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Robert P. Baranik
Potentate

Potentate's Message

ES SELAMU ALEIKUM

Greetings to all and, for many, welcome back from MASA—Virginia Beach!

Summer has come and gone and my term of office is moving fast. Sue and I have enjoyed leading and representing Jaffa so far.

A few faces of our staff at Jaffa will change soon. Our Facility and Events Coordinator has submitted a letter of resignation for personal reasons. Angie has done a fine job at Jaffa and we wish her success in her future endeavors. We thank her for always doing her best for Jaffa. We will be hiring a part-time person to handle ticket sales and other duties in the front office. Diane will assume expanded mixed assignments in our efforts to improve office efficiency. We have confirmed the hiring of Roy Amrhein as our in-house chef. Roy has worked six months without an agreement and has proven he is truly capable of providing all that Jaffa has come to expect. Please support our “Cook’s Night Out” meals announced through unit channels and posters.

Jaffa was well represented at our busy Imperial Session in July in Daytona Beach, Florida. Jim Miller has a nice recap in this Jaffa Journal. We did make many new friends and learned a lot.

Many thanks to the units that have paraded this summer. These parades are such a helpful way to get our fezzes noticed and attract new members. International spends a lot of money to broadcast commercials for our hospitals, so the logical next step is to get noticed and to talk to the public about what we do.

The building cleanout continues to include the garage. I personally want to thank the nobles who have jumped in to help on this cleanout and reorganization of space. We are making good progress on building upgrades. The rear parking area at 23rd Street is complete and usable. The repairs to the ceiling in the auditorium start this week with other painting and repairs to follow in future weeks. A big thank you goes to our Chief Rabban, Jordan Settle for leading a good crew of nobles who have started pulling special cables for cameras and door fobs. This is a hot, dirty job and I thank all these nobles for their dedication. The basement Star Room water issue now has a repair plan, which will take some time to complete. This project was not on our schedule of expenses that we proposed in January. Please... if any unit, club or noble would like to make a donation to help with this expense, it will be greatly appreciated.

A big thank you goes out to all units and clubs that helped in the Hospital Crusade. We had the best year in a while. The leaders of this program—Tom Cook and Dick Brown—deserve a pat on the back!

A busy 4th quarter filled with events and holidays will soon be upon us. Please refer to other ads and articles in this Journal for information. Dates to note are as follows:

- Jaffa lottery calendars are for sale immediately. Please try to sell as many as possible.
- October 7 Gun Raffle – we can use setup help on Saturday, October 6 from 6-9 pm and Sunday, October 7 from 6 am to 6 pm. Check with your unit president to confirm assignments. Brothers, this event is so important to our temple finances.
- October 21 is a membership RUSH party to be held for families (kids included) at Jaffa’s banquet hall. This Sunday afternoon party is only for nobles who bring a potential member and their family and who have signed up accordingly.
- November 3 Ladies Night – Fun, Fun, Fun! Please bring a friend or neighbor (it’s open to the public) and dance the night away with Tom Watt, aka The Buffettman.

From the Potentate

- November 10 and 11 Jaffa Craft Show. Please support our ladies and visit or encourage family to attend a wonderful craft show that supports our building improvements.
- November 25 is a non-denominational church service to honor our deceased or ill brothers and pray for help toward all the sick and injured children we serve.
- November 30 Potentate's Roast. Lots of fun (I get to roast the Divan)!
- December 11 Chief Rabban Jordan Settle will host his Aides meeting and reorganization for 2019. If you have an interest in helping Jordan and Tiffany, please contact them to be put on their invite list.
- December 17, 18, & 19 – Jaffa Basketball Tournament. Open to the public, all nobles are welcome to enjoy this fun family event. For more information contact Mike Colledge at 814-931-7898.
- Last and very important – New Year's Eve (December 31). This is open to the public, live band and lots of fun. Please consider bringing a group to ring in 2019!

This article is a bit longer than previous messages, but I want to share as much information as possible with the nobles. As a fraternity, we are all brothers and we should step forward in harmony and friendship always.

Yours in faith,
Bob Baranik, Potentate

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2019 JAFFA SHRINE CIRCUS APRIL 8-14, 2019

TICKET SALES DATES:

November 20-21, 2018

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Noble Tickets Sales Only

November 23, 2018 - Black Friday

9:00 AM - Box Office opens to the public (discounted tickets)

6:00 PM - Family Friendly showing of "The Greatest Showman" in the auditorium (FREE admission and snacks). Open to the public.

November 26, 2018 - Cyber Monday

12:00 AM - 11:59 PM - All fees waived for tickets purchased online

2019 Potentate's Aides & Unit Re-organizational Meetings

DECEMBER 11, 2018

Attendees: Nobles and their Ladies

Dress: Casual

5:00 PM - Social Hour &
2019 Shirt Orders Will Be Taken

6:00 PM - 2019 Aides Meeting
RSVP: Ben Ritchey, (c) 814-329-2783,
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7:00 PM - Dinner for 2019 aides and Nobles
attending the re-organizational meeting

8:00 PM - Unit & Club Re-organizational
Meeting (two reps per unit/club only)

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FROM JAFFA'S UNITS & CLUBS



MOUNTED PATROL

By this time we have returned from Virginia Beach – hopefully with a trophy in hand. After numerous practice sessions - local parades beginning at Juniata and Duncansville on Memorial Day, and ending up in August at East Freedom, Williamsburg and Schellsburg.

Unfortunately, the Mid Atlantic Horse Association is almost gone. At the time of this writing, only Lulu and Jaffa are taking horses to the convention. At one time we had horse units at all the Pennsylvania Shrines except Erie - six temples, and now we are down to two.

With just two units, there would not have been any equitation competition on Friday. Last year we had more horses on the street than all the other units combined. I hope they can find leaders like Dave Burchfield and Brad Germaux and others to get them back up to speed.

Jaffa with its new steward, have started a monthly Cooks Night Out Dinner. September 13 is Shrimp Fettuccine Alfredo for only \$10, with a different meal every month. Tick-

ets should be available from unit and club heads or in the Records Office. It's a good way to meet, eat and greet – and your non Masonic & Shrine friends are welcome to attend. There will be a cash bar.

We may have a Halloween parade and possibly a Thanksgiving Christmas parade, plus ladies night to look forward to, as well as our unit nomination of officers and installation of officers. If you are interested in serving in any office, please make your wishes known to one of our officers.

It was nice to see our newer members participating and eating supper at Williamsburg at our annual picnic after the parade, and it was great to see Clyde Monahan and Tammy there with their sausage sandwiches and hot dogs along with all the side dishes and desserts supplied by the Mounties and their ladies.

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

Ray Nycum, Jr., Reporter



By the time this article is published, MASA will have passed and hopefully the Lil' Vettes as well as all the Jaffa units will have come home with lots of trophies and awards. MASA in a way signals the end of the parade season but the Vettes will be participating in a few more parades in September and October.

It has been a busy summer for the Lil' Vettes. Lots of parades ...although parading thru raindrops a good bit of the time. So many folks along the parade routes look for those men with the funny hats and the little cars. We enjoy making the public aware of what the Shriners do and we, as well as our

ladies, answer a lot of questions. Our ladies are an important part of our parade season, they make sure our cars are shiny and clean, that the Jaffa Shriner and American flags are on the proper sides and that we are well dressed and our fezzes are on straight, and they are always there along the parade route to cheer us on. Their support is very much appreciated.

We also have outfitted ourselves in a new parade uniform look for the summer parades. A gray and red polo shirt with the Jaffa Lil' Vette emblem. We have had a lot of good feedback on the new look.

That is all for now...Hoping to see you down the road.
Jim "Spanky" Edwards





What a whirlwind of a summer schedule the Highlanders have had this year. Multiple parades a month, along with other events, tons of practices, and vast amount of good fellowship.

HIGHLANDERS From March on, we have participated in: The Tartan Day Parade in NYC, the Armed Forces Day Ceremony, two memorial days parades in Juniata and Altoona, the Garrett County Celtic Festival in Deep Creek Maryland, Nanty Glo and Brockway on the 4th of July, Dubois, Phillipsburg, Clearfield, Curwensville, East Freedom, and the British Car Show at Delgrosso's.

We still are set for the Cambria County Ethnic Fest in Johnstown before we call it a season well done and end on the Virginia Beach high note at MASA.

We are a very active and energetic unit, and always looking to add more pipers, drummers, and standard bearers. Even if you don't play an instrument, you could carry a flag (or dare I say claymore if we have enough for an honor guard?). If you'd like to learn how to play the pipes or drums, we can accommodate that as well as a few of us can instruct in the basics and beyond to get you going. See you at the beach!

W. Matt Evans | wmattevans@gmail.com



SOMERSET COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

The Somerset Shrine Club met June 28th at 6pm at the Traditions Restaurant,

Meyersdale. President Stan Landis and his Lady Bonnie welcomed everyone. President, Stan Landis led with the salute to the flag. Chaplain Ron Wright offered the Invocation. The Nobles will have their meeting July 10, 2018 at 9am at Mostollers. Everyone had a good time at Traditions.

The 50/50 drawing went to Past Potentate Ken Costello, which he donated back to the club. There were 28 Nobles, Ladies, and Guests present. Past Potentate Vern Carey and his Lady Billie and Past Potentate Ken Costello and His Lady

Delores were at the meeting. They also belong to our club. The next meeting will be at Hoss's Steak House, Somerset, July 26th at 6pm.

Our July 26th meeting, was held at Hoss's Steak House, Somerset. President Stan Landis greeted Nobles, Ladies and guests. President Stan led with the flag salute. Chaplain Ron Wright provided the Invocation. There were 24 members and guests present. The 50/50 drawing went to Ann Kimble, which she donated back to the club. Next meeting will be at the Hay loft. The Chuck Wagon will cater the picnic dinner, August 23rd. Bonnie will do dessert. Chaplain Ron Wright offered The Benediction.



STRING BAND

What's the String Band up to...If you've been in the Jaffa parking lot on Wednesday evenings, you may have heard the String Band playing music in the garage and asked yourself, "what's the String Band up to?"

The String Band has participated in the Juniata, Duncansville, Lock Haven and Philipsburg parades so far this summer. They are scheduled for the Clearfield and East Freedom parade and then Virginia Beach. There were 14 on the trailer for the Juniata parade, which exceeded the number of musicians of recent years.

The Band has practice/jams bi-weekly and has gained several new members over the past several months. Mike Long has joined the Shrine and plays guitar, Rob Pletcher is the drummer, and George Pavlik on bass guitar. The band members are grateful to Lynn Delozier for agreeing to be their driver.

The String Band plays traditional-standard songs like Alabama Jubilee, Five Foot Two, and has recently added Buck's

Polka (originally performed by Buck Owens) which had several doing the polka in the street at the Philipsburg parade.

They have some potential members that are attending the jams, who could become new Shriners. Membership is open to any Shriner who plays a string or reed instrument. Take your talent and love of music to the streets! **COME JOIN THE FUN!**

Contact John Dively at 695-4268 or Paul Johnson at 942-4264 for more information.





Good Day Nobles,

GREETERS

The Jaffa Greeters have been “somewhat” busy with this summers parading schedule, we could have made more, but finding the time and members to ride on the trailer in the parade has been daunting (YES, you read that right, Jaffa Greeters HAVE a trailer that is pulled ALONG the parade route, thereby making it easy to attend for those with walking issues), and we’ve just upgraded the “old” individual chairs to BENCHES that have been bolted to the floor board. (We’ve realized that adding cushions to the benches will be our next expense, thereby enhancing our enjoyment and saving our Gluteus Maximus regions during “longer” parades).

The Greeters are also part of the Jaffa Concessions committee, and get to attend all events held at the Jaffa that require food preparation and serving to the general public. This happens to also be one of our biggest fund-raising events because (for a small amount of YOUR time), each unit that participates, is allotted a shared amount of the profits from each show.

Some of the upcoming Concession events that the Greeters will participate in are: Cirque de la Symphony, Antique Car Show & Consignment Sale in September; Charlie Daniel’s Band & Striking Cords for Cancer Concert(s) in October; the Jaffa Craft Show and Little River Band concert in November.

There will be other events we will attend through-out the remainder of the year at the Jaffa, but the above mentioned were just a few that will need member participation at the Concession stands.

Any “seasoned” or “new created” Noble searching for a unit to belong to, think about joining the Greeters, since your only requirement is to have a good or even great smile and attitude with a good “hearty” waving hand

Remember, the Greeters will “Greet you with a Handshake and a Smile”!

George W. Greiner III, President



INDIANA COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

It has been a busy summer for the Indiana County Shrine Club. Rich Hill, Transportation Coordinator, reports that we are had two or three trips a week to the Erie Shriners Hospital at times. We had been transporting some new patients and their families as well as some that are returning for further treatments. As I have said before, seeing what these children and their families are going thru makes you realize how small your “big” problems are.

We also have entered our Shrine Club van in a few parades around the area to make folks aware that the service is available.

If you are interested in helping out, give Rich a call. He would certain appreciate your help. He can be reached at 814-591-3294. Or, you can come to an Indiana County Shrine Club Meeting – we get together for a meal and a



Bob Mitchell at the wheel at the Bolivar Fireman’s Parade.

meeting at the Eat ‘n Park in Indiana the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm.

That’s about it for this time...

Jim “Spanky” Edwards, Reporter



ORIENTAL BAND

As summer comes to an end and 12 parades behind us, we were proudly represented this year with having an average of 16 to 25 guys on the street at each parade. Now hoping for first place at the beach.

Looking forward with the younger boots and new ideas, I feel the future of the band is bright and in good hands.

The next chapter of the band is to help restore the Clearfield Shrine Club from going by the way side. We need to maintain the paper drive and other events on this side of the mountain.

In closing, the band would like to thank the Illustrious Potentate for a great year and looking forward to the next year. We know we are not at the Jaffa as much as we should be, but with work and travel time it is hard. We will be represented at the major events.



It's hard to believe that summer is over and that autumn is upon us. It's been a busy parade season, and there have been a lot of other events keeping our clowns painted and busy. MASA has kept us busy through the end of July and August as we ready our skit and make it parade worthy.

The Calliope Clowns also hosted PP Joe Kennedy of Ali-Ghan shrine at a balloon clinic on August 18th. Brother "Whiz" helped a dozen of our clowns better their balloon game by giving a demonstration of several new animals and items for our balloon menu. A lot was learned, and a great time was had by all.

There were a few community events at the end of August where our clowns joined and supported the causes of the communities the Jaffa serves. Tyrone Family Faith Day and Pickin' for Wishes were two such events. At the Tyrone Family Faith Day, a few of our clowns twisted balloons while the community of Tyrone professed their faith in a street fair

with concerts, sermons, speakers, music, and vendors. That same day our clowns danced to bluegrass and had fun with the patrons and patients at Pickin' for Wishes, a bluegrass festival at the Sportsman's Club in Cresson, that helps to raise awareness and funds for the Make-A-Wish foundation.

More fun is yet to be had! Mid-September, the Jaffa clowns will join our Syria brethren for their circus. With a full three-ring circus with all the trimmings, our clowns will reunite with the Chicago Boyz and Billy Martin to spend the day putting smiles on the faces of the families and children of Pittsburgh. It will surely be a tremendous time, filled with laughter and smiles all around. Every day at the circus is fun, but there's just something magical about a Shriners Circus.

Our meetings are the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm. Feel free to visit us. Who knows, we may even paint a smile on your face. Keep smiling!

Jonathan "Darby" Holmes, Calliope Clowns Unit Secretary

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Meet the JAFFA SHRINE HIGHLANDERS

Below is a brief biography of some of the members of the Jaffa Shrine Highlanders. The band was founded by a group of Jaffa nobles in May, 1977. The band chose the tartan of the Gordon Highlanders of the British Army which it still wears today. Information about additional members will be included in a following issue. The band sponsors an annual Robert Burns Dinner in January of each year to which all are invited. Feel free to talk to any of our members if you are interested in either the dinner or the bagpipes or the drums.

ROB VONADA has been a member of the Jaffa Highlanders since 1990. A drummer in high school and college, Rob learned to play the pipes so he didn't have to carry the bass drum. The Jaffa Highlanders are pipers to law enforcement, public safety and veterans' organizations in the greater Altoona area and Rob performs annually at Memorial Day Services and at the Blair County Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service.

ROBBIE VONADA officially joined the Highlanders in 2016 after playing drums in the unit for many years in non-shrine events. Robbie is an alumni of the Hollidaysburg High School drum line. He graduated from Liberty University and is employed as an Assistant Program Director at the Blair Regional YMCA.

DONNIE VONADA joined the Highlanders in 2016 and participated bearing the rampant lion banner. The Jaffa Highlanders welcome all prospective pipers and drummers into the unit as a member of the color guard. Donnie moved to the drum line on the tenor drum in 2018. He is a graduate of Liberty University and is employed with the Adelphoi organization.

CASEY FLAHERTY is entering his 10th year as a high school social studies teacher. He is very recently married to his perfect match. Though he originally began learning the pipes years ago, frequent hiatuses eventually led him to officially joining the Highlanders in early 2018 where he has since enjoyed musicianship, fellowship, and top-notch camaraderie.

JOHN MACMILLEN is the appointed pipe sergeant. That means he is compelled to listen to everything the pipe major says good or bad. Mac is our resident shrink; a psycho ceramic (crack pot) by trade and joined the band in 2003. A veteran himself and retired police officer he plays those events in addition to the band performances.

Growing up, **MATT EVANS** started into music playing the piano in kindergarten all through his years of school, as well as violin from fourth grade and on. He started learning to pipe in 2006 and has been a member of the Jaffa Highlanders since 2016. He works as a hearing instrument specialist at Sam's Club in Altoona.

A proud native of Altoona, **TIM GATEHOUSE** has taken to the triple entendre nickname of "Wee Bardie" with relish. Of honey-badger like appearance and tenacity, Tim was an almost entirely self taught bagpiper for many years preceding his appearance amongst the Highlanders.

KEVIN MCDUGALL LAW, our token Scot or "Barn Barn" as he is affectionately called, hails from the west coast of Scotland, his lineage dates back to the 12 century as a descendant of the McDougall clan, Dunstaffnage Castle on the West coast of Scotland. Having moved with his wife Phyllis of 25 years from Florida he found a home in Altoona PA where he became a member of the Jaffa Highlanders in 2010. He joined the band as a flag bearer and through his stallion-esque and gregarious personality was encouraged to play the bass drum. He hasn't looked back and as the heart of the band, has been an integral part of the band's growth and is always keen to play his drum, whilst working selflessly at the Highlanders many fund raising and benefit parades.

ROB LIPPMANN joined the Jaffa Highlanders in 2017 in order to learn to play the bagpipes after nearly 30 years in public service. Rob came to central Pennsylvania from New York City when he began his career in law enforcement. Retired now, Rob enjoys traveling, teaching SCUBA diving, drinking coffee and returning to Central PA to play with this kilted crew of his brothers in order to support the important work the Shrine does for children.

Meet the **JAFFA SHRINE HIGHLANDERS (cont.)**

SHAWN GORITY is our Pipe Major - in other words the guy who gets to herd all these cats into a band. Shawn was a piper for almost 20 years before discovering the fun and fellowship of this group. He's had the honor to serve as PIM for about 15 of the last 19 years as a proud Jaffa Highlander.

In addition to playing the Great Highland Pipes, he teaches the bagpipes, and plays another dozen varieties of bagpipes from all over Europe as well as an assortment of classical woodwinds. During his musical career, he has played with a number of other pipe bands up and down the eastern seaboard, served for over a decade on the Board of the Pipers Gathering - an internationally renowned annual convention for bagpipers, as well as played numerous times as a featured soloist and performer with the Oscar, Grammy and Emmy winning traditional Irish band The Chieftains. He has also been privileged to appear on stage with the Dropkick Murphys, the Red Hot Chili Pipers and 7 Nations. Shawn pipes on a semi-regular basis with the local celtic rock band Full Kilt.

DWAYNE KAUFMAN joined the Highlanders in 2016 as a tenor drummer, and is also serving as Chaplain on the Divan of the Jaffa Shrine. He started playing drums in his high school marching band and has also played drums and was the drum major for the Claysburg American Legion Band. He quickly learned that the drums are the heartbeat of the band and even tends to harass the pipe major saying that we should be a "Drum and Pipe Band". A difficult but integral part of the tenor drum is the flourishing. Dwayne has been working hard to add some flourishing to the drum line to give it that sexy Highlander flare.

BRUCE KELLEY studied percussion for ten years and played in numerous bands throughout High School and College including the Altoona Symphony Orchestra. Matriculating his college studies as a music major he shifted emphasis to the liberal arts and graduated with a B.A. in political science. Kelley joined the Jaffa Highlanders in 1991 and has long served as drum sergeant. He has twice served as Clan Chief for the group and has led the band through its busiest season since its inception.

KEITH BEISEL recently rejoined the Highlanders after a hiatus. He lives in Tyrone, PA. He works for Penn State University in University Park as a Transportation Coordinator. He plays the bagpipes.

TOM MCINTOSH has been a member of the Highlanders since 2011. The adventure of learning music began at the age of eight starting with the trumpet, then later the tuba and timpani. Throughout his life the sound of the pipes heard during parades and events beckoned him to learn how to play, which he took up in 2011. He currently resides in DuBois, PA and works as a simulation training contractor for the US Army.

SCOTT ADLER is the new guy with the epic mustache. He is an Army Vet. A year ago he couldn't walk due to a brain tumor, but now he is marching with the Highlanders as a flag bearer and is learning to play the bagpipes.

WAYNE WEAVER, a standards bearer with the band, is a retired Paramedic/Firefighter with nearly two decades serving communities throughout Pennsylvania. He is active in multiple Masonic bodies and serves as Sr. Warden of Portage Lodge #220.

MIKE FRAZIER, a resident of Centre Hall, PA, joined the Highlanders about 2002. He started out as the base drummer and when the drum major left he moved into that leadership position. He received training as a Drum Major at several workshops and was a drum major with another pipe band. He joined the Highlanders when that band was almost disbanded. Mike is an educator and photographer who retired in November of 2007. He still subs at several local school districts. He takes pictures in his 1600 sq. foot studio. Mike enjoys helping with the circus and the sportsman show as well as marching in the different parades. Mike has four children (two married) and three grandchildren.

DICK SWARTZ joined Jaffa in 1981. He is a retired business education teacher. After helping the Highlanders with the ticket and concession money during the Jaffa Sports Show for several years, he became a member of the Highlanders in 2003. He started as a guide-on for the Unit and marched in many parades over the years. He now serves the Unit as their Secretary/Treasurer.



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Thomas Morgan, Richard's son, retired from the Juniata Locomotive Shop joined our shrine in 1994 and became a member of the Motor Corp where he also rose to the position of President circa 2000. As an active Mason with Hiram Lodge 616 and Shrine member, Thomas can be seen helping and devoting his time at many events, he is also a member of the Road Runners where he was Treasurer and Chairman of Transportation, a valuable task of patient transportation to and from our hospitals. Thomas joined Valley of Altoona in 1994 and through his dedication and achievements received the Meritorious Service Award (Red Hat), his talents afforded him the position of Treasurer managing the funds and organizing the day to day running of the organization. His past "Wagon Master" of MASA position had him coordinate

camping weekends with food service, specialty buffet's and deserts and like his father has been a valuable part of the Potentate's Aide teams for past 20 years.

Thomas Morgan Jr. followed his father and grandfather and became a member of both Hiram Lodge 616 and our Shrine in 1997, he too joined the Motor Corps and is always seen as an active member of our Shrine working our many fund raisers, taking tickets and has been involved with cooking chicken and food for our Gun Raffle and other Jaffa fund raising events. As a father of two and three grandchildren he is a busy Shriner.

The Morgan family is a shining example of an active Shrine family involved in our community and various fund raising activities, we encourage families like the Morgan family to come forward and be recognized as we appreciate each and every one of our extended families. Should you wish to become involved in the Legacy Program or to learn more, please contact:

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144th Annual Imperial Session

DAYTONA BEACH | JULY 15-19, 2018

Representatives of Jaffa attended the Shriners Imperial Session in Daytona Beach, Florida, led by Illustrious Sir Robert Baranik and Lady Sue. All elected Jaffa representatives of the Iowa and Colorado Corporations attended all sessions. Chief Aide, Scott Woomer and Lady Amy along with Executive Aide, Ryan Baranaik provided excellent hospitality to our representatives and guest.

Once again the Walk for Love was held at the Daytona International Speedway. Jaffa was well represented and a good time was had by all. Later in the afternoon a church service was held in the Peabody Auditorium followed by the public opening of the Imperial Session held at the Daytona Beach Ocean Center.

Monday morning started with the usual formalities then it was time to get to the business of the session. A total of 46 items were on the agenda for passage or rejection. The first item on the agenda was to vote on allowing electronic balloting to be permitted. After discussion the member voted in favor and electronic devices were used.

A few highlights of the voting were the decisions on four hospitals. Twin Cities, located in Minnesota, the Cincinnati Burns Hospital and The Tampa Hospital will be authorized to decide on relocating if the Board of Governors of each facility

and the Board of Directors and Trustees of Shriners Hospitals for Children deems a decision is necessary and appropriate. These actions passed. The Boston Shriners Hospital is requesting a moratorium be placed on any changes in location or in services currently provided at Boston Shriners Hospital while negotiations occur with Massachusetts General Hospital. This action failed.

In other actions, Nemesis Shriners in Parkersburg, WV withdrew from the Mid Atlantic Shrine Association.

Two New Shrine Centers were chartered. Amal Shriners located in Sao Paulo, Brazil and Bolivia Shriners in Bolivia, South America.

Election of Officers was held on Tuesday afternoon. All current Imperial Officers were elected to the next office, then it was time for the election of the new Imperial Outer Guard. Nominators for Mark E. Hartz of Boumi Shriners and Joe Schloss of Kalif Shriners gave their speeches and after voting, Mark E. Hartz was elected to the position.

Wednesday was the public installation of the Imperial Potentate elect, Jim Cain. Imperial Sir and Lady Patsy being from Nashville entered the arena in a pick-up truck to the theme of County Roads.

In the afternoon session, guests were introduced the new patient ambassadors.

Lily, age 18, from Paducah, Kentucky, was born with fibular hemimelia, meaning she did not have a fibula, the outer thin bone that runs from the knee to the ankle, in her right leg. She underwent a Syme's amputation, which is an amputation done through the ankle joint that helps to preserve the heel pad, and she received her first prosthesis a few months later.

Riley, now age 17, was born with the genetic condition hereditary multiple exostoses (HME), which causes irregular bone growth. Exostoses are more commonly known as "bone spurs," which typically grow on the end of long bones during childhood and adolescence. In Riley's case, physicians discovered growths from nearly head to toe through a full body x-ray when he was 14 months old.

Thursday, dawned the final day of the session and with all legislation finished, the installation of Imperial Officers was held. After closing remarks by Imperial Sir Jim Cain, the Imperial Session was adjourned until next year in Nashville, TN.

Respectfully submitted, James Miller
High Priest and Prophet/Elected Rep.

Eugene E. Sauer was omitted from the list of Circus Daddies in the previous issue of the Jaffa Journal. We apologize for the error.

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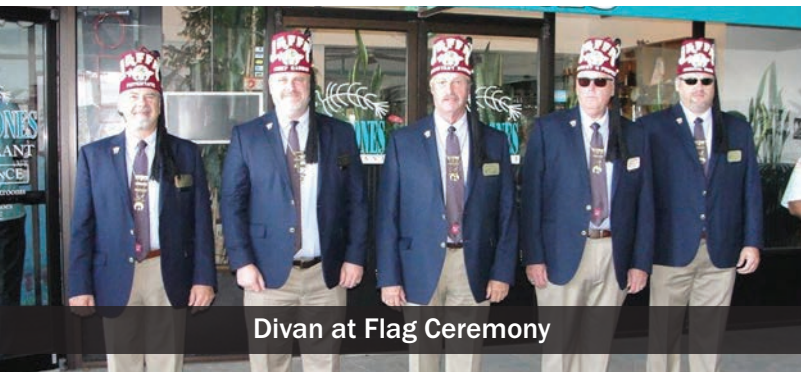
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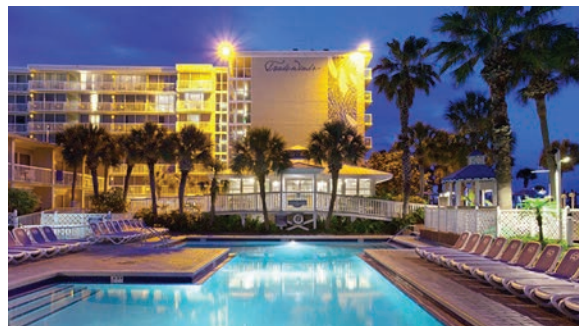
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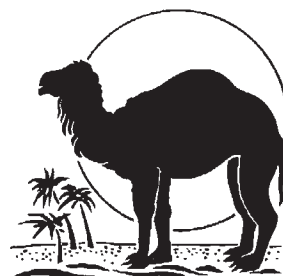
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Donald Devorris	Altoona, PA	9/14/2017	James J. Orzechowski	Johnstown, PA	2/26/2018
Robert A. Hanna	Houtzdale, PA	9/21/2017	Chester E. Wingert	Danville, PA	2/20/2018
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Please keep the families of these Nobles in your thoughts and prayers!

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SEPTEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 SPORTS SHOW MEETING - L - 6PM	6	7	8
9	10	11 RED CROSS - BH UNIT HEAD MEETING - 7PM	12 JOBEL - SR	13 CHEF'S NIGHT OUT JOBEL - SR	14	15 CIRQUE DE LA SYMPHONIE
16 ANTIQUÉ CAR CLUB CAR SHOW	17 TRESURED ONCE AGAIN PREP - AUD	18	19	20 TRESURED ONCE AGAIN SALE - AUD	21	22
23 TRESURED ONCE AGAIN SALE - AUD	24	25	26 PRIVATE PARTY - BH	27	28	29 PRIVATE PARTY - BH
30						

OCTOBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 GUN RAFFLE MEETING - L - 68M	4	5 CHARLIE DANIELS BAND	6 BIG TIME WRESTLING - AUD GUN RAFFLE (PREP)
7 GUN RAFFLE	8	9 UNIT HEAD MEETING - 7PM	10 JOBEL - SR	11 CHEF'S NIGHT OUT JOBEL - SR	12	13
14 BAND PAINT N' SIP - LOUNGE	15	16	17	18	19 LOH - BH STRIKING CHORDS AGAINST CANCER - AUD	20
21	22	23	24 GIRLS NIGHT OUT	25	26 BUSINESS MEETING	27 PRIVATE PARTY - BH
28	29	30 IMLERS FOOD SHOW	31 SAFE TRICK OR TREAT - BH			

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 ANTIQUE CAR CLUB 300	3 JAFFA LADIES NIGHT
4	5	6	7 SPORTS SHOW MEETING - L - 6PM	8	9	10 CRAFT SHOW
11 CRAFT SHOW	12	13 UNIT HEAD MEETING - 7PM	14 JOBEL - SR	15 JOBEL - SR	16 ROJ - SR LITTLE RIVER BAND	17 ROJ - BH
18 TRADE SECRET VENDOR SHOW - BH	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 CHURCH SERVICE - BH	26	27	28	29	30 POTENTATES ROAST - BH	

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