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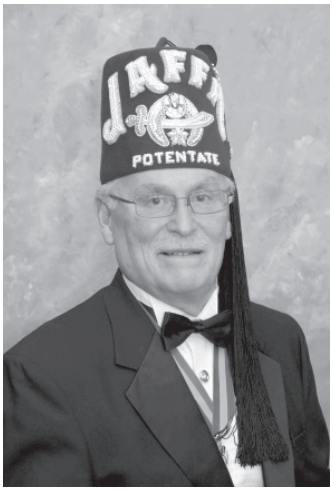

JAFFA SHRINE

Vern Carey
Potentate

Potentate's Message

ES SELAMU ALEIKUM

To All Nobles, Ladies and Friends of Jaffa,

Time flies when you are having fun! I have truly enjoyed the first six months of 2014 and look forward to the upcoming six months.

From May 5 to the 10th, we had a great group travel with us to Michigan. Not only did we have fun visiting the Henry Ford Museum, The Gerald Ford Library, Bronner's Christmas Wonderland and seeing so many "bloomin" tulips by day, but enjoyed visiting with Nobles from Moslem, Elf Khurafeh and Saladin Shrines. At Moslem Shrine, we had a great dinner and tour of their Temple. The units were there to welcome us to their rooms and tell us some great stories about their unit. On another evening, Divan members and their ladies from Elf Khurafeh joined us for dinner and then provided after-dinner drinks for everyone in our hotel lobby. We also had dessert with members of the Divan at Saladin Shrine and toured their Temple. We found out that a few of the Divan members live up to three hours away from the Temple. They made a special trip that evening to greet us and make us feel at home.

On May 22nd, Assistant Rabban, Ken Costello, presented Noble Tom Brown of the Somerset County Shrine Club with his last piece of the Samsar. According to our records, he has been a first-line signer on forty-two petitions. When you see Tom, congratulate him. He has over 14,500 points.

Jaffa's Golf Outing was held on June 6th at Iron Master's Golf Club. The sun was out as almost 100 golfers participated in a friendly round of competitive golf. Thanks to Herb Bolger and his committee for a good meal, great gifts and an all-around fun day.

The 2014 Jaffa Caravan was held on Saturday, July 14th in DuBois. Approximately 150 Shriners and their families were there. Thanks to the DuBois Shrine Club for the meal, hospitality and all their hard work putting it all together. Many thanks to the clubs and units for coming out and supporting Jaffa!

The MASA Convention will be held September 2nd to the 6th in Virginia Beach. This is always a fun time for Nobles, their ladies and families. If you are interested and would like to participate, call Karl Palmer in the Jaffa office.

Our next business meeting will be held on Friday, September 19th at 7:30 P.M. in the 22nd Street Lounge. Mark your calendars and submit your petitions as soon as possible. Help us stay ahead of the black camel.

Remember, Membership Keeps Us Rollin' and as we previously mentioned, we are offering two incentives to those who bring in new members:

One - If your Unit or Club has 30 members and you bring in 15 new members, in other words, half of the number on your membership roll (new or reinstatements), all members of your Unit and their ladies will attend the New Year's Eve Party at Jaffa free of charge; and

Two - If you are a First-Line Signer on three petitions in 2014, your dues for 2015 will be paid for you.

Thanks again for your participation and support.

Yours in the Faith,

Vernon A. Carey

Vernon A. Carey, Potentate

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PATROL PATTER

Fourth of July,
Why do we celebrate on the day?

As we enter July, the Patrol is in its summer mood. We have completed our Memorial Day Parade, and the Caravan to DuBois. Our next meeting is July 9th and will be held outside with the traditional hamburgers and hot dogs. So I ask myself, what is so special about the 4th of July, I'm confused. I thought July 4th was the day our country declared independence from King George III of Great Britain. Actually, according to Constitution-Facts.com, that's not so. The Continental Congress declared independence from Great Britain on July 2, 1777. Then why do we celebrate our independence on the Fourth every year? Is that when we started the American Revolution? That is a common misunderstanding, as well. The American Revolution began in April 1775. I'm stumped. Was the Fourth the day Thomas Jefferson wrote the first draft of the Declaration of Independence? Nope. Thomas Jefferson wrote the first draft in June 1776. Also Jefferson didn't write the Declaration alone. He didn't? In fact, the Continental Congress appointed a five-person to write the Declaration. It included Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Robert Livingston and Roger Sherman. Though Jefferson wrote the first draft, it was changed 86 times by other members of the committee and other members of the Continental Congress. Some things never change, do they? So what the heck happened on July 4? That was the day that the Continental Congress, after two days of discussion and debate, agreed on the final wording of the Declaration of Independence. That was also the day members of the Continental Congress signed document and sent it off to old Georgie! Actually, they didn't sign the Declaration until Aug. 2, 1776. Nonetheless, July 4, 1776 became the date that was included on the final hand written draft, and that is the date people associate most with our independence. In addition to all of this, both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams would die on July 4, 1826, exactly 50 years after July 4, 1776.

These are just my thoughts as you prepare for our meeting and I hope all of you had a Happy, Safe and Restful 4th of July.

Mel Woomer, Secretary

MOUNTED PATROL

The "Horse Patrol" got off to a great start this year. We had an excellent response for the circus and covered all fifteen performances with sufficient help at each show. We also had a good trail ride in Bedford County at Chestnut Ridge Horsemen's Club grounds the first week end in June. With the Jaffa Mounties, some family and friends and visitors from Syria Temple's Mounted Patrol, we had a successful and safe ride.

Fortunately, we have Imler's professional chef as a member, and Clyde Monahan provided one and all with great meals and more than enough to fill our bellies. We (he) had lots of compliments on his culinary extravaganza. Can you imagine strip steaks and baked potatoes for supper at a trail ride? And starting off the morning with sausage, bacon, eggs, fried potatoes, toast, juice and hot coffee. My blue jeans are a little tighter this summer. Thank you, Clyde. It was great.

The Jaffa Mounties' parade season has been fairly active this year. We started off with two parades on Memorial Day, Juniata and Duncansville, the Potentate's Caravan at DuBois, and kept the ball rolling with the agricultural parade at Martinsburg, the Cresson/Sankertown VFW Fireman's Convention and the Williamsburg Ag parade, and we'll fine tune for the Mid Atlantic Convention with the Shellsburg parade. I especially like the Shellslburg parade since we usually stop at the Jean Bonnett Tavern for a late supper where I get my bison burger.

It appears we will have another good turnout for the Mid Atlantic parade. To date we have tentatively signed 18 members to attend - unfortunately not all will be riding. Two will be the Jaffa Temple banner bearers and two will be on "chuck wagon" detail, and two are just going for moral support. That should put about 12 horses on the street. Hopefully with our new vests and our parade practice, the judges will notice we are on the street this year.

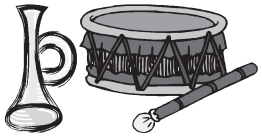
Our riding officers, Captain Brad Germaux, and Lts. Landon Focht and Bernie Edmundson have done a good job of getting the horses and riders matched up, and our quartermaster Mark Miller has everyone equipped with the correct uniform and tack. A good job by everyone.

In addition to our nobles, we have the pleasure of having two of our Mounty widows, Sherry Foor and Lynn Shaffer, going to the beach with us. We will be in great company. Thanks, Ladies.

We'll give you a full report when we return from the Beach.

Until the next time, sit tall in the saddle and keep a steady hand on the reins.

Ray Nycum, Jr.
Reporter



DRUM & BUGLE CORPS

George Knott - Reporter

The Corps meets Wednesday evenings at the Shrine Center

Summer is just about over and the Drum Corps is looking forward to the trip to the beach for the MASA convention in September 4th through the 7th. Your scribe has been told that the corps has been working on shaping up the drill. The hope is that the weather will not be too hot or not too wet. There should be no question the corps will have a great time. Your reporter has heard very little news as to the plans of the **DRUMBEATS** relative to the Miss Drumbeat contest. Were there any funds raised during the past year to finance this very costly activity??? We will have to wait and see what transpires. "Stay tuned".

The **VERA BRADLEY** project, as reported in the last issue , was very successful and the funds raised were presented to the Shriners Hospitals in Erie and Philadelphia as well as the Jaffa Capital Campaign during a Drum Corps meeting at the Shrine Center on July 2nd. A social hour followed and the **DRUMBEATS** served pie and ice cream to those in attendance. This entire project is successful because everyone works together toward a common goal. Without the help of **OUR LADIES** these positive results would not have been realized. Vera Bradley Co-Chairman & Lady Tim and Sara Plunket thanked everyone who worked on this Drum Corps activity.

The annual Drum Corps family picnic was held August 3rd hosted by Past Potentate and Percussionist Ken Conrad and his lady Dottie. From all reports the activity was an enjoyable afternoon with a lot of good eats. The corps extends a hearty **THANK YOU** to Ill Sir Ken and Dottie for sharing their home for this event.

The Annual Shrine Hospital Paper Crusade was held the end of May and from what I have learned the Drum Corps stationed at Sam's Club was successful in their fund raising efforts on behalf of the Shrine Hospitals. The Shrine Hospitals are our most important project. A good number of workers turned out for this very worthy activity. **"SHRINERS, " that is who and what we are. Drum Corps Crusade Chairman Scott McClellan** issued a statement saying; **" GOOD JOB – WELL DONE."** While I am on the subject of Shriners Hospitals I should mention that our **Drum Corps Kid Alexa Harding** was featured in an article explaining her Shrine Hospital visits and surgery in the Hospital Tabloid that was passed out at the Paper Crusade. This was a very informative article and it shows what Shriners Hospitals are doing to help kids improve their lives.

There is a busy schedule ahead in addition to the MASA convention in September. In October the Jaffa Gun Raffle will again be a busy day and as always a great fun day with everyone doing their part to help keep Jaffa Shrine strong. Jaffa Ladies Night will be on October 11th. Check the promotional ad in this issue of the Journal. I am told that it will be a very nice evening and you should treat your lady to a grand party.

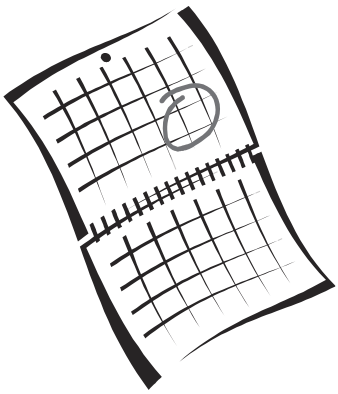
MEMBERSHIP: The Fall ceremonial will be held on November 8th. It's not too early or too late to beat the bushes and find a drummer or bugler. Sell ! Sell ! the Shrine and Drum & Bugle Corps to all potential candidates . It takes membership to keep us strong and serve our hospitals. Ill Potentate Vern has made a great incentive offer to get your 2015 dues paid for you.

SEVERAL WORDS OF WISDOM: The Best is yet to come: Life is too short – sit back and enjoy it. If a relationship has to be secret , you shouldn't be in it. And finally – don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey has been. I think that is enough to chew on for now. Stay tuned, there might be more later.

It's time to get off the street as I can hear the "Thundering " roll of the drums and the horn fanfare that reminds us that **"WE MARCH TO HELP KIDS WALK"**

Join Potentate Vern & Lady Billie for a fun filled evening on Saturday, October 11th
It's LADIES NIGHT!!

Don't miss it.....see page 17 for more details!



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JAFFA BUSINESS MEETING

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HIGHLANDERS

You'll be reading this in August, and it is a Spring report. Here's a question, where does the time go to? If we stopped the world, would time back up, and would we want to. Think about that.

I missed the last Journal so have to talk about the circus in this report. The Highlanders take tickets and direct circus goers as they enter the Temple. I worked the door Sunday and let me tell you, the real show is downstairs. The new ticket system worked out very well. It's amazing what computers can do that are properly directed.

May 17 saw the Highlanders chasing shadows. We played at "The Wall" on the VA grounds for the annual Armed Forces day program. And as usual we were very well received. The individual wreath laying has more participants each year and so takes longer. By the time the program concluded we were late getting to the ceremonial. The steaks were good and our thanks to the cooks for the special service.

May 26 was another busy morning. First the Juniata Memorial day parade steps off at 9:00am. That is a long one and it is always picks you up a little to see the Potentate and the Divan waiting to greet the units. Then, we make a run to downtown Altoona and jump into the end of their parade. Afterwards the Memorial Day program is held in the Veterans Park along 11th Avenue and we played Amazing Grace at its conclusion.

On Sunday June 1 we played at the Clowns-K of C chicken BBQ in Hollidaysburg. Always a good time and we enjoy participating with other units. Now get this, that was one of two BBQs that day in Hollidaysburg, and there was one in Geeseytown. The Clowns sold out and I don't know about the others, but that is certainly a lot of chicken. Is it true one of our Jaffa members crowed the whole way to the bank?

On June 14 we paraded in DuBois for their Homecoming. Potentate Carey made that the Caravan for the year and there were certainly many units in attendance. I first marched there in 1964 so you can call me an official "oldtimer". The Lord has been good to me and I am still able to march and carry and play the same set of bagpipes. The meal afterwards that the DuBois Area Shrine Club provided was top notch, again. Many thanks, fellas.

To all my fellow Shriners and your Ladies out there, keep up the good work. It does take a lot to keep things running smoothly. Remembering our mission of helping children, at the end of the day the tired feet are always replaced by a big smile when we think of all of the kids who have been and are being helped.

Duane L. Mohney, Clan Chief and Reporter

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE VISITED BY THE BLACK CAMEL

"Death is a black camel that kneels unbidden at every gate."

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

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RONALD C ANDERSON	HARRISBURG, PA	1/12/2014
ROBERT E BAY	JERSEY SHORE, PA	2/2/2014
PAUL E BOUMA	DUNCANSVILLE, PA	11/26/2013
ARTHUR L BROWN	SOMERSET, PA	3/10/2014
FREDERICK D MCDANNELL	CHERRY TREE, PA	10/7/2013
ROBERT A ROARABAUGH	PORT CHARLOTTE, FL	3/4/2014

NOBLE	LOCATION	EXPIRED
NEWTON C TAYLOR	HUNTINGDON, PA	3/13/2014
GEORGE E WHITAKER	WILLIAMSBURG, PA	3/10/2014
LAWRENCE E DAVIES	HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA	4/28/2014
EDGAR E HUNT	MIDLOTHIAN, VA	12/23/2013
RAYMOND D KISER	JOHNSTOWN, PA	3/30/2011
STEPHEN G MCCAHAN JR	MARTINSBURG, PA	3/21/2014
ALVIN S MUNDEL	UNIONTOWN, PA	10/20/2012
CLIFFORD F RANDALL	VENICE, FL	4/11/2012
ALVIN J SKINNER	PETERSBURG, PA	4/21/2014
CHARLES TIMOTHY BARR	STEWARTSTOWN, PA	5/7/2014
CHARLES E BERKEY	JOHNSTOWN, PA	5/2/2014
J HOWARD BONSON	LEWISTOWN, PA	5/1/2014
JAMES E FOSTER	JOHNSTOWN, PA	4/13/2014
MERRILL L DONALDSON	HUNTINGDON, PA	11/29/2013
ROBERT E ERICKSON	MILL HALL, PA	6/16/2014
BENJAMIN C LLOYD	PHILIPSBURG, PA	2/16/2014
ALAN REIGH MARTIN	SEWARD, PA	5/30/2014
GEORGE R THOMPSON	ALTOONA, PA	6/9/2014

Please keep the families of these Nobles in your thoughts and prayers!

ATTENTION NOBLES: Have you told your Lady and family that when you pass on, to give your Shrine and Masonic effects (Fez, jewelry, uniform, etc.) to a Mason in your family, or return them to the Jaffa Shrine. Jaffa will give them to some deserving Noble or return them to the Masonic organization.
PLEASE DO NOT let these Shrine and Masonic items get into garage sales, flea markets or the wrong hands. *Thank you!*

SOMERSET COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

The Somerset County Shrine Club met on May 22nd at Hoss's Steak Restaurant at 6:00 p.m. President Don Gardner greeted the Nobles and Guests. The President led the flag salute. Chaplain Tom Brown provided the Invocation. Secretary Stan Landis provided the secretary/treasurer report.

Larry Hemminger, new member at Jaffa, Altoona, also Roger Miller, and Josh Gibson. Now we have the pleasure of them joining the Somerset County Shrine Club. The Club is talking about windbreaker jackets, cost $26.00 plus $3.00 for the name on the front, color will be red. Don't know if anything will be on the back. Assistant Rabban Ken Costello gave us greetings from Jaffa. He said there are a lot of events in June. Oriental Band Ladies night will be May 24th at Jaffa. Memorial Day parade in Juniata. June 1st Erie Hospital Day tour. June 14th parade in DuBois. Potentate Vernon Carey gave Ken Costello the First Line Signer's Award to present to Tom Brown for getting 42 first signers. It was a diamond medallion.

May 30th-31st Shriners Hospital Crusade for the kids. Will need help for the Crusade. Call President Don Gardner if you can help. The 50/50 drawing was won by Ken Costello and he donated it to the Hospital Crusade. There were 28 Nobles, Ladies and Guests at the meeting. Next meeting will be June 26th at 6:00 p.m. at the Oakhurst Tea Room.

Chaplain Tom Brown offered the Benediction. Tom also told a couple of cute stories. There were two fines for not wearing a fez.

The Somerset County Shrine Club met on June 26th at the Oakhurst Team Room at 6:00 p.m. President Don Gardner welcomed Nobles, Ladies and Guests. President Don led with the Flag salute. Chaplain Tom Brown offered the Invocation. Our guests from Altoona were Past Potentate Foster Snively and Past Potentate John Campbell and his Lady, Jan, also Assistant Rabban Ken Costello and his Lady, Delores. There were 27 Nobles, Ladies and Guests present.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Barry Craig and he donated it back to the Club. Bill Hoffman will get more information about the jackets. Next meeting will be July 24th at Rockwood Mill Shoppes. Call Stan Landis at 267-4020 to make reservations. There will be separate checks at the restaurant. The August meeting will be August 28th at the Hayloft. Will try to get Nancy Hay to play the dulcimer. Ken said the Black Camel took five members. There will be a business meeting on July 18th at 7:30 p.m.

Chaplain Tom Brown offered the Benediction.

The Somerset County Shrine Club has, since last August, turned in $22,640.55 to the Hospital Crusade.

Reporter, Stan Landis

2014 CIRCUS DADDIES UPDATE

Sorry to have missed a few Circus Daddies in the last issue! Thank you for your support! You're the BEST!

Leroy Kerns
Lawrence Rider
Clarence Weaver
Dirk Grafton
Dennis Olewine

This advertisement was misprinted in the 2014 Circus Advertising Book with the wrong phone number. Please make a note of their updated phone number and give them a call! We apologize for any confusion!

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JAFFA BOWLING

Jaffa Bowling League Officers 2014-2015

Provost Guard during the Paper Crusade weekend

Hand in Hand Chicken BBQ crew at the Knights of Columbus

Daughters of the Nile Update—Dorcas Temple #129

Daughters of the Nile recently had their Supreme Session in Omaha, Nebraska from June 1 to June 5th. How many of you had been watching the weather during that time? Rain, wind, hail caused Supreme Session to be on lock down. According to my sources, SQ Vonda and Q Judy reported they were not allowed out of the session room for some time. But all "weathered" the storm and made the best it. Q Judy said they even danced.

Traveling with SQ Vonda Houser and Queen Judy Raymore were PQ Brenda Rhodes, Supreme Escort to the American Flag, PQ Leah Wilson, Supreme Escort to the Canadian Flag, PQ Jaclyn Grove, Escorted the Nile Banner. Also at Supreme Session were PR Janice Hughes, PT Carolyn Painter, PQ Janet Pena, Recorder and PQ Janet Grove.

Congratulations to all the Ladies of the Household. Dorcas Temple received 1st place for Holiday Sharing. Also, we received a blue ribbon for maintaining our membership for the size of our temple.

Our new Supreme Queen was installed at Supreme Session. Her name is Marsha Sowers. She is from Lincoln Nebraska. She is a member of Naphis Temple #66. Supreme Session will be held in Albuquerque, NM next year. The following are Dorcas Temple's Supreme Appointees for this year: PSQ Vonda Houser, Chairman of Financial Review-- PQ Sylvia Colyer and PQ Janice Campbell, Supreme Ambassadors to the North East Area-- PQ Connie Himes, Supreme Escort to the American Flag-- PQ Sandy Pritts, Supreme Escort to the Canadian Flag-- PQ Lillie Ann Brennan, Supreme Escort To the Nile Banner.

We are looking forward to SQ Marsha Sowers coming to Altoona for her official visit at Dorcas Temple on Saturday afternoon, August 9th. We will be ready to provide SQ Marsha with an enjoyable day.

Submitted by Susan Nycum

Dorcas Temple No. 129, Daughters of the Nile
Altoona, Pennsylvania 16601
Constituted October 23, 1965

All Ladies of Jaffa Shrine and your guests
(you don't need to be a member to attend)
are invited to attend a
Tea to Celebrate the 49th Anniversary
of the Dorcas Temple No. 129, Daughters of the Nile
To be held at the Jaffa Shrine on
Sunday, October 19, 2014 from 2pm to 4pm.

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All members are encouraged to share their Nile stories for this event.
Stories can be submitted in writing to:
Janet Pena, Pr. Recorder
117 Brazil Lane, Johnstown, PA 15909-1244
or emailed to DorcasTempleRecorder@gmail.com

Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America Jobel Court #11

Submitted by Lady Diana Wilkins, Associate Princess

On June 12, 2014, High Priestess Julie "Juls" Bratton welcomes three new members into our court! Paula Binus, Lois Claycomb and Susan Daugherty.

We also welcomed our Grand High Priestess, Bea Hillman on June 24. A dinner was hosted at the Jaffa Shrine and included members of Jobel Court and Nobles, Illustrious Potentate Vernon Carey and his Lady Billie, and members of the Divan. Members of Isis Court #1 also attended our dinner and meeting. It was a pleasure having these Ladies with us.

High Priestess Julie "Juls" Bratton
Grand High Priestess Bea Hillman

Pictured above: Isis Court #1 Associate Princess Karen Kitzmiller; Isis Court #1 Past High Priestess Thomasenia Bower; Isis Court #1 High Priestess Nancy Scott; Grand High Priestess Bea Hillman and Jobel Court #11 High Priestess Julie "Juls" Bratton

The Ladies of Jobel Court #11 are making plans for our annual Basket Bingo. This year's event will be held on Sunday, October 12 at the Jaffa Shrine. If you are interested in sponsoring a basket for this year's Bingo, contact Diana Wilkins at (814) 931-1814. Our website will be updated with information on this great fundraising event. Help us help the Shriners Hospitals for Children. **It's all about the kids!**

It's almost time for Peanut Brittle!!! Jobel Court members are now taking orders for our homemade peanut brittle. Our peanut brittle is hand made by the loving hands of Jobel Court members. Cost is $8.00 per pound. Orders are due by October 1. Information can be found on our website http://losnajobelcourt.com/events/homemade-peanut-brittle/

Membership is our future! Not a member of Jobel Court? We'd love for you to join us.

Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America
Jobel Court #11 - Altoona, PA
www.losnajobelcourt.com
814.932.4040 or 814.931.1814
info@losnajobelcourt.com
Membership is our future!
Find us on Facebook
Ladies Oriental Shrine Jobel Court #11

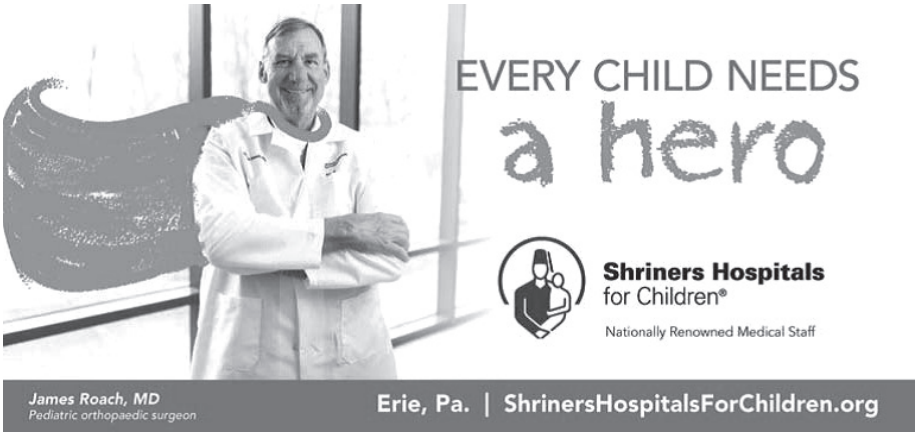
We will be happy to answer your questions and get you a petition for membership. We hope you'll join us and helps us do all we can for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. It is "All about the kids."

ATTENTION MEMBERSHIP CALENDAR ADVERTISERS!!

Invoices were mailed out at the beginning of June to all advertisers.

Contact Jerry Graham at 814-935-1256 with any questions.
The plan is to have the **2015 membership calendars** will be available by the **August Unit Head** meeting to take to **MASA**.

Please support our membership calendar program—it is a great fundraiser to promote Jaffa membership!



Local Marketing Campaign Expands into other Markets

Stay Connected

Please remember Shriners Hospitals for Children-Erie in your estate planning. For more information please contact the Development and Donor Relations Department at 814 875 8807 or your estate planner.

The Shriners-Erie 2014 marketing campaign has begun, but don't expect to see campaign materials in the Erie market. The new billboards, digital ads and radio spot are currently being seen in the Jamestown and Olean, NY areas, as well as the Bradford, St.Mary's, Ridgway, Dubois and Clarion regions, areas being targeted for patient volumes and patient referrals.

The focus of this year's marketing campaign is the expertise of the SHC-Erie medical team. Taking into consideration the national ***love to the rescue*** theme. The billboard series features photos of Shriners Hospitals for Children - Erie, Drs. Roach, Tavares, Cahill, Franklin and Ramirez. Images of the five billboards as well as a file featuring the 60-second radio spot can be seen and heard in those areas.

"OPERATION BEAR" EXPANDS TO ERIE SHRINE HOSPITAL

Thanks to you for your generous support, we now provide "Operation Bear" to the children in the Erie Shrine Hospital. Each child receives a cuddly Bear while they await surgery. When they awaken after surgery, their new friend comforts them. The Bear then will travel along home with them and become a loving friend. Three hundred eighty seven (387) Bears have been adopted by children in Philadelphia and Erie Shrine Hospitals. What a smile we bring on the face of the children!

Thanks for your support and please continue to sponsor a Bear for adoption. Wouldn't you like to help this project grow? You can add your name to this list by sending a donation of $5.00 for each bear you would like to sponsor for adoption to:

Daughters of the Nile, Jean Kensinger, PQ
705 Ivory Lane, Martinsburg, PA 16662
Make checks payable to: "Dorcas Temple #129"
with "Operation Bear" on the memo line.

Mother Bear "Jean Kensinger" with a full sized Fezzy at the 2014 Imperial Session

The following have sponsored a BEAR for adoption by a surgery patient in the Philadelphia & Erie Shrine Hospitals:

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Ceremony highlights cost of freedom

Excerpt reprinted from the Altoona Mirror—May 26, 2014

By Paige Minemyer, pminemyer@altoonamirror.com

Navy Capt. Dennis Smith said he hopes that people can remember the "deeper meaning" of Memorial Day in between Monday's customary parades and picnics.

Smith, a featured speaker at the Alto-Reste Park Cemetery's service on Sunday, said it's easy to forget that, though millions of soldiers make it home from deployment, many do not.

To emphasize the point, Smith read a letter penned by Marine Sgt. William Stacey, who died in January 2012 while serving in Afghanistan. Smith said Stacey wrote the letter shortly before his fourth deployment in case something were to happen to him.

Stacey wrote that, should he die in combat, he hopes he allowed at least one Afghani child to grow up to make a difference.

"My death did not change the world," Stacey wrote, "but there will be a child who will live. He will have the gift of freedom, which I have enjoyed for so long."

Smith said Stacey's story, which is like that of many others, reminds us everything has a cost.

"Freedom is not free," Smith said. "There is an ultimate price."

Robert Vonada played Amazing Grace on the bagpipes while being accompanied by his son, Robbie, on a drum. Mirror photos by J.D. Cavrich

Sunday's service also featured prayers from local pastor Hud Crossman, a speech by state Sen. John H. Eichelberger Jr., R-Blair, and songs of praise and remembrance.

Veterans from each branch of the military were recognized for their service. A riderless horse, provided by the Jaffa Mounted Patrol, accompanied the presentation of the colors, symbolizing fallen soldiers.

Bernie Edmundson and "Freckles" the riderless horse pause during the Pledge of Allegiance during Sunday's program.

THE Holiday Ice SPECTACULAR

Presented by P&J Productions, the Jaffa Shrine is hosting The Holiday Ice Spectacular on Sunday, December 21, 2014.

This will be a BIG EVENT and we need ALL MEMBERS to come out and lend a hand. We will need help with set up, tear down, dressing room assistance along with many other duties. We will have more information in the next issue—please mark your calendars NOW!!

John Walters is a 50 year member of Jaffa Shrine, joining in 1964. He is a member of Mountain Lodge #281 & the Arab Patrol. Thank you for your service to our great country.

We're going to make it happen

97-year old local D-Day veteran talks about landing on beach in France

Excerpt reprinted from the Altoona Mirror—June 6, 2014
By Ryan Brown (rbrown@altoonamirror.com), The Altoona Mirror

It was midmorning on June 6, 1944, and John Walters, then a sergeant with the 115th Infantry Regiment, 29th Infantry Division, was riding a metal-plated landing craft toward the strip of cliff-ringed French beach codenamed "Omaha."

His unit was part of the second wave set to attack the shore and wrest a beachhead from the Germans - the first such strip the Allies would hold in Western Europe. They'd been told how brutal the morning's fight had been for their comrades in the first wave; by the end of the day, more than 300 men from his division would be dead.

"I'm gonna get you to the beach. When this thing hits and the ramp goes down, get off. 'Cause I'm going backwards," said the boat pilot, as Walters, now 97 and living in Altoona, recalled Thursday.

Walters, then a young draftee from Huntingdon, was one of the tens of thousands of men who fought on the first day of the Normandy invasion. Now, 70 years later, their numbers are dwindling as modern-day leaders from both sides gather in France to memorialize the battle and the hard-earned victory that followed.

Walters won't be among those meeting in Tyrone - he's at the HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital, recovering from a collarbone injury - but he remembers much from the war, from the slaughter on Omaha Beach to the hard fighting as the Allies fought inch-by-inch through the French countryside.

Nobody thought the meticulously planned invasion would fail, he recalled.

"They said, 'This is going to happen, and we're going to make it happen,'" he said, pointing to a table as he imitated the tactical planning sessions noncommissioned officers sat through in the days before the attack.

Even hours after the first wave had hit Omaha Beach, the fighting was intense, Walters said. By the day's end, American soldiers had cleared German defenders from the beach while soldiers and commandos from Britain, Canada, France and a collection of other Allied countries fought in their own sectors.

"I had a lot of friends killed," he said. "A shell came in, killed our battalion commander, company commander and second-in-command."

For Walters, the fighting would continue for more than a month as the Allies fought through the leafy rural towns of northern France. In all that time, he never got a chance to send a letter home.

Then, one day in July, as the 29th Infantry Division fought around the French town of Saint-Lo, a burst of German gunfire sprayed out among the hedgerows.

Walters was struck twice in the chest.

He was conscious the entire time, lying wounded as U.S. troops fought back, then collected him for medical attention.

For his mother - already worried amid reports of heavy fighting - Walters' first letter since D-Day was sent from a military hospital. He managed to beat the official message that he'd been wounded, he said.

After a couple months' recovery in England, Walters returned to the fight, his unit positioned astride Germany's Elbe River when word arrived that the Nazis had surrendered. He was mustered out in 1945 for a long-postponed marriage and work at the Altoona rail shops.

Today, Walters doesn't care to brag about his service. He never returned to Normandy for anniversary visits, though some of his friends have.

And each year, he said, the 29th Infantry Division's reunions feature fewer World War II veterans and more from Afghanistan and Iraq.

Even when old soldiers are willing to discuss their experiences, Walters said, those who weren't there can't fully understand. He recalled a trip to a war movie a few years ago with a friend, a paratrooper in the war.

"He said, 'What do you think?' I said, 'Well, it's pretty real. ... But there's no smell,'" Walters explained.

Of all those in the audience, only the fellow veterans understood the familiar, gunpowdery smell of combat.

"I can sit here and tell you about it, but you have no idea what it is really like," he said. "They're the only guys you can talk to who know what you're talking about."

RESTORING GLORY

One brother one grave at a time

The gravesite of Masonic brother Miller Page b 1810 d 1898 at the Fairview Cemetery in disrepair. Found by Tom Price last fall who enlisted the help of Gary Gingrich to restore Page's gravesite.

Tom and Gary began by measuring the existing grave stone then moving it to prep the site for a new slab of concrete donated by Barry Saylor from Bryce Saylor & Sons as a base to adhere Page's original stone to. They spent two days digging and leveling to make the site ready for the new concrete slab.

The final step of the repair is to adhere the original stone to the new concrete slab. The finished project will be pictured in the next Jaffa Journal.

Many thanks to Bryce Saylor & Sons for the concrete donation and equipment to place it on the grave!!

Assisted by Fairview Cemetery's custodian, Jim Miller, Tom and Barry lower the slab in place after completing the leveling process with additional concrete placed under the new concrete slab.

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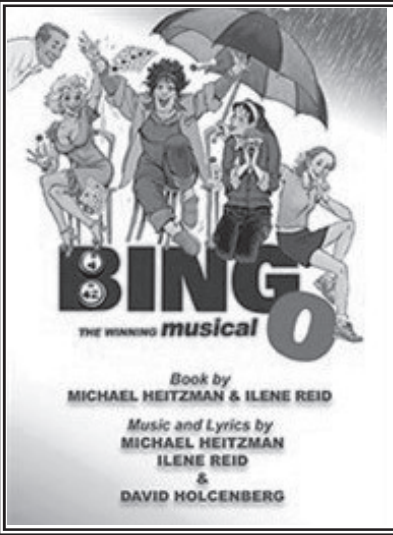
Doors open at 5:15pm
Meal served at 6:00pm in the Banquet Hall
Stage Show starts at 7:30pm in the Auditorium
Social hour at 9:30pm in the Banquet Hall

All Nobles, Ladies and their guests are invited to attend!

ONLY $30 per person

includes Dinner, Beverages and Stage Show.
The dress for this evening is Jacket & Tie (no jeans)



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Best friends and Bingo pals Vern, Honey and Patsy brave a terrible storm in order to attend the yearly celebration of the birth of Bingo and tribute to its founder, Edwin S. Lowe. As the storm knocks out power at the Bingo Hall, Patsy and Honey remind each other of the ominous night fifteen years ago that began in the same way. In flashback, Honey tells us about the night Vern and her best friend, Bernice, had their falling out. Bernice's sweet, yet headstrong daughter, Alison, enters the Bingo hall in disguise - Bernice's health is failing, and Alison is determined, with the help of Bingo, to reunite her mother with her long-lost best friend.

RETURN SLIP for LADIES NIGHT

NAME: _____

Include your Shrine Number _____ if VIP was purchased.

ADDRESS: _____

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PHONE: _____

Number of tickets: _____ @ $30 each **OR** _____ @ $27.50 each (VIP)

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____ (all checks payable to "Jaffa Shrine")

Please purchase tickets between Sept 1 — Oct 3

Shriner VIP's are eligible for $5 couple discount for you & your lady ONLY

Tickets may be purchased with cash, check or credit card at the Recorder's Office at the Jaffa Mon-Fri from 8:00am-4:00pm or by MAIL slip below to:

Jaffa Shrine
Ladies Night Tickets 2014
PO Box 1984
Altoona, PA 16603

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May 2—July 1, 2014

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in memory of Richard Shaffer
Mark & Bobbi Bernat

in memory of Richard Shaffer
Tom Fletcher

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Don & Jackie Grove
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in honor of Chester Pribble, P.P.'s 90th Birthday
Ben & Jean Kensinger

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Donald & Wilfred Neubert

in honor of Grant Miller
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See page 33 for a contribution form

A note of thanks to Casey Bassett, SciFi Show Coordinator, for the donation of $2000 to the Shriners Hospitals raised from the auction of items over the SciFi Show weekend held at the Jaffa on June 26, 27 & 28, 2014.

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Contact Rachel or Elda today at Heritage Travel to sign up for this exclusive New England Tour. Call 814-946-1600 or email rgingrich.heritage @verizon.net for more information.

Congratulations to Bob Baranik, Jaffa's new Oriental Guide. He was elected at the spring business meeting on May 19, 2014.
"So mote it be"

JAFFA'S ELECTED DIVAN

Keeping Jaffa's Membership Rollin' at the Spring Ceremonial held at Brush Mountain Sportsmen Assoc on May 20th!

Memorial Day (Juniata) & June 14th Caravan (DuBois) Parades

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JAFFA TEMPLE

The Ridgway Elks Lodge #872 recently hosted a BBQ Chicken and Ribs dinner to benefit the Shriners DuBois Chapter. Julie Stahl, who's son was badly burned, organized this event. The Shriners have helped Julie and her son with transportation to and from Children's Hospital, doctors appointments and lodging. Pictured are: Jim Jackson, Jeffrey Schatz PER/Trustee, Stephen McCully, Samuel Wallwork, Mamie Mader PER/Trustee, Julie Stahl and John Ortiz receiving $2,600.00 raised by this event, which will benefit Children's Hospital.

Jaffa Provost Guard along with Frederick Lock & Key donated the doors and all of the hardware and labor for Jaffa's new handicapped entrance. Thank you!!

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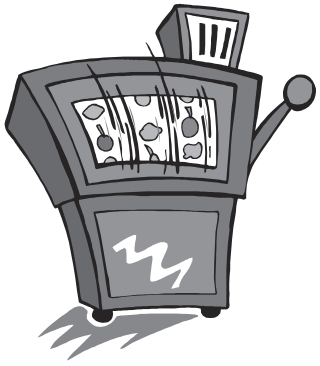

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What's New in Erie!

Shriners Hospitals for Children® Erie, PA An Update for our Temple Affiliates

Largest Gift in Erie History Announced at Community Day

Shriners Hospitals for Children—Erie has received a bequest totaling $14,750,000 to be shared equally between the Erie and Cincinnati Shriners facilities. This bequest from the estate of the late Fred H. Burchfield of Sebring, OH, is the largest single gift ever received at the Erie Shriners facility in its 87-year history.

Burchfield, characterized as a humble man and a "jack of all trades," was a member of the Sebring Masonic Lodge and the Tadmor Shriners of Akron, OH. The more than $7 million in funds to be credited to the Erie Shriners center will be used to advance the mission of Shriners Hospitals to provide expert orthopedic medical care to children regardless of the family's ability to pay.

The announcement of the Burchfield estate bequest was made during the annual Community Open House by Erie Board of Governors Chairman Jeff Stephenson, with assistance from members of the Tadmor Shriners Divan, Imperial Sir Bill Bailey and Imperial Sir Doug Maxwell.

Patient Satisfaction Scores Climb to Record High

There is excellent news in the latest Press Ganey scores for Erie's Outpatient Services (Clinic and Rehabilitation)!

For patient satisfaction surveys returned in April (the most recent scores received), the overall standard score rose to 96.1, the highest such score ever received in recent memory. This is two points above the March overall standard score of 94.1.

One of the areas that saw significant improvement is informing patients about delays. The April score in that category was 94.1, up from 85.9 in March. The overall registration process also saw an increased score of 94.8 in April, from 92.2 in March.

Outpatient waiting time satisfaction scores also improved from 86.0 in March to 93.3 in April.

2014 Marketing Campaign Focuses On Excellence of Physicians

Shriners Hospitals for Children—Erie Ambulatory Surgery Center and Outpatient Specialty Care Center launched its 2014 marketing campaign recently, but don't expect to see campaign materials in all the markets served by the Erie center.

The new billboards, digital ads and a radio spot are currently being seen/heard in the Jamestown and Olean, NY areas, as well as the Bradford, St. Mary's, Ridgway, Dubois and Clarion (PA) regions, areas being targeted for increased patient volumes and patient referrals.

The focus of this year's marketing campaign is the expertise of the SHC—Erie medical team. Taking into consideration the national *Love to the rescue* theme, the Erie campaign looks at its physicians as "heroes" to the children they treat. The billboard series features photos of Drs. James Roach, Joao Tavares, Patrick Cahill, Corinna Franklin and Rey Ramirez, depicted as "super heroes" in the eyes of their patients.

The campaign also includes a 60-second radio spot being aired on stations in the same region as the billboards. The radio spot, using adult and child voices, also focuses on the expertise of the medical staff and how children view them as "heroes."

New Public Relations Manager to be Named

After nearly 15 years of service to Shriners Hospitals—Erie, Bob Howden, Public Relations Manager, will be retiring effective July 4, 2014. A comprehensive search for a new Public Relations Manager for SHC—Erie has been undertaken and a new individual to assume this role will be named shortly.

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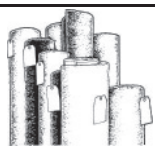

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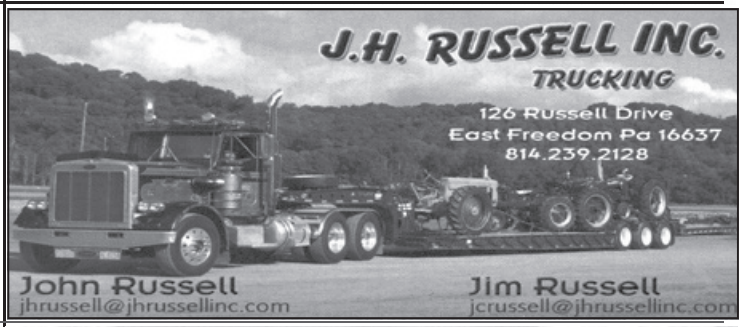

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140th Annual Imperial Session—Shriners International
Minneapolis, MN
July 6-10, 2014
Report by Representative Emeritus, Fred Imler, Sr., P.P.

Most of our Jaffa group traveled by bus to Minneapolis for the annual Imperial session for Shriners International. Unfortunately, the Potentate, Vernon Carey and Lady Billie, were forced to cancel out as a result of Vern's bout with pneumonia. The Jaffa reps were very attentive, attending all meetings. The Jaffa, being one of the Shrine's finest facilities; they looked the part (well dressed) as they helped conduct the business of an 8 Billion Corp.

As in the past, I will give a brief report in no special order as they take place over 4 days.

As has been the practice in previous years as the session begins, a complete report on how business will be handled according to Robert's Rules of Order & Voting Procedures.

Illustrious Sir Bill King, Chairman of Credentials Committee, reported on those registered to vote: Elected 653; Colorado 511; at Large 13; Ad Vitam 12; Emeritus 76. The number of items on the Poll to be voted on totaled 17 Service and 3 Colorado.

Report of the East-West game had revenue of $5.9 million with 100 players participating. Of the players in the East-West game, 43 players were drafted by the NFL. We now have 265 former players on NFL teams. Most important was the P.R. and Name Recognition. Profit was $180,000. One float in the New Year's Rose Bowl Parade was at a cost of $107,000. We had 1.6 million ads on TV. Our Direct Mail is doing well and 745 people have responded with a monthly contribution of $19.00 a month or more.

****Item 17-- passed**. *A petition for Proposed New Temple. (A petition has been received from Noble s and Master Masons in the country of Brazil for dispensation to open a new temple titled* ***Hikmat Shriners*** *in Cuiaba, Mato Grosso, Brazil).*

The fraternity is growing in Brazil; they have 75,000 DeMolay members.

****Item 11—passed**. *The effect: Almas Shriners would gain exclusive jurisdiction in the Federal District of Brasilia in the country of Brazil.*

****Item 18 – Defeated.** *The effect of the amendment* ***if*** *passed: Current chairmen and vice chairmen of the boards of governors would be reimbursed by their respective Hospitals for transportation and lodging for their attendance at the annual meeting of the corporation.*

During the year, 33 football games were played to support our Hospitals; Income was approximately $750,000.

73 Golf games raised $1,017,000 during the year. There were also 165 other sporting events.

General Orders of the Imperial Potentate passed.

****Item 4 – passed**. *The effect: This would amend the duties of the Imperial Potentate to be consistent with the Articles of Incorporation and also give authority to the Imperial Potentate to respond to a request by a temple that voluntarily wants to consolidate, merge or surrender its charter.*

****Item 5 – passed**. *The effect: This would amend the duties of the Dispensations and Charters Committee to be consistent with the Articles of Incorporation and a request by a temple to voluntarily consolidate, merge or surrender its charter.*

****Item 6 – Passed**. *The effect: This would create a new Special Committee to coordinate and manage any voluntary or involuntary action to suspend, annul, revoke, consolidate, merge, or surrender a temple's charter.*

****Item 10 – Withdrawn**. *The effect of this amendment* ***if*** *passed: This would permit a temple to set the annual dues at any level and at more than one rate for reasons determined by the temple.*

****Item 2 – Passed**. *The effect: This amendment would eliminate the word* ***"unrestricted"****, which is language that is not generally used in the airline industry currently, and it would make clear that Representatives will not be reimbursed for a refundable airline ticket.*

With the Stock Market performing well, our Endowment Fund has topped $8.2 Billion. But this could go quickly without new income. Rather than sell various Securities, (at times not in our best interest), we are using a line of credit with just over 1% interest; we have saved $14 million. Our hospitals are providing very sophisticated services. As a result, 1 day patient care is $39.00.With over 400 hospitals surveyed, we are rated 6th, which is fantastic. Our employee patient load was 15and is now competitive at 8.9 hrs. Our hospital employees total over 5,000. We continue to provide the very best care clinically and our research is Tops. Our budget deficit just 2 years ago (using money from our Endowment fund was $280,000,000 for the year). That was reduced to $120,000,000 this past year. Our bottom line, we are always in Pursuit of Excellence. We are working with the Pentagon, doing our best to provide services to our veterans.

Our Burn Hospitals continue to provide the best service anywhere in the world. During the 1960's, we saved 50% of severely burned children. Today, we are over 90%. Last year we had over 7800 discharges and treated 232,761 outpatients. We expect to have a balanced budget by 2015. We enjoyed a wonderful video about our patient successes.

Time and Place for Future Meetings.

2015 – Houston – July 5-9 with a pre-cruise available.

2016 – Tampa

2017 & 2018 – Daytona

2019 – Nashville

The election for Outer Imperial Guard: Kenny Cravens received 560 votes; Paul Franks received 147 votes.

****Item 19 – Failed**; needed 2/3 majority, (yes = 565; no = 502). *The effect* ***if*** *passed: This would allow a trustee, who was elected or appointed before his 72nd birthday, to continue to serve as a trustee until completing three full elected terms unless he voluntarily retires.*

Jim McConnell, Imperial Treasurer, reported a cost to fund the annual meeting from Nobles dues is falling short by $656,000 this past year. The vote to increase the Per Capita per Member failed. Changes will have to be made to keep the Fraternity solvent.

Three trustees were up for re-election and all were re-elected: Skip Stanaway, Peter Diaz, M.D., and James A Doel.

Imperial Sir Doug Maxwell has been Chairman of the Joint Board of Trustees for about 6 years. It was somewhat unexpected that Imperial Sir John Cinotto opposed him for the position. The vote was: Doug Maxwell with 688 and Cinotto with 400 votes.

A report was given on our 1st Fedex Las Vegas Golf Tournament Shriners Hospital Open. For our previous open tournament, we had over 1000 volunteers.

Dr. Novack, our Chairman of the Research Committee, reported on many projects, especially one on Spina Bifida and the success they are having on animals in that regard. Some of the research on the nerves they work with are 1/3 the thickness of a hair.

A brief report regarding third party pay reveals it is providing additional income with a tremendous addition of staff at the Home office in Tampa.

****Item 1 – failed**. (yes =233/ no=) *The effect **if** passed*: *This would allow a member in good standing in the Colorado Corporation to vote in the election of the Imperial Outer Guard.*

A report from the Membership Committee Chairman as follows: 7499 = New Creations; Deaths = 10,427; Suspensions = 11,733; Resigned = 157; Restored = 2631; Demits = 2121; Year End Membership = 283,625.

Although the report created great concern, over 20 Shrine Centers had a gain in membership. Kem Shriners have had a gain for 15 consecutive years. El Riad had a 10 year record.

Numerous checks from groups and Shrine Centers were presented totaling $8, 200,000 including Arabia $5,000,000; Carolina Shrine Centers (North & South) Football Game $1,437,000; International Clowns $214,402; Cabiri Assoc. $10,000; Oasis $1,200,000 to name a few larger ones.

A report on Real Estate & Natural Resources was as always interesting. We own over 38,000 acres in Walnut Orchards, managed by Blue Diamond: large acreage in Salinas Valley, California of lettuce, soy beans and corn; 26,000 acres of timber in Texas; Marcellus Shale in Pennsylvania; Oil & Gas rights & Precious Water Shed of 66 billion gallons across the country all left from various estates.

****Item 13 – Withdrawn**. *The effect of amendment **if** passed: Anezeh Shriners will no longer have exclusive jurisdiction in the Republic of Mexico except for the states listed.*

****Item 8 – Passed**. *The effect: Aahmes Shriners would be added to the list of temples that may elect members based on a written ballot if the candidate receives 51% of the votes.*

****Item 9 – Withdrawn**. *The effect of the amendment **if** passed: Marzuq Shriners would be added to the list of temples that may elect members based on a written ballot if the candidate receives 51% of the votes.*

****Item 3 – Passed**. *The effect: Only Representatives as defined in specific sections of the bylaws would receive mileage allowance and per diem.*

Operating budget for 2013 was $735,000,000.

****Item 14 – Defeated** (Because of the confusion it could create). *The effect of the resolution **if** passed: Shrine Temples, Units, clubs and/or committees should be permitted to perform fund raising for the benefit of care for "Wounded Warriors" by Shriners Hospitals for Children, provided such fundraising is in accordance with the provisions of the General Order No. 1 in effect at the time of the fundraising.*

**** Item 15 – Passed**. *The effect: Al Chymia Shriners would be permitted to join the Dixie Shrine Association.*

****Item 16 – Passed**. *The effect: Pyramid Shriners would move from 158 Research Drive, Unit P, Milford, CT 06460, to 2428 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615, and their charter would be amended to reflect the change of location.*

****Item 20 – Withdrawn**. *The effect of resolution **if** passed: Hospital Regulations would be modified to allow the acceptance of patients at facilities of Shriners Hospitals for Children up to the age of 26.*

Problems with the Grand Lodge in Arkansas have not improved with Shrine Centers who are having gains in membership without the need of the prerequisite but have very strong background information. Shriners International received great support at the recent conference of the world of Grandmasters, 362 in attendance.

Imperial Potentate can make award to up to 5 Nobles for his outstanding merit award: Emert Georgia, Larry Jefferson, Ralph Jubb III, Dr. Richard Kagan, and Frank Roth.

A new feature at this year's annual session was a video each morning by Jim Cunningham call "On the Street", reporting on Shrine activities all around the area.

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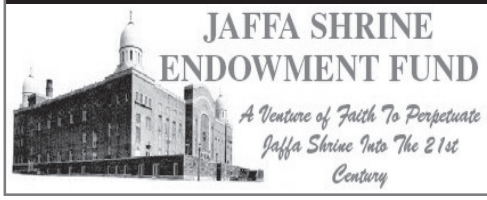

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JAFFA SHRINE Calendar of Events

Calendar Codes for Events & Rentals Please note: all dates/events are subject to change

A—Auditorium S—Star Room BH—Banquet Hall C—Consistory Room W—Whole Building E—East Lounge
F—Fez Room P—Parking Lot BR—Blair Room M—Meeting L—22nd Street Lounge

AUGUST 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 BURN OUT CANCER—P
3 BURN OUT RAIN DAY	4 DOTN practice —SR	5	6	7	8	9 BT Wrestling—A DOTN—BH, SR
10	11	12 Unit Head Meeting—L	13	14	15	16 Wedding Recp—BH
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Wedding Recp—BH
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

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SEPTEMBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6 PSU Home
7 MASA return →	8	9 Unit Head Meeting—L	10	11 Jobel Court—SR	12 Prom 80—BH	13 AAHS All Class Banquet
14	15	16 Cyberschool—BR,SR,F	17	18	19 Jaffa Business Meeting—L	20 Wedding Recp—BH Roadrunners—L
21	22	23	24	25	26 Junior Martial Arts—A	27 →
28 Potentate bus trip to Boston/ Cape Cod	29 Jobel—SR & Sm Kitchen (8-1)	30 Jobel—SR & Sm Kitchen (8-1)				

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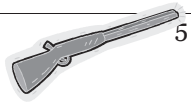
OCTOBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Paradigm Business Meeting—BH	2 DOTN—SR	3 ROCTOBER-FEST	4
5  **GUN RAFFLE**	6 Jobel—SR & Sm Kitchen (8-1) →	7 →	8	9 Jobel Court—SR Roadrunners Ladies Night—BH	10	**JAFFA LADIES NIGHT**
12 Jobel Court BASKET BINGO	13 Jobel—SR & Sm Kitchen (8-1) →	14 Unit Head Meeting—L Big Brothers & Sisters—BH →	15	16	17 Hospital Clinic Day Country Western Band	18 Wedding Recp—BH
19 Daughters of the Nile Tea—BR	20 Jobel—SR & Sm Kitchen (8-1) →	21 →	22 Girls Nite Out	23	24 Consistory—A, BH →	25 Legion of Honor Commander's Ball
26	27 Imler's Food Vendor Show →	28 →	29 Forever Broad-casting TRICK or TREAT	30 Hme Nursing Networking Day—BH	31 Tommy Dorsey Band—BH	

2014 IMPORTANT DATES

September 4-7—MASA (VA Beach)
September 19—Business Meeting
September 26-October 3—NEW ENGLAND TOUR

October 5—Gun Raffle
October 11—Jaffa Ladies Night
October 26-27—Atlantic City Overnight

November 7—Business Meeting
November 8—Fall Ceremonial
November 16—Jaffa Church Service

December 5—Potentate's Roast
December 14—Kiddies Christmas Party
December 31—New Year's Eve Party

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