AL KALY PUBLIC RELATIONS UNIT

Minutes of 10 November 2015 Meeting

The Meeting was held at Denny's in Pueblo and called to order at 10:05 by IS Bob Burr.

<u>Members Present:</u> IS Bob Burr and Merv Terrill; Nobles Don Hamilton, John Larson, Brian Carter, Dick Mills, and Doc Hathaway and Ladies Glenda Terrill and Eileen Larson.

<u>ITEM 1:</u> IS Bob read a letter from the Sons of Norway thinking him for the presentation on Shriners Hospitals at their October meeting. IS Bob also related that he had a phone call asking how Sons of Norway could donate to the transportation fund. (Note: At the November meeting of the Sons of Norway the Board of Directors voted a \$100 donation the Transportation Fund and announced the donation at their monthly meeting. The donation was also mentioned in their monthly newsletter.).

ITEM 2: IS presented the group the program for the Basketball tournament. The Tournament will be named to honor Guy Hammerland. It was noted that over 40 ads in the program were obtained by only 2 people. IS Bob and Potentate JD were thanked for their efforts.

<u>ITEM 3:</u> The Fall Ceremonial is scheduled for 21 November at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club and will be named to honor IS Steve Jordan. Noble Brian indicated that there 7 or 8 petitions for the Ceremonial.

<u>ITEM 4:</u> Noble Dick reviewed the 1000 years of Masonry event. A 50 year pin was presented and IS JD presented a plaque. Several people there were quite impressed with IS JDs presentation. Noble Dick also said that the Chili Cook Off in Westcliff went well. One woman present (a school staff member) asked what Masons do. This led to a discussion of what can we do. IS Bob volunteered to prepare a one page summary of what all the Masonic Bodies do. This could then be provided to everyone and also published in the dust.

<u>ITEM 5:</u> Noble Doc talked about burn week and how our Burn Week is in February, but that the National Fire Safety Week is at a different time ant that it would be nice if the two were made to coincide. Our Burn Week targets 4th graders and Nobel Doc asked Nobel Dick to provide the number of 4th graders in his area.

<u>ITEM 6:</u> Noble Brian said the Basketball tournament was all set and that the banner honoring Guy was made. He also indicated that the band was scheduled to play on Friday night. The group thanked Nobel Brian for taking over the task for this year on short notice.

ITEM 7: Lady Glenda is the new Dust editor. She would like any article for the Dust,

even such things as "cool" recipes. A suggestion was made and discussed that that Nobles be allowed to place "For Sale" ads in the Dust. All thought it was a good idea, but that the Board would have to approve and ground rules and cost developed.

ITEM 8:

IHOP was discussed. Lady Glenda said there was a new IHOP opening in Alamosa. Noble Doc indicated that the Chelton IHOP in Colorado Springs would be reopening soon following their renovation.

<u>ITEM 9:</u> In closing, IS Bob went around the room asking for any further comments. Noble Brian said there was still time to sign up for the trip to the East/West game in January and that if anyone is interested to contact Lady Cindy.

Lady Glenda stated that collar tabs with the Shrine emblem would no longer be available

Noble John talked about the 8 year old girl that was featured in the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children magazine and her fund raising. She wanted to raise \$8,000 and ended up raising over &70,000!

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Eileen indicated that tentative dates for next year's Basketball Tournament had been set for 18 & 19 November 2016. Lady Glenda agreed that these dates for the tournament were probably fluid.

Lady Glenda stated Eastern Star were now supporting Guide Dogs for America.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 with the next meeting to be held at Cokes Diner in Fountaini on 8 December.

John Larson Unit Secretary