.

Don told "war stories" about an airplane crash off the end of a runway due to a loose bolt; air combat where 650 men went to war near Ducco and 250 returned, including 50 wounded; an air raid replete with sirens after bedtime and four planes damaged with shrapnel in their wings (repaired in two

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UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 5 OV, Elite Scooters
- 10 Fall Ceremonial, CSSC
- 11 Veterans Day Parade, Alamosa and Durango
- 12 Veterans Day, Office Closed
- 16 Donate a Turkey Day
- **16,17** Basketball Tournament, CSU Pueblo

- 18 Potentate's Appreciation
- 22 Thanksgiving, Office Closed
- 23 Office Closed
- 30 Country Christmas, CSSC

DECEMBER

- 9 Parade, Cripple Creek
- 9 OV, Honored Ladies
- OV, Potentate's Escort

- 14 Stated Meeting/Election of Officers, PSC
- 16 2013 Team Meeting
- 24, 25, 26,
- 27, 29, 31 Christmas Holiday Season, Office Closed

A Chance Meeting of a Shrine Hospital Volunteer

by Doug Gable

While working at the State Fair, our booth was located across the street from a zip line attraction. We watched numerous participants slide down a thin steel cable, an event that we agreed was not in our best interest. One afternoon, one of the young men working the attraction came over to our booth and introduced himself to us. Zack Cramer is a medical student at the University of Utah. He informed us that when he is not studying or sleeping, he volunteers at the Prosthetics and Orthotics lab at the Salt Lake Shriner's Hospital. He is very proud of his participation in our mission, and intends one day to be a Shriner.



(Don Anderson, continued from page 5) days and back in the air), about good days and bad days but he smiled remembering them all. Then, after 20 years and seven months of moving, teaching, flying, learning, fighting and

moving again Lt. Col. Donald Anderson retired, and I dare say it was well deserved.

Don and Nita have been married now, 57 years and are "still going strong" according to them. They have three girls, one boy-appropriately named "Jr.", 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren and more friends than one can count. Al Kaly Shriners are proud to call Don one of theirs and thank him for his service to our country and our philanthropy.



A Letter from Shriners Hospitals for Children

On September 4, 2012 Al Wetmore and Duke Dwyer pulled into Salt Lake City with their rental Penske truck loaded with power and manual wheelchairs. Once again Al coordinated the collection, repair and delivery of donated wheelchairs from Al Kaly Temple in Colorado Springs to our hospital. Since Al pioneered this type of service, other shrine temples have followed suit and made similar deliveries. These donations have aided our program by reducing our cost to purchase and provide this much needed mobility equipment. Many families continue to struggle financially and turn to Shriners Hospitals for Children to assist their mobility challenged children. Thanks to donations like this, our program is able to continue to provide to this ever increasing population of families in need.

To better understand the financial value, a single high end rehab power wheelchair can retail for over 15,000.00 dollars. In the week following Al and Duke's visit, we fit and issued one high end ultra-light manual wheelchair, which would retail about \$3000.00, and one transportable power wheelchair, which also retails about \$3000.00. These are only two examples of the 15 or so donated chairs from this trip. We have been fortunate over the years to have seen Al and

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his truck full of equipment on an almost annual basis. This has reduced our cost to provide this equipment considerably. We are very thankful to all the Shriners who continue to work hard, and support our program and the children we serve. We consider all the Shrine members as an integral part of our seating and mobility team. While you cannot always be here to see the result of your hard work, the little smiles that come daily are thanks to the heartfelt efforts you provide.

Thank you.

Ken Kozole, OTR/L, BSME, ATP *Seating Co-Coordinator*

Matt Lowell, MPT Seating Co-Coordinator



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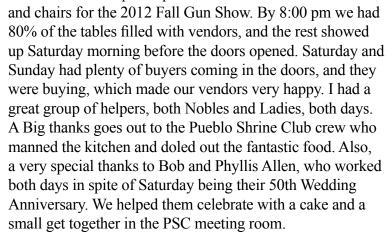
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SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISERS

by Roger Mendenhall Chief Rabban

On September 14th, a group of Nobles came to the Pueblo Shrine Club to help set up the tables



A couple of other fundraisers took place in September. Our second annual "Calling in the Hogs" and our first bus trip to Cripple Creek, both were successful thanks to JD Potter and Ron Bowen. Needless to say, many Nobles and Ladies helped make these programs great for Al Kaly. Please don't forget to patronize the businesses who donated to our gun show door prize drawing - Little Caesars and IHOP North in Pueblo.

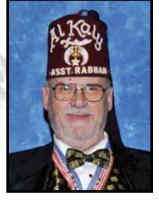
A Big Jhank You from Merv and Glenda Jerrill

Thanks to everyone who took part in getting Assistant Rabban Merv taken care of in Fort Garland and Alamosa when he took his nasty spill. The restaurant, ambulance, hospital staffs and all Shriners involved were wonderful and caring in a less than optimal circumstance. THANKS!!



THE GREAT CHILI COOKOFF

by Merv TerrillAssistant Rabban



Well, the year is winding down; the parade season is done and we have but a few OV's to go to finish another great year for Al Kaly. My Lady Glenda and I would like to thank the number of people who volunteered to make the many Al Kaly functions come off in our normal fantastic matter.

Speaking of volunteers, in conjunction with the Fall Ceremonial on November 10, 2012 at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club, we are planning the First Annual Al Kaly Great Chili Cook Off. We could use a few volunteers to assist with the cook off. Three or four is probably enough, but we would like a few extra hands.

For those of you who would like to enter a pot of your award winning chili there are only a few rules:

- 1) Please let me know by November 5, if possible, if you are interested in bringing a pot of chili.
- 2) Prepare in advance from scratch...no Hormel etc., no mixes. Chili can be with or without beans or meat.
- 3) Bring enough for people to taste keeping in mind the more people able to taste, the more potential votes you may get. Any left will be available for lunch first come, first served.
- 4) You MUST be willing to eat your own chili...please label "hot," "medium," or "mild."
- 5) There is limited stove or electric at CSSC. Bring it stove hot and we will do our best to keep it that way.
- 6) Sample cups and spoons will be provided.
- 7) Ballots will be closed one hour after tasting begins...after the ceremony and before lunch.
- 8) There will be two categories, red and green.

This is a simple and fun event for Al Kaly, it is not meant to be serious so the rules are simple, too. I hope to see several entries (other than Lady Glenda and I.S. Bart who both seem to think they are going to win...let's give them a run for their money...so to speak).

Let me know about your entry at mervin.terrill@comcast.net or 719-250-2257.

BUSY TIMES

by J.D. Potter High Priest and Prophet

The last two days have been busy. The last two months have been very busy, but very rewarding at the same time. On August 21st, we had a Short Form Ceremonial for the Trinidad Shrine

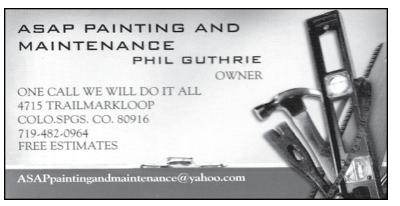


Club; seven of the new Nobles were from that area and three were from the Pueblo area. It was great to see a new Shrine Club become so active in membership.

Then on September 7th, the Pueblo Shrine Club tried something new at the Club's first dinner meeting after being dark for the summer. With the help of the members, we had a Prospect Dinner, a program for the men that are interested in becoming Masons and Shriners. We invited them and their Ladies to come and have a free steak dinner at the Club and watch a membership program. We had 36 guests for dinner and I am aware of several of them getting petitions for membership to a Blue Lodge and several to the Consistory. So, all in all I think it was very successful and look forward to doing it again.

Then on Saturday, following the Prospect Dinner, my Lady Stacey and I started smoking the hog for Sunday's Calling In the Hogs fundraiser. Again we had a large number of participants, and at one time I counted over 100 people enjoying the meal. More importantly, they were enjoying the fellowship that comes with being a member of Al Kaly.

I want to make sure and remind all the Nobles that we are having a Ceremonial in Colorado Springs on November 10. It would be great if we could get 15 new members at this time. If we can do this, and if we can work on the 40+ members that are going to be suspended for lack of payment of dues, we could come very close to making our goal of having a Silver membership temple.



FALL EVENT RECAP

by Jim Eaches, Sr.
Oriental Guide

Greetings:

All right, winter is clearly just around the corner, and I can't wait for that wonderful Northern air

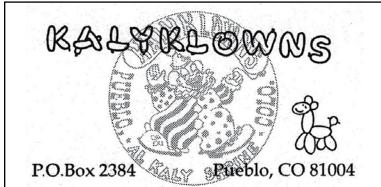


to move in and cool things down and hopefully bring lots of snow along with it, oh joy, my kind of weather. Even though a lot of people don't necessarily care for the cold, it also signals the beginning of the Holiday Season with Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's here before we know it.

The Lamar Official Visit and parade was fun, along with the Rocky Ford parade. At Rocky Ford, helping to cut up cantaloupe, tomatoes and whatever else was needed for the lunch was a blast, just meeting new people all the time makes everything exciting. Thank you to all the Nobles and Ladies that make us feel welcome when we travel to your Clubs.

The Golf Tournament can only be described as interesting, very interesting. The morning started out very cold and windy, but as the day progressed, the wind died down and the temperature warmed up enough so everyone could enjoy their time out on the golf course. My Lady and I were happy to assist with getting the golfers registered for their tee off time, then watching the 7th hole to see who would be the lucky golfer to get a hole-in-one. Sorry to say, but we didn't have any takers this year, so we will look forward to next year.

The Pig Roast was a hoot, and we are proud to announce that we indeed roasted the right pig's butt, so no more WEE, WEE, WEE at this time. However, I am looking for new nominees for next year's roast, remember to nominate any obnoxious, over opinionated, or just plain lazy hog to roast. The winner will be the Guest of Honor at the hopefully 3rd Annual Calling in the Hogs in 2013. So, keep them coins dropping in those red and purple piggy banks.



EVENTS PAST

by Ron Bowen First Ceremonial Master

Hello Nobles and Ladies. As I sit here reflecting on the year, many new adventures have occurred. By the time you read this, the parade season will have ended and we will be moving forward to the exciting



events to come. Many of us will be joining the Potentate and Lady Donna on their cruise aboard the Caribbean Princess. up the coast from New York to Nova Scotia and back. The Shriner's Country Christmas with the Flying W Wranglers will be on November 30th at the CSSC. I know I'm looking forward to this. It should be a good time and it is a great kickoff to the holiday season.

The highlight of the parade season for me was the Lamar O.V. and parade. This parade gave me an opportunity to become a legend. Many have long suspected: that I am, indeed, hard-headed. Well, I guess I am, thank goodness! While stepping into the bathtub for a shower before the O.V., I slipped and fell. My head hit the toilet tank and, you guessed it, hard-headed Ron busted the tank into several pieces. I saw a few stars but managed to shut the water off before everything was flooded. I then got to visit Lamar's nice emergency room. Despite my pre-O.V. fun, I was able to get to the O.V. in time. The O.V., by the way, was enjoyed by all, especially me. As of now, I seem to be back to normal. Or normal for me, if you can call me normal. I still have some shoulder trouble as a reminder and have had a few injections. But, you know, someone up there was really looking out for me. I consider myself very fortunate to be writing this article and for being able to prove that my head is harder than porcelain.

There were way too many events during this period to talk about. We participated in eight parades with one yet to go. I had a great time, as always, at every one of them. I want to thank Dick and Mary Mills for having such a great picnic after the Florence Parade, it was an awesome way to wrap up the day. The annual Al Kaly picnic was, as usual, a lot of fun, except I didn't win a single one of the fantastic prizes! We traveled to Trinidad for the Ceremonial and witnessed bringing ten new members into the Shrine. Welcome to you all! Two O.V.s were held during this period, Lamar that I described earlier and the Sand Dunes Shrine Club O.V. at Philip and Christy Craig's home. Big thanks to Philip and Christy for a great evening! September 7 was a very busy day. The annual

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TAX TIME

by Eugene Dobrzelecki Treasurer

Well it's that time of the year again: Santa Claus is almost with us for another visit, and we must start thinking about taxes. As we all know, donations to the Shrine's Transportation Fund or the



Hospital are tax deductible. What better gift to give than to make a donation and have Uncle Sam let you take credit on your income tax. Should you take advantage of this year-end opportunity, please contact Roxie at the Shrine office to use your credit card, or simply write a check to Al Kaly Shrine designated to the appropriate use.

Now on to business! This article was written in October, so the financial situation as of the end of September is as follows. In the operating accounts we had an income of \$168,984 with expenses of \$140,256 for a net income for the year to date of \$28,728. Our General Fund investments stand with \$32,677 in the General Investment fund and \$56,736 in the Life Membership Fund. In the Transportation accounts we have had an income of \$36,193 with an expense outflow of \$42,353 for a total shortfall for the year of \$6,159. Our Transportation investment fund stands at \$117,051.

As you can see from those numbers, my outreach in the first paragraph can be greatly appreciated. Also realize that at the end of the year, your Treasurer will be recommending that any surplus in the operating accounts be transferred to the General Investment Fund or to the Transportation Fund for the Nobilities' consideration and action. Plan now to attend the Stated Meeting and Installation slated for the Pueblo Shrine Club on January 11 to make your preference known.

Editor's Note: January 11th happens to be Gene's 74th birthday and his 53rd wedding anniversary! So, wish Gene a Happy Birthday and Happy 53rd Anniversary!!!

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MERIT POINTS

by Bart Guthrie, P.P.Recorder

It has been years since the subject of merit points has been addressed in a Dust article, so....
Here we go!

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In the 2012 Al Kaly Shriners

Directory, the award of points is covered on pages 51-53. There are a variety of reasons points are awarded – you can see them for yourself; but, in a moment I am going to address one of them. Those Nobles that are

Medal – after receiving the first 500 points

awarded points receive recognition as follows:

Silver stars to be placed on the medal – at 500 point intervals from 1,000 through 2,000 points

Jewel of Distinction – 2,500 points

Gold stars to be placed on the Jewel of Distinction – at 500 point intervals starting with 3,000 points

10000, 25000, and 50000 ladders are awarded when a Noble achieves that number of points. The ladder is displayed on the Jewel of Distinction. Currently we have many Nobles with a 10,000 point pin, a few 25,000 point pins and only one with 50,000 points. The next level will be 100,000 points.

One area not well explained - points awarded for donations – one point for each dollar donated. This area is wide open. Donation points are awarded for dollar donations to the general or transportation fund which includes Al Kaly fundraisers. A Noble purchasing Raffle Tickets or Basketball Tickets receives the equivalent points for dollar award. Because it was too difficult to accurately manage, each Noble was awarded 100 points for each pig bank turned in during "Calling in the Hogs." Again, it is only for Al Kaly events.

All points must be reported to the Office. Look at the directory and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. In the meantime, Rosemary and I wish you a very safe and Happy Thanksgiving.



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(First Ceremonial Master, continued from page 10) golf tournament was that morning and the German Ensemble played for the golfers as they returned from the course. Thanks to Dick Larke for a job well done. The evening found us at the Pueblo Shrine Club for the Prospect Dinner. There was a full house and, I believe, 38 prospects in attendance. J.D. and his staff did a fantastic job in putting it together.

We had 42 Nobles and Ladies attending the Cripple Creek trip to Bronco Billy's. It was truly a lot of fun. The food was good and the company was fantastic. Thanks to all of you who attended for making this into such a great time. Of course, you know that there is usually an unplanned event that adds to the enjoyment. This trip was not the exception. When the bus driver delivered us back to the CSSC, the gate was locked and we had to get out to unlock the gate. Roger got out to do so and, lo and behold the key was in his car...on the other side of the fence. But, never fear, Doc Hathaway came to the rescue. But, guess what...his key was in his car...on the other side of the fence. Oh, how I wish we had a camera to capture the sight of our heroes in action. Roger put his hands together and bent over to give Doc a boost. Doc placed his foot in Roger's hands and up and over he went. What a Dust picture that would have made! And a great story to distract from my misadventures in Lamar...

Until next time, take care!

2012 Membership Program

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

Have fun and let the competition begin!

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Club/ Unit	# of Members	Goal	New Nobles
Arkansas Valley Shrine Club	16	1	
Colorado Springs Shrine Club	216	11	
Escalante Shrine Club	43	3	
Fremont Shrine Club	18	1	
Monarch Shrine Club	29	2	
Pueblo Shrine Club	103	6	4
San Juan Basin Shrine Club	16	1	
South Eastern Shrine Club	3	1	
Sand Dunes Shrine Club	38	2	3
Trinidad Shrine Club	10	1	5
Al Kaly Band	26	2	
Clowns of Al Kaly	23	2	
Corvettes	15	1	
Drum Corps	9	1	
Elite	12	1	1
Flivvers	26	2	

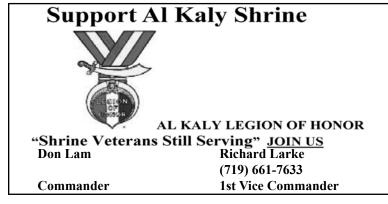
Club/ Unit	# of Members	Goal	New Nobles
Honda Patrol	17	1	
Kalyklowns	17	1	1
Legion of Honor	41	3	1
Little T's	15	1	
Mule Train	38	2	
Nomads	38	2	2
Pipes and Drums	11	1	
Potentate's Escort	34	2	1
Provost Guard	16	1	1
Splinter Woodworking	8	1	
Three Wheelers	15	1	
Tin Lizzies's	11	1	
Tractors	4	1	
Past Masters	104	5	
Totals	976	61	19



See you on the road! Join the Flivvers For more information call

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Please Join Al Kaly Shrine for the 2013 Installation of Officers

NOBLES

The Stated Meeting of Al Kaly Shrine for the Installation of Officers will be held on Friday, January 11, 2013 at:

Pueblo Shrine Club

1501 McCulloch Blvd., Pueblo West, Colorado Reservations are required. Call the Al Kaly Shrine Office: 719-544-0658 Pay at the door

Hospitality: Hors d'oeurves & Drinks - 4:00 Marriott Social 6:00 / Dinner - 6:30/ Stated Meeting - 7:30 Nobles are invited to join the Ladies at the Pueblo Convention Center following the Installation.

LADIES:

A Ladies' Dinner will be held on Friday, January 11, 2013 at

Pueblo Convention Center

320 Central Main Street, Pueblo, Colorado Reservations are required: Please send your check for \$21.00 to the Al Kaly Shrine Office for arrival no later than January 5, 2013. Your check is your reservation.

Mail to: **Al Kaly Shrine ATTN: Ladies' Dinner**P.O. Box 193
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Making the Call: a Mother's Dilemma

by Rose Enyeart

When Ailie was born, there was much joy for her mom, Oriana Gargiulo. She was a beautiful girl with a clubfoot that was not noticeable at birth. In time it was apparent that Ailie's left fibula was not growing at the same rate as her right. Her left clubfoot became more of a problem, as she had to compensate for the difference in leg length. She had surgery in a local hospital, which wasn't successful and was referred to Salt Lake City Shriner's Hospital for Children by her doctor. By the time Ailie was four, the difference in length was about two inches. Her doctors estimated that the difference could be six inches or more.

Ailie visited the Salt Lake City Hospital the first time when she was six. Oriana was given three options. She could leave the leg as it was and try to use lifts and braces, or she could try a leg lengthening procedure, or she could have the leg amputated and use a prosthetic device. A big part of the decision hinged on the fact that Ailie is very athletic. She wanted to run, play and climb, and be free to move. The option of lengthening the fibula is a long slow process, which would keep Ailie immobilized. It requires several surgeries and long healing times. There is no guarantee it would work, and Ailie could still lose her leg. This is not a simple process.

As Oriana tried to decide what to do, she got second opinions on all the options given her. She consulted other doctors, other parents, her family and friends. There were lots of opinions, but Mom would have to decide what would be best for her little girl in the end. The solution of amputation offered a definite cure to Ailie's problem, but Oriana would have to agree to have her lovely, spunky daughter's leg removed. That decision is permanent, effective and very difficult for a mother to make. Ailie's impinged mobility was a big factor in the decision to have the leg amputated. Oriana wanted Ailie to be free to move around and not be limited.

Last July, Oriana and Ailie went to Salt Lake City Shriner's Hospital where Dr. Hennesy performed the surgery. The staff and facility were wonderful and made the two-week stay and the homesickness bearable. Ailie's two teenaged brothers were left at home, Oriana's job was waiting for her to return and Ailie missed her friends and family and just being a kid. They returned in August for her prosthetic fitting and physical therapy. Her leg is a wonderful example of Ailie's playful, spunky personality. It is a creative work of art---

(Mother's Dilemma, continued on page 15)

What a Fair!

by Doug Gable

The 2012 Colorado State Fair is now history, and what a Fair it was. Eleven days of 90+ temperatures and not a drop of rain could be found. In spite of that, it was a tremendous success. Al Kaly was the guest of Mr. Tommy Giodone, owner of Tommy G. Productions of Pueblo. We were not out on Main Street, but rather a bit out of the way, located by the Wool Riders Only, sheep riding arena. The area was frequented by young families with children. This was the very audience we wanted to focus on, to tell the story of our philanthropy. We did that in fine fashion. Kalyklown Howard Magan (Cuzn' Clem) would attract them into the booth with his custom made balloon creations and then the message was delivered. It was a Johnny Appleseed approach, and countless seeds were planted during the Fair. We are confident that good seeds were scattered. A big thank you is extended to Illustrious Sir Gary Sears, Nobles Grant Anderson, Dick Mills, Butch and Morgan Chrisman for working some long hot hours. Noble John Montoya of J.R.'s Country Stores made sure we had plenty of water and ice to keep us hydrated in the heat. Ill. Sir Allan and Lady Linda assisted by letting us use the tent that kept the blazing sun off of us. Howard and I were invited into the sheep arena Sunday evening to be rodeo





clowns at the finals of the Wool riding rodeo. We were a smashing hit with the crowd. Plans are already being worked on for the 2013 edition of the Fair. However, we do hope for cooler temperatures.



All Masonic Turkey Day!

Support Care and Share in Colorado Springs and Pueblo by donating a turkey on Friday, November 16 for the needy. The drop off points are the Al Kaly Office, 635 W. Corona St, Pueblo, and at the Masonic Center, 1150 Panorama Drive, Colorado Springs. Someone will be at each of these locations to receive your frozen, uncooked turkey and take them to the a Care and Share drop off point. Please have your turkey at these locations by 10:00 am! Let's show the community that Masons care about those in need during this festive family holiday! Let's set a goal of 50 turkeys!

If you have any questions, please contact Bart Guthrie, (719) 640-4647.

⊗n Memoriam

as of September 30, 2012

Es Selamu Aleikum

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

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(Mother's Dilemma, continued from page 13)

pink and lots of interesting designs. Once she put on the prosthetic, she tried to run on it. The therapist was amazed because most newly fitted children try to figure out how to walk first. Ailie was ready to run, get her soccer ball and go. I asked Ailie what she thought of her new leg and she told me that she was so happy to be free to run and play. She now has freedom to be a kid.

Oriana and the family are so thankful for the Shriner's dedication to helping children like Ailie who have

orthopedic problems. While none of us would wish for this child to loose her leg, she has been given freedom to grow and move and explore her world. The family won't even have to return to Salt Lake City as Dr. Hennesy comes to Denver once a month and they can see her there. When a new prosthetic is needed, they can have one made and fitted here in Colorado Springs.

I am always humbled by **the work that Shriners do for children.** As the Membership statement goes: Keep the tradition alive. **Aren't you glad to be a Shriner?**

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The Calm Between the Storms - a Trip to CSSA

by Glenda Terrill

Months ago we contacted our travel agent and made reservations to fly both to Imperial and CSSA. You have read about our Imperial trip; now let me tell you about CSSA.

We have reservations for dinner in Cedar Rapids at 5pm but the only flight we could get landed at 3:30. Now, we figure we can make dinner since the locals are picking us up, they know where they are and we have motel reservations soooooo...no problem, right? We leave Pueblo at 5am to do the mandatory airport things and arrive in plenty of time to catch our 7am flight. In the deserted airport check-in goes like silk and we are off to screening. That new hip Merv has sets the metal detectors off every time so it is no shock when they ask him to take off ALL his metal – ding ding - then drag him off to the little glass enclosure (is that glass thing supposed to protect his privacy?) and search him. As retired police officers we both giggle at their attempt to search and not offend him, "I'm going to touch you here now (pointing at his chest) is that OK?" (No. I don't want to be searched...) "Of course it's OK", we just want to get on the plane, hurry up.

While searching him they decide to tear apart one of our carry-ons. It has all the pills, shampoos, toothbrushes, curling iron, and other junk you take Just In Case. In this same airport the TSA agents on our way to Imperial loved the way it is set up...just zip it open, lay it flat and run it through x-ray. Not this time. This dizzy woman threw away our toothpaste (a half empty 3.5 oz.), Lysol spray (2 oz. but HAZARDOUS MATERIAL), 2 oz. wrinkle release spray (clothes, not faces)... it's hazardous, too, shampoo (8oz, OK in July, not in August) and on and on ... I was in a wonderful mood by now.

Through with Merv, return the dirty gray tub with all his metal stuff and shoes. Get him redressed and whoa... his dental bridge is missing. It has metal securing hooks so it had to come out. I grab (literally) a pipsqueak TSA agent and q u i e t l y explain 1) between the x-ray and where we are standing is 15 feet maximum, 2) no one but TSA has touched the tub and

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3) MT's teeth are MISSING...that word came out in a stage whisper with a grimace attached. "FIND THEM" came out louder. He looked at me like I'd grown a 3rd and 4th spitting head right before his eyes and grabbed latex gloves while running to start the search. A few minutes later, after finding all sorts of missing things they had been looking for, he shouts at me, "Here they are!!" The hanging flaps at the exit of the X-ray had grabbed the hooks on the bridge and jerked it out of the tub. It then dropped and rolled to the end of the conveyor where it lay rubbing the continually running belt. He handed them to MT as I grit my teeth and say, "Put them in." Merv, trying to be nice, says he'll do it in a minute. I growled "NOW" at him and gave him "that look" only a husband knows. He put them in. I wanted to make sure they hadn't been bent by the machine and they apparently, had not. The fact they broke in early September was far in the future now. OK...I'm only slightly furious now, still fried by Bozoette and my carry-on.

This was one time MT was not terribly happy we were sitting together but the flight was uneventful and an airplane half-glass of ginger ale made me happier, not much, but happier. Would wine have been a better choice? Landing in Dallas DFW Airport we were escorted with MT in a wheelchair (always travel with a cripple, they get great treatment) to our 2:30 connecting flight at top speed...only to see it backing away from the gate. Who in their right mind makes a 25 minute connection in DFW? So the poor guy pushing the wheelchair (reminiscent of one of those cartoon animals running from the cartoon villain) flies down the gangplank with our boarding passes in his hand, trying to stop an airplane. We realize dinner is naught but a wish and founder on airport M&Ms and soda.

When the airport "Red Cap" comes back he has boarding passes for the 4:30 flight—which are standby, the flight is completely booked, everyone shows up and we are now booked on the 7:30pm flight in REAL seats. IS Gary is trying to keep our chauffeur in Iowa appraised of our continuing changes but finally gives up and gives us the phone number... smart move Illustrious Sir. Aboard the 7:30 flight at 9:30—did I mention there were weather problems?—we are on our way and land just after 10:30 in beautiful, downtown CR. We find our luggage, which had arrived at 4:30 without us, look for our ride, and look for our ride...and call our ride. Three phone calls later we find our Shrine transport gave up at 9:30 and went home to bed, "Take a taxi, we'll pay you back."

Eleven-fifteen, \$50 later, and NO problems with the motel we are exhausted and ready for bed. Tomorrow will be better, no airplanes.

Cedar Rapids was fun. We went to the Ballyhoo, had

lunch with friends, listened to the Al Kaly Band (and were they good!!), and in general bummed around, slept, and ate. We met new friends, shopped in the slightly sparse Marketplace, ran to McD's, watched a wonderful parade, ate "Fair Food" and packed for home. CSSA was non-incidental and we enjoyed the time and people there.

Sunday at last, no ride to the airport. The nice lady at the motel desk made arrangements for us to get to the airport for much less than the \$50 taxi ride. They also let us stay until 3pm as our flight was at 7:30. Now AT the airport we find the 5:30 flight has been canceled due to mechanical problems somewhere...on the ground I hope. I tell the nice United Airlines guy, "We won't cause you any problems, we aren't on that particular flight. We have reservations on the 7:30 flight."

"How'd you spell your name? I don't see you on the list. Maybe American didn't release your information, let me check." A phone call later and we find American was glad to be rid of us and rapidly released us to United for the home flight. Another phone call..."Yeah, I checked that...No, no..." (I hand him my printed copy of our itinerary) "The number? Yeah, she's got it here." Reads it to them. "Right here, yeah. I don't know. Try what?? How?" (I hate only hearing one side of a conversation...your mind takes mini-vacations on what the other person is saying. Are they talking about last night's party?) "No, it didn't work. Yeah, right..." (voice drops off) "here. Oh, crap!" Don't like that at all. After 10 minutes, someone in the home office finally found the problem. The actual flight—was last Friday. WHY?? Why would we have even thought of leaving Friday?? Now I'm livid all over again.

The nice United guy gets us into another hotel at the Distressed Passenger rate of less than 2 pints of blood and our first born. But he is only partially right, distressed doesn't even begin to cover me at this point. Off to the new hotel in a FREE shuttle. Check in, "No, they didn't give us any 'distressed' paperwork. Yes, feel free to call them and confirm it." Waiting. Waiting. Confirmed and we are off to the room, but hurry, the restaurant closes soon. Time lapse, but not a long one. No one in the restaurant but we see the bar right across the hall and they serve food. Monday morning we find the restaurant wasn't open Sunday. Hmmm...door open, lights on, people talking in back, food prepared for the bar...closed?

Dinner was good, the beer was better. Maybe I just needed it more. Off to bed. Check out at 10...oh, come on. The flight isn't till 7:30pm, again. We can stay till 12, but no later. Thanks (I think). Flash forward to 11am...phone rings. "Mrs. Terrill, are you still checking out at noon?" "Yes." "OK, thanks." What was that? We are packed and ready... never unpacked except toothpaste and clean undies, but we have an hour, yet. Then we see the crawler on the TV screen: 12:08pm...our watches are on Colorado time in expectation of



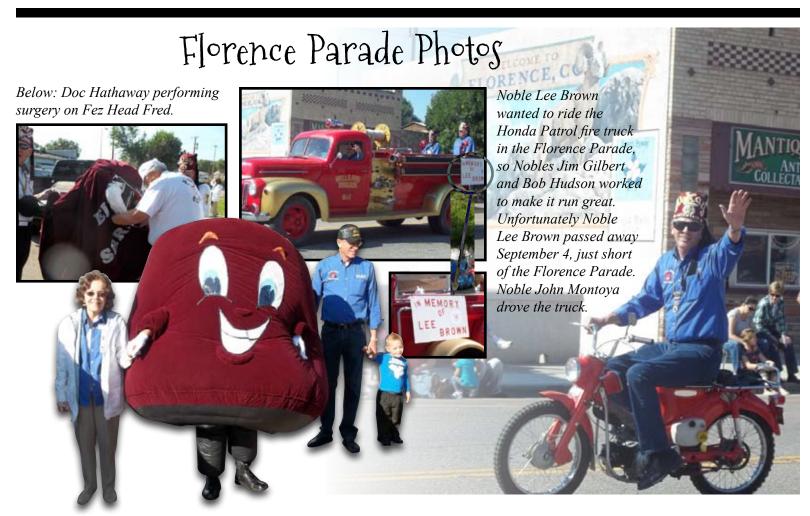
Kyle and Ty from PBR visit the Tampa Shriners Hospital as a result of the dedication of Al Kaly's Noble Doug Gable, and his efforts to get Pueblo's PRB Headquarters and Shriners International in Tampa linked up. This has proved to be an excellent way of promoting the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Thanks Doug for all your hard work this past year.

waking up there. Run downstairs via the elevator, apologize for being dumb and go to the previously closed restaurant cuz the bar's closed now. Nice waitress, good food, 2 ½ hours to kill. Waitress says they are closing (do they ever stay open?) but we are welcome to stay there with our luggage and watch TV until our shuttle leaves for the airport at 3.

Off to the airport..."Rain? How much? Where? How late?" The 7:30 flight will ONLY be an hour and a half late leaving...if it ever gets here. We are laughing (to keep from crying – or is that killing?) and openly very glad we booked the latest flight possible from Denver to Colorado Springs. However, in screening the voodoo again shows. Remember MT's teeth? Well, this time his glasses weren't in the gray box and he didn't even have to undress, just walk through the screening. "FIND THEM" came out again and off they went. The conveyor ate them, also, but once found we were off for more M&Ms and soda. Plane lands in Cedar Rapids nearly 2 hours late. On the plane, into Denver and I literally want to kiss the ground when we get off the plane. Nothing more can go wrong, we are set for home. Famous last words.

Land in C Springs at nearly 11pm, a day late but home. Get the luggage, find our parking spot, unzip the suitcase to get out car keys...you gotta be kidding me, I know I put them in the suitcase...you were watching me when I did it. Merv agrees (to his credit). He may not remember but he's NOT going to chance telling me. Go through purse, backpack and fez case...no keys. TSA strikes one last coup de gras. Finally remember I have a spare shoved somewhere in my purse for such emergencies and we get out of there.

The drive home, all 40 miles of it, was long, tedious and quiet. I seethed for days and Merv avoided talking about the trip for...actually, he's still careful. If Scotty can beam me into Branson I may go, but if there is travel involved it may be eons before I go anywhere again.



Chapter # 43 of the International Order of the Cabiri

by Ill. Sir Bob Burr

I'm pleased to submit an article for the Shrine Dust from Chapter #43 of the International Order of the Cabiri. By way of introduction, the Cabiri is composed of most of the living Past Potentates of Al Kaly. I say most because it's strictly optional if the Past Potentate wants to join the Organization. The group doesn't have any assigned duties within our Shrine but they do try to support all activities and especially the Fundraising Activities.

Their main objective is to have a social event each month, which includes dinner and a whole lot of conversation

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or is it conversations, all at once. Each member takes a turn hosting these events and decides the location. I guess if you take a cross section and ask questions, at least one of them have addressed any problem or question that may come up within the Shrine and are certainly willing to give you their thoughts and suggestions.

I suppose that's one of the reasons that each year the sitting Potentate calls on three or four of the Past Potentates to be his Advisors for the year. So, if you are in the line, there will be a time in your future when you will be invited to meet socially with this group of Nobles and their Ladies. We look forward to that occasion.



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.

On Memory

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Larry Crosby by Bill & Irene Sheard (11/12)

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Donna Sears (7/12)

Pueblo Shrine Club (7/12)

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John and Dorothy Pieper (7/12)

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Musings from the Blue Jodges

by Richard Mills

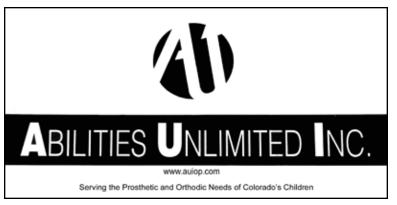
This week the airwaves were full of discussion about the debates, who won, who lost, who cares? What is a debate? That is where one expounds on one's knowledge of a subject and use one's persuasive powers to change another's point of view. This is what we do when we engage in conversation, especially when talking to a possible candidate about Masonry. I need some advice in this area, but first let me tell you about an imaginary conversation with an imaginary friend.

Last Wednesday morning Elrod and I were having coffee and I was telling him about the fun we had at Lodge last evening: "You would make a good Mason" I said to Elrod. "I'm pretty busy working and all" he replied. Searching for a good response I injected "But, it's an organization that does a lot for people". Elrod looked at me with that expression that says what are you talking about? "What's in it for me?" he retorted. "I'm not into secret handshakes and passwords. If I want to do charity, I give to the United Way. Who needs to memorize sixteenth century English? I'd rather stay home and watch television. I've got dignity which is why I'm not going to be initiated for anybody. If you can't tell me everything that I need to know in less than an hour it isn't worth knowing".

"You have the wrong slant on Masonry" I tremulously replied. "No" he said, "You don't understand. My wife and I both work. We have two children in school, payments for a house, two cars and a boat. What possible attraction could Freemasonry have for the wife and me? Where do we fit in?"

Without sounding argumentative, how do you answer Elrod's concerns? What can Masonry offer Elrod and his family? Help me draft a reply. Send in your comments to the Dust at dusteditor@gmail.com or email the P.R. Unit at gilmo@bresnan.net.

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



Annual Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the 2012 annual Al Kaly raffle winners. Their names were drawn at the annual picnic August 19, 2012.

1st Prize	Samsung HD LCD 40"	Ray
	TV	Singmaster
2nd Prize	Bose Wave Music	Beth Burns
	System	
3rd Prize	\$500 Walmart Gift Card	Barb Bills
4th Prize	Canon Power Shot	Ann Delancey
	SX40HS Digital Camera	
5th Prize	Amazon Kindle 3G	Dale Spradley
	Electronic Reader	

RAFFLE CASH CALENDARS HAVE ARRIVED!

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

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

The calendar will be issued to one designated Noble from every Club and Unit, he will distribute them to all the member of his group, and be responsible to get the proceeds into the office. This is an excellent fundraiser for your Unit or Club. It is much easier then cooking, car washes, or other events. Just sell a calendar to a friend, family member or business associate and your Club or Unit will receive a \$7.00 donation from Al Kalv.

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



Our Grand Opening Adventures!

by Les & Mary Lou Bailey

Have you ever spent a whole day and night in the parking lot of a fast food restaurant, complete with tent and sleeping bags? Well, we have....several times! And what an experience it is.

Now you ask why any sane individual would want to do that, whether it is 20 degrees or 98 degrees. Well, one reason is FREE MEALS FOR A YEAR!

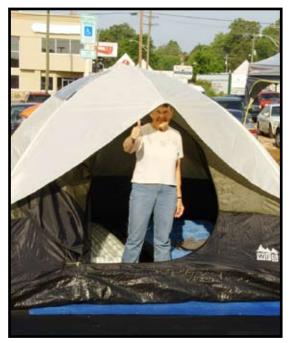
You see, a fast food chain restaurant has a very interesting Grand Opening philosophy. First, their Grand Openings are always on a Thursday (because their first ever was on a Thursday and they've had a very successful run ever since, so they may

be just a little superstitious). Anyway, they have a thing called "The First 100," which started out like this. To each of the first 100 people that showed up when they had a Grand Opening, they would give 52 coupons for a meal...they called it "free meals for a year." Well, people started showing up earlier and earlier, in order to be one of the first 100, and pretty soon some folks were arriving the evening before and spending the night in the parking lot. They even started bringing tents and sleeping bags. Those tents started attracting lots of attention from passersby and the restaurant seized on the idea that this was a much better advertising approach than putting ads in the newspaper or waiting for word-of-mouth to get the news out.

So, they made some rules: Don't arrive before 5:30 a.m. the day before. Everyone (up to 100 people) in line at 6 a.m. or after on the day before would qualify, but only if they stayed on the premises the rest of the day and all night. If there were more than 100 present at 6 a.m. the restaurant would hold a lottery-type drawing and the first 100 names drawn would get to participate. Those whose names were not drawn went home empty-handed.

The restaurant then decided they'd better feed these folks who were going to spend the next 24 hours camped out on their lot. So here comes the biscuit sandwich for breakfast, the chicken sandwich and waffle fries for lunch, a chicken sandwich meal for dinner, and an ice cream sundae before bedtime.

Nowadays they even bring in a DJ later in the late afternoon or evening to provide some entertainment, and they do lots of games, like musical chairs and scavenger hunts

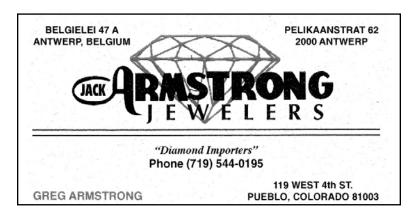


(with prizes). As you might guess, it's sort of a young people's event....you know, college kids looking for some free chow, etc. Then on Thursday morning, for all who endured the 24 hour campout, they get you up, line you up, give you a t-shirt, and at 6 a.m. they run you through their restaurant to whoops, hollers, cheers, applause and congratulations from all the employees—and their big old mascot! The last stop is to get your 52 free meal coupons, and then it's a mad dash back to your tent to break camp, throw all your gear in the car and head for home for a nap.

So, how did a couple oldies like ourselves get mixed up with this event? Well, we still had a tent and

sleeping bags from our hiking days, so when we heard about a Grand Opening coming up in Aurora in 2009, albeit in early December, we decided to give it a try. Though we nearly froze to death, we were hooked. We have since done a second one in Aurora, also in Lakewood, Salt Lake City, UT, Chandler, AZ, Knoxville, TN, and San Antonio, TX. Can you believe we always skew the average age by quite a bit? But, hey, that's not all bad. In Aurora, when it was so cold, one of the guys had a little heater, and he always gave us priority seating. Then there was the scavenger hunt, when all the teams had to bring back four things; "something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue." One of the teams picked us to take to the judge. Funny thing, we were never quite sure which of the four categories we were representing! Yeah, right!

Anyway, going to these Grand Openings has been a hoot—and we may even be good for a couple more yet! If you'd like to join us sometime for a parking lot campout, just let us know!



Ruhamah Temple No. 71



- Daughters of the Nile

by June WilliamsQueen

The autumn starts a very busy season for all the members of the Daughters of the Nile. All our meetings, activities, fundraising events and this year, the Supreme Queen's Official Visit start a busy year ahead.

In September, we met in Pueblo for the Hospital Request Meeting. This is when the Ladies really expend all their energies to help the children who have to be in one of the Shriner Hospitals for Children. We make articles such as pillow cases, quilts, favors, bags, surgical dolls and our major project is to make contributions for gift cards. Last year Ruhamah Temple was number one in the number of gift cards sent to the hospitals. This year at Supreme Session, Ruhamah came in second in the number of gift cards sent to the hospitals. The hospitals like this type of contribution, because they can get exactly what is needed or what the child wants with the gift card. We send our contributions to the hospitals in Salt Lake City, UT, Houston, TX, Shreveport, LA, and Portland, OR. We can use all the help you can give to this project, by a personal hands- on help each month or by making a financial contribution- made out to PQ JoAnne Sube, Chairman at 4327 Stonesthrow View, Colorado Springs, Co. 80922-3174.Be sure to put "For the Hospital Request Committee" on your check. Thank you so very much.

Happily we had a most successful Supreme Queen's Official Visit. The Ladies of the Household did an outstanding job with all the required ritual work. I am so proud of each and every one of the Ladies and thank them from the bottom of my heart.

At the Supreme Queen's Visit, Ruhamah Temple No 71 initiated six new Princesses. We welcome the following Ladies who are new members of the Daughters of the Nile: Pr. Kathleen Wells, Pr. Faye Buggs, Pr. Kathy Gilbert, Pr. Donna Hudson, Pr. Mary Mills and Pr. Sierra Colkmire.

On November 17, 2012, there will be a Silent Auction and Chocolate Tasting Event at the Shrine Club (see right).

I wish everyone a very happy and colorful fall.

Nile love.

Gilent Fuction and Chocolate Tasting

Help support the Daughters of the Nile, Ruhamah Temple No. 71 with our Silent Auction and Chocolate Tasting and Bake Sale. There will be many items and baskets to bid on and goodies - just in time for the holidays!

When: November 17th 2012
Time: 11:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.
Where: the Colorado Springs Shrine Club
6 South 33rd Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904

A delicious lunch of pulled pork, coleslaw, beans and chips, iced tea or coffee will be served at noon for \$12.00 (lunch purchase is not required to attend the auction).

Please make your reservations by making your check out to Ruhamah Temple No. 71 and mailing to:

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Cindy Stivers is happy to book air for your trip. Sample flight prices at this time are:

Denver: \$359.00 Direct flight to Tampa (Round Trip)

Colorado Springs: 343.20 with layover. (Round Trip)

Rates vary daily. If Cindy gets a group of 10 or more she can get better rates. Call Cindy at 719-630-3737 for more information. She can also book your hotel with your credit card information if desired. A small agency fee applies.

HOTEL:

Hampton Inn Tampa Rocky Point

3035 N. Rocky Point Drive E, Tampa, Florida

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TOURS

Several of us are planning to rent vehicles for tours of the area.

Riders may "chip in". On the agenda so far are: Shriners International

Headquarters, Shriners Hospital for Children, St. Pete's beach & Host Hotel,

Optional tours: Starlite Majesty Lunch Cruise \$27.96 or Dinner Cruise \$42.60

John's Pass Shopping, Tarpon Springs Sponge Boat Trip or Shopping. And More!

CLUB AND UNIT NEWS

LEGION OF HONOR

by CDR Don W. Lam

Greetings Nobles,

Well, here we are nearing the end of another exciting year. Parades, picnics, meetings, and more parades kept us all busy the entire summer. Snow will be falling soon, and the cold will be on us.

Reflecting on the past couple of months; we had a blast at Lamar, Rocky Ford, and the Armed Forces parade in Cripple Creek. The State Fair found a number of Nobles representing Al Kaly proudly. Then we were off to Fountain and a tremendous turn out of proud Nobles. Fort Carson was the site of some exciting, and in some cases, scary golf [not mentioning any names (Roger)]. Noble Dick Larke (PC), with the help of Dwain Jack (PC), did an outstanding job putting this year's tournament together. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those Nobles that help support Al Kaly functions throughout the year. Without you, the year would not have been as exciting. Join me in keeping all of our Nobles and their Families in our prayers as we finish up this year.

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



Escalante Shrine Club OV



Noble Gordon Milligan receiving an award for serving as Secretary for 30 Years.

BOWLING LEAGUE

by David KochisPresident

Well it is time again for another fun bowling season. From the Officers of the Bowling League: President David Kochis, Vice President Richard "Swede" Hanson and Secretary/Treasurer David Eckman, we welcome all of the Masonic family to join us on the first Sunday of the month from August to April at 10 a.m. The next month of bowling will be at Harmony Bowl in Colorado Springs at 10 am, there is coffee and donuts for all to enjoy. In December bowling will be at Circle Bowl in Colorado Springs also 10 a.m. This will be our Christmas Party, a time when everybody brings good snacks to eat.

Need to remind everybody that the Bowling League is one of the biggest money making events of the Temple, because of the Bowl-a-Thon in April. So join us for great fellowship and a great time. Remember as I was told from someone "I love to bowl!" If you have any questions call David at 719-242-5846 or Swede at 719-630-8730. Hope to see you on the lanes.



AL KALY PR UNIT

by Richard Mills President

"Working Everyday to Keep the Entire Masonic Family, and their Community Efforts in Everyone's Thoughts"

We would like to keep the Nobility and their Ladies up to date on what the Committee is doing, and when we met in October...

Doug Gable, our committee member who has been working with the Professional Bull Riders Association gave a very good report about the status and what is expected in the future. A special point he made was that Nobles at the Imperial Office have spoken to PBR members and we can expect to see progress with this newly formed association. He will bring a 2013 schedule at a future meeting.

Guy Hammerand spoke about the upcoming Basketball Tournament at the USC-Pueblo Massari Arena November 16 and 17. Plans are still being finalized for the reception area at the arena and how it will be set up and manned. There will be a Child ID table with all of the equipment. Guy mentioned that they would like some of the Masonic Family Pamphlets for the table, and Richard

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FREMONT SHRINE CLUB

by Richard MillsPresident

The club is going into winter mode and planning our Christmas party. Noble Brian Carter is busy finding us a place and Ladies Kathy Wells, Mary Mills and Phyllis Allen are in charge of the table decorations. The only thing that is final is the time and place: December 2nd at 3:00 pm in Pueblo at the Renaissance restaurant. Details will follow.

We will be helping the Honda Patrol put on their gun show on November 17th & 18th. We hope to fill the gym at the Abbey with sixty or more tables. Anyone wishing to help by soliciting venders or working the show contact Noble Bob Hudson at (719) 275-5212. The show will be a fundraiser and a great chance to tell the public about the Shrine.

Noble Dick Mills introduced a Club project for the coming year. The project's mission is to raise \$1,000.00 to be presented to the wheelchair unit at the Salt Lake City Hospital. Once we have raised the allotted funds, we will have a drawing for all the members and select a couple to take the contribution to the Hospital. The lucky couple will receive \$200.00 to help defray expenses.

To help raise funds for the Salt Lake City Project, Lady Donna, Lady Katy and Lady Mary are cooking and serving the monthly meal at the Fremont Lodge #97 in Florence. Their wage and tips are growing fast. In two months they have collected \$156.00. What would we do without the support of our wonderful Ladies?

We were blessed with the presence of Ill. Sir Gary at our September meeting. It is always good to have his support and encouragement.

The "Black Camel" came and took two of our beloved Brothers in September. Nobles Lee Brown and John Hoffman will be missed but not forgotten.

Until next month, keep Masonry in your heart.

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PUEBLO SHRINE CLUB

by Merv Terrill

WOW...what a turnout. The Prospect Dinner on September 7th was a smashing success with over 100 people in attendance. Thirty-four of those who came were prospects and their guests and we know of several who were not able to make it due to conflicts but are still interested in joining and are seeking more information on joining. It would be fantastic if we could get these men into our great organization and keep them active...we all need to keep them in mind, follow up and keep them active when they do join us.

You are all welcome to come visit us at our November meeting, which will be held on Friday, November 2nd, at 6pm for socialization and 7pm for dinner, to see the NEW AND IMPROVED PUEBLO SHRINE CLUB. We are under major renovation and would love to have you see the changes and upgrades we are implementing. I don't want to give anything away but ----- I am sure the new ceiling, lights, and mural will be pleasing to all.

Breakfast on November 4th will be a good time for you to come see all the new things. Bring your family and visit.

(PR Unit, continued from page 25)

Mills will furnish those. In closing, Guy stressed the Potentate's request that we have "many Fezzes in the stands for every game." Bob Burr spoke briefly about the Basketball Program and suggested the PR Committee show their support by putting a business card size ad in the program and those present each kicked in a few bucks to pay for it.

Noble Ron Bowen was not present so Richard Mills spoke about the recent Bus Trip to Cripple Creek and asked for suggestions to make a great trip even better next year. The biggest item was "Let's start in Pueblo then to Colorado Springs and on to Cripple Creek". There was much more discussion but no more big ideas. Left at "We've got a year to think about this and we'll discuss it later and give Noble Ron our full support."

Chief Rabban Roger Mendenhall spoke about plans to set up a trip to the East/West Shrine Football Game to be held in St. Petersburg, Florida in January. He and his Lady Karen are making plans for associated activities and taking reservations. If you might be interested give them a call.

We closed after Chairman Richard Mills asked that we, as a committee, put together an agenda of specific items we need to address in the coming year. Items that will make the Blue Lodges grow, and, of course, ultimately help the Rite Bodies and the Shrine grow.



STATED MEETING DINNER

Pueblo Shrine Club

December 14, 2012 6:30 pm

Cost: \$13.00



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

Reservations must be made no later than December 12, 2012.









KALYKLOWNS

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

As we ended our August activities, we participated in the parade at Monte Vista and had our Shriners' Night at the Races at I-25 Speedway where we collected more than \$200 to donate to the Shriners Hospitals, with the help of certain drivers who, as is their usual custom, passed their helmets through the stands to collect from the spectators. This event was on August 18, a week before the Colorado State Fair, where, due to the generosity of "Tommy G. Productions", Al Kaly was given a 10' x10' space for the run of the fair. I was at the fair for the entire 11-day run and it was among the most enjoyable experiences of my time as a Shriner. What topped it all off was being permitted, along with Noble Doug Gabel, our newest clown, "Bullseye", to be in the ring at the Colorado State Fair Mutton Bustin' Finals to act as rodeo clowns. To my knowledge, I was the first Shrine Clown to participate in any capacity in the history of the fair. We are hoping that we will be able to participate in this fair for many years to come.

On September 20, the Al Kaly Whistlers entertained the Odd Fellows at their monthly Fun Night in Canon City, where the following "whistled": Frank Caffey, Dave Jones, Wayne McKey, David King, Larry Ruiz, and a "special guest star", a Odd Fellows member who is also a member of Al Kaly Flivvers. Nobles Vern Wolf and Howard Magan provided assistance with makeup and announcing. A special thanks to Chris Magan for refurbishing several costumes and making a new one, bringing our Whistler costume total to seven. Also to be thanked is Noble Vern's daughter Tanya Wolf, who spent

a much time cleaning the very dusty PA system so that our music would play properly. Once again, thank you Tanya!

Our annual end-of-summer picnic was held on September 23 at Pueblo City Park, attended by 27 members of the Unit and their families. Cooking of the main course fell to Cuz'n Clem and others provided potluck fare to round out the meal. A really nice time was had by all for this event.

Finally, the Apple Days Parade in Penrose was attended by Ill. Sir Gary "Panhandle Slim" Sears, Wayne

"Howdy" McKey, and Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan, as well as several other Shriners, which finished our parade season.

We also had our annual hayride in Pueblo through City Park and the surrounding neighborhood on October 20, with a hotdog roast afterwards. We also plan on participating in the Pueblo Parade of Lights and also a like event in Pueblo West just following Thanksgiving. More will be reported on those events in a subsequent issue as well as a report on the upcoming Al Kaly Basketball Tournament.



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Converting to a Roth IRA

Potential Benefits of Converting Tax-Deferred Retirement Plan Assets

It is widely believed that mounting pressure to control the nation's skyrocketing debt may cause the government to raise taxes in the years ahead. Converting tax-deferred retirement assets to a Roth IRA could help shield your retirement income from potential tax increases in the future.



Although you may benefit by making pre-tax or tax-deductible contributions to tax-deferred retirement accounts [such as 401(k) plans and traditional IRAs] during your working years, all contributions and earnings will be taxed as ordinary income when withdrawn.

By contrast, a Roth IRA will incur no further income tax liability for the rest of your lifetime, regardless of how much growth the account experiences (under current tax law and assuming all conditions are met). To qualify for a tax-free and penalty-free withdrawal of earnings (and converted assets), Roth IRA distributions must meet the five-year holding requirement and take place after age 59½ or result from the owner's death, disability, or a first-time home purchase (\$10,000 lifetime maximum).

Although nondeductible contributions to a Roth IRA are subject to income eligibility limits, there is no income limits associated with converting assets to a Roth. Thus, a Roth IRA conversion may be especially valuable if you expect to be taxed at a higher rate in retirement or if you are not eligible to contribute to a Roth IRA because of your income.



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