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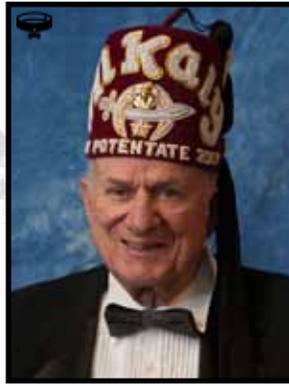
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 Daughters of the Nile Installation of Officers ▲ 2016 Shriner of the Year ▲ and More!



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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

by Ill. Sir Ron Bowen
Potentate



SIMPLY A GREAT YEAR

Ill. Sirs, Nobles and Ladies,
Five years ago, I began the adventure to become your Potentate. Each of the positions along the way was a valuable learning experience and I am ready to be your Potentate. Along the way, I've had invaluable guidance from several Past Potentates and others. I certainly appreciated their advice. I believe the five years of learning and all the wonderful advice has prepared me for the next year in my adventure.

This past year I had vital support and assistance in getting ready for 2017 from many people, but I need to mention all the ladies who have so generously helped me along the way. First, my daughter Melissa is my English teacher and advisor all the time. She has reviewed everything I have written, and corrected and improved on all of it. Without her help, my articles would have just been a bunch of gobbledygook.

Deborah Jordan developed a new system for preparing the directory, which will make it much easier for future potentates in their year. Without her help on the directory (and other issues as well), I would probably still be struggling to get it all together. Thank you so much, Deborah!

Then, there's Glenda Terrill. What can I say about Glenda that hasn't been said? Probably nothing. Glenda is so awesome! She has done so much to get me ready for this year. From the directory to uniforms for the Ladies, and everything in between. I could write a book! All my thanks and gratitude to Glenda.

The next Lady I need to praise is Phyllis Allen. Phyllis took on the task of decorations for both the Installation and the Ball. She works so hard and the final product is so beautiful. Words are lacking to describe her wonderful work. The only way to appreciate her work is to see it at the Installation and the Ball. Phyllis also has a great staff backing her up. They are: Mary Mills, Karen Mendenhall, and Eileen Larson. To all, my heartfelt thanks.

And finally Carol Goeson, who throughout her illness was always there to listen to me through my ups and downs during the year. She always knew just the

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AL KALY DIVAN

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OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that the next stated meeting will be held as follows:

Colorado Springs Shrine Club

April 21, 2017

7:30 p.m.

Attest:

Bart Guthrie, P.P.
Recorder

Ron Bowen
Potentate

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right thing to say. I just can't say enough to express my appreciation to all of these wonderful ladies. Without my team of ladies, I would be a long way from being ready. Together, they've made the way so much easier for me.

On a different note, I hope with your help we can accomplish our goals and have a lot of fun while doing so. Our number one task, as always, is helping our kids get the life they so dearly need and deserve. However, our major task is membership. We continue to lose more members than we are bringing into the fraternity. We all need to work at this task, not just talk about it. We need to come together as a family and focus on this. One person can't do it, nor can two, but all together we can work wonders! We

need to come together not just as Shriners, but as Masons and members of the Scottish Rite. Groups composed of all three, united and working together to build our memberships into something of which to be proud.

And, absolutely, let's get our Ladies involved! They are such a valuable asset and I think they would really enjoy being a part of our rebuilding efforts. I feel if we do not all own this, take this seriously, and come together to build up our membership, in the near future we might wake up to the reality of not having a Shrine to worry about. Let's bring membership up by at least 25 this year and continue for years to come! LET'S DO IT!!! "Together We Can"

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Featured Member

Frank Klein



by *Billie Nigro*

Frank was born and raised in San Antonio, TX., lived there through college until he entered the military as a Field Artillery Officer and earned a degree in Business Administration with a Major in Marketing from St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

At age 9, he began music lessons on the Hawaiian steel guitar and in country western music. By age 14, he was playing in a trio which grew into a band known as the "Texas Star Playboys", performing on TV and radio. Frank played with that band through high school and college. (Google "Texas Star Inn" for more about this band!)



When he was 10 years old, Frank went to see the Blackstone Magic Show in San Antonio. The show lit a fire in him which has never gone out. He started doing magic professionally about 1965... on top of his day job! Frank performed at the Broadmoor Hotel for 16 years, as well as all the major hotels in Colorado Springs and all over Colorado. For six years he has been performing magic at one particular private house party spending two hours walking around doing close-up magic for the guests....both kids and adults. Frank also attends one or two magic conventions each year.

Frank loves photography – has been involved in photography for almost 50 years! His website WWW.FRANKKLEIN.ZENFOLIO.COM has galleries of his photos; a very impressive collection! Many of the photos on the Al Kaly website were taken by Frank as he has been an Al Kaly photographer for 10 years.

There's a place in Utah where he would love to do some photography, but it requires a guide, a 3-hour hike in and 3 hour hike back--that's a little more than he wants to tackle! (But he hasn't ruled it out.) He has a friend who will take him to a similar place a little north of Las Vegas. He, also, attends

a photoshop convention every year.

Frank entered the Army as a Field Artillery Officer a month after completing college. He became certified as a pilot in fixed wing aircraft and later served as an instructor pilot at the Army Aviation School. A transition into helicopters came next and he flew CH47 Chinook helicopters for two tours in Vietnam. During his 30 years in the Army, he was also stationed in Korea and Turkey. He enjoyed Turkey – an exciting and rewarding tour (you'll see why later).



Between his Vietnam tours the Army sent him to Texas A&M University where he obtained a Masters degree in Meteorology. His last five years in the Army, he was assigned to the Pentagon where he spent two years with the Joint Chiefs of Staff using his weather background. While at the Pentagon, he was awarded the Superior Service Medal. Along with it, his Army career earned him two Distinguished Flying Crosses plus 18 Air Medals and a Bronze Star. He retired as a Colonel.

For the next 25 years, Frank worked for Science & Technology Corporation as a Program Manager on contracts. Frank met Janell through friends he knew in Turkey (this is why his tour there was so special); they had all retired to Colorado



Springs. These friends invited Frank to a dinner party and just happened to invite Janell as well. Frank did some magic, as he usually did, at their house. The spell must have worked— they have now been married 18 1/2 years!

Frank and his first wife didn't have children before she passed away but Janell has a son and daughter from her first marriage who both have children.

Frank has a close relationship with her children and when her daughter got married, since her father had died, she asked Frank to take her father's place and give her away. That's a relationship to be treasured! Frank and Janell stay

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UPCOMING EVENTS



FEBRUARY

4	Daughters of the Nile High Tea	6 - 10	Burn Awareness Week	20	President's Day - Office Closed
		19	OV, Past Masters		

MARCH

7	IHOP Day	15	OV, Colorado Springs Shrine Club	31	CSSA Business Meeting (Mar 31 - Apr 1)
9	OV, Potentate's Escort	25	OV, Kalyklowns		

involved in her children and grandchildren's lives although they live in Baltimore and Austin. As with most grandparents, they enjoy watching the kids grow.



Frank and Janell both love to travel and go places they want to explore. Frank was raised as a Mason in College Station, TX in 1971 while attending graduate school. He joined the Scottish Rite in the mid 70's. Some years later, in 2008, he and Janell were standing in a line and met the couple standing next to them – Tom and Sherry Holmes. Tom found out Frank was a Mason and latched onto him. Frank became a Shriner soon after that meeting and Tom went on to become Potentate the following year.

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2017 - HERE WE GO!

by *Jim Burger*
Chief Rabban

Greeting Nobles and Ladies,

Thank you for your support as my Lady Mary and I continue our journey in the Divan of AL Kaly. Your continued participation is critical to the success of Al Kaly.

My brain is a bit frozen with the cold weather, hopefully, by the time you read this the thaw will have begun. There are several items I would like to remind you of as Spring approaches; get your calendars warmed up and ready for a fun year.

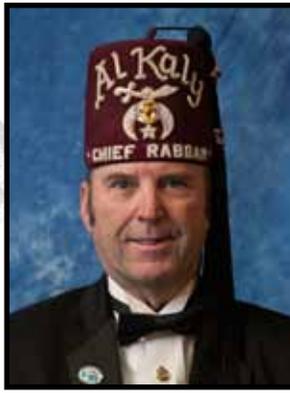
January is a time of renewal and we all take some time to regroup. We've had our Installation, and attended the Installation in Denver of the EL Jebel Officers. By February 2017, activities will begin to ramp up starting with the Daughters of the Nile High Tea at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club on the 4th from 1- 3 PM; followed by several Official Visits for various groups.

Don't forget your Sweetheart on February 14! March brings IHOP day on the seventh. This is a great fundraiser for our hospitals. The Clowns will try to be at every restaurant and everyone is invited to help greet people at the IHOP of your choice. Check with your unit to see if you have been assigned a restaurant or can cover one as a group.

The Colorado Springs Shrine Club OV will be on the 15th of March and, no doubt, a few others will be coming up. I don't have them all on my calendar yet.

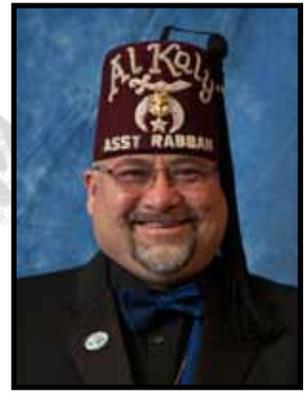
But, we really begin to roll in April. The first weekend of April is the Daughters of the Nile Installation to be held at the Masonic Center in Colorado Springs. This is a wonderful ceremony with lots of pageantry. If you have never seen this event you are missing out. As the weather, hopefully, warms up, our 3rd annual Spring Girls Softball Tournament will be held on April 14 & 15 at City Park in Pueblo.

As the year progresses I will try to keep you up to date on opportunities to get involved. It is your involvement which will bring us all together in the Shrine. Hope to see you around this year.



NOBLES, LADIES, AND ALL

by *James Hinojosa*
Assistant Rabban



I want to thank those of you who have supported Liz and me through this walk in the Divan. It's an honor to be voted in as your Assistant Rabban. Liz and I will try our best to fulfill the position to the best of our abilities.

Last year we missed a few OV's and monthly dinners but, we are going to TRY and make many more in 2017. I believe we are going to have a great year and hopefully will bring in more Nobles to support our cause. I look forward to seeing everyone and making some new friends along the way.

I want to ask everyone to help spread the word around about the Softball Tournament coming April 22nd and 23rd. I have a flyer I can send you or you can copy it from the Dust. But, let's get the word out together, pass it on to everyone you know. I know with your help this fundraising effort can be a success. We will need help with it as with every endeavor Al Kaly puts forward, however, this one is a proven FUN day...ask anyone who has been there before.

Please put us on your calendar to come help, watch or promote!!!

Editor's Note: As anyone who has done so knows, opening a new business takes a lot of time...best of success in your new store front and see you at the events now that it is up and going.



NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

by *Brian Carter*
High Priest and Prophet

Each New Year brings a lot of New Year resolutions – which may or may not be kept all year. Some want to lose weight, quit smoking, exercise more or in general better ourselves. It has been proven it takes several weeks or months for your changes to become habit. So whatever your resolution is, the trick is to start acting on your resolution.

This year my resolution is to attend more Blue Lodge meetings, both my own and others, in search of new candidates for Shrine. Won't you join me in this mission to increase the membership of Al Kaly Shriners?

What a pleasure to be invited, and to attend, the Trinidad Masonic Lodge Installation. It was a good evening – although very windy weather-wise – and the meal was great! We must always remember this is where our Shriners begin.

It was such an honor to be elected High Priest and Prophet for 2017. I would like to thank you all for the confidence you have placed in me with this election. Let's all step up and support Ill. Sir Ron Bowen in making 2017 a great and memorable year full of parades, good fun and camaraderie. There will be lots of Official Visits and Installations in your area- please plan to attend as many as you can to make this year wonderful both for you and for Al Kaly.

IHOP day is coming very soon! On March 7, 2017 be sure to go to your local IHOP to spend time meeting and greeting the people or just eating – all while wearing your fez to support this project and fundraiser.

As always, please support your own Blue Lodge, visit other lodges and look for a few good men to become nobles. Remember membership is our number one priority.

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KEEP US VISIBLE

by *Ray Singmaster*
Oriental Guide

Nobles, Ladies and Friends,

Thanks to the Nobles for electing me to the position of Oriental Guide for 2017. I will do my best to fulfil the obligations and further the mission of Shriners International and the goals of Al Kaly Shrine. Best wishes to all the Divan and Nobles as we work toward helping children in need.

Our presence in the community; attending parades, IHOP day, hosting the circuses, Softball Tournament, Golf Tournament, and everything else we do is critical for success. Besides, it's fun.

Many of us have seen the wonderful Shriners television commercials and we need to feed off of these and keep ourselves visible in our community. Please, take the time to commit to your units and activities and participate whenever possible.

Once again: Let's remember the mission; Helping Children. "Shriners are a brotherhood of men committed to family, engaged in ongoing personal growth, and dedicated to providing care for children and families in need. Our backgrounds and interests are diverse, but we are bound together by our shared values and a desire to have fun, do good and build relationships that can last a lifetime." (Shriners International website)



Publicity for Shriners Hospitals for Children

Actor Joe Minoso of NBC's hit show Chicago Fire, has teamed up again this year with Shriners Hospitals for Children to promote the "Be Burn Aware" campaign. Joe appeared on the Steve Harvey Show on December 9, 2016 sharing holiday fire safety tips and highlighting Shriners Hospitals for Children's expertise in pediatric burn care.

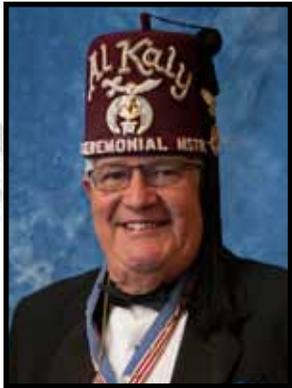
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I'M HERE TO HELP!

by Larry Weed
First Ceremonial Master



I am honored to have been appointed by this year's Potentate, Illustrious Sir Ron Bowen, as your 2017 First Ceremonial Master, to help him carry out his duties as one of the six Nobles in his Divan.

As the First Ceremonial Master, I understand it is my duty to coordinate Temple Ceremonials, and serve as parliamentary advisor to our Potentate, assist the Oriental Guide, and other duties the Potentate may ask.

I'd like to introduce myself, tell you a little bit about me and why I became a Shriner, tell you some of my plans for 2017, and end with a reiteration of the Shriner's Creed. First, I am a Christian family man happily married (for 48 years) to Lady Helen, the girl of my dreams. We have four children (Kimberley, Angela, Philip, and David), and six grandchildren (Dylan, Zakary, Arianna, Cali, Cassidy, and Clayton).

I was born and raised in Santa Cruz, California, where I met my lovely bride, and am a retired US Air Force Officer (rising through the ranks from enlisted to Major). I am, also, a retired Boeing Missile Defense Systems Engineer and Northrop-Grumman engineer, retiring from Boeing in 2016.

With the Air Force, my family and I were stationed around the United States, including Colorado, Montana, Louisiana, and Washington D.C., and outside in Labrador, Canada and South Australia. After retirement we moved back to California, and then back to Colorado in 1994--first Colorado Springs, then Denver, then back to Colorado Springs--where we have been since 2001.

Second, I became a Shriner in 2002, after first becoming a Mason and being raised in Tejon Lodge #104 and joining the Scottish Rite that year.

My first introduction to Shrinedom was as a high school band member. When I was in Soquel High School in California, our band was invited and went every year to the East-West Shrine Games, which were being held in California during those years. Our band would perform on the field during half-time with close to 50 other high school bands as well as Shriner musicians. During one of those

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A HEARTY THANKS!

by Larry Newman
Treasurer



My thanks to the Nobility for, again, entrusting me with the position of Treasurer. I consider it an honor and privilege to serve our fraternity and you.

While I don't have final numbers for 2016 as I write this, it appears we've done better than our original budget had projected for the year. I extend a hearty "Thank you!" to all of the Nobles and Ladies who have given so enthusiastically of your time in support of our fundraising efforts, and to the clubs, units, and individuals who have donated so generously to Al Kaly. I deeply appreciate all that you have done, and continue to do, for our Shrine.

I hope you will continue to support our fundraisers. Come out, share in the work and the fun. You're all great people to spend time with, and it's great to support our fraternity while we have a blast doing it.

My personal thanks to I.S. Bart for delivering the Treasurer's report for me at January's annual meeting. Lady Mary and I once again went traveling to St. Petersburg, FL for the East-West Shrine football game. 3 Putt will report on the game and trip in the next issue.

See you on the streets!

For more photos of the events covered in this issue of the Dust, please visit:

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WEB FEZ GOAL FOR 2017

by *Bart Guthrie, P.P.*
Recorder



First of all, thank you for your confidence in again re-electing me as your Recorder for 2017. If you would have told me in 2006 that I would be doing this job for 12 years I'd have told you, you were crazy!

As of this writing we have 128 members registered for Web Fez. The folks at Tampa continue to add and refine the system. Members have the capability to change telephone numbers, addresses, and email addresses. They can also obtain information relating to their dues notices/cards and.... there is the capability to print a dues card should they lose their current card and need one in a pinch.

Also, members can request a new card if needed. At this time, only a few have been requested; but, it appears it takes approximately six weeks to get the new hard plastic card. On the down side, there is a cost and you will be billed from the Al Kaly Office. Since we have not received a bill yet, I don't know the cost. Probably similar to the \$5.00 charged to replace a Scottish Rite dues card.

If you have not signed up for Web Fez I encourage you to do so. The easiest way is to go to the home page of the Al Kaly web site – alkalyshrine.org and “click” on to the Web Fez tab and follow the simple instructions to get logged in.

I would like to see the 128 currently signed up doubled in 2017 – an aggressive goal.

Membership December 31, 2016

Creations:	1
Affiliations:	2
Restorations:	0
Demits:	6
Suspensions:	26
Deaths:	5
Resignations:	0
Net Total:	602
Associates:	22

Grand Total: 624

On December 31, 2015 Al Kaly total membership was 651

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years, I was standing on the field with other sax players and, after noticing a Shriner soprano sax player standing near us, I mentioned one day (later in life) I would like to continue to play my sax and be like one of those Shriner musicians.

I continued playing sax in college and throughout the years in various dance bands, but still had the desire to one-day wear a fez. That opportunity came by way of a friend and neighbor when we moved back to Colorado Springs for the second time, when I became a Mason, and then a Shriner and joined the band.

I went through the line and became Master of Ramah Lodge #165 in 2008, and Wise Master of the Southern Colorado Scottish Rite in 2006, and I am now a Past Master and Secretary of the Ramah Lodge, and a 32o KCCH in the Scottish Rite. During those years, I have been Secretary, Treasurer, and President of the Al Kaly Shrine Band, have played my sax and enjoyed the fun of being a Shriner.

My fun continued this year, when I was able to come full circle, back to the East-West Game in Florida. My Lady Helen and I flew to Georgia to pick up my son Philip and his two children and took them to this year's East-West Game in Florida at Tropicana Field. During the tailgating time, we had three generations of Weed's (myself; my son Philip, a drummer; and his son Cassidy (nicknamed Gus, also a drummer) playing music on the field, and it was truly great to see and be a part of so many Shriners in one place.

Now, thanks to Ill. Sir Ron, it is my honor and privilege to serve with the Divan as First Ceremonial Master for 2017. My plans this year are to help the Potentate, and all Al Kaly Shriners whenever and wherever I can.

One of my major tasks is to coordinate the newly-planned Oktoberfest event on Saturday, October 14th at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club – Please save the date! The Dixieland Band will play, we will have some great food and entertainment and we will all have a great time. I will get more information out on this event as time approaches and we flesh out the details. In the meantime, please let me know if there is anything I can do to help you in Shrinedom this

year – I am here to help!

One last thing, I recently came across the Shriner's Creed again in the "Fez Owner's Manual". It's a great read, and a great creed for a Weed and for all of us. I thought I'd include it as some of us may not have read it lately or can't find our copy.

SHRINERS' CREED

Shriners believe in God and that He created man to serve His purposes, among which is service to others in His name. We believe that care for the less fortunate, especially children who suffer from burns and crippling diseases, is our institutional calling. We are patriots, each willing to serve his country with fidelity and courage. We cherish independence under law and freedom with responsibility.

We honor family. We respect our parents, wives and children. We should instill in our children the tenets of this creed, and the heritage from which it emanates.

As individuals, we pledge ourselves to integrity, virtue and nobility of character. Our intentions will be honorable, our relations will be trustworthy and our spirits forgiving of each other.

As brothers, we offer each other fraternal affection and respect. Together we will support each other in adherence to this creed, so that we and our communities will be the better because of our fraternity and its principles.

As Shriners, we look beyond ourselves to serve the needs of others, especially children who cannot help themselves. We believe Shriners Hospitals to be the world's greatest philanthropy, and we covenant with each other to support its "temples of mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.

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 Ill Sir Bob Burr

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In Memoriam
as of December 31, 2016

Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there, I do not sleep.
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I am the softly falling snow.
I am the gentle showers of rain,
I am the fields of ripening grain.
I am in the morning hush,
I am in the graceful rush.
Of beautiful birds in circling flight,
I am the starshine of the night.
I am in the flowers that bloom,
I am in a quiet room.
I am in the birds that sing,
I am in each lovely thing.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there. I do not die.

- Mary Elizabeth Frye

Gerald Davis, Guffey, CO
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Born: November 6, 1951
Associated: October 6, 2014
Died: April 24, 2016

Kenneth F. Hazen, Dolores, CO
Born: April 15, 1927
Created: June 15, 2006
Died: November 3, 2016

Ronald R. Kadera, Colorado Springs, CO
Born: April 9, 1934
Created: June 5, 1987
Died: December 27, 2016

Ill Sir Daniel F. Neu, Pueblo, CO
Potentate, Al Kaly Shriners 1986
Born: March 2, 1923
Created: May 2, 1969

2016 Al Kaly Shriner of the Year

by Ill. Sir James S. Eaches, Sr.
Past Potentate

Selecting a Noble for Shriner of the Year is not an easy task. When you start to take into account all the Nobles within Al Kaly Shriners jurisdiction and all they have accomplished for the year, it makes it an even harder task. So, you have to look for the one for the year who has been above and beyond.



Taking all these facts into consideration, it is with pleasure I have selected Noble Larry Newman as Shriner of the Year for 2016.

Noble Larry has been a faithful member of Colorado Springs Lodge No. 76, Southern Colorado Consistory, Al Kaly Shriners and a member of the Clowns of Al Kaly. He served as Worshipful Master of his Lodge in 2005 and has been an integral part of Lodge membership. In 2008 he assisted Al Kaly by filling in as Treasurer until his election in 2009. Twice he “chipped in” with Office administration during absences of the Administrative Assistant.

He has served as Treasurer for six years and was again elected to the position for 2017. Larry is also an avid golfer and travels around the country in pursuit of the perfect golf course (the one you can always win on). His clown name “Three Putt” is actually the opposite of his golfing abilities!

In December 2016 I, also, had the pleasure of seeing Larry receive the award for Clown of the Year for the Clowns of Al Kaly and this was not his first time. Working with Larry to get a budget in place for my year was no easy task; however, his knowledge and advice helped to produce a workable product with monetary goals that could be achieved. He is a wizard on Excel.

The Divan and I have enjoyed working alongside Noble Larry Newman and it is an honor to bestow the title, Shriner of the Year, to this outstanding Noble.

Some Nuts and Bolts Statistics

by **Gene Dobrzelecki**

(The New) Nuts and Bolts Publisher

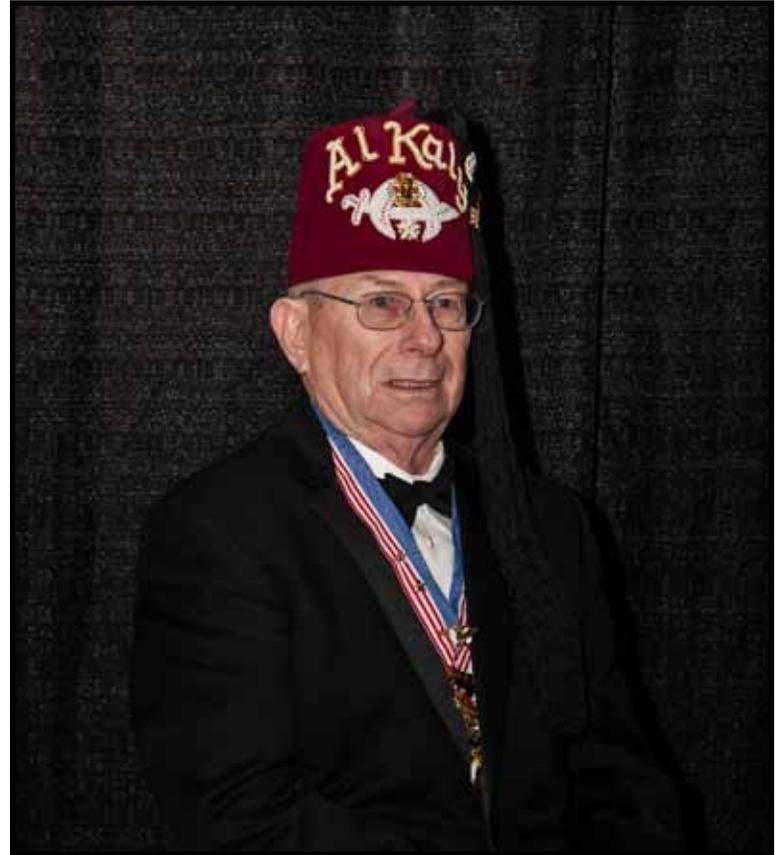
Did you know the Nuts and Bolts is a weekly newsletter sent by the Recorder to augment and amplify what you are reading in the DUST? It carries IS Bart's latest information on the goings-on around the Al Kaly neighborhood as well as such things as the latest on the health and welfare of our Brother Nobles.

Considering those thoughts, it is puzzling to me the following facts, compiled after the last newsletter, still exist.

Total Al Kaly membership	624
Nuts and Bolts subscribers	418
Nobles reading the Nuts and Bolts (avg)	208
Number of bad e-mail addresses	26
Nobles not opening the e-mail (avg)	182
Nobles without email addresses	173

So, my request to you is this. If you are not receiving the Nuts and Bolts and wish to receive the newsletter, please contact me at ejdob12@comcast.net with your current and correct e-mail address.

If you see it in your inbox and do not wish to read it and prefer to opt-out of the subscription, please let me know and I will delete you from the e-mail list. **IMPORTANT:** please be advised if I delete you from the list, I cannot put you back on it. You will have to do that



New Nuts and Bolts Publisher Gene Dobrzelecki

yourself by re-subscribing. If you have opted-out in the past, please let me know so we can understand why the subscription rate is so low (65%).

To help us further understand, and to make the Nuts and Bolts a more useable form of communication, we ask you to take a few minutes and tell us why you are not subscribed and how we can make the newsletter more meaningful for you. Your suggestions and comments may be sent to the above e-mail and I will share them with the Recorder.

One other issue I have uncovered in taking over the publication - the bad e-mails in the newsletter database are the same e-mails as in the Al Kaly official records.

This means the office may have lost the ability to contact you. Again, I ask-- if you think you should be getting the newsletter and are not, please let me know at the above e-mail address and I will correct both data bases - the newsletter and the office files.

Notice also the 173 Nobles that do not have an email address on file cannot receive electronic information from the Al Kaly office. If you are one of them, please contact me at the above email and let me know how you wish to be contacted.



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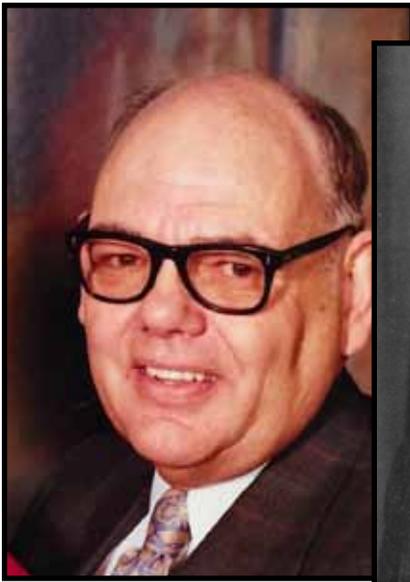
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SHRINERS LEGACY PROGRAM

In keeping up our search for our members who have a “legacy” of other Shriners in their past, both their immediate family and their extended family, we dug up another Legacy Family.

High Priest and Prophet Brian Carter has sent us his family album. Inside this album we found Brian, his father Frank Carter Jr, his Lady Emily’s father Travis Irby and her brother James Irby. Thanks for sharing with us Brian and Emily.

Photos (from left to right): Frank Carter, Jr.; Travis Irby; James Irby; High Priest Prophet Brian Carter

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I would like to send the Al Kaly Shriner family a great big THANK YOU for all the cards, phone calls and personal visits you have shared with me during my recovery from the stroke.

My rehab doctor in Maine said the positive responses I received really helped me with my recovery in the hospital. Physical and Occupational Therapy has been on-going since we arrived back home in August.

Again, I really enjoy seeing all of you at the events and your continued support is really great because it really helps me stay positive.

Sincerely,

Chris Crawford





CLUB AND UNIT NEWS

MON-ARK SHRINE CLUB

by *Bob McCormick*
President

Not much going on here, just waiting for snow to fall. It's been so dry with temperatures above normal for November and December in Salida. I guess it falls back on the old saying "We live in the Banana Belt".

We had a great turn out for our first ever Christmas Observance Social "Luncheon" held on Saturday, December 3rd at the Masonic Lodge Hall with an attendance of twenty-eight. The weather was great which allowed those from out of town to attend. The Luncheon proved to be a success for all and the club will hold one in December of 2017. I received many compliments on the table decorations and how festive the dining room looked with the 9 ft. Christmas tree.

Past Potentate III. Sir Mervin Terrill installed the 2017 Club Officers. President- Bob McCormick, Vice President-Jim Dickson, Ed Kinzie-Secretary and Forest "Keith" Franklin-Treasurer. Lady Glenda was the official event photographer and somehow she managed to have her ticket drawn for a Christmas wreath. Lady Csilla Depue also won a wreath. Lady Shirley Sanderson received a Christmas floral basket with her winning ticket. The entertainment was the "The Blue Recluse". They played some of the favorite Christmas Carols along with Classic Blues songs.

Wishing all Nobles and Ladies a fabulous "New Year"...!!



Past Potentate Merv Terrill with the 2017 Club Officers.



The Blue Recluse at the Christmas Observance Social Luncheon.



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POTENTATE'S MOTOR ESCORT

*by Dr. Terry Collinson
President*

Our last parade this year was the Festival of Lights Parade on December 5th in downtown Colorado Springs. We did have good weather for a winter night parade as the temperature was at least higher than freezing. We only had two escort member in the parade, Dave Dickey and Doc Collinson, but they were escorting Santa Clause down the street, a very important job. Santa was Noble Doug Cook filling the big shoes of Noble Santa Clause Emeritus, the late Jim Stivers who was in the parade the last couple years and was a member of our Potentates Escort.

Well, you can't say the Escort doesn't party hardy and we will not be denied. Our Christmas Party was scheduled for Saturday, December 17th but because the big snow storm left thick ice all over town for the next two weeks, we postponed the event until Sunday, December 18 and everyone was able to come. It was hosted at the

Collinson home; everyone brought food and the ham was provided by the unit. Someone commented there was enough food for the army. Well, the army was only a half mile down the street but we didn't have time to put them on alert so we just ate everything ourselves.

After dinner we had our little Santa gift exchange which had to be food only. Number 1, Lois White, picked a gift that was a large box of homemade cookies, candies and whatever else was in there. but then number 2, Maylene, stole it from her. It was a great start to the gift, screw your buddy, exchange.

Okay, it's a new year, we're going to try to do everything better, if that's possible. The winter months are slow without parades and bike rides but we still have our socials and, please, put March 9th on your calendar for our Escort Official Visit for our Potentate. It will be at the Pueblo Shrine Club and, same as last year, we will have the best meal of any Official Visit. You don't want to miss it. So, keep your battery tender plugged in and the January social will be RIB NIGHT!

KALYKLOWNS

*by Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan
Dust Reporter*

Well, as the holidays of Christmas and New Year pass us by, the unit has participated in its last parade of 2016; that being the Parade of Lights in Pueblo on November 26.

As I reported in the last issue, the newly refurbished Kalyklown Kalliope made its debut appearance with "Poo-Bah", IS Mike Palmer, behind the wheel and Nick "Pocket Change" Forgit, Bill "Billy-Bob" Davidson, Howard "Cuz'n Clem" Magan, Larry "Sleepy" Ruiz, Vern "El Lobo" Wolf, and Dennis "Fluffy" Bright riding along and wishing for a heater (which will likely be an added feature for the next Parade of Lights).

Our next event saw Billy Bob, Poo-Bah, El Lobo, Cuz'n Clem, and Pocket Change in attendance at the Al Kaly Basketball Tournament which was held on November 18 and 19 when our new officers were elected and appointed. They are: IS Mike Palmer, President; Dennis Bright, Vice President; and Gary Sears (Panhandle Slim)

as Secretary/Treasurer. Appointed as Property Master was Nick Forgit, whose duties will be to ensure all the rolling stock belonging to the unit is ready to go when needed.

On December 4th, we held our Annual Christmas Party and White Elephant Auction at the Walking Stick Golf Club and enjoyed turkey, ham and all the trimmings. The Auction raised approximately 260 dollars this year. Our new officers who were elected at the November meeting were installed at this time by Chief Rabban Ron Bowen.

Honored Lady Ruth Howard was awarded a plaque by outgoing President Vern Wolf making her an Honorary Member of the Kalyklowns. Her late husband Eugene was a charter member of our unit and was very active for many years until his health made it difficult to do so.

Lastly, on December 11, Howard Magan and Bill Davidson were in attendance at the Dream Weavers' Annual Christmas Party at the Fortino Ballroom at Pueblo Community College. This has long been an event Noble John "Buttons Montoya has been part of for years and continues to support when he is able.

BAND

by *Larry Weed*
President

Happy New Year Everyone! Always keeping on a positive note, The Band has been busy blowing our horns and making joyful music together this year. We celebrated this past year with many performances including Stated Meetings in Pueblo and Colorado Springs, parades throughout the area, lots of fun Oktoberfests, the Al Kaly Classic Basketball Tournament, and parties – we love parties! We missed the Kid's Christmas Party in December due to the cold and snowfall, but are looking forward to enjoying the nice weather! It's always a great time when we get together, and we have lots of opportunities!

We started 2017 with a boom with the Dixielander's playing at the Potentate's Installation, and the Fez Band playing at the Stated Meeting in Pueblo in January. We, also, had our traditional "Holiday" Party in January; this year it was at the Clubhouse of the Patty Jewett Golf Course in Colorado Springs (fitting venue, don't you think?).

Our Dixielander's cut a disk in January, recording our favorite tunes. We're looking forward to providing copies to all who wish to hear us for a small contribution to cover the recording cost.

February brings Mardi Gras (Feb. 28th), and March brings our support to the IHOP fundraiser with the band at the Chelton IHOP. We are looking forward to participating in those events as well as many upcoming parades!

In advance of our annual band meeting we held



our election of officers. Our new slate for 2017 is: Jerry Campbell (President), Jim Marcum (Vice President), Larry Weed (Secretary), and we're keeping Troy Hanson as Treasurer. We also have Galen Feedback as Music Director of the Fez Band assisted by co-Director, Jim Marcum, with Norm Churchill guiding the German Band. Elmo Gardner will be coordinating the activities of the Dixielander's, and Jerry Campbell and his lovely lady Sharon are continuing to help us as Quartermaster and Librarian – their numbers are in the directory.

This year's Potentate, IS Ron Bowen, a trombone player, is a loyal Al Kaly Shrine Band member and former President of the band. We all support him in his year at the top!

Also in the news, one of our own, Galen Feedback, is a long-time music instructor with the Pueblo School District. He was recognized in a recent ceremony at the Colorado State High School Marching Band Championships at the Air Force Academy stadium. He was applauded for his many years of supporting marching band students who play brass, woodwind and percussion instruments or spin flags, all while moving to complicated drills. These students bond with teammates and, also, get to know students from other schools who share their love of music and performing and enjoy the playing competition. Many of these high school students grow up to later become Shrine musicians. Congrat's Galen, and thank you for your support to the kids!

Please contact any bandsman if you have a gig you'd like us to play, or if you just want to listen – we'd love to have you! Take a look at the October 2017 calendar page for some great photos of some great guys, in fact, why don't you buy a calendar from any band member – it's a worthy cause!

(Band, continued at right)

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Our Al Kaly Band has a heritage going back 100 years and consists of nearly 30 Al Kaly members plus some very talented friends from the Southern Colorado area. The band is active year-round, playing in parades during the summer months and performing in concerts throughout the area. The Band rehearses once a month, on an occasional basis with quarterly business meetings alternating between Colorado Springs and Pueblo. If you are interest in joining the band, there are no auditions – just come and join us! Please contact us so we can speak to you about becoming a member of our great organization.

CLOWNS OF AL KALY

*by Craig “Patches” Sparks
Boss Clown*

The big news from our unit this month is - Who has been recognized as “Clown of the Year”? The Committee, which was appointed by me, was made up of four Clowns who have been around for “quite a while” and are always ready to recognize a fellow clown when someone among them does an exceptional job for the unit and for Al Kaly.

This year our “Clown of the Year” participated in eleven (11) parades around the area and was there to support seven Community Service events. Those were just his Clown activities. He was also at every meeting to offer his support and ideas. In addition, he was also recognized by the Potentate as “Shriner of the Year” for Al Kaly Shrine.

Yes, Nobles, Ladies, and Friends, that person is Noble Larry Newman, who was supported by Lady Mary, every step of the way.

Nobles, this is just another way for us to say “thank you” to “Three Putt” for his service to the unit and all he does for Al Kaly. In addition to his service to Colorado Springs Shrine Club and the Clowns, he is also the Al Kaly Treasurer.

Did I get your interest? Would you like to be part of this unit? We meet the second Monday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. Please come by and meet our unit members and let us answer any questions you might have. Hope to see you there.



Mule Train Installation of Officers.

AL KALY MULE TRAIN

*by Ill. Sir Allan Ake
Vice President/Secretary*

TAKING PHOTOS OR PAYING ATTENTION TO MULES?

Whoever said “the presence of an observer changes the nature of the observed,” must have watched mules at one time or other.

Not long ago, I wanted to take a few candid photos of the mules in the pasture. There they were, all eleven big mules and the seven mini mules, some peacefully grazing, others laying in the sun, and still others, standing off to the side with half-closed eyes. I might add they were a hundred or so yards away from me.

“So,” I sez to myself, “this’ll be easy to stealthily sneak out there and take a few quick snapshots. If I’m quiet, they’ll leave me alone.” (Har!)

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PUEBLO SHRINE CLUB

by James Hinojosa
President

Nobles, Ladies and All,
Pueblo Shrine Club was super-proud to honor one of its members who has a seriously long investment of time, talent and ideas in our club and its building. IS Les Tedrow, a 45 year member of the Board of Directors (not just the club) has asked to be replaced starting in 2017. The club is making a monetary donation to the Al Kaly Transportation Fund in his name to show our gratitude. There was, also, a plaque presentation at the January dinner meeting so IS Les can look at it and remember the good times and know we all thank him for all those years. THANKS IS LES!!

Last year the Pueblo Shrine Club had a great turn out to all of its events, and I want to thank everyone for supporting our club.

This year, 2017, we have new board members and new ideas for the club. To those who have been working hard to keep the club going, I thank you! What a fantastic job so far, let's all help keep up the good work.

I encourage all of the PSC members to get involved with your club and board members; let them know what you would like to see happen in 2017. I believe with your involvement we can bring the club back to life and begin having serious fun again.

Let not this building be forgotten, it is yours so start using it. Do you remember the days of playing of cribbage games, and farkle games and having Hillbilly Nights. Well, honestly, I don't but I heard the stories of how much fun everyone had. Now, I realize with time things change, but if we don't try to continue to have fun, then the younger Nobles won't want to get involved--hence drop of membership and lack of participants. So let's stir up those old feelings and incorporate them with new ones and let's have fun in 2017.

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TRINIDAD SHRINE CLUB

by Duane Plant

Trinidad Shrine Club has slowed down but we had a very busy and fun filled year. We attended several parades, with a couple of Nobles participating in the Penrose parade, (we picked up some great apples there), the La Junta parade and the last one of the year being the Festival of Lights parade here in Trinidad.

We had many very happy calendar buyers this year, several hundred dollars were won in the monthly drawings. We got off to a bit of a slow start but, this year with calendars in hand we are ready to make our self-imposed club "quota" for the coming year.

The Potentate was here for our December meeting, and installed the new corps of officers. We really appreciate it when the Potentate and members of the Divan make it down here to the border.

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AL KALY PR COMMITTEE

by John Larson

Well! The Holidays are over! By the time you read this, Installation will have taken place and IS Ron and the 2017 Divan will be hard at work. We wish them much success in 2017!

Did you see our Shriners float in the Rose Parade? It was magnificent and the commentary was great advertising for our hospitals.

I have said this before, but I'll repeat. Every last one of us, Nobles and Ladies alike, are responsible for spreading the word about the hospitals and the Shrine. We have several events coming up in the next couple of months and we need your help.

March 7th is National Pancake Day at IHOP restaurants and is Al Kaly's biggest fund raiser for the hospitals. We need volunteers to spend a couple of hours each at an IHOP meeting with the customers and handing out literature (yes, you Ladies can also volunteer). Watch the Nuts and Bolts for further information. If you can't volunteer some time, come out to your nearest IHOP for a meal. Be sure to wear your fez or something with the Shrine logo. Please encourage family, friends and neighbors to come out and have a free stack of pancakes.

The next event is the Girls Softball Tournament in Pueblo on April 15th and 16th. This event is a fund raiser for Al Kaly. If you have never watched a girl's fast pitch softball game- you are in for a real treat. Come on out and watch a game or two and bring friends, family and neighbors to come watch with you. We need to fill the stands to encourage these young ladies (admission is free). Watch the Nuts and Bolts for more information on this, also.

You don't receive the Nuts and Bolts? It is one of the chief means Al Kaly has of communicating with the Nobles. See the Nuts and Bolts article in this issue.

April 1st is the installation the 2017 officers of the Daughters of the Nile. This event will be held at the Masonic Center in Colorado Springs beginning at 1pm. Bring your fez and let's support the Ladies of the Nile.

Our Public Relations Committee meets at 10am the 2nd Tuesday. Odd numbered months we meet at IHOP North in Pueblo, even numbered months we meet at Coke's Diner in Fountain. Everyone is welcome to attend and, in fact, we would love more input. See you there!!



(Mule Train, continued from page 23)

I very quietly and slowly slipped between two strands of wire into the pasture, turned on my camera, and walked towards the mules at an even pace. Well, before I had gone three steps, all 18 mules had heads up, eyes and ears pointed towards me. So much for stealth. A couple of them loped towards me, not a few did a fast trot, the rest walked, not in a big hurry, but still curious.

They were nearly all circled around me like a bunch of kids at an ice cream parlor. Of course, it didn't help both of my vest pockets were full of treats. I had noses in my pockets, on my neck, one knocking my hat to the ground, and one nudging me in the back. "My turn, my turn!" I was pretty sure they were saying to each other.

Mabel was so excited, she ran around in circles at a fast lope and never did get a treat. Even the "littleuns" grabbed a few treats. They would dart in between the big animals, grab a treat and back out in a hurry. I made sure the older mules, Jill, Scoot, and Sioux got their fair share. So, I quickly took a number of photos as best I could and just as quickly ran out of treats. So I shut off my camera, petted and scratched a few heads and ears, and made my way through the sea of critters back to the fence.

When I downloaded the snapshots, I was not too surprised to see a nose here, an ear there, a pair of ears laid back in the classic threatening pose to try to chase the other mules away. (Good luck with that!) There was one of a pair of hooves and I have no idea how I got that one.

As I walked away, I observed (that word again) my photo shoot quickly turned from taking a few candid shots into simply paying attention to mules. But I gotta say, paying attention to those animals is one of my favorite activities in the whole world.

And that ain't all bad!

(Trinidad Shrine Club, continued from page 24)

We have had our dinner meetings at Bob and Earl's restaurant for the last few months; the food is great but we may be trying other venues later this year. Keep in touch so you know where dinner will be.

We are working on a couple of the Little T's this winter so we will be ready for the coming parade season.

The Club has had its ups and downs this year, but, like the family we are, we stick together and hold each other up and get through the sadness.

Our Club hopes everyone had a Merry Christmas and sends our very best wishes for a Happy New Year.

SAN JUAN BASIN SHRINE CLUB

by Dean Dooley

The San Juan Basin Shrine Club's Raffle drawing was held December 7th with the following winners:

First Place – Bobcat UTI - Uri Dorskocil, of Bayfield, who gave the unit to his father-in-law "to make life a little easier" for his relatives

Second Place - \$5000 cash – Michael A. Darr of Silverton

Third Place - \$2500 cash – Kurt Tanner of Bayfield

San Juan Basin thanks everyone for their assistance with this raffle, especially Brian Carter of Al Kaly Temple for his outstanding effort in selling tickets.

San Juan Basin sold over \$35,000.00 in tickets, with the #1 Sales Person being Dean Dooley of San Juan Basin Shrine Club who, alone, sold over \$10,000.00.

For more photos of the events covered in this issue of the Dust, please visit:

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Richard Rohrbacher with Raffle first-place winner Uri Dorskocil



Dean Dooley with Raffle third-place winner Kurt Tanner

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