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THE 2011 AL KALY TRIP IS NOW GONE FOR THE YEAR



- But Not Forgotten!!!



This Issue's Highlights:

Featured Member: Ralph "Doc" Hathaway ▲ Shriners International Personal Essay Contest
 2012 Installation of Officers ▲ Message from Imperial Potentate ▲ and More!

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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

by Ill. Sir Allan Ake
Potentate

As the man in the song said, "What a wonderful time of the year"!! Here's wishing all, Illustrious Sirs, Nobles and Ladies a wonderful Christmas.

As always, our Shrine has been busy, busy, busy all year long. The Public Relations group, which was designated a committee, is now officially a Unit. The members voted to become a Unit because they felt they will be more effective with the slightly more structured organization. Recorder Bart Guthrie and I signed off on the PR Unit's bylaws last month; they elected officers. The President-elect is Dick Mills, the Vice President-elect is Ray Clark, and the Secretary/Treasurer-elect is Bill Clugston. Those officers will be installed later this month. My point here is three-fold: 1) this is an example of how the Nobles and Ladies of this temple are incredibly busy and "wearing many hats"; 2) This sort of activity is happening all over the Shrine; 3) We have a very viable, vibrant Shrine because of you, the members. Is this a great organization or what??!!



First Lady's Note
SNOW IS FALLING AND THE HOLIDAYS ARE HERE!

by Linda Agresta



The Al Kaly Trip is now gone for the year – but not forgotten! We had a wonderful time in New Orleans and aboard ship. Our hotel, Chateau Bourbon, was in the French Quarter, so getting to great restaurants, entertainment, and shops was easy (Big Easy!!). The first night in New Orleans, we all gathered at the "Red Fish Grill" for a terrific Cajun dinner. The next day, Saturday, we had a free day to do our own thing. Some went shopping, some took a river cruise, and others toured the WWII museum. Allan & I headed for Café du Monde and then did a bit of wandering and relaxing.

Sunday, after a buffet breakfast at the hotel, we enjoyed a 3-hour tour of New Orleans. The bus driver/

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tour guide made it interesting and personal, pointing out his relatives' homes and sharing stories. Among many points of interest, we saw the beautiful Garden District and then the contrast of the Ninth Ward District, which was devastated by hurricane Katrina.

Then on to the cruise! As with all cruises, there were many choices for shore excursions, including hanging out and shopping at the port town. Norwegian Cruise Line offers "free style" dining, meaning that we all choose our own time to have dinner. But Lori Carstens, our travel agent, made sure that the group gathered together at least once every day. We met at Charlie's Champagne bar before dinner most nights for a cocktail and discussions about the day's events. We had a lovely cocktail party with hors d'oeuvres one night and a big group dinner another night. It

was so enjoyable and all came to an end too soon.

Allan and I spent an additional three nights in New Orleans, continuing to relax and even got a little Christmas shopping accomplished!

As I write, it's early November and I'm in Phoenix. My mother remains in the hospital after some serious surgery. She's a trooper, but, as we all know, healing and recovery becomes more difficult with every passing year. I need to extend my stay here. So, if I was not at some of the November Al Kaly events, this is why not.

Until I see you next – enjoy the season!

Linda

And always

LIVE - LAUGH - LOVE

Remember that dividing the task multiplies the fun!



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UPCOMING EVENTS



DECEMBER

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|----|------------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------------|
| 8 | OV, Potentate's Escort | 16 | Broadmoor Christmas |
| 9 | Stated Meeting/Election of Officers, PSC | 23-30 | Office Closed, Christmas Holiday Season |
| 10 | OV, Honored Ladies | | |

JANUARY

- | | | | |
|----|-----------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Office Closed, New Year's Day | 16 | MLK Day, Office Closed |
| 6 | Annual Meeting/Installation of Officers | 19 | Visit South Pueblo # 31 |
| 7 | Team Breakfast Meeting | 21 | East West Shrine Bowl |
| 12 | Visit Silver State #95 Lodge | 26 - 28 | Grand Lodge |
| 15 | OV, Legion of Honor | | |

The Honored Ladies Club of Al Kaly

by Rose Enyeart
Secretary

The Honored Ladies are proud of our association with the Al Kaly Shriners and are grateful for the wonderful support that we receive, not only from our Sponsors, Ill. Sir Bob Burr and his Lady Betty, but from the Nobility and

especially the Divan, oops, the Board of Directors. We are delighted to have our annual Official Visit from Ill. Sir Allan Ake and First Lady Linda Agresta at the Belvedere in Canon City, Saturday December 10, 11:30 a.m. gathering and eating at Noon when we will have our Christmas Party. The rest of the Divan will also be in attendance and that makes us feel very special. The Belvedere will again fix our traditional meal of Roast Beef, Vegetables, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Salad and Dessert for \$14.

We will sell chances for the gifts that we all bring in order to raise money to give to the Potentate for the Transportation Fund. We all bring some type of fun gift and then we have a laugh as people retrieve their prizes. It is always fun and the wonderful part is seeing all of our friends and visiting with each other.

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Featured Member

Ralph "Doc" Hathaway

by Rose Enyeart

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Where there's a will, there's a way.

"Doc", Ralph Hathaway, came to Colorado in 2004 as a Mason who had gone through the various degrees of

York Rite and Scottish Rite without becoming a Shriner. When he met Sam Quint, all that changed. His involvement with Al Kaly Shrine is extensive and varied. When he became a Shriner, he took on the title of Staff Physician for Al Kaly Shrine at the request of Ill. Sir Don Taylor. His activities revolve around caring for the children of the



area by being involved with the Colorado Springs Screening Clinic each month, the Telemedicine clinic each quarter, IHOP activities, Burn Week, and being the doctor to call for questions about a child and the eligibility for services. As a Hospital Rep, Doc still does house calls and has helped many children and their families with his presence.

He is also a member of and an officer in several units, the Elite, where he and his Shriner dog, Mia, participate in parades, the Flivvers, and Provost Guard. Doc has been the Secretary for the CS Shrine Club for four years. He is a Past Master of the Lodge in Divide and serves as their Secretary.

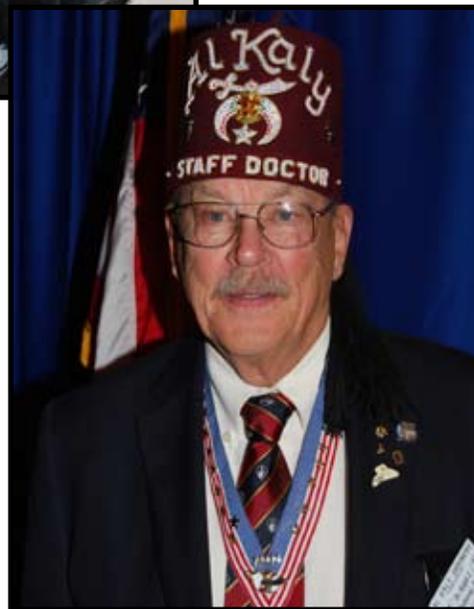
When he moved here with Amy, his wife of nearly fifty years, she was in failing health. Doc, his son, and his daughter-in-law had built a house where they could all live and take care of Amy. They had been in the house just a month when Amy had to enter a nursing home where she lived for the next four years. To keep himself busy when he wasn't visiting Amy, he started to volunteer with Silver

Key, Marion House and Sertoma. That is where he met Sam Quint who found out he was a Mason and soon brought him into the Shrine.

When Doc graduated from high school he had been in the Naval Reserves for two years and wanted to be doctor. There was no way his family could support that idea, so he decided to train to be a nurse. Uncle Sam changed his course when he was called to active duty for the Korean conflict. He trained as a Medical Corpsman and then as an Operating Room Tech. The Navy medics are assigned to the Marines and he spent three years of active duty and then stayed in the reserves.

Doc got a job with NBC as a camera man

to support his wife and son and then became a news photographer for NBC. He still wanted to become a doctor and applied for schools. He finished his undergraduate program in two straight years. He was accepted in a school in Kansas City where he moved to establish his residency and get lower tuition. He needed to pay for tuition to med school and put the problem in God's hands. His previous work at NBC gave him the skills needed to work three part-time jobs, which



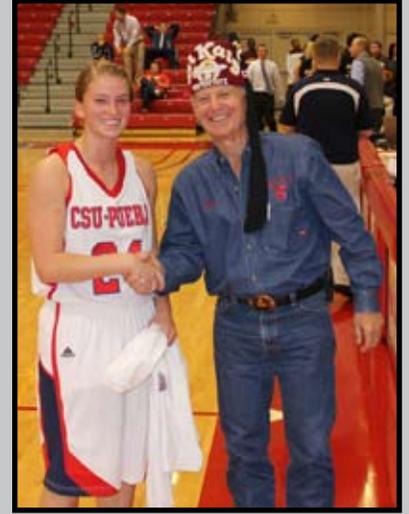
allowed him to leave medical school with no debt.

After practicing medicine in Maine for ten years, he was worn out and joined the Air Force where he served for twenty years as a flight surgeon. After his retirement, he and Amy traveled.

The rest of the story is told by watching him play

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2011 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AT COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY, PUEBLO



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with his great-grandson and Mia as we chatted in the home he shares with his wife, JoAnne Sube. Their mutual ties to Shriners and helping children brought them together. JoAnne continues to help with the very successful Telemedicine Clinic. They are able to travel in their new travel home. Doc is still involved in his heart's desire, medicine. Along the way he has shown that dedication to a cause can bring success and fulfillment. Al Kaly Shrine has benefited from his devotion to their cause, helping children live their fullest lives.

Shriners International Personal Essay Contest

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WHERE HAS THE YEAR GONE?

by Gary Sears
Chief Rabban



Nobles, Ladies and
Friends,

Where has the year gone? We are already in December with cold weather, Christmas Holiday, and getting ready to complete our income tax return soon, I know you are looking forward to that! As the saying goes, "time flies when you are having fun" and we have fun at Al Kaly!

I attended the Imperial Membership Seminar in Tampa in October. There were many good ideas presented to help stop the membership losses we are experiencing and actually increase membership. There are several new programs which we will implement and our membership co-chairman will introduce them with more detail soon.

There are several Temples that reported a membership gain last year. One Temple has reported a gain for seven years in a row and another Temple has experienced a gain for the past thirteen years! You might ask what is their secret to membership retention and increases? The answer is really simple, Go to Lodge! Support the Masonic Family! Attend Lodge, be involved on committees, be an officer, get a new candidate into the Lodge! Support the Masonic Family, youth groups, OES, the Rite Bodies, etc.

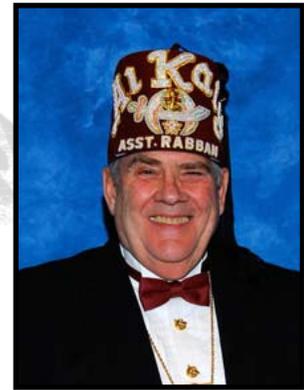
We have several important events happening in December. We have the Cash Raffle Calendars for sale, they make great Christmas gifts and your unit earns money on each calendar you sell. Contact your unit president to purchase a calendar. This is also the season to sell Dust ads for 2012; if you need sales forms contact the Al Kaly office. We have our Stated Meeting this month as well as numerous Christmas parties.

I want to thank all of you for participating in the Al Kaly activities in 2011. Your participation is what helps to make Al Kaly successful and an important part of the Southern Colorado community. Your participation and support for Al Kaly help us to find the children that need our help.

Thanks for your support and see you at the events.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

by Roger Mendenhall
Assistant Rabban



Fall is upon us and the leaves have fallen. We know winter is coming because the nights are getting cold. I hope all of you will have a great holiday season.

A couple of weeks ago we had our annual Basketball Tournament, and thanks to our graphics people at Signal Graphics, we had another fantastic looking program. So you all know, around a dozen Nobles sold over \$10,000.00 worth of ads to help make this Al Kaly fundraiser a success. I want to thank these sales people, and especially P.P. Bob Burr for heading up the ad sales program for our Shrine. He and Bob Zyer sold the lion's share of these ads. Give them your thanks when you attend the Stated Meeting at the Pueblo Shrine Club on December 9th.

By the way, please take time to look at the ads in the Dust and Basketball Program. Then, when you go out to eat or buy a service from one of our advertisers, please tell them you are doing business with them because they support Al Kaly! This really helps for the next time our salespeople call on them. They will respond positively with another ad.

Karen and I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE/ INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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

Pueblo Shrine Club

January 6, 2012

Dinner: 6:30pm / Meeting: 7:30pm

Attest:

Bart Guthrie, P.P.

Recorder

Allan Ake

Potentate

ONE OF THOSE DAYS...

by Merv Terrill
High Priest and Prophet

Well, today has, also, been one of “those” days. We had the Ceremonial at the Antlers in Colorado Springs today, and for those of you who know and are looking at your calendar—yes, I am late with my article to the Dust Editor. I would like to thank him for his patience in this matter as it has been a long and tiresome week or two. Most of you know when this Dust comes to you I will be recuperating from a hip replacement and the last week has been one doctor after another and all the labs and x-rays and whatever else before the surgery. Hectic has been my byword and I simply forgot to write this article.

I can tell you firsthand the Ceremonial was awesome. The Ritualistic Team did a bang-up job as usual and the candidates were captivated by their presentation. We missed Ill. Sir Bill Sheard doing “My Old Red Fez”, but Ill. Sir Dick Sater stepped in and did it in his stead. Bill is recovering from serious surgery and we all wish him a speedy recovery. The “sick list” grows as Lady Linda was in Phoenix with her mother who is, in the theme of the day, recovering from surgery. Godspeed and health to her, also. The decorating committee did a neat job with the decorations and centerpieces and there were door prizes for many in attendance.

New Nobles and their Ladies as well as the old-timers were treated to a short talk given by Jeff and Robin Gerkey and their daughter Sophie who is a cleft lip and palate patient from our Chicago Hospital. What a fascinating family and story; we were all fascinated with the talk.

Happy Holidays to everyone from myself and Lady Glenda... and check those dues cards to make sure they are the new and improved edition. Check with Ill. Sir Recorder Bart G. if you need a new one.



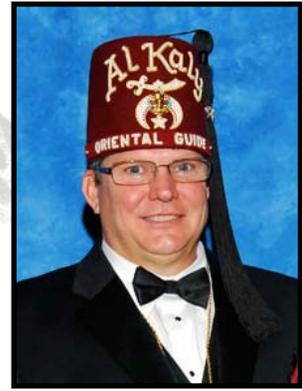
SEEK OUT THE NEW NOBLES

by J.D. Potter
Oriental Guide

Well, summer is over. I am sitting here writing a December newsletter article and watching it snow. This has been a busy and exciting last two months; first my family and I want to thank everyone who has commented on the smoked pig from the Callin’ of the Hogs. We had a great time doing it and look forward to doing it again.

My Lady Stacey and I went on the Potentate’s trip this year. It was the first time we had been on a cruise. “WOW”, I did not know there could be so many places to eat on one ship. I think I must have gained at least 10 pounds. We enjoyed the ports and time we spent on the excursions, but I think the most enjoyable part was when we all got together in the evening and informed the other members about our day and, as Shriners do so well, had a

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THE HOLIDAYS ARE JUST AROUND THE CORNER

by *Jim Eaches*
First Ceremonial Master



Greetings:

Is winter ever going to arrive and stay? I'm still waiting for that first good deep snow so I can stay indoors and look out our front window and see everything so white and bright, it just reminds me that Thanksgiving and Christmas are right around the corner. Don't worry there are still plenty of things to accomplish. We still have a few Official Visits, Elections of Officers, Children's Christmas Party and the wonderful arrival of Santa Claus, what a great time of the year!

By the time you read this article we should have completed our second Ceremonial for Al Kaly Shrine. It is always a pleasure to bring in new Nobles and participating in the Ritual is fun and you never know what kind of unexpected scenarios will show up. I remember when I first joined the Ceremonial Team and we had a Ritual to perform in Durango. Our favorite prompter at the time was none other than Noble Bill Husted. It seems on this occasion the gong had been misplaced and was no where to be found, so to improvise we found a large pot in the kitchen and a big spoon, one can only imagine the sound that pot made. I'm really glad I only had a short part at that time because every time Noble Bill hit that pot, everyone had a snicker on their face; it was really hard holding in your laughter, ahh yes, the good old days.

So, for now, and with the holidays around the corner, on behalf of the First Ceremonial Master and his Lady Rosa, we wish each and every Noble and his Lady the most joyous of the Holiday Season. Also remember to say a small prayer for all our Military members and any individual who is not fortunate enough to celebrate the Holidays with their family and loved ones. Until next year, wake up, smell the turkey, eat the pie, loosen that belt and for goodness sake, cheer for any football team but the Broncos'!

Yours in Shrinedom, Jim.

FUN FOR THE HOLIDAYS

by *Larry Newman*
Treasurer



It's still early November as I write this article for the December Dust. We're rapidly approaching the holiday season and we still have many fun events to participate in.

Many of the units will have their elections and installation of officers, and there are unit and club parties coming up. At Al Kaly we're busy trying to finish this year off right while feverishly planning for another great year ahead.

I want to thank everyone who has helped in our fundraising (and fun-raising) events over the last three years. Buying and selling raffle calendars and raffle tickets, working the IHOPs in February, Dust ads, the basketball tournament and program ads, the Al Kaly picnic; the list of activities within Al Kaly, the clubs, and units goes on and on. All of the activities are important to this organization and the membership, and I just can't thank those Nobles and Ladies enough, who make these events possible, for their efforts and support.

I look forward to seeing many of you in the weeks ahead, whether it's at our December stated meeting or one of the unit or club functions. In the meantime, be safe. Enjoy the many blessings of the season.

I hope each of you is able to spend some joyous time among friends and family and that this truly is a blessed holiday season for you.

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wonderful dinner and a show afterward.

We have several new Nobles from the Fall Ceremonial. I want to encourage all the members to seek them out at meetings or events and make them feel like the very important members they are. This is something that is critical if we want to keep the new members active. This also applies to the Ladies; if we do not get both the Noble and his Lady involved with the many actives the Shrine offers, it is only a matter of time before they are on our list of Nobles being suspended.

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following that received awards at the October 28, 2011 stated meeting.



Gold Medal Recipients

- | | | |
|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Allan Ake | Bart Guthrie | Ron Robbins |
| Phil Allison | Ken Henry | Bill Sheard |
| Marvin Barbour | Bob McCormick | Dick Sater |
| Brian Bate | Roger Mendenhall | Jim Stivers |
| Brian Carter | (2) | Billy Sypher |
| Roger Frazier | Phil Moss | Gary Sears |
| Doug Gabel | Dick Mills | Merv Terrill |
| Johnny Garcia | | |

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Bob Smotherman
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Medal

- Robert Graham
John Harrington
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John Potter receiving Medal



Silver Star Recipient Gene Dobrzelecki

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IMPORTANCE OF SELECTING QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF ORIENTAL GUIDE

by **Bart Guthrie, P.P.**
Recorder

From the Office of the Imperial Recorder. When the members of a Shrine Temple elect a Noble to the office of Oriental Guide, they are virtually starting that Noble through the Divan line on the assumption that he will prove qualified for any merit achievement to the high office of Potentate.

Hence, it's quite evident that the nominations for Oriental Guide should be based upon thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability, and interest.

A Noble can be a good fellow, a hard worker, and a loyal Shriner...and yet lack the basic qualifications which make a good Potentate. Unless a Noble is fully qualified for the job, he is unfair both to himself and to his temple in seeking the office or in permitting his fellow Nobles to support and promote his candidacy.

The normal starting point of Shrine leadership is the office of Oriental Guide. The following checklist may prove helpful in evaluating potential candidates for the office of Oriental Guide. However, no thinking man would be so naïve or so presumptuous as to think he has all the virtues, talents, and qualifications which are set forth in this checklist for advance evaluation of potential candidates by the voting members.

- Leadership
- Executive ability
- Business sense
- Community standing and influence
- Financially secure
- Free to donate ample time
- Capable of building good public relations
- Good habits and moral character
- Interest in Shrinedom
- Ability to give and get cooperation
- Diplomacy

Many Temples have placed a definite limitation upon their progress as a result of hasty judgment in connection with nominations for the office of Oriental Guide. Every Noble is not fitted to meet the rigorous demands imposed upon Potentates.

So let's be fair, honest, and wise in the all-important matter of electing to office only men who are eminently qualified for the job. We all know that with honor comes responsibility. And while there is high honor associated with a Divan office, the ensuing responsibilities entail a lot of time-consuming, energy-consuming WORK! Eternal vigilance must be wisely and thoughtfully exercised by the voting membership in order to perpetuate a high caliber of leadership!

STATED MEETING DINNER

Pueblo Shrine Club

January 6, 2012

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Shriners Child Cameron Robert Fields

"Miracles Times Two"

by Rose Enyeart

Shawna Fields and her son, Cameron Robert Fields, have a bond that is unique to them. They both are or have been Shriner's Children. Shawna was born with congenital hip dislocation. The hipbones were out of their sockets and had a weak structure to keep them in place to allow for a normal growth pattern. The hospital put her hipbones back in place and sent her family home. They told the parents that she might have trouble walking normally or leading a normal life. When her Grandmother Fields, who lived in Arizona, learned of this condition, she told them to find a Shriner Hospital and get her some help.

The miracles started to happen when they contacted the Al Kaly Shriners Screening Clinic for help. The late Noble Bob Kula, Hospital Rep Emeritus, was assigned to Shawna as her Hospital Rep. Those of us who knew Noble Bob knew of his dedication to the children who were assigned to him. Bob was thorough and detailed in his record keeping in his attention to his Shriner Children. Bob had a file for each child that allowed him to keep track of the child and their family. He kept in touch frequently with the families and with the child's progress.

Because "Grandpa Bob", as he became known to Shawna, and she had birthdays that were close, they shared a bond—a picnic or two—or some special activity, around that date. She used Robert when naming Cameron. She was saddened to learn of Bob's passing when she went to visit and Lady Hazel told her the sad news.

Once Noble Bob and Shawna's family were paired,



Shawna Fields and Cameron.

Shawna began to receive the help she needed at the Salt Lake City Shriner Hospital for Children. She was put in a full body cast to stabilize the joints and hips and to allow them to be properly placed. The treatment was successful and she was able to continue her growth and development. As she grew older and needed further help, Noble Bob had her go through various physical treatment programs to make sure that her knees and legs were strong enough. The Shrine paid for these treatments and they helped keep her moving normally and allowed her to grow into a lovely young woman. She was able to walk with no problems and was able to deliver the light of her life, Cameron.

She had a normal pregnancy but Cameron came prematurely. He is now seven months old and Shawna observed that his head tilted a bit to his left side. A trip to the Colorado

Springs Screening Clinic and Cameron was brought into the Shriner family as a Shriner Child. Noble Phil Moss is their Hospital Rep. He has some large shoes to fill. Cameron will go to Denver to have the minor surgical repair to his neck. So, the miracle of the Shriner's dedication to helping children reach their potential goes on to another generation.

The Field family has been blessed by the presence of the late Noble Bob Kula and Noble Phil Moss in their lives. Shawna is able to walk and move normally and Cameron will be able to continue his growth with the problem that the Screening Clinic identified. To have such a service provided to families is a blessing to this community and all the people that they touch. It always makes me proud to hear these stories of our successful outreach to the communities and proud of my association with the Al Kaly Shriners.

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The Al Kaly Shrine Transportation Fund is in need of a financial boost.

The increasing cost of transporting our Shriner Kids to one of the Shriners Hospitals combined with the number of kids being served is putting a strain on our Transportation Fund. The Dust each month will highlight those who have contributed to the Transportation Fund.

Help us fill this page!!!! For your contribution, your name or "in Memory of" will be listed in the Dust for one year (10 issues).

Support the Al Kaly Shrine Transportation Fund. Send your donation to: Al Kaly Shrine -P.O. Box 193, Pueblo Colorado 81002. A date will be posted behind each name indicating the year and month of your last donation.

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Musings from the Blue Lodges

Around the region, the Blue Lodges are gearing up for the coming year - planning a new slate of officers, closing out projects from the previous year. 2012 looks like a good year for Fremont 97. For the first time in the memory of many, the principle stations will be filled by brand new Brothers. Brother Ken Morse will wear the hat in the East. Brother Jim Gilbert will take on the duties in the West, and Brother Tim Mills will provide refreshment from the South. These three bring fresh ideas and lots of enthusiasm. Look for great things this year.

If you have not visited the Lodge in Coal Creek lately, you have missed an unforgettable experience. It reminds us of the "Lodge over Simpkin's Store", a step back in time. The old saying, "saved from the dust bins of history", applies to Eureka Lodge 66. A few years ago, Brother Bill Worthen discovered Masonic wall charts dating back to the late 1800s while cleaning out a closet. With tender loving care from Brother Bill and Lady Joan, the charts have come alive in vivid color. They are now displayed in beautiful oak wall cabinets made by Brothers John Donley and Brian Carter. This beautiful old building and its proud members will be led by a new Master this coming year, as Brother Robert Hudson takes his place in the East for the first time. We are confident he will do an outstanding job.

Masonic history tells us that our philosophy has not changed over the years. Brotherly love still prevails. Harmony remains in the halls of our fraternity, yet our numbers are falling. Are we not aware of changes within our ranks? Have we not kept up with time? Is our philosophy just for old folks? In 1964, Fremont Lodge #97 had 169 members. Today we have 47, counting plural membership. What happened? I would like to challenge each Brother to bring in a new member this year to replace himself, just in case the Black Camel comes to call.

To end on an upbeat note, remember that we still belong to the greatest fraternity in the world.

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

John M. Parrish, Colorado Springs, CO
Born: June 29, 1921
Created: January 25, 1952
Died: October 3, 2011

Carl Wagner, Naples FL
Born: December 4, 1938
Created: June 26, 1982
Died: July 5, 2011

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

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

Pueblo Shrine Club
December 9, 2011

Dinner: 6:30pm / Meeting: 7:30pm

Attest:

Bart Guthrie, P.P.

Recorder

Allan Ake

Potentate

★ Al Kaly Shriners Welcome New Nobles ★

Al Kaly welcomes the following new nobles from the November 12, 2011 Fall Ceremonial:

Lloyd H. Collins, 1st line signer Steve Gresley. Noble Lloyd is a member of Ute Pass Lodge # 188. He and his Lady Helen reside in Woodland Park. He is retired.



J. Mason Querner, 1st line signer Steve Gresley. Noble Mason is a member of Ute Pass Lodge # 188. He and his Lady Carla reside in Colorado Springs. Noble Mason is a Senior Training Specialist.



Richard J. Gillit, 1st line signer Johnny Garcia. Noble Rick is a member of Manitou Lodge # 68. He and his Lady Ashley reside in Colorado Springs. Noble Rick is employed in banking.



Jeffery A. Thompson, 1st line signer Dick Larke. Noble Jeffery is a member of Centurion Lodge # 195. He and his Lady Mirnah reside in Colorado Springs. Noble Jeffery is employed as a Quality Manager.



Michael E. Judy, 1st line signer Jim Gilbert. Noble Michael is a member of Fremont Lodge # 97. He and his Lady Cathryn reside in Penrose. Noble Michael is employed as a U.S. Government Contractor.



Forrest A. Wieder, 1st line signer J.D. Potter. Noble Forrest is a member of Emmaus Masonic Lodge, Emmaus, PA. He and his Lady Terry reside in Pueblo. Noble Forrest is an Instructor.



Charles E. Lewis, 1st line signer Doc Hathaway. Noble Charles is a member of Cripple Creek Lodge # 96. He and his Lady Pat reside in Colorado Springs. He is retired.



Editor's Note: Noble John Bourne, with 1st line signer Tom Holmes, came through a Cold Sands in January and also participated in this Hot Sands Ceremony.



Terry J. Nothart, 1st line signer J.D. Potter. Noble Terry is a member of South Pueblo Lodge # 31. He and his Lady Linda Galassini reside in Pueblo. Noble Terry is employed as a Mechanical Inspector.



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Ruhamah Temple No. 71 - Daughters of the Nile



by Sherry Holmes
Queen

Wow! Can you believe it is December and Santa is on his way! Ruhamah Temple No. 71 has been very busy during the month of November...Dancers dancing, Pageantry making their special moves, Hospital Request Committee making lots of lap blankets, op dolls, favors for the children and sending gift cards to Salt Lake City, Houston and Galveston Shriners Hospitals and the Patrol has been escorting, patrolling and bundling lots of peanut brittle, chocolate covered blueberries and pineapple for us to buy and enjoy!

Pikes Peak Club had an Official Visit in my honor at the Olive Garden - boy, was the food good, but the camaraderie was great! They presented me with a wonderful Stepping Stone to Happiness and a beautiful glass seahorse.

As many of you know, we had our annual Holiday Affair at the Shrine Club on Nov. 19th. Being one of our major fundraisers, it was a great day, with lots of food and gifts to buy!! PQ, Pr Tirzah, Rosa Eaches and Ladies of the Household, you outdid yourselves this year.

This month as so many of us are aware, we will enjoy many parties and good food. Let us make it a safe holiday. Let us, too, make great plans for next year not only for ourselves and loved ones, but to be even more supportive of our Shrine, Daughters of the Nile and for the children of our hospitals.

January 2012 will get off to a great start - we will have another ceremonial to welcome PQ Janice McMullens' granddaughter, Kassandra, as our newest Princess. We are hopeful that more Ladies will join our wonderful organization! God Bless each and every one. Nile Love, Sherry.



Queen Sherry Holmes



Daughters of the Nile Dancers Fundraiser.



Daughters of the Nile Patrol Fundraiser.

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE....STATED MEETING... ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Notice is given that the Stated Meeting and Election of Officers of Al Kaly Shriners will be held at the Pueblo Shrine Club on December 9, 2011.

You will be called upon to elect the following officers: Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, Recorder and Representatives to the Imperial Council.

To gain admission into this meeting, the Imperial By-Laws require that a member must be in possession of and present his current year's membership card.

Imperial By-Laws Election Regulations:

a. The printing, publication, circulating of, distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets or other devices by a Noble suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing

the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited.

b. For any violations of (a), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of officers void and order a new election.

c. At least one week prior to any meeting or election, the Temple Recorder shall mail each member a notice thereof containing this section.

d. Installation of newly elected officers for Al Kaly Shriners will be held January 6, 2012 at the Temple's annual meeting.

Attest:
Bart Guthrie, P.P.
Recorder

Aleikum Es Selamu
Allan Ake
Potentate

A MESSAGE FROM THE IMPERIAL POTENTATE

What another busy and fun month it has been! I recently got back from traveling to Las Vegas for the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open. Thank you to everybody who came out to support this special event that brought an enormous amount of exposure to Shriners Hospitals for Children and Shriners International. I believe we had close to 1,100 volunteers, and it was great to see that most of them were wearing fezzes. I would also like to thank Adam Sperling, the tournament director; and Gary Dunwoody, chairman of the golf committee and his committee members, for all of their hard work in making this an extremely successful event. Congratulations to pro golfer Kevin Na for winning the tournament.



If you watched the tournament on the Golf Channel, you were able to see your Imperial Potentate being interviewed by the network. The interview went fantastic and I was able to explain to people all over the world about our philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children, and the life changing work they provide for children on a daily basis. Also joining me for part of the interview were our terrific patient ambassadors, Alissa Perkins, 2, and Kate Hickman, 13.

I'm also looking forward to another signature event for our fraternity, the 86th East-West Shrine Game, which will take place January 21, at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, Fla. I cannot be more thrilled to have the game in a community that strongly supports our Shriners Hospitals for Children – Tampa and is the home to Shriners International Headquarters. This year's game will have several fun and exciting activities planned for Shriners to participate in, so start making your travel plans to be in Tampa this January!

In addition to my interview with the Golf Channel, I recently filmed an episode in Los Angeles with Christopher Coppola for his show "Digivangelist" on the Reelz Channel. Christopher is the nephew of director Francis Ford Coppola and recently became a member of the Al Malaikah Shriners in Los Angeles. The episode will discuss Noble Christopher's process of becoming a Shriner and inform the public about our one-of-a-kind fraternity and philanthropy. Stay tuned for details of when the episode will air!

Earlier this past month, it was a pleasure to attend with Patty the Central States Shrine Association Ceremonial Session in Overland Park, KS. We had over 3,000 Nobles in attendance and Patty greatly appreciates all the support she

received from the ladies for her fundraising program "Stepping Forward Toward a Brighter Future."

I also had an enjoyable time attending the Great Lakes Shrine Association in Boardman, Ohio. An interesting fact is that I'm the first Imperial Potentate to visit that area since Harold Lloyd in 1949. Hopefully, the streak continues with the next Imperial Potentate because the Nobles at the Youngstown Shrine Club are wonderful hosts.

In other exciting news, my 22-year-old son, Joe, is taking the necessary steps to become a Shriner. Joe is currently a Master

Mason at the Englewood Lodge No. 166 and decided he wanted to join the fraternity after attending the Imperial Session this past July in Denver. Legacies are a great way to increase membership, and I encourage every Noble to share the special tradition of brotherhood within your own family.

As some of you may already know, we lost a great member of our fraternity, Past Imperial Potentate Kenneth W. Smith. I had the honor to travel to Vancouver and give part of his eulogy. I knew Imperial Sir Smith personally and he was an avid fisherman. I remember one time going fishing for salmon with him and he would perform all of the more demanding work, such as baiting the fish, just so that I could enjoy the experience.

Imperial Sir Smith truly embodied what it means to be a Shriner, because he was a selfless individual who only cared about doing things for others. As members of this wonderful fraternity, I sincerely hope all of you will strive to have the same mindset as Imperial Sir Smith and will always remember to put others first.

"Remember why you became a Shriner!"

Yours in the Faith,
Michael G. Severe
Imperial Potentate
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CLUB AND UNIT NEWS

PIPE & DRUMS CORPS



Pipe & Drums Corps at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club Dinner.

*by Steve McKee
Clan III, Piper*

Hope you found our Pipers Cave during the October Shrine Club dinner, the pipers hosted an open house, and yes we actually had someone sign up to play with us. If you missed it, we have practice on the 1st and 4th Monday of the month. Stop in and pay us visit.

By the time this hits the newsstands, the Pipe & Drum will have played at the Ceremonial, and the November dinner at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. We also were asked to Pipe in the Supreme Queen in October. Again if you're interested in learning, we need Drummers and Pipers, we have instructors for both instruments.

We are now in preparation of our Robert Burns Supper, to be held on the 4th Saturday of January 2012. This dinner is celebrated by all of Scotland, and Scottish communities far and wide.

As excerpted from WIKI; if you're really interested, go online to the AL KALY website, to the digital issue of this Dust and click on the underlined words which are hyperlinks to more information. Robert Burns (25 January 1759 – 21 July 1796) (also known as Rabbi Burns, Scotland's favourite son, the Ploughman Poet, Robden of Solway Firth, the Bard of Ayrshire and in Scotland as simply The Bard)[1][2] was a



Scottish poet and a lyricist. He is widely regarded as the national poet of Scotland, and is celebrated worldwide. He is the best known of the poets who have written in the Scots language, although much of his writing is also in English and a "light" Scots dialect, accessible to an audience beyond Scotland. He also wrote in Standard English and in these his political or civil commentary is often at its most blunt.

He is regarded as a pioneer of the Romantic Movement, and after his death he became a great source of inspiration to the founders of both liberalism and socialism. A cultural icon in Scotland and among the Scottish Diaspora around the world, celebration of his life and work became almost a national charismatic cult during the 19th and 20th centuries, and his influence has long been strong on Scottish literature. In 2009 he was voted by the Scottish public as being the Greatest Scot, through a vote run by Scottish television channel STV.

As well as making original compositions, Burns also collected folk songs from across Scotland, often revising or adapting them. His poem (and song) Auld Lang Syne is often sung at Hogmanay (the last day of the year), and Scots Wha Hae served for a long time as an unofficial national anthem of the country. Other poems and songs of Burns that remain well-known across the world today include A Red, Red Rose; A Man's A Man for A' That; To a Louse; To a Mouse; The Battle of Sherramuir; Tam o' Shanter, and Ae Fond Kiss.

Next month's issue will explain the Robert Burns dinner, where it will be held, menu, and cost. This is a fun event, with some piping, lots of toasting and a chance to wear a kilt, if your name is associated with a Clan; or there are several types of kilts that can be worn, without belonging to a Clan. . Do you know there is a Kilt Tartan for Masons! Really a nice looking dress Kilt. It's a fun evening for you and the wife or significant other.

So till next month, Cheers!!!

FREMONT SHRINE CLUB

by *Richard Mills*
Vice President

During the past year Fremont Shrine Club increased its membership. However, we lost one to the Black Camel. We have two new members waiting in the wings who we hope will join us by year's end. We have grown in numbers as well as wisdom. President Robert Hudson, with the help of his wonderful Lady, Donna, has lead us through a very prosperous year. Some of our projects saw success and some are still on the drawing board. But our enthusiasm came through intact and growing. We are looking forward to 2012.

Our bike giveaway program for the Coal Creak area is progressing and we should be in good shape for the Christmas Season. Noble Bob Hudson, has put out the "Stop Bringing Bikes" order as he has used up all his storage space. Bike repair date is just around the corner and everyone is encouraged to bring his screwdriver and wrench to join in. The Ladies are already planning the coat drive for the 2012 Christmas. We stay in the Christmas Season all year.

Over coffee the other day, we were discussing what a good job J.D. Potter and his family do in organizing games and entertainment at the annual picnic. Lady Mary Mills asks "Why don't we have games for us old kids?" Great question. This lead to the brainstorm of organizing a horse

Sand Dunes Shrine Club

The next meeting of the Sand Dunes Shrine Club will be our Christmas party and annual Election of Officers. The meeting will be on December 6th, this is a Tuesday, and we will meet at Mountain View restaurant in Monte Vista. Happy Hour will be from 6 pm, with dinner at 7 pm. The club will furnish the first drink and appetizers, dinner will be on your own. We will order off the menu. Please RSVP to alkalyshriner@aol.com or Noble Haynie at 719-873-5418

shoe tournament for 2012. Fremont Shrine Club is issuing a challenge to all units and clubs. Bring on your best horse shoe teams and we will give you a lesson in horse shoe pitching. Fremont Shrine Club will establish the tournament and rules. (Making the rules gives a leg up in winning!) Noble Richard will design a traveling trophy for this and future tournaments. Details will follow.

Upon closing, I share the good news that Noble Bill Clugston (Pop) is on the road to recovery and was present at our last meeting. Thanks for all your prayers. They do work. Fremont Shrine sends their congratulations to Ill. Sir Allan Ake and his Lady, Linda, for a great year. Many thanks for all your help.

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AL KALY PR UNIT

by *Richard Mills*
President

The PR Unit continues to meet monthly at the Denny's Restaurant in Pueblo. The meetings are open to all Al Kaly Nobles and their Ladies who would like to help the Temple with promoting Al Kaly activities both internally and externally. The next meeting of the PR Unit will be held on December 13th at 10:00 am.

Minutes of the November 8th PR Unit Meeting

Members present: Noble Richard Mills, President, Illustrious Sir Allan Ake, Nobles Gary Sears, Doug Gabel, Guy Hammerland, Roger Mendenhall, and IS Bob Burr.

Noble Mills opened the meeting by reporting on the planned meeting with the Ministerial Alliance group in Canon City, to speak about the Masonic Fraternity. What was expected to be a 15 to 20 minute presentation, turned out to be a chance to speak for two minutes. Noble Mills and his team refused that offer and asked for more time at a later meeting. Ill. Sir Ake said that if we could get at least ten minutes he would gladly be there to speak to the group. At that point, Noble Doug Gabel noted that he had a contact in Colorado Springs that might help them get a new opportunity to speak to a local religious group. It is expected that the Unit will hear more details in December.

Noble Gabel went on to say he had asked the Grand Lodge for a Public Relations grant for the purpose of setting up a breakfast and make our own presentation. He suggests we invite in the local Ministers and religious groups and tell them who we are and what we do in the Community. This should range from the Scholarships by the Grand Lodge, to the Eye Foundation of the York Rite, to the Speech Program by the Scottish Rite and the Shriners hospitals. Noble Gabel will continue to pursue this idea and

report back to the group at a future meeting.

The next item on the agenda was a follow up on the Crisis Management Report that was planned for the October Stated Meeting. Noble Mills was unable to attend that meeting and asked the Potentate if it could be rescheduled. Permission was granted and that will be done. In addition, he will also be on the agenda for the Annual Kick-Off Breakfast taking place on January 7th.

As a follow on to last month's meeting, Noble Mills will be getting more information about the "Passport Program".

Are we a Unit or a Committee? After much discussion, it was decided to become a Unit and the By-Laws were presented and approved. Officers were then elected for the 2012 Calendar Year, which are Noble Richard Mills - President, Noble Ray Clark - Vice President and Noble Bill Clugston - Secretary/Treasurer. It was decided that Unit Dues should be collected, but the amount will not be determined until the December meeting. Hopefully, that will cover insurance and any other expenses of being a Unit. The By-Laws, as prepared for submission, will be corrected to delete the item which reflects "No Dues will be charged".

Noble Mills asked that we be thinking about what the PR Unit would like to accomplish next year, asking for inputs from each Unit member, so that we might put together a good plan, Noble Gary Sears mentioned that the first week of June is planned as Shrine Awareness week and we should try to do something special in this area. It was decided the minutes of the PR Unit meetings should become a PR Unit Dust article. Nobles are being asked to submit their PR ideas to Noble Dick Mills for discussion at future PR Unit meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.

Bob Burr, Sec pro tem



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AL KALY NOMADS

by Ray Clark

Although the 2010 Nomad camping season has come and gone, we will continue to be meeting periodically until our rigs can be taken out of storage for the 2012 season. The Nomads held their November meeting at the North IHOP in Pueblo on November 13th. After enjoying dinner together, Ill. Sir Tom Holmes, 2011 Wagon Master,

called the meeting to order. Plans for the Nomad Christmas Party were discussed. The event will be held on December 10th at the Mule Train, with the Social Hour taking place at 5:00 p.m. followed by Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Bambinos will cater the meal again this year. Instead of exchanging gifts, the group voted to bring food items to the Christmas Party to be donated to the Food Bank – Edie Gresley will

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BAND

by *Elmo Gardner*
1st Vice President

Well, Brothers, it has been one Heck of a Year! We are finishing out in our activities pretty much as reported in the last Dust (November). The last event noted there is our upcoming Winter Party at Giuseppe's on January 15th. At this point in time we don't have anything scheduled for sure, just some tentative dates. So I would like to take the opportunity to say a few words about our outgoing Al Kaly Band President, Brother Ron Bowen.

Ron has been our Band President for these last three years. In this time, under his watch, we have seen the band continue to grow, both in numbers and in diversity. When Ron became President we had a growing Parade Band (also for indoor Shrine official activities). Since then, The Band has grown into a main Band and three Sub Unit Bands: The Parade or Main Band (affectionately known as the "Fez Band"), the German Band, the Swingin' Shriners Dance Band and the Dixieland Band. That's quite a lot of "growth" for one President to oversee! Ron is to be congratulated! Now he is retiring as our President (to concentrate on being a loyal Band Sideman, playing in



Band performing at the October 28th Stated Meeting.

the trombone section of the several bands). Ron would say, "Three years putting up with a bunch of independent musicians is a lifetime". I speak for the entire Al Kaly Band Unit in saying "Thanks Ron, it has been a great three years!"

Now don't forget when you make those New Year's resolutions to put "Joining the Band" on the list for 2012. Even if you have never played an instrument we have a road for you to travel to get here – call!

Also, for you Shrine Ladies – come join us! You, too, can play in our bands. There you will be known as "Friends of the Shriners", along with the other Shrine Ladies who are part of the Band.

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coordinate the activity.

Ill. Sir Bart Guthrie, a member of the Nominating Committee along with Ill. Sir Steve Jordan, was unavailable for the meeting, but supplied the following Slate of Officers for 2012: John Van Auken, Wagon Master; Dennis Feister, 1st Assistant Wagon Master; JD Potter, 2nd Assistant Wagon Master; and Ill. Sir Bill Sheard, Secretary/Treasurer. With no additional nominations being made from the floor, the Slate of Officers was elected. The Installation of 2012 Officers will take place at the Christmas Party on December 10th.

A motion was made and seconded that we no longer maintain a full bar during the Nomad Campouts. The group will have Margaritas available, but campers will need to bring their own refreshments other than Margaritas. The current bar items will be auctioned off, by silent auction, at the Christmas Party. This decision came after much discussion on both sides of the issue. Two factors that swayed the decision were the liability

of hauling open containers of liquor in our campers and the varied preferences of our members.

The 2012 Al Kaly Cash Calendars are now available. Roger Mendenhall will again be our Unit's Point of Contact for the Calendars. He has 100 calendars available, so if you would like to help sell some for the Nomads, contact Roger. For each Calendar sold on behalf of our Unit, we will receive \$7.00. These funds help offset the cost of each campout.

Ill. Sir Tom asked for a volunteer to write Nomad articles for the Dust. Dust Editor Ray Clark volunteered to do this for the Unit. He will coordinate the articles with the Wagon Master.

The Nomads are a group of Shriners and their Ladies who are interested in camping. Most campouts are held in conjunction with our Official Parades. For more information on how to become a member of the Nomad Unit, contact John Van Auken, or any member of the Nomads. We would love to have you join our camping family in 2012.

LEGION OF HONOR

by Noble James W. Rawlings, PC

The Legion notes with regret the passing of Nobles Charles M. Law and William B. Abbott. Chuck and William were dedicated Commanders whose distinguished service is appreciated by the Legion and Al Kaly Shrine.

The Basketball Tournament held on November 18 -19 at CSU Pueblo was well represented by the Legion Color Guard for both dates. We thank all Nobles that showed up to present the Colors at this Al Kaly event.

Our Salt Lake City Hospital's requirement for pre-op dolls remains our Lady Bluebirds' ongoing project. The dolls are used by medical personnel to illustrate the medical treatment procedures they employ. The dolls are blank, no clothing or features, and the doctors and staff use pens or pencils to draw diagrams on the dolls to explain where they will be working and give some idea of the desired results. There is a constant demand by doctors and patients for the dolls. If you wish to help with this truly worthy project, the Lady Bluebirds meet the second Wednesday, monthly at 7:00 PM, at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. We really would enjoy your help with this humanitarian project. If you are interested in helping, contact Lady Pat Jack at 599 -9050 or Lady Mary Simon at 528-9565.

If you are active duty or an honorably discharged veteran seeking a unit to affiliate with, we invite you to try the Legion. We meet at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club the second Wednesday monthly at 7:00 PM.

KALYKLOWNS

by Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan
2010 Past President

The Kalyklowns have been slowing down a bit as winter approaches. Our annual hayride and wiener roast was held for about the 10th time on October 29 with 22 members and friends in attendance. Good food, good fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all. Our final parades of the year will mark the beginning of the holiday season with both the Pueblo and Pueblo West Parades of Lights being held on November 26 and December 3 respectively. We are looking forward to the annual Al Kaly Basketball tournament where we will hold our November Clown Meeting and elect officers for the coming year. While we have not completed

Colorado Springs Shrine Club Dinner Photos



Fred Kiger and Steve McKee with the trophy the city of Fountain presented to the Shriners for the Fountain Parade.



Doc Hathaway and Steve McKee congratulating New Member Dempsey Grice.

the final slate for those positions, the information will be in my January article. Until then, all will be merriment in the homes of the Kalyklowns!



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AL KALY MULE TRAIN

by *Jim Johnson*
Secretary

Now that parade season is behind us, the Mule Train is spending time and money on cleaning, repairs, and upgrades to our Ranch facilities to prepare for winter and upcoming Mule Train and Shrine functions. We recently repaired our septic system, deep-cleaned the Tack Room, took delivery of two loads of hay for next year, refilled our propane tanks, and winterized the Barn. There's always work to be done; something always needs repairing or painting. We are fortunate to have an excellent Caretaker, Ms. Debbie Dupont, who cares for our mules and alerts the members to issues on the Ranch. We are even more fortunate to have Noble Gale Fortney, who spends nearly half of his life at the Ranch caring for our mules and facilities, assisted by Nobles LD Younts, Ray Clark, and Ill. Sir Allan Ake, who also spend much time around the Ranch.

The Mule Train has a new slate of Officers for 2012. The following members were elected to office last month at the Mule Train Board Meeting and will be sworn-in at our Annual Christmas Dinner meeting on 16 December:

President - Jim Johnson

Vice President - Ray Clark

Secretary - Ill. Sir Allan Ake

Treasurer - Torry Krutzke

Drill Captain - Gale Fortney

INSHP and CSSHP Representatives - Gale Fortney, Ill. Sir Allan Ake

Much thanks to our current officers, who guided the Mule Train through another successful, fun year.

Talking about our Christmas Dinner – the Social Hour will begin at 6 pm, with Dinner at 7 pm and the traditional Night Before Christmas Gift Exchange following Dinner. The cost of the Dinner will be \$15 per person. Reservations can be made with the Calling Committee or President Clark.

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Plan to join other Al Kaly and El Jebel Nobles and their Ladies at this Festive Holiday Celebration at the Broadmoor! It is suggested that men wear their fez for the Social Hour beginning at 6 PM. Dinner will be at 7 PM and the show, with Santa Claus, at 8 PM. Tables will be arranged with seating for ten, cost \$60 per person. All reservations will be coordinated with Phil Allison. Checks are to be made payable to "The Broadmoor" and mailed to Phil Allison at: 2771 Stonewall Hts, Colorado Springs, CO. 80909. This is an Al Kaly and El Jebel Social Event and all checks will be turned over to The Broadmoor the first week in December. So start the Holiday Season off this year with your Al Kaly and El Jebel friends and family at Broadmoor by making your reservations now before the tables are filled.

CLOWNS OF AL KALY

by *Craig (Patches) Sparks*
Boss Clown

Let me start off by saying that the Clowns of Al Kaly have been very busy over the last year and it is hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. I thank all of the clowns for their support of our unit this year.

I would like to congratulate Jim Burger who will soon be taking over as the Boss Clown, good luck Jim. A very special thank you, to Noble Dave Bills for stepping up and filling our Secretary position for the remainder of the year. As we enter the holiday season the clowns will be out in full force at many Christmas parties and various Shrine events. Nobles, I would like to wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Please Join Al Kaly Shriners for the 2012 Installation of Officers

NOBLES:

The Stated Meeting of Al Kaly Shriners for the Installation of Officers will be Friday, January 6, 2012 at:

**The Pueblo Shrine Club
1501 McCulloch Blvd.
Pueblo West, Colorado**

*Men's dinner Pueblo Shrine Club \$13.00. **Reservations required please.**
Call the Al Kaly Shriners Office 719-544-0658 to place your reservation.*

Dinner: 6:00 pm/Stated Meeting 7:30 pm

Nobles are invited to join the Ladies at the Pueblo Marriott following Installation of Officers for socializing

LADIES:

A Ladies Dinner will be held on Friday January 6, 2012

**Pueblo Convention Center
320 Central Main Street
Pueblo, Colorado**

Reservations are required.

Please RSVP by sending your check for \$26 for arrival date no later than January 2, 2012 to:

Al Kaly Shriners Attention: Ladies Dinner

P.O. Box 193

Pueblo, CO 81002

Social 5:30 pm / Dinner Hour 6:00 pm / Introductions 7 pm / Entertainment 7:30 pm

*Suggested attire for Friday evening is a cocktail dress or semi formal or formal wear.
Hospitality room opens at 4pm for Nobles and Ladies located at the adjoining Marriott Hotel.*

Ladies Dinner Menu: Plated Tuscan Chicken Marsala Dinner with house salad with blue cheese crumbles, 6oz Chicken breast dusted in seasoned flour and sautéed golden brown topped with sweet Marsala mushrooms. Spinach, sun dried tomato sauce. Vegetable, dinner rolls, desert, regular & decaffeinated coffee, iced tea, water, and bottles of fine wine located at each table.

Lodging for the evening of Friday, January 6, 2011:

Pueblo Marriott, 110 West 1st Street, Pueblo, CO 719-542-3200

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3. Use investments that produce a guaranteed lifetime income
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