St. Louis Shriners Hospital for Children
BY JIM KERNS

Serving on the Board of Governors of St. Louis Shriners Hospital for Children as an associate member from Ararat Shrine is an honor and privilege. I hope to provide you with insight, facts and important announcements from our St. Louis Hospital as the year progresses.

Shriners Hospital for Children – St. Louis, is ranked as a leader by the U.S. News & World Report ranking for children’s hospitals in the United States for 2012-2013. Being in the “Top Ten Orthopedic Hospital”, for a second year, of 80 hospitals that even made this list tells you of the expertise and quality of our staff in St. Louis. My first introductions included Noble Ted Dearing, JD, Chairman of the Board of Governors St Louis and Mr. John Gloss, FACHE, Hospital Administrator. The commitment, intelligence and passion that emanated from these two men were astounding. As the day progressed and I met the staff, it was evident that the commitment, passion and intelligence, not only belonged to the leadership, but to each one of the staff that I met.

Nothing compares to the smiling faces of children as I walked in proudly wearing an Ararat fez. Staff member and Patient Ambassador Suzan Bland provided Noble John Sidwell, Arab Shriners and me a hospital tour. Her enthusiasm for our hospital seemed to overflow with each step we took—the stories of her time spent as patient, and now as a staff member, make you remember why we belong to the World Greatest Philanthropy.

During 2012 the Shriners Hospitals for Children – St. Louis:
• Ranked in the top deciles for patient satisfaction score
• Met or exceeded required thresholds for quality and patient safety
• First in the Shrine Hospital system to see revenues exceed expenses
• Participated in employer of choice survey, sponsored by the St. Louis Post Dispatch

Ill. Sir Wayne Spencer and I attended the public announcement and news conference held in St Louis regarding the replacement hospital, set to break ground on March 20, 2013. After 50 years in our current facility it is time to replace the building to better meet the needs of our patients and medical practices of today. Hospital stays are becoming shorter as out-patient surgeries have become more common place with quicker patient recovery time.

A capital fund-raising program will commence soon. As you think of your charitable giving, please remember Shriners Hospitals for Children – St. Louis.

Replacement Hospital
Fact Sheet

- New location 4400 Clayton Avenue - on the campus of Washington University School of Medicine, (just two blocks east of our original facility at the corner of Euclid and Clayton, opened in 1924).
- Location is expected to enhance the long-standing partnership Shriners Hospital has enjoyed with Washington University School of Medicine and St. Louis Children's Hospital.
- 90,000 square feet on 3.75 acres
- $50 million capital budget
- 12 inpatient beds
- 18 outpatient clinic examination rooms
- 3 surgical suites
- 4 fitting rooms for orthotics and prosthetics
- Interactive & educational activity area in patient waiting room/lobby
- Enhanced space dedicated to the hospital’s Center for Metabolic Bone Disease and Molecular Research
- 9 rooms for family quarters
- Shriners Van Drivers lounge
- Physical & occupational therapy, child life, radiology, respiratory therapy, pain management and social services
- 200 surface parking spaces
- Dedicated space for research partnership with Washington University School of Medicine scientists.
- Will be highly visible from Interstate 44 - 180,000 cars pass this location daily.
- Designed by St. Louis architectural firm Christner.
- Local construction management company S. M. Wilson & Co.
- 20-month construction schedule (completion in late 2014)
- Will employ 100 local tradesmen for 350,000 man hours
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING NOTICES

ARARAT SHRINE
5100 Ararat Drive, Kansas City, Missouri

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2013
~ AND ~
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013

Meeting 7:30PM • Regular Order of Business
Balloting on Petitions
Visiting Nobles Welcome
2013 Card Required • Wear Your Fez

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Articles for APRIL issue due by
MARCH 15, please!
If they are not received by this date they will not be in the April Shrine News.
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Potentate’s Comments...

February certainly has been an exciting month. We have had summer weather and Arctic blasts with a great deal of snow accumulation. Never a dull moment for Missouri weather. Soon we will be complaining of the heat.

Ararat Shrine was fortunate enough to host Imperial Sir Alan Madsen and several Imperial Officers and representatives at a dinner in the Truman Room. They were here for the Grand Master’s Conference being held in Kansas City, MO. It was our honor to host this dinner. They enjoyed themselves and it was a great evening of fellowship. Many thanks to members of the Ole Car Unit for providing rides to and from the Temple. Thanks to the Restaurant Staff for the fine job in providing dinner. It was outstanding. Thanks to the Divan for their part in hosting our guests. Thanks to the Pipes and Drums members who provided the appropriate entertainment for the evening. Special thanks to First Ceremonial Master Henry McDaniel for coordinating the event and hosting the Imperial Officers.

From what I hear, the Grand Masters Conference was a great success and rewarding for those who attended. I would like to remind you all that Ararat is hosting a Masonic Study Club on the 4th Tuesday of each month and you all are invited to attend. Ararat is also in the process of starting a Lodge and a Divan Degree team. More information to follow.

As I am calling the Nobles for their birthday greetings, I am discovering that in a number of cases, the contact information is incorrect or non-existent. Please ensure that your phone numbers, e-mail addresses and addresses are current. This can be corrected by a phone call to the business office at 816-923-1995 or accessing the website www.araratshrine.com and updating your info via the link on the membership page.

Ceremonials and Parades are just around the corner. Please remember that membership increase is our number one priority. Please do your part to ensure that Ararat continues to grow and that our Fraternity remains strong. Each Ararat Noble is an important part of the membership team and we are counting on you to make a difference and “Build the Future.”

Thank you to all who work hard for Ararat. We have numerous fundraisers and events coming up that will need your support. We are still looking for those people with skills that can help in the maintenance of our beautiful building. If you are interested, please call the business office at 816-923-1995 or accessing the website www.araratshrine.com and updating your info via the link on the membership page.

Attention Units & Clubs!

The 25th Annual Vidalia Onion Sale is just around the corner. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to increase your budgets and help your Temple.

If you wish to sell onions please place your order of commitment with Steve Johnson, High Priest and Prophet at 816-516-0303. Once again Ararat will be the sole distributor of onions for our jurisdiction. This year we will be selling jumbo onions from Folsom Farms. As in the past the onions will come in 10 lb bags.
**Hospital System Heroes**

For the month of January the following Nobles have sponsored children into the Shrine Hospitals. If your name has never appeared in this column, consider getting involved. It will not only change your life, but will be a life changing experience for a child and his family.

Kenneth Ireland  Jim McLaughlin  Kenneth Nadler

**Hospital Van Drivers**

If you are a member of Ararat Shrine you are encouraged to call the Hospital Transportation Office (816) 923-5429 or (816) 923-1319 and become one of those men who transport our children to the St. Louis Hospital. This will be one of the most rewarding activities you will ever experience.

We encourage every man in Ararat to become a driver. It will require you to go to your State Driver’s License Office and obtain a copy of your driving record. As a matter of fact, all drivers need to bring their records up to date in this manner.

A big Thank You to the following Nobles who have driven the Hospital Van in the month of January!

| John Abbott | Dennis Lindsay |
| Mike Anderson | Arnold Parker |
| Ron Griepp | V J Phillips |
| Cliff Hubert | Howard Silvers |
| Greg Kranz | Gerald Tinsley |

**Creating a Positive and Lasting Experience for Chicago Hospital Patients**

Employees at the Chicago Shriners Hospital often hear patients say, “We feel like family here.” In addition to offering multi-disciplinary specialty care, Shriners Hospital provides programs and special visitors to make kids feel welcome and comfortable. In November, the Canadian consulate brought two Royal Canadian Mounted Police – “Mounties” – to take pictures with patients and pass out gifts.

Several patients asked to have their photo taken with “the princesses” as Susan “Suzie” Schumacher, the Supreme Queen of the Daughters of the Nile (DON) organization, and her officers visited the hospital. Along with Shriners International, these ladies helped support our hospital system with monetary and in-kind donations.

**CPR/AED Class**

March 16, 2013

Rooms A & B Ararat Shrine

9:00 am to 12 noon

$8.00 per participant (cost of manual you will receive)

The class will consist of a DVD presentation followed by an oral review of information, a brief quiz and a physical demonstration of proficiency on an Annie & Baby (mannequin). Each participant who successfully completes the course will receive a Certification Card good for two years.

To enroll in the class call 816-923-1975 and ask for Linda.

**Shriners Hospitals for Children®**

Retreat Transforms Lives

“Angel Faces Retreat was founded by Lesia Cartelli in 2003 to transform the lives of adolescent girls with severe, permanent facial burns and disfigurements. Lesia herself was burned over more than 50% of her body in a natural gas explosion when she was nine. She knew what it was like to grow up with burns on her face and decided to create a retreat for other young girls with facial burns and teach them the tools that it took her 20 years to discover. The annual retreat is located in Cordova, California, about two and one-half hours north of San Diego. Over the course of the week, the girls attend sessions to learn about positive methods to respond to teasing, bullying, unwanted questions and coping with uncomfortable situations. Therapeutic touch using facials, massage, hair and makeup lessons are also some of the activities the girls participate in, along with daily journaling and exercise. The attendees work in group settings to tell their stories, role play, and work together to learn how to answer and react to the uncomfortable stares and questions. Adriana Ramirez is another Cincinnati patient who benefitted from attending an Angel Faces Retreat. She was burned in a hot oil fryer accident when she was 16 months old and was severely burned on her face, scalp, neck, chest and back. She learned about the retreat from Cincinnati employee Tracy Gaboury OTR/L, a licensed occupational therapist at the hospital. “Before I arrived at the retreat, I was very nervous. After I arrived, all that changed. I felt a sense of belonging as I walked through those doors. By the end of the first three hours, the whole group had bonded and become very close,” Adriana said.

This is a retreat, not a camp. This retreat focuses on situations we girls face every day: Stares, teasing and questions. The girls focus on helping each other through the pain. We find our way how to answer questions and respond,” she said. Before she went to the retreat, Adriana said that she really didn’t like herself and avoided looking at herself. Adriana’s parents also noticed a big change when she returned from the retreat. “Oh, she was so interested in makeup and hair at the time,” said her mother. “She had so much more confidence and smiled all of the time.” “When I came back, everything was just different. Everything happens for a reason. Before, I never looked into the mirror, and now when I look in a mirror, I see the beauty that is there.” Ongoing contact with the people from Angel Faces Retreat remains long after the girls return home. The girls and counselors use Skype once a month to continue learning and bonding. “When I need an energy boost or need help, I can call or text Lesia and she’s there.”

To learn more about how to support a Shriners patient desiring to attend Angel Faces Retreat, call Tracy Gaboury at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati at 513-672-6522.

If you know a child we can help, please call:

**Burn Services**

(4 burn injury, possibly requiring admission to hospital)

866-947-7840

**Non-burn Services**

(Non-emergency burns and non-burn conditions)

855-206-2096 or helpchild@shriners.org

**Conditions Treated at the Cincinnati Hospital**

- Burn injuries
- Inhalation injuries
- Burn reconstruction & rehabilitation

**PLASTICS & RECONSTRUCTIVE CONDITIONS**

- Congenital ear deformities
- Congenital hairy nevus [large birthmark]
- Cleft lip and palate
- Brachial plexus injuries
- Vascular damage affecting upper extremities
- Congenital hand malformations
- Gynecomastia [man’s breast development in teenage boys]
- Congenital breast deformities
- Hidradenitis [chronic sweat gland disorders]
- Post trauma deformities

**COMPLEX WOUND & SKIN CONDITIONS**

- Purpura Fulminans
- Necrotizing skin infections & Necrotizing Fasciitis
- Stevens-Johnson Syndrome
- Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis
- Porcine Warts
- All Services Provided Regardless of the Families’ Ability to Pay

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**News from Cincinnati**

*A big Thank You to the following Nobles who have driven the Hospital Van in the month of January!*

*Shriner’s Hospitals for Children®*
Thank you Shriners for all you do for our kids!
The following letter and pictures were received by Noble Dave Wilbanks.

Dear Shriner Friend,

On behalf of the over 30 foster/adoptive families you provided circus tickets for- WE WANT SAY THANK YOU!

You may not realize that almost all these children have experienced some form of trauma in their short lives, more than most of us will experience in our lifetime! Things we take for granted like a Happy Meal at McDonald’s, a warm coat & bed to sleep in sadly are luxuries to these kiddo’s! So something like attending a circus, something above & beyond their dream of basic needs was truly magical! I received countless comments wanting me to pass along our gratitude for your generosity! It may not seem like a big deal however it truly was! Memories to last a lifetime were made & finally that night- these kids could be just that- kids!

We wanted to share some pictures with you of the fun that night! There were many kids we couldn’t picture because they are still in foster care &/or protective custody but we hope you will enjoy these as much as we did.

Once again, thank you & thank the Shriners for all you do for our kids! We are blessed to have The Shriners!

Sarah Bennett

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Spring Yard Clean-Up

April 6th, 2013
Ararat Shrine
Building Grounds

Cleanup of Fence line and Shrubbery around Building

Bring your Rakes, Shovels, Chain Saws, Leaf Blowers, Pruning Shears and an urge to landscape.

Call Butch Pugh or Jerry Grimes to Volunteer

SEE YOU THERE

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Help raise funds for Ararat

The Kansas City Track Club is providing a great opportunity for Ararat! The Brew to Brew running relay race is on Sunday April 7, 2013 and we need 45 volunteers to assist at the monitoring stations.

Nobles, Ladies and friends are welcome to join!

Please contact Jim Kerns 816-739-8833 or jim.kerns@sbcglobal.net or contact the office at 816-923-1975.
MEMBERSHIP MATTERS
BY RODNEY MCGRATH

As quick as the snow came and went away, so does the days as we approach the springtime season. Now is the time Units are gearing up for parade season. The Mini Indy’s are repainting their cars, the Pipes and Drums are honing their fine musical expertise and the Greeters are doing “Gripping and Smiling” exercises when they’re not country dancing! It really is that close. If you’ve not yet joined a Unit, now is the time to attend one of their meetings to learn more. Please contact me or call the Unit directly, from your calendar book, and arrange a meeting.

I’m so excited to announce a new Membership Shirt that can be purchased at the Temple office and can be worn anywhere! It will make a great parade shirt this summer for the ladies and any Shriner as well as just an everyday running around t-shirt. It will help spread the word of our fraternity and help us get to our goal of 213 New Nobles in 2013! Prices for the Shirt are $15, and $17 for 2X and above. Get yours now! Proceeds will benefit Membership and Districted Nobles fund.

The ceremonial in not far away and it’s time to get your candidates in lodge! Remember it only costs $200 to become a Noble of Ararat Shriner in 2013! This will include their Initiation fee and 2013 dues, so let’s spread the word!

Speaking of sharing the Shrine experience, the “Legacy Program” is something you can share with your family. For many men, being a Shriner is a family tradition. “From one generation to the next, Shriners have enjoyed a unique brotherhood and shared in an important mission. The Shriner’s Legacy Program is a way to show your pride in being a Shriner and to celebrate your part in the special brotherhood that comes from membership. The Shriner’s Legacy Program is open to any male family member* related to a Shriner, including: Fathers • Grandfathers • Brothers • Uncles • Sons • Grandsons • Nephews • In-laws” You and your legacy will receive a special Legacy pin.

We are trying to update our Noble contact information. As fewer and fewer Nobles have a home telephone, or have moved residences, it’s harder to ensure you are receiving all the communication you are entitled. Anyone may go to our Temple website at, www.AraratShrine.com and under the membership tag, update your personal contact information. This will allow us to correctly ensure you are experiencing your Shrine experience to the fullest. Please include your email address.

I look forward to an exciting year in Membership. Thank you to all Units/Clubs that are attending the Monthly Membership meeting on the 4th Thursday at 7:00pm in the Sultan’s Lounge. You are making a difference and your contributions are duly noted.

Rod McGrath
Ararat Shrine Membership Chairman
816-651-7636
rmcgrath@kc.rr.com
www.BeaShrinerNow.com
www.ShrinersVillage.com

2013 Dues Reminder
A gentle reminder that the 2013 dues were payable by January 1, 2013. If you haven’t already remitted your dues, please do so at your earliest convenience. Remember, an up to date dues card is your passport to the Shrine Temple, Unit and Club Meetings and Temple Business Meetings. Don’t be delinquent. Keep your dues current and be a part of building the future of Ararat.

Membership Totals

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Total Gain (loss) = -9 -13

Total Membership = 2,907
as of February 25, 2013

Ararat Membership as of January 1, 2013 = 2,920

March 2 ...................................................... Mardi Gras
March 9 ..................................................... Richmond S.C. Chili Cook-Off
March 13 .................................................... Temple Meeting
March 16 .................................................... Chris Cakes Pancake Breakfast
March 16 .................................................... CPR/AED Class
March 23 .................................................... Denim & Diamonds Dance
March 30 .................................................... Potentate’s Ball
April 6 ....................................................... Ararat Shrine Yard Clean-Up
April 6 ....................................................... Ballroom Dance
April 6 ....................................................... LOS Installation
April 10 ..................................................... Temple Meeting
April 12 ..................................................... Swap Meet Set-Up
April 13 & 14 ........................................... Swap Meet
April 20 ..................................................... Ham Bash
April 25-27 ............................................. Scottish Rite Reunion at Scottish Rite Temple
April 27 ..................................................... Warsaw S.C. Crappie Tournament

ARARAT CLUB & RESTAURANT
OPEN, MONDAY-SATURDAY
4:00pm-10:00pm KITCHEN CLOSES AT 8:00pm

MONDAY-FRIED CHICKEN
MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY
CHIEF’S CHOICE OF VEGETABLE
- CHOICE OF SOUP OR SALAD
AND DINNER ROLL
$9.95

OR
BAKED FISH
MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY
CHIEF’S CHOICE OF VEGETABLE
- CHOICE OF SOUP OR SALAD
AND DINNER ROLL
$10.95

TUESDAY-TACO SALAD
$8.00

OR
FOUR TACOS
$8.00

THURSDAY-ALL YOU CAN EAT
BINGO BUFFET
$10.95

FRIDAY-STEAK NIGHT
DAILY DESSERTS
CHEF’S CHOICE OF FRUIT PIE
WITH ICE CREAM
$2.00

DAILY DRINK SPECIALS
ASK OUR BARTENDER OR SERVER.

CATERING AND BANQUET INFO.
PHONE: (816) 923-1995
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WEBSITE: WWW.ARARATSHRINE.COM
Wine faults can be as simple as oxidation -- a lack of fruit and freshness, and sometimes a brown color, resulting from overexposure to oxygen -- or they can be much more complicated. The most important thing is to be able to spot a faulty wine, and not to confuse true faults with other non-faulty flavors and aromas.

Faults are usually obvious to the nose. If a wine is badly oxidized, one whiff is all you need. But remember, faulty wines are not bad. Sometimes faults can be barely noticeable. The nose may just seem flat, without the liveliness and aroma you would expect. Perhaps the wine is slightly oxidized, or slightly faulty in some other way. But beware of confusing this with a wine that doesn’t have much of a nose anyway. Spotting marginal faults such as these is largely a matter of practice.

After enough practice, you probably won’t mind rejecting a wine that isn’t really faulty.

We've mentioned vinegary wines when we mentioned acidity. Those wines are contaminated with acetobacter bacteria, which is precisely the stuff you want if you are in the vinegar-making business. It’s easy to spot an overly acidic wine, because of the vinegar tang.

More common faults are those that result in a musty smell. These can be caused by a variety of factors, from oxidation to a bacterial infection. Wines that smell “musty” may be affected by a type of yeast called Brettanomyces.

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Nobody Told Me!
BY STEVE DOWDY

As a whole, the entire American public has become more casual in all respects. Almost every company now has some form of “Casual Friday” where workers are allowed to wear clothing that is not as sophisticated as the stereotypical “Business Suit.”

The Shrine is no different. We once wore business suits or Unit uniforms to Temple meetings and ceremonials, and usually even Unit and Club meetings. Now, we see jeans, tennis shoes, and tee-shirts at all manner of functions. It’s not necessarily a bad thing, it’s just different.

I also notice a tendency to avoid wearing the fez when we do things that are not formal Shrine functions. I see a lot of ball caps, most with some form of insignia, at Unit and Club Shrine functions. I see a lot of ball caps, most with some form of insignia, at Unit and Club meetings, parades, and the circus. I recognize that Unit and Club uniforms and parade costumes frequently include headgear other than fezzes, and those things are allowed and encouraged by Imperial directives. Hard helmets on motorcycle riders are a prime example.

Still, most of us should wear fezzes when attending functions where you want to be recognized as a Shriner. Ball caps are not recognized by Imperial as official Shrine headwear, and should be worn at only the most casual events.

In my attendance at various meetings, I see a lot of disregard for recognized Shrine Protocol, too. I doubt that this disregard is caused by lack of respect, it’s simply because most of us don’t know Shrine Protocol. However, there is hope! An abbreviated list of protocol items is included in the calendar book that all of us should have, and Imperial publishes a more complete pamphlet that will soon be available from our Temple office.

I find it amazing that so many of our members, from all Temples, don’t know the words to the Shrine Pledge of Allegiance. It’s in the calendar book and it’s much the same as the traditional pledge, with only two changes.

When the Divan Liaison Officer, or the ranking Temple officer speaks at the end of our meetings, he should be the last speaker. We should not interrupt him, nor talk about anything after he talks. The meeting should be adjourned. Many of us, including me, frequently ask questions, voice our own concerns, and tell jokes during and after his words.

Most of us have no idea how to arrange the seating at a banquet head table. That’s all laid out in that protocol booklet that I mentioned earlier.

Potentates and Past Potentates should be addressed as “Illustrious Sir.” It’s not supposed to be “Pete”, “Illustrious Past Potentate,” or “Past Illustrious Sir.”

All of this stuff is probably completely unimportant, but I still like the dignity of the Shrine. I’d like to see us show a little more respect for our fraternity and its movers & shakers. I think more adherence to protocol and good manners would go a long way towards combating the public attitude of Shriners as hard partying playboys, and furthering the image of men who are serious about helping kids.

Perhaps the more casual attitude is helpful in attracting younger members, and it’s obvious that tee-shirt and jeans doesn’t mean lack of good intentions and dedication. It’s just that those who don’t know us may not know our soul. We all know that we are men of integrity and honor. Let’s try to look and act like we are proud to be Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

ATTENTION ALL TRADESMEN OF ARARAT SHRINE

In the interest of maintaining our facility, we are looking to establish a list of qualified tradesmen to volunteer for projects necessary for the upkeep and preventive maintenance of the Ararat facility. If you are qualified in air conditioning, refrigeration, electrical, carpentry, flooring, plumbing, plastering, painting or any other building trade, we would like to hear from you.

There will be a Building Committee formed and this committee will coordinate the necessary projects for the Temple. If you are interested, please provide your name, contact information, project of availability and area of expertise to the Business Office. We thank you in advance for your willingness to be involved in the preservation of your Ararat building.

IN MEMORIAM

NOBLES WHOSE LIVES

We Celebrate!

The Officers and Nobles of Ararat Shrine express their sincere sympathy to the families and friends of these departed Nobles:

LOUIS W. BRITTINGHAM, JR.
Lakebay, WA
4/13/1932 – 8/7/2012
Created in Ararat – 11/20/1964

GERALD A. WAGONER
Warrensburg, MO
2/19/1936 – 1/22/2013
Created in Ararat – 8/14/1982

ANDREW J. RAY
Harrisonville, MO
4/24/1932 – 1/26/2013
Created in Ararat – 11/5/1994

JACK L. BERLAU
Prairie Village, KS
3/5/1928 – 1/28/2013
Created in Ararat – 11/4/1955

WILLIAM D. EDWARDS
Kansas City, MO
7/20/1924 – 1/31/2013
Created in Ararat – 4/14/1951

RICHARD L. YOUNG
Independence, MO
9/21/1930 – 2/5/2013
Created in Ararat – 11/24/1973

DAYLE P. LINDSEY
Harrisonville, MO
8/8/1938 – 2/7/2013
Created in Ararat – 8/21/1999

CHARLES F. WATKINS
Gladstone, MO
1/15/1927 – 2/14/2013
Created in Ararat – 11/21/1981

CHARLES R. GATES
Pittsfield, IL
1/27/1918 – 2/11/2013
Created in Ararat – 5/31/1975

ROBERT G. RILEY
Drexel, MO
2/17/1934 – 2/12/2013
Created in Ararat – 11/27/1971

JAMES M. TAYLOR
Lee’s Summit, MO
11/30/1920 – 2/12/2013
Created in Ararat – 11/29/1952

JAMES H. BRAND
Kearney, MO
12/22/1921 – 2/14/2013
Created in Ararat – 6/19/1971

AL COHEN P.P.
Leawood, KS
1/15/1927 – 2/14/2013
Created in Ararat – 5/16/1959
May 2010

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Please note picture with Legion of hungry Shriners. We also treat Master Clarence Kirby followed by a
ing ceremonies for our Shrine Club, we get Noble Bill Fickle at the helm just get better.
meeting. To begin with, our meetings with our Recorder, Mike Wheeler. Upon enter-
ger surprise was to be greeted by Ill. Sir what a super extravaganza. An even big-
all four of us visited the Swap Meet. Wow, super impressive, you could hear a
Jordan Mitchell, a member of DeMolay, and it's always a pleasure to put out the old
BSSC welcome mat for any and all temple
want you to come and join us. See photo
a talented young man.

Today Jennie's brother Kenny and his
They always say, "April Showers Bring
May Flowers." Well, here it is April 10th,
Pres. Bill Fickle &
Marguerite Merryman, & Pat Stansell

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Brothers,
Here are the directions to sign in to Shrine's Village. This is a site designed for Shriners, by the Imperial Shrine and is about EVERYTHING Shrine! Here you will be able to order Temple supplies, hear the Imperial Sir and his Lady's message, watch videos, stay abreast of the latest news and events and keep current of all Hospital happenings. It truly is a tremendous site for all Shrine's. Log on today and enjoy!

I have also included how to become a virtual mentor. This is a program whereby you can get information about people interested in Masonry or becoming a Shriner in your area. You DO NOT teach them over the internet. You will receive their contact information and you can call them. Interested candidates will be paired by location and interests. Make yourself accessible to mentoring prospective Nobles by signing up at Shrine's Village. Remember, at Ararat Temple, when you top line sign 2 candidates in one year your Temple dues are paid! Sign up today!

How to log in to Shrine's Village

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Imperial Session in Kansas City -- June 3-4-5

BY JIMMIE R. JONES, REPORTER

Yes, The Imperial Session June 3-4-5 was held in Kansas City in 1924. This was the Fiftieth Annual Session -- Golden Jubilee -- of the Imperial Council of A.A.O.N.S.

This reporter has been given an original Official Program that was presented to all Shriners at the convention by Ararat Temple for this session. This program is eighty-nine (89) years old.

After review of the program of events for the session, we thought you would like to know some of the things that were presented, a little about Ararat Temple, Kansas City and the Shrine in 1924.

The program is four inches wide and nine inches in height, and forty-eight pages of information. The program is showing its age, a little faded and coming apart but very interesting.

Ararat Potentate at that time was Fred O. Woods and the Imperial Potentate Conrad V. Dykeman.

Now for some of the convention highlights: Registration was at the Convention Hall, 13th and Central. General office of Ararat was suite 120 in the Hotel Baltimore. There were thirty general chairs of committees to oversee the session. There were one hundred five temples registered. Phone numbers at that time had two letters and four numbers. Ex: Police HA9800. Parking was twenty five cents for up to four hours or one dollar for all day.

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Sunday June 1: Band concerts from Islam Temple from San Francisco, Murat Temple from Indianapolis and Al Malekah Temple from Los Angeles. A baseball game at the Muehlebach Field, the Kansas City Blues was the team at the time. Tickets were available at Jenkins Music and Woolf Bros Goods Co.

Monday June 2: Band concerts, Chanters concerts and Broadcasting all day.

Tuesday June 3: Parade starting at 9AM., "Moolah vs Ararat". In the evening a "Civic Pageant" and at 11PM Theatre and Vaudeville performances, midnight street dancing. All free to Nobles and their Ladies.

Wednesday June 4:
Massed Band and Chanter concerts, Trap Shooting, Theatre performances, automobile rides around city, Steamboat rides on the Missouri River for Nobles and their Ladies, Shrine Night Parade, Fireworks and street dancing at midnight. All free to Nobles and their Ladies.

Thursday June 5:
Imperial business meeting, Temple, Club and Unit luncheons, Baseball game.

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There were a total of three parades, cars for Imperial officers use. A fireworks display that was second to none with hundreds exploding at the same time. There were six hundred Provost on duty at any one time. There were ten Golf and Country Clubs available for Shrine use, with nine still in operation in 2013.

The program tells of many interesting things about Kansas City. Eighty-six thousand people contributed two million dollars for the construction of the Liberty Memorial under construction at the time. Kansas City covered fifty-eight square miles and had a population of three hundred sixty thousand.

This article covered only a small part of the program and events for the Imperial Session.

I hope you enjoyed reading about the Imperial Session of 1924. This original program will be donated to the Ararat archives or sent to Imperial for safe keeping.

There have been many more Imperial Sessions since 1924. We have a proud history to live up to.

Doesn't it make you proud to say you are a member of Ararat Temple?

It does me.
February Temple Meeting Notes

BY STEVE DOWDY, PHOTOS BY CLAYTON RILEY

Illustrious Sir Wayne Spencer called the February, 2013, meeting to order at 7:37 pm, February 13, 2013 in Bennett Auditorium.

Assistant Rabban Clarence Kirby, overcoming a microphone malfunction, informed the Captain of the Guard that the Potentate was about to open Ararat Temple for business, who, in turn, informed the Outer Guard.

Captain of the Guard Jerry Grimes responded that the Temple was under a double and trusty guard.

The Assistant Rabban informed the Potentate that our Temple was under a double and trusty guard.

Chief Rabban Maurice Camerlynck perused the assembled attendees and informed the Potentate that our Temple was free from jeopardy as there were none present save members of our order. The Potentate replied that “It is well.”

Oriental Guide Randy Berry prepared the Altar.

Chaplain Loyd Gentry was recovering from a pacemaker implantation, so High Priest and Prophet Steve Johnson remembered our Nobles who had been visited by the Black Camel and gave the invocation.

The Legion of Honor presented the colors. The assembled Nobles, led by the Chief Rabban, recited the Shrine Pledge of Allegiance.

Noble Jacque Moté led us in singing the National Anthem.

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Noble Possum Belly moved to dispense with reading of the Minutes of the January meeting. An objection was raised by a Noble, and, after some discussion, the motion was defeated.

Recorder Mike Wheeler then read the Minutes of the January Temple Meeting.

The Potentate called for reading of Petitions for Creation and Affiliation. The Recorder read one Petition for Creation and one for Affiliation, both of which were approved by ballot of the assembled Nobles.

Recorder Mike Wheeler read five Petitions for Restoration, which are a matter of record. There were no Demits, and only two Remissions.

Treasurer Nick Baldi gave the Treasurer’s Report. Some changes have been made, resulting in a savings to the Temple. For the month of January, revenues exceeded expenses, and the Temple is solvent. The Restaurant showed a loss for the month.

The Jackson County Shrine Club made a contribution to the Hospital Transportation Fund.

The Ballroom Dance Shrine Club purchased a patio brick in memory of Noble Ted Cox, and also contributed to the Cornerstone Fund.

The 2005 Potentates Aides donated leftover funds to the General Fund in honor of Illustrious Sir Hank DeVry, 2005 Potentate.

The Provost Club made a donation to the Shriners Children’s Hospital in memory of Noble Hal Smith.

The Membership Committee donated the proceeds from sales of 1361 CD’s at a Kid Rock concert. Kid Rock donated the profit from the sales effort, and the concert goers donated a total of $564.00 to the St. Louis Hospital.

The Houn Dawg Shrine Club made a contribution to the Hospital Transportation Fund.

No visitors were present.

Chief Rabban Maurice Camerlynck reported that he was unable to negotiate a favorable agreement to move our circus to Kemper Arena. The Top Fund Raiser for the 2013 Circus, with a minimum of $7,500.00 collected, will be rewarded with a vacation at Tan Tara Resort on Lake Ozark. Insulated tumblers commemorating the Shrine Circus are on sale to raise money for the Circus. Mom & Dad Circus Pins are now available for purchase, and sales are going good. In the interest of protecting the interests of Ararat Shrine, the Diwan has decided to reduce the commission paid to Units and Clubs on Circus money raised. For the last five years, the Temple has shared the money equally with the Units and Clubs.

Assistant Rabban announced that the 2013 Swap Meets will be held in Lathrop, Missouri. A group of Nobles and Divan members laid out our exhibition spaces, and were impressed with the site and the support offered by the people of Lathrop. We are going to need a lot of “haulers” for these Swap Meets.

High Priest & Prophet Steve Johnson reported that Vidalia Onions will definitely be sold by Shriners this year. The selling price will be $10.00 per bag, with a cost to Units and Clubs of $7.00 per bag. Our goal is to sell 11,000 bags this year.

Oriental Guide Randy Berry said that we will not have an Ararat Gun Show this year; we will have a Gun Show at Ararat Temple. The entire show will be produced by an independent promoter, who will rent our building. We will also handle the food concession.

Bingo Chairman Buck Johnson said that Bingo was going along good. As usual, he presented last month’s profits to the General Fund. The players also donated $800.00 to the Hospital Transportation Fund.

High Priest & Prophet Steve Johnson gave the benediction and the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

for the “10 Million Charity Miles” – we won, but we don’t know anything more, except that we will get some. We also made several trips to St. Louis.

Membership Chairman Rod McGrath announced that the Membership Team has been busy. We have initiated a Membership Meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month. There is a Masonic Study Club meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month. And, a Masonic Lodge at Ararat is progressing; now taking the last steps to fruition. Lodge Tee shirts will be for sale soon. Please invite your Lodge to our Study Club.

Uniformed Unit Director Don Pittier said that our Parade season will start at Missouri City and Richmond on the first Saturday in May. We have a total of thirteen parades scheduled for this year. If you expect to drive your vehicle in a parade, you must have an insurance sticker, obtained from the Temple office. Assistant Directors will NOT have the stickers at parades.

Noble Jim Kerns, who wears several hats, reported that he had met with the Kansas City Track Club, and we now have seven opportunities to earn money and have fun by helping at various runs about town. Please volunteer to help.

Remember, this year’s Potentate’s Ball will be held on March 23, at Holiday Inn CoCo Key Resort. Rooms may be reserved at the special rate of $99.00.

The Ladies Oriental Shrine will hold a Pancake Breakfast on March 19. The proceeds will be divided equally between the LOS and Ararat Shrine.

The Greeters will sponsor the 2013 Denim and Diamonds dance on March 30.

Two Nobles of our order will celebrate their 104th birthday this year. Noble Russ Swanson, who lives in Sabetha, KS, and Noble Charles W. Marshall of Portland, OR, will reach this milestone.

Illustrious Sir Wayne recognized Emeriti Members Bill Foley, Circus Chairman; Don Woods, Recorder; John McLaughlin, Director; and BillLtman, Provost Marshal.

Past Potentates were recognized, and Ill. Sir Fred Harle, P.P., suggested that we send an e-mail to those that we don’t see, and invite them to attend meetings. He specifically mentioned Ill. Sirs, Howard McHenry and George Ryan.

Noble George Thompson won the 50/50 drawing, and donated his half to the General Fund.

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Pipes and Drums

The Pipes and Drums of Ararat Shrine had the honor of piping in our new Illustrious Potentate, Wayne Spencer, at the January monthly meeting. Pipers Brian Thompson, Ian Evans, Keith Marler, and Neil Mardis along with drummers Bob Zolotar and Ben Kenney played the rousing tune, Bonnie Dundee. This 6/8 march with its upbeat melody is a popular tune among pipers, but just who was Bonnie Dundee?

John Graham, 7th Laird of Claverhouse, 1st Viscount Dundee was a Scottish nobleman born July 21, 1648. Graham began his military career serving in Lockhart’s Scots Regiment in Holland in support of the French king, Louis XIV. Distinguishing himself abroad, he returned to Scotland in 1678 and was charged by Charles II with suppressing illegal Presbyterian meetings in southwest Scotland. Winning the support of his troops and the displeasure of the nobility, he was an advocate for the rights of the ordinary soldier. His abilities as a leader were undeniable, though, and after Charles’ death he continued to rise in rank, eventually being made Viscount of Dundee by James VII.

With little time to enjoy his new position, Graham was quickly faced with the “Glorious Revolution”. The daughter of James VII, Mary, and her husband William III overthrew the Stuart king who fled England. Remaining loyal to his king, Graham raised the Scottish Royal Standard and joined the Jacobite cause. Using his military appointment as commander of all Scottish forces and his exceptional diplomacy, the Laird of Claverhouse persisted for months, hoping that James VII would return from Ireland to rally his Jacobite supporters and regain the throne.

All of Claverhouse’s efforts would come to an end at the Battle of Killiecrankie in July of 1689. Facing a much larger Williamite army led by Hugh Mackay, Claverhouse’s skill and tactics ensured a victory for his Highlanders. Leading a charge down a hill at sunset, Graham was shot from his saddle. As he lay dying, Claverhouse is said to have asked a soldier how the battle was ensuing. The soldier replied, “Well for King James, but I am sorry for your lordship.” With his final breath, Claverhouse replied, “It goes with all men, it matters less for me.”

Although the Jacobites did not succeed in restoring James VII to the throne, the deeds of John Graham were immortalized. His handsome features led some to call him “Bonnie”. His opponents, struck more by his military skill, favored “Bloody Clavers”. Legends of his actions quickly grew, some even saying that he was impervious to lead and was only killed by a bullet because it drove a silver button from his coat into his body. Now remembered in song, poem, and pipe tune, John Graham (a.k.a. Bonnie Dundee) lives on.

Keep an eye out for future stories about the tunes and legends which make the music of the Great Highland Bagpipe so enduring. Any Noble interested in learning more about piping or drumming is encouraged to attend the meetings and practices of our unit. As always, newcomers are welcome and instruction is available. Look for the band in the upcoming St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Lawrence, KS!

Happy Birthday from the Divan and Nobility of Ararat Shrine

Name | Birthday
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TRENT DELMONT | 8-Mar
DAVY MASON | 8-Mar
SHUBERT ROBERTS | 8-Mar
CLEATUS ODELL | 8-Mar
ARTHUR STODDARD | 8-Mar
CLAYE CAMPBELL | 8-Mar
VERL POUGE | 8-Mar
KEVIN SPIELMANN | 8-Mar
WILBER SPALDING | 8-Mar
DELBERT MCCURTNER | 8-Mar
LAWN EITEL | 9-Mar
HARRY LAUGHMAN | 10-Mar
KENNETH BARR | 10-Mar
JOHN MEADOWS | 10-Mar
LYNN KEMPER BALLOW | 10-Mar
ALLAN BAKER | 10-Mar
MICHAEL DELAHUNTY | 10-Mar
EUGENE SOLOFF | 10-Mar
DAVID BROWN | 10-Mar
WILLIAM NUGENT | 10-Mar
ALLDER MAZE | 10-Mar
HENRY SPRAGUE | 10-Mar
DAVID MICHAEL | 10-Mar
PAUL LEWIS | 10-Mar
RAY ALLEN | 10-Mar
WILLIAM LOEHR | 11-Mar
JACK REESE | 11-Mar
ROBERT YOULLIN | 11-Mar
VIRGIL LINGRE | 11-Mar
MARK TINNEY | 11-Mar
RUSSELL COOKSEY | 11-Mar
GARY LEABO | 11-Mar
MICHAEL RILEY | 12-Mar
DENNIS ADAMS | 12-Mar
LEE SCRIBNER | 12-Mar
JOHN TRAINER | 12-Mar
ROBERT PETERS | 12-Mar
ROBERT JENKINS | 12-Mar
JAMES BAYNE | 12-Mar
PAUL ROEBUCK | 12-Mar
RONALD NUTTER | 12-Mar
DAVID STRAUCH | 13-Mar
LARRY SHIVELY | 13-Mar
JIMMIE LEACH | 13-Mar
ZACHARY HILL | 13-Mar
BOYD OWENS | 13-Mar
DEAN SUTHERLAND | 13-Mar
CHARLES SWEENEY | 13-Mar
RITCHIE DAVIS | 13-Mar
EDWARD OLSON | 14-Mar
ROBERT DARBY | 14-Mar
EDWARD WOMACK | 14-Mar
STUART CLARK | 14-Mar
STEVEN FETONOS | 15-Mar
DOUG BLODGERT | 15-Mar
DANIEL HOSTETLER | 15-Mar
GERALD FREEMAN | 15-Mar
JAMES PIPPIN | 15-Mar
ORAN WHISLER | 15-Mar
JOSEPH TRITICO | 15-Mar
DARRELL STONE | 16-Mar
GEORGE HECK | 16-Mar
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CHRISTOPHER SLEDD | 16-Mar
GABRIEL BUSER | 16-Mar
GEORGE WILLARD | 16-Mar
HAROLD HARDEN | 16-Mar
HOWARD STARK | 16-Mar
KALE PAYNE | 16-Mar
ROBERT ROJAS | 18-Mar
BERT TORREY | 18-Mar
CHARLES BENNER | 18-Mar
RALPH LIBERTY | 18-Mar
LAWRENCE LYONS | 18-Mar
TODD HARGRAVE | 18-Mar
DOUGLAS WALTERS | 18-Mar
CHARLES WISONG | 18-Mar
GARRY HOYER | 18-Mar
SHAWN TAUBERT | 18-Mar
CHRISTOPHER DRAISEY | 18-Mar
BRIAN THRUSTON | 18-Mar
EDWARD WEGER | 18-Mar
WILLIAM THOMAS | 18-Mar
EVALD LOFGREN | 19-Mar
THOMAS PARR | 19-Mar
LAVERE BRAUCHT | 19-Mar
JAMES EDWARD RYAN | 20-Mar
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DAVID WAYNE BURTON | 31-Mar
TRAVIS HARGRAVE | 31-Mar
WALTER BRUENS | 31-Mar
Jackson County Shrine Club

Greetings from the little club that could! It’s been a while since our last article, so let’s catch up on a few things. Our Christmas Dinner, New Year’s Eve Party and Valentine’s Dinner/Dance were all a rousing success.

The Treasurer has asked me to remind you that some Nobles have yet to pay their dues. Apparently there is some confusion as to our mailing address so here it is: Jackson County Shrine Club, PO Box 121, Independence, MO 64051.

Now that we’re caught up, on to March’s fun. First on the list is our Annual Spring Runnagle Sale. The sale will run from March 1st thru 10th. We will be accepting donations at this time. Christina Boynton will be happy to help with any questions or donations at 816-616-9553. On Saturday, March 16th, the Fun-Cor will ride in the Independence St. Patrick’s Day Parade. The parade starts at 3 pm, so bring the kids out and cheer us on! Sunday, March 31st, will be our Annual Easter Breakfast. We will also have an Easter Egg Hunt. So bring an appetite, the little ones, and an egg basket and come down!

To jump head to April, Friday the 19th is Family Fun Nite from 6-9 pm. We will be serving wings and fries for $5.00. As some like their wings hot, and some not, the wings will be seasoned to taste.

Don’t forget our next meeting is on Tuesday, March 26th, at Jackson County Shrine Club, where the dues are cheap and the fun is priceless.

Mini Model T’s

A s we forge into the new year, let us stop and remember what is going on around us. March is a full month of things going on. By the time you read this Mardis Gras has already happened and we are moving on into the month. March 5th is the Mini Model T’s meeting. It is held on the first Tuesday of the month. On the tenth we will spring forward one hour. It is on Sunday but be sure to set your clocks and alarms to help get you up on time on Monday. St. Patrick’s Day is on Sunday the 17th. While we will not be parading, there will be parading and partying enough for all.

Speaking of partying, don’t forget the Potentate’s Ball on March 23rd. This is the siesta so- cial event of the season here at Ararat. All of the ladies will want to attend. The Ararat news has all of the particulars. We hope to see you there. The T’s may have a table reserved, depending on how many of us are going to attend this year. The Ball is usually quite a gathering. Good times are had by all at this event. A good showing from the members would go a long way to show the Potentate what the Mini Model T’s are about.

After the Ball, it is just over a month before our first call-out parade in Richmond. The Mini T’s have traditionally been a crowd pleaser with us weaving and waving through the streets of town in our little black and red cars. If you would like to drive or ride through the parade instead of marching, give our Di- rector, Jared Hargrave or our President, Jamie Blackburn a call to set up a time for you and your lady to come to one our meetings and get to know us. You will find that we are a bunch of fun loving guys. The members are also very family oriented. When we para- rade or have a social event it is for the whole family. From the whole unit, we hope to see you soon.

Warsaw S.C.

W e want to welcome all of our fellow Nobles and Ladies to join us in the won- derful life we enjoy in the Truman Lake area. Our club is buzzing with excitement about our upcoming spring and summer projects. As you know, you will feel comfortable and welcome when you visit our club.

We are planning, advertising, and putting the finishing touches on our annual Warsaw Shrine Club Crappie Tournament. This event will launch from the Long Shoal Marina on April 27th at 7:00 a.m. Contestants will be allowed to trailer their boats to other launch sites for this tournament. The entry fee is $90.00 per boat with a 70% payback and a $10.00 fee with 100% payback for big fish. We would love to see you there trying your luck for our cause. Should you have any questions about this tournament please contact Bill Yardley at (816) 769-2479 or send him an email at threefootley@aol.com.

We are excited to welcome the Mounted Guard and all of the bass fisherman for the bass tournament on May 4th and May 5th. Our club will be open on May 3rd for registration and a rules meeting. I will have more information on this event next month.

As always we are excited to see all of the Nobles and their Ladies on Saturday, June 8th for our Jubilee Days Parade. We will be kicking off the weekend on Friday night with food and enter- tainment, lunch will be provided on Saturday after the parade. Please mark your calendars for these exciting events. Summer is just around the corner and that is when the action starts in our neck of the woods. Please be safe and I will send you more news next month about the upcoming exciting events at our club.
Ararat Ladies Without Nobles
BY DOROTHY BREECE, SCRIBE

A LWN was called to order by Vice President, Donna Morgan. Elaine Graham gave our devotional “About a Special Person.” We had three new members, Lea Johnson, Agnes Everett and Mamie Robinson. Jerilee Poteet was at home with pneumonia. Lady Joanie Rucker installed the officers for year 2013. They are as follows:

President – Donna Morgan
Vice President – Mary Goodman
Secretary – Barbara Greely

Some of our Ladies attended the Chili Cookoff. Until next time.

Ararat Needle Guild
BY JERRI DOWDY

T here has been an Ararat Needle Guild for 76 years. We like to make each year more productive with the help of any lady of the Shrine who can devote a few hours, two days a month, to help make items for the children. At this time, we try to supply six Shrine Hospitals with items to make a child’s hospital stay a little more pleasant.

Several of our ladies have had surgery or been ill recently, we hope that everyone is doing better and will be back soon.

Thank you Divan Ladies for the nice donation. Thank you Amateur Radio Club Ladies for the donation of tray favors.

Needle Guild meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month (except July, Aug. & Dec.) from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Bennett Auditorium. We also have a short business meeting, enjoy lunch and visit with each other while working to help the children of the Shrine Hospitals. We would love to see you at the next Needle Guild meeting.

Oriental Band
BY HANK W. KOONTZ

Greetings from the Oriental Band. It has been some time since we have had an article in the news. We had a lot to celebrate last year, making every parade, ceremonials, circus, callouts, and most important, the get togethers and practices we enjoyed together as a unit. Yes, our band came a long way in 2012. We wondered what we could do to top things off, and so far in 2013 we even remembered a way to do it! Remember FUN? With the spirit of our members and friends that have rode away on the Black Camel, we remember all the Fun and good times we all had together being Shriners and merry music makers, but more important, we were brothers that cared for each other and worked to solve any problem or situation we encountered. Oh the good old days! Well, guess what? The good old days are NOW.

We would like to welcome our newest members to our unit. Please give a warm greeting to Zach Beck, Mark Fisher and Wally French. Each of these nobles are new to Ararat and wanted to be involved in not just the Oriental Band, but the whole experience of being a Shriner. They are dedicated to the idea of fellowship and in trying to become the best they can be. Yes, we are very fortunate to have individuals such as this join our unit. Without a hesitation, they started to learn our sweet music and experience the Fun that we have to offer. We are also fortunate that we have the support of our Casbah Darlings. These ladies are the BEST!

What can we do to make things better? We would like to start seeing our old friends and band-mates start coming back. We have a lot of members that have not been to a practice or event in some time. We miss all of you. The old attitudes of the past are just that, the past. Our future is here and we are going to revel in it. The Fun and merriment the O.B. is known for is still here and always was here with every member responsible for our glorious reputation. If not for the ideas and dreams of each and every member, all cannot be achieved. Stop in at a practice and say hello to our newest members and get to know them and don’t forget to greet every member you meet as your brother. You are part of our family and we have not forgotten you. Practice is still on Monday nights. We have moved our start time to 7 P.M. to allow our members who work time to get here and maybe relax and visit before we start.

We would also like to thank and congratulate our new officers for 2013. Our Rajah will again be Bill Spotts; President, Jim Guillaume; Vice President, Hank Koontz, Treasurer, Brett Davis; Secretary, “Tut” McAfee and our Liaison Officer is Jim Waggoner. We also cannot forget to say thank you to our Potentate, Wayne Spencer for his support to our officers and unit.

We are happy to say WOW! to one of our longest members of the Oriental Band family. Noble Russ Swanson will turn an amazing 104 years young this month. Russ and his Lady Eula have been an inspiration to all of us. The O.B. would not be what is and has been without the support Russ has given us these many years. Keep them safe and in your prayers and give thanks that we are all blessed to know this couple. They have always loved the band and all of our Shriner kids. They are simply the BEST!

We are still planning on having a Mandarin Degree this summer. The planning is moving forward and if we can get committed cast members it will happen. If you have been to meet the Mandarin, and would like to help the band make this a night to remember, contact me at 816-520-0183 and I will have a place for you. Let’s make you meet the Mandarin, how could you not want your fellow nobles to experience the magic and mysteries while you get to see and help these brothers go through this degree? We have several other Temples who want us to show them the way so that they can take the Mandarin Degree back to their home turf for their fellow brothers to enjoy.

Since I have been talking Fun this article, I would like to share an experience that our fellow Bandmate Art Kinder and his Lady Janet were fortunate to experience. Art and Janet had a wonderful South American and Antarctica Holiday Trip that started in the middle of December 2012 to the middle of January 2013. They first flew to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and started on a cruise...off to Buenos Aires, Argentina; Montevideo Uruguay where they spent Christmas, then they traveled to the Falkland Islands.

They started the new year with 4 days cruising in the Antarctic Ocean, sailed through icebergs, saw mountains of lava and ice; then around Cape Horn to Ushuaia, Argentina (the southern most city in Argentina); through the Strait of Magellan; Punta Arenas, Chile; Monti, Chile; then docking at Valparaiso, Chile. They then bussed into Santiago, Chile seeing sites along the way before flying home. After 11,000 flying miles, 4,500 sea miles, it was a once in a lifetime trip. Art tells us that words cannot describe the impact of these majestic places...the sheer beauty was nearly unfathomable; from the size of the glaciers to the beauty of the wildlife, everything was fantastic. They said that this was a good bucket list addition. The band would like to welcome you young jetsetters home. We missed you.

Remember in the Oriental Band we promise to keep the drums a poundin and the musettes howling, and we also will make it FUN!
Harem News
BY JIM NORMAN, SCRIBE

Here is hoping everyone is doing well and ready for a prosperous and successful 2013! As we enter 2013 the Harem would like to welcome Glenn Hartley as our new director and Jeff Quibell as our liaison officer. Glenn brings enthusiasm and a wealth of experience to the position. Jeff will attend our monthly meetings and help the Harem successfully move ahead in 2013. Welcome aboard! I would also like to think Clayton Riley for his past work as our Director. Clayton did a lot of hard work and provided great leadership. We look forward to his continued involvement as our 2013 President.

Clayton’s wife Pat has recently been hospitalized. The Harem sends her our thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery. I recently spoke with Clayton and she is doing much better.

Due to inclement weather our holiday dinner had to be postponed. It has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 23rd in the Sultan’s Lounge at Ararat Shrine. The Harem will be ready for good times and good food at our party. A picture and a recap will be in next month’s article.

As always, all members who are interested in the Harem are welcome to join us on the fourth Wednesday of every month. We usually meet for dinner in the Ararat Restaurant around 6:00 pm and our meeting is at 7:00 pm. We would love to have all interested guests join us!

Blue Springs Shrine Club
BY FRED “FINGERS” HARLE P.P. ’82

By golly, here it is the month of March already and our Blue Springs Shrine Club is off and running. But before I get into the club activities I want to tell you about my birthday last month. Yep, that’s right February 8, 1924 I came into being in the big city of Independence, MO. I was born in the 2nd house from the corner of old Noland Road and East Lexington Street. Today there is a park there named Hiram Young Park. Hiram Young built those big Conestoga wagons for those settlers who wanted to travel out west where the prospect of gold was. Coming back to today, I want to tell you about an exciting event that happened on my birthday. Jennie and I had been out gallivanting around and when we arrived home I received a call from our Illus. Potentate Wayne Spencer, wishing me a Happy Birthday. Now I want to tell you that I have been a member of our Shrine Temple since 1951 and this is the first time something like this has happened. I want him to know how much his call was appreciated.

Now for some Blue Springs Club news. Our Noble President James Gargotta, with a loud rap from his gavel, brought a loud and noisy group of happy Shriners to attention at 7:00 pm and got the meeting started by calling upon Noble Dick Newport to give our opening prayer. Next our President James introduced those dignitaries seated at the head table: Noble Clarence Kirby, Asst. Rabban; Noble Jeff Quibell, 2nd Ceremonial Master: Noble Charley Swafford, Director of Shrine Clubs and Noble Bud Higginbotham, Ambassador to District II. All these handsome Shrine officers were accompanied by their pretty Ladies who were Joanie Rucker, Wanda Quibell, Rose Swafford and Carol Newport.

Noble Ed Stowell and pretty Lady Judy were with us this evening. And would you believe our good buddy Noble Louise Soin and pretty Lady Connie were with us this evening. Looks like Noble Louise is getting well. We missed our regular club Chaplain, Noble Don Meinse and pretty lady Roma. We will have to check on them.

I want to tell you that all of us present enjoyed a feast fit for a king. Our pretty Lady Mary Barker provided the entrée, and between her and Noble Bill Fickle you cannot find any better or delicious food this side of the moon.

Our club voted to give 10% of our income to Ararat Shrine. How about that! Noble Louise arose and addressed the club thanking those in attendance for all the wonderful support he received through his incapacitation. Don’t forget April 6 we are going to have a pancake breakfast. Important activities going on at the temple were discussed and Noble Kirby told us about the upcoming Swap Meet and said we could help out. So don’t be bashful, just come on out and they will find a place for you to work.

When you need encouragement remember these things: You are stronger than you realize. Life’s inevitable adversities call forth your courage. You have a lot of wisdom inside of you so turn it loose and I’ll just bet you will receive a great big “hug” from somebody you might least expect.

That’s all for this time, so come back and see me next time. I’ll be looking for you and my hug!!!

Warsaw Shrine Club 2013 Crappie Tournament
RULES
1. TRAILERING (TRUMAN LAKE ONLY)
2. NO TROLLING (SPIDERFISHING)
3. LIFE JACKETS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES BIG MOTOR RUNNING
4. KILL SWITCHES ON IF SO EQUIPPED.
5. NO FISHING WITHIN 50 YARDS OF A PUBLIC DOCK, MARINA OR OTHER CONTESTANTS ANCHORED BOAT.
6. WE WILL WEIGH 7 FISH PER BOAT.
7. BOAT NUMBERS MUST BE DISPLAYED AT ALL TIMES.
8. LIVE OR ARTIFICIAL BAIT MAY BE USED.
9. LATE FEE OF $10.00 PER BOAT DAY OF TOURNAMENT
10. NO LATE CHECK IN AT END OF TOURNAMENT.
11. BOATER MUST FURNISH A COPY OF HIS CURRENT BOAT PERSONAL LIABILITY
12. IN CASE OF A TIE EARLIEST ENTRY RECEIVED WINS.

INJURY AND OR DAMAGE INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS TOURNAMENT. WE HAVE ENCLOSED THE COMPLETED ENTRY FORM AND FEE TO WARSAW SHRINE CLUB C/O BILL YARDLEY 14695 DAWSON RD. WARSAW, MO. 65355

WARSAW SHRINE CLUB CRAPPIE TOURNAMENT
YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A SHRINER TO FISH
WHEN: APRIL 27, 2013
WHERE: TRUMAN LAKE LONG SHOAL MARINA & RESTAURANT
TIME: 7:00 AM THRU 3:00 PM
ENTRY FEE: $90.00 PER BOAT (2 People) 70% PAYBACK. 1 PLACE PAID PER 6 BOATS ENTERED
BIG FISH $10.00 PER BOAT 100% PAYBACK.

LONG SHOAL MARINA AND RESTAURANT WILL OPEN EARLY TO SERVE BREAKFAST, ALONG WITH ANY SUPPLIES, GAS, OIL, BAIT OR SNACKS. THEY MAY BE REACHED AT 660-438-2841. THE REPAIR SHOP WILL BE OPEN AT 9:00 AM FOR ANY BOAT PROBLEMS OR EQUIPMENT YOU MAY NEED. PHONE 660-438-3030.

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Sandbuggie Unit
BY MARTIN CARIGNAN, SCRIBE

The Sandbuggie Families are having cabin fever. The Rushton’s and Carignan’s spent a week in Cancun enjoying the warm weather. Larry and Kay Schroeder are spending time in Texas. The Wills, Teters and Nelsons visited the Schroeders in Texas, spending time with them and enjoying the warmth of the South.

The February meeting was held at the Temple on Valentine’s Day taking advantage of the Sweetheart dinner for two. What a great meal and a good time had by all.

Dave Rushton spent a week at Centerpoint Hospital getting a few things tuned up and is now home recuperating.

After a health scare in December, Tom Northrup is up and running and I might add looking chipper. Keep up the good work Tom.

Nobles out there that would like to become a member of a motorized unit and ride in parades, contact Ernie Wills at (660) 641-2504, or any member of the unit. We have several nice buggies for sale.

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A Message from the Imperial Potentate

February 2013
Dear Shrine Masons,

Our fraternity was founded as an organization where Master Masons could share fun and fellowship, while still adhering to and promoting the Masonic ideals of brotherhood, relief and truth.

So we ask you to please promote more family fun, more fellowship and more brotherly love in your temple activities and in your relationships with your local Masonic lodges and fellow Masons.

Speaking of fun and fellowship, don’t forget to sign up for the cruise to Russia – we would love to have you join us for the Shrine Russian trip starting on May 30th. On the bottom page of Shriner’s village (on the right side) there is a link to ShrinersCruise.com, where you will find all the details.

Membership continues to be our number one priority, and needs to be the top priority at all 195 Shrine temples!

We have too few temples showing positive gains, and many with membership decreasing below 1,000. We can turn this decline around, but it will take extra effort, with each one of us focusing on recruiting, retaining and mentoring both the nobles and the ladies.

It is very upsetting to see our membership numbers drop below 300,000, as they have in this year.

It also makes me very sad to report that, so far, we have not been able to bring about a resolution to the situation with our Masonic brothers in Arkansas and South Carolina.

We want to assure you this is not due to a lack of trying to negotiate with the Grand Masters of these two states by the leadership of Shriner International.

We have good relationships with the majority of the Grand Masters. In fact, at last year’s Imperial Session we had 24 Grand Masters and Past Grand Masters on the stage with me when I asked the representatives to table item #6 on the call, which was a request by Arkansas Shriners to separate from the Grand Lodge of Arkansas. The Grand Masters present at last year’s Imperial Session all promised to work with Shriner International to solve the issue in Arkansas, which has, apparently, been festering for over a decade. Of course, we will continue to work toward a solution, but we are concerned that the issue could become a serious problem at the 139th Imperial Session in Indianapolis.

The reality is that these disputes – and this one is complex, but basically centers around which organization’s bylaws (Shriners International or the local Grand Lodge) must be followed in specific circumstances involving members – damage both organizations.

The base of Master Masons that Shrinehood has to draw from in these two states continues to decrease at an alarming rate:

1. Arkansas – 1990 = 38,929 - less loss of 24,500 2012= 14,429 members (loss of 63%)

In fact the number of Masons has declined, just like the number of Shriners. We might all do well to focus on strengthening one another, and on our positive missions and goals for the sake of the future.

We talk a lot about our bonds of brotherhood – We suggest that be our main focus as we work to solve our differences and increase our memberships.

Remember that “failure is NOT an option” to bringing peace and harmony to ALL Grand Lodges!

There will be plenty of fun, fellowship and brotherly love at the 139th Imperial Session in Indianapolis. Our amazing Shrine clowns will lead the parade on July 1st.

We are hoping to set a world record for the most clowns in a parade. To do that, we need to break the current record of 850! Shrine lady clowns are also welcome to participate and help set a new world record!

So temple leadership, please help get your clown units to the parade in Indianapolis... let’s give the public a great time and showcase all our wonderful clowns!

Of course, we continue to travel extensively to be on hand for the many important events involving our great fraternity and philanthropy.

After the Rose Bowl parade in California, we traveled to the donor development seminar in Tampa, Fla. Committee Chairman Gene Bracewell and Vice Chair Jeff Sowder, along with Home Office staff Stroh and Jenna Taylor put on an outstanding seminar for the temple and hospital representatives.

This was followed by the 88th East-West Shrine Game, held at Tropicana Field in St. Peters burg, Fla. on Saturday, January 19th. If you did not attend the game or watch it on the NFL Network you missed an outstanding event. We want to again thank the coaches, players, staff and volunteers for their months of hard work that ensured such a successful weekend.

We also want to recognize PP Bob Burr, aka “Nickels the Clown” for attending his 26th consecutive shrine bowl game dressed as a football player. Our two Patient Ambassadors, Hunter Woodhall and Jérémy Gabri el, represented us well in their interactions with the general public, as well as with the nobility and their ladies.

Lady Jan and I were also very proud of the Oasis Shriners patrol color guard’s presentation of the flags of the countries with a Shriner presence. The color guard was led by Captain Peter Schuetz and First Lieutenant Bob Saye.

The Leadership Conference, attended by chairmen and vice chairmen of the hospital Boards of Governors, chiefs of staff, administrators, directors of patient care services, directors of fiscal services, Joint Board members, and executive vice presidents and vice presidents from home office was held in Tampa, following the East-West Shrine Game. There was great discussion and teamwork as we worked toward important decisions for our organizations.

Next, we attended the Texas Shrine Association mid-winter meeting on South Padre Island. President Richard McNabb did an outstanding job. Imperial Sirs Jerry Gant and Jim Smith were in attendance, along with their Ladies, Lisa and Alice. The Oriental Guidelines provided a lot of entertainment and raised hundreds of dollars for the hospitals.

Finally, we traveled to Mexico to visit our Mexico City hospital, which means so much to the families in that area, and to attend the installation of the 2013 Divan of Anezhah Shriners, including the newly elected Potentate, Agustin Martinez.

Our next message will include information about:

The Midwest Shrine Association meeting in Duluth, Minn.; Pacific Northwest Shrine Association meeting in Spokane, Wash.; the Conference of Grand Masters in Kansas City, Mo.; International Shrine Clown Association meeting in Huntsville, Ala.; and the Recorders Seminar in New Orleans.

Yours in the Faith,

Alan W. Madsen
Imperial Potentate
2013 Ararat Shrine Circus Campaign

CIRCUS MOM AND DAD CAMPAIGN
($1 = crown jewel point)
- Purchase a Mom or Dad pin for $20 and Noble will receive 25 crown jewel points and recognition in the Shrine News.
- Purchase both a Mom and Dad pin for $40 and Noble will receive 50 crown jewel points and recognition in the Shrine News.
- For any additional pins purchased ($20 each) or for any additional money applied to the Circus Mom and Dad program Noble will receive equal number of crown jewel points up to 500.
Note: Funds turned in for the Circus Mom and Dad Program are not eligible for any other Circus Program incentives or Circus ticket vouchers.

CIRCUS CREDIT CAMPAIGN
($1 = crown jewel point)
- $100 or more turned in as circus credit – Noble listed as Circus booster in Ararat Newspaper.
- $250 or more turned in as circus credit – Noble will receive incentive to be determined.
- $1,500 or more turned in as circus credit - Noble will receive a Circus jacket.
- $2,500 or more turned in as circus credit - Noble will receive 2014 Ararat Shrine dues paid. Please note this does not include Hospital Assessment or Per Capita Tax.
- $5,000 or more turned in as circus credit - Noble will receive 2 tickets to 2014 Ararat Shrine Potentate’s Ball with Hotel Accommodations for one night.
- Top salesmen of circus credits over $7500 will receive 3 days and 2 nights at beautiful Tan-Tar-A Resort Lake of the Ozarks, including round of golf for two both days.
Note: Funds must be turned in by the last day of the month. Awards will be given at the following month’s Temple Meeting. November funds must be turned in by November 9th. Incentive available for Nobles only.

Thank you to the following Nobles and Ladies for purchasing Circus Dad & Mom Pins...
Remember, without your participation we would not be able to send “Children of all Ages” to the Circus, who otherwise would be unable to attend.

CIRCUS DAD & MOM
Michael D. Anderson
Brian V. Ashmore
Michael A. Aulgur
Nickolas A. Baldi
C. Gary Blankenship
Jack D. Bohne
Jonnie C. Bradley
Paul W. Brewer
Martin K. Carignan
Marvin L. Cass
Gary L. Cordell
Jack M. Crownover
David E. Demint
Ralph E. Erwin
Michael B. Farris II
Lee A. Fisher
Lowry R. Ford
James A. Gargotta
Travis A. Graham
Jerry C. Grimes
Herbert W. Gronemeyer, Jr.
Glen E. Henness
Harold H.
Higginbotham, Jr.
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Jeffrey J. Holloway
Charles M. Hopkins
Larry D. Horton
David A. Hutton
Robert L. Johnson
Steven D. Johnson
Jimmie R. Jones
Benjamin C. Kenney P.P.
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William J. Ketcherside
Donald L. Kimbrough II
Arthur R. Kinder
Jerry B. McClary
Henry L. McDaniel, Jr.
James D. McGuire
Donald R. McNeil
Francis L. Mordecai
John R. Nelson
Lloyd A. Newman
Ronald I. Nutter
Larry E. Potter
Vincent Principe
Jeffrey Quibell
Larry R. Riggs
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Wayne H. Spencer
Bill Spotts
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Terryberry
Russell R. Tindill
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Don A. Weaver
Jack A. Weidmann
Robert W. Welch
Michael C. Whiteside
Elmore Wiggington, Jr.
David D. Wilbanks
Charles E. Willis

CIRCUS DAD
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Ryland R. Foster
Teddie E. Harrison
Norman D. Johnson
Alvin W. Kallenberger
Lewis E. Kitson
Brent Marchant
Denny E. Moore
Ronald J. Schock
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Katherine Pautz

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2013 Ararat Shrine Circus Boosters
The following Nobles have contributed $100.00 or more to the Circus. Thank you for your support of the Circus and Ararat Shrine.
Paul W. Brewer
Charles M. Hopkins
William A. Self
Michael C. Whiteside

78th ARARAT SHRINE CIRCUS
Municipal Auditorium
November 14 – 17, 2013
Chief Rabbon Maurice & Lady Judi Camerlynck’s 2013 Circus Dad and Mom Pins have arrived. Join Maurice and Judi in supporting this event by purchasing your Dad and Mom pins TODAY! They are $20 each and when purchasing both Dad and Mom pins, you will get 50 Crown of Honor Jewel points! Just fill out the order form below and send to:
Ararat Shrine, 5100 Ararat Drive, Kansas City, MO 64129
Your pins will be mailed to you.

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Northland Shrine Club News
BY BOBBIE WHITE, PRESIDENT

Hello Nobles and Ladies. If you are a Northlander we need you! We are a great bunch of guys with a WONDERFUL wives group who meet once a month for good food and fellowship.

On February 5th we had our regular meeting at the VFW in Claycomo (right there beside Stroud’s). We started the evening at 5:30 PM with a social hour and then at 6:30 PM as we sat down to an excellent fried chicken dinner with several salads and German chocolate cupcakes for dessert. Wow, what a feast! Our wonderful wives group led by Kathy Silvers let us know that dinner was on them. Thanks Ladies for all your efforts.

Our next meeting will be on March 5th. Please come on out, enjoy a smothered pork chop dinner with us and have some great fellowship.

Prior to dinner Noble Vice President Bert Torrey led us in prayer and then Noble President Bobbie White led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President White opened the meeting at 7:30 PM. We were pleased to have Assistant Shrine Club Director Vern Hilliard and his Lady Susan with us. Vern introduced us to our new Ambassador, Noble Mike Anderson. Noble Mike also introduced his Lady Karen. Thank you both and your Ladies for joining us. You are always welcome.

We were reminded that Everett Diebler has some health issues and is in the Pleasant Valley Manor. Please keep him and Isabelle in your thoughts.

We then had a very short business meeting. We are discussing some type of replacement to our old float so we can get back into parading. The discussion will continue at our April meeting after our members have had some time to do some research.

We still need a Membership Chairman and a Quartermaster if any of you are interested in serving.

Our Ambassador Mike Anderson then filled us in on upcoming events at the Temple including the fact there is always a need for help on Thursday nights at Bingo. He also reminded us that the Swap Meet and the Potentate’s Ball are right around the corner. He reminded us to please try and support each other’s functions. If you can attend another unit or club’s dinner or dance please do so.

We have to take care of each other. He then informed us that the restaurant seems to be turning around and making a profit. That is excellent news. If you are down that way be sure to stop in and try it out.

Noble Vern then gave us some closing remarks and reminders. Thanks for coming to visit us Vern and Mike. We appreciate your input.

If any new noble wants to come visit us we welcome you and your Lady. We will even buy your dinner the first time and pay your first year’s dues for the club. So stop by and visit us.

We truly miss not seeing many of our old friends from the club. If you haven’t been to a meeting in a while come on back and see us. We miss your company and need you to keep our club active and functional.

Noble President White also asks if you can please make it to the Temple Meetings and wear your Northland Shirt or Fez.

Again, if you want some good food and want to meet some good people come on by our next meeting, Tuesday March 5th at the VFW in Claycomo. Come join us for dinner before the meeting and visit with old and new friends. Hope to see you there!!!

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Lafayette County Shrine Club

BY RON ELLING, SCRIBE

The Lafayette County Shrine Club met Thursday, February 14, at the Victorian Peddler in Lexington for our February Valentine social and meeting. The meal consisted of lasagna, salad, Italian bread and a choice of strawberry cheesecake, French silk pie or chocolate crepe to complete the meal. President Tim Rechterman welcomed Liaison Officer Butch Pugh and his Lady Connie, Ambassador Curt Karnes and his Lady Susan, Ambassador Ken Sisemore and his Lady Mary, along with 31 others in attendance.

W.N. Gray read the minutes from the January meeting. Bernie Miller gave the Treasurer’s report. President Rechterman announced a joint meeting will be held at the Richmond Shrine Club on June 5. The Lafayette County Shrine Club voted to give a donation to the Richmond Shrine Club to be used for the meal. Steve Dowdy distributed flyers about the March 9th CASI Chili Cook-off to be held at the Richmond Shrine Club. Alvin Kallenberger, Richmond Shrine Club President, announced other fundraisers coming up.

Onion sales are right around the corner and it was decided to order 5,000 lbs. this year.

Kenny Nadler, Hospital Chairman, gave a report on the three boys that he had turned in applications to the Shriners Hospital. It was decided they have muscular problems. He also reported that Bill East ridge has been moved to Golden Living Nursing Home at Odessa. His room is next to Clinton Lienke’s. Mark Schroer reported that Clinton and Morine Lienke are the Valentine King and Queen at the Nursing Home.

Ambassador Karnes announced upcoming dates at Ararat Shrine, including the Swap Meet will be held in Lathrop this year.

Liaison Officer Pugh announced he had Potentate and Ladies meeting in a while come on back and see us. We miss your company and need you to keep our club active and functional.

Noble President White also asks if you can please make it to the Temple Meetings and wear your Northland Shirt or Fez.

Again, if you want some good food and want to meet some good people come on by our next meeting, Tuesday March 5th at the VFW in Claycomo. Come join us for dinner before the meeting and visit with old and new friends. Hope to see you there!!!
Greetings and salutations from the Sedalia Shrine Club to all of our Nobles & Ladies in Shrinedom. May our Creator touch each and every one of your lives and bestow a special blessing to all of those who believe and call on Him.

Our January Dinner Meeting was gracely by the presence of our 2013 Potentate Illustrious Sir Wayne Spencer; Chief Rabban Maurice Camerlynck, Jr.; High Priest & Prophet Steve Johnson; Oriental Guide Randy Berry; First Ceremonial Master Henry McDaniel, Jr.; Second Ceremonial Master Jeff Quibell; Shrine Club Director Charley Swafford and Lady Rose; Ambassador Ben Cottle; from the Blue Lodge Joe Wasson and his Lady Cindy and from the Gold Wing B-2 Club, Director Kenneth Lake and his Lady; and Secretary Clayton Alcorn and his Lady. Kenneth presented a check for $1,200 to Potentate Wayne Spencer earmarked for the Shriners Hospital in St. Louis. The Sedalia Shrine Club would like to thank the Sedalia Gold Wing Chapter B-2’s for their volunteer work and dedication to our philanthropy.

The Sedalia Shrine Club presented a check in the amount of $3,335.53 for our Hospital Transportation Fund, and another check in the amount of $958.59 for the St. Louis Hospital. The monies were raised through the Les Webb Annual Bloody Mary Breakfast and our Shrine booth at the Missouri State Fair. We thank our volunteers for their work in obtaining these contributions. It can’t and doesn’t work without “You.”

The gavel was passed to our 2013 President, Charles Brogdon. Also recognized was our Shriner of the Year, Kenneth Martin. This award is presented to Nobles who go above and beyond the duties expected of a Shriner. Congratulations and thank you Kenny. A special thank you also for our Ladies and Don Weaver for the beautiful décor and scrumptious meal. When you see Shirley Wiley an “attagirl” is more than appropriate. Special thanks were also given to Rose Acre Farms for their contribution to our Breakfasts and Sedalia Food & Vending for their contributions to our Breakfasts.

Speaking of our Breakfasts, our attendance was down a little so get out there and spread the word. Come in and help or patronize this fundraiser as it has become essential to our survival.

Our Ladies have elected new officers for 2013. Pat Rinehart as President, Kathy Martin as Vice President, Karen Brogdon as Treasurer, and Rachael Vieth as Secretary. Congratulations Ladies and thank you for all the things you do.

Remember our children, our sick and disabled and those in service to this great nation in your prayers.

Don’t forget our Bar and Roger & Crew. A good time was had at our Super Bowl Party and yours truly is now enrolled in Medicare. Keep up with all of our future events and be a part of our camaraderie.

Our Golf Course will be opening for business April 1st and yearly membership dues and cart storage fees will be due. Enjoy our golf and if you can volunteer for our Pro Shop as a cashier please call 826-6171 and talk to Bill Sams our Pro Shop Manager. We need your help to keep our cost down and course afloat.

**March Calendar**

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Shriner’s Open Buddy Bass Tournament! Taking Children to the Circus for over 75 Years!

May 4 & 5, 2013
Truman Lake • Long Shoal Marina
www.shrinersopen.com

1st Place Team Prize: Nitro Z-7 Boat, Fully Rigged!
2nd Place Team Prize: 2 Arctic Cat 550 4-Wheelers!
Big Bass Prize: $3,000!

Entry Forms Available in Ararat Office or at the Independence Bass Pro Store

Potentate’s Mystical Ball
Saturday, March 23, 2013
Holiday Inn Coco Key Resort
1-70 & 435 Hwy, Kansas City, MO
816-737-0200

Social: 6:00p – 7:00p
Introductions of Divan & Guests: 7:00p
Dinner: 8:00p
Dancing: 9:00p – 11:00p

There will be no breakfast on Sunday morning.

Menu
choose one at time
of reservation

KC Strip
Oven Roasted Chicken

If you want to sit together as a group, you need to make your reservations in sets of 8 at the same time.

Reservations
Ararat Shrine Office
816-923-1975

Room Special
To receive the special room rate, mention that you are with Ararat Shrine when calling.

$99.00
plus tax

Friday, March 15, 2013
St. Patrick’s Day Special
Corn Beef & Cabbage
With Cornbread, only $7.95!

$2 Draws ~ $3 Wells