



Al Koran Shriners News



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HILLBILLY Chili Cookoff



Sunday
March 5th, 2017
2:00 pm

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bring Chili. Also call if you just plan on coming to just sample the wonderful
fixen we have each year

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Potentate.....Roger Neff, PP
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Assistant Rabban.....Terry Hamilton P.P.
High Priest & Prophet.....Ron Murphy
Oriental Guide.....Thomas Joseph
Treasurer.....Jay Flack
Recorder.....Robert Berteau

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Broadview Hts., Ohio 44147

From the Potentate



Congratulations to High Priestess – elect Lady Barb Metzler, who was recently elected to lead Kheedawee Court #6 of LOSNA. Congratulations and best wishes also go to the new officers of the court. There is no other group closer to the Nobles of Al Koran than the wives, sisters, and daughters of our Shrine-Masons. We are all sharing a mission to make lives better for Children.

A special Thank-You to High Priestess, Lady Diane Sabados whom I have worked closely with through 2016 and 2017 to date. Lady Diane and the Ladies of Kheedawee Court have always been supportive of the Nobles of Al Koran and for that I thank you.

DRIVERS – and anyone who would like to be ... please join us for a luncheon meeting at Al Koran on March 1st . We need to talk about some needs and requirements moving forward. This will also give everyone an opportunity to ask questions. We plan to have a speaker of two at each of these luncheon meetings which we hope to have several times a year to keep up with developments.

Chili Cook-off... Sunday afternoon March 5th ... please try to attend. Held at Al Koran and Hillbilly sponsored – this is always a great time with a large number of Chilis to try as well as all the hot dogs and deserts you can eat. Bring your own recipe and get in free ... or \$8.00 donation will cover your food and fellowship. All proceeds will benefit the Hospital Transportation Fund.

Onion Sales - we have already started. Please contact your Club, Unit or Call AL Koran for your Sweet Vidalia Onions. Sell, Sell, Sell! Illustrious Sirs Al Paynter and Tom Klecan are Chairing the sales efforts... help them out wherever you can. Clubs and Units please let the Chairmen know who your Onion Captain is with name and contact info.

Spring is almost here. Let's get excited and get active with support of our Clubs and Units. Chardon Parade is right around the corner.

Yours in Faith,
Roger Neff

Official Call of the Potentate

Notice is given that Al Koran Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. will hold its monthly Business Meeting at the Al Koran Shrine Center on **Monday, March 20th at 7:00pm**. There will be a dinner at 6:00 pm with reservations due by **Noon** on Friday before the event.

Robert Berteau
Recorder

Es Selamu Aleikum

Roger Neff
Illustrious Potentate

Calendar of Events

March 1st – Drivers and Coordinators Luncheon, 12:00 noon at Al Koran ; please register with Director Mike Davison.

March 5th – Sunday - Hillbilly Chili Cook-off; 2:00 PM at Al Koran. Enter your own recipe or enjoy the wide variety provided. Open Bar courtesy of the Potentate.

March 14th – Tuesday – Al Koran Board of Directors/Divan Meeting

March 20th - Monday - FIRST DAY of SPRING – Al Koran Regular Business Meeting

March 26th – Sunday – Installation of Kheedawee Court #6, LOS-NA, Officers

Nobles welcome – please wear your Fez...

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Kheedawee Court #6 LOSNA

Open Installation of Officers

Sunday March 26, 2017 2:00 PM

Club Motor Estates

1000 E. Edgerton Rd.

Broadview Heights, Ohio

Lady Barbara Metzler
High Priestess Elect

Lady Joyce Vicha PHP
Inviting Officer

Nobles, please wear fez

Refreshments to follow



Clip and Save!

Paper Deadline!

All submissions must be in to Al Koran by the 7th day of the month preceding publication. Email files & photos to: rneff@rencomm-ad.com

Al Koran Shriners March Business Meeting Dinner on March 20th

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AND

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January 1st	1,086 Regular	4 Associates
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Affiliation	0	0
Restorations	4	0
Demits	1	0
Deaths	2	0
Suspensions	0	0


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 and steal away.
 To the land where the crystal
 waters flow,
 Where the beautiful Palms of the
 Great Architect grow.*



In Memoriam

January 2017

Robert B. Campbell
Lester R. Handwork

Lakewood Shrine Club

Lakewood Shrine Club invites all Nobles, Ladies and their guests to join us for our February meeting at the Cleveland Yachting Club on Wednesday, March 8, 2017. Oasis starts at 5:30 PM, so please join us for fellowship and fun. Dinner is at 6:15 PM and offers two main course selections as well as a vegetarian selection all superbly prepared by the Cleveland Yachting Club. Call your reservations in to George and Peggy Everden at 440-799-8825. They will tell you what the menu selections are. Lakewood Shrine Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Become a Club member and there will be no Club dues for the first year, and, even better, your first dinner will be on the Club.

Lorain County Shrine Club and Fire Brigade

Fire Brigade meets on the first Monday of the month at 500 Avon Belden Road in Avon Lake, OH at 7:30 PM. The new officers are : Chief: Richard Deutsch, Captain John Larson and Secretary R. Scott Croxford.

Lorain County Shrine Club meets on the third Friday of the month at Wood and Wine Restaurant on Chester Road in Avon, OH at 11:30 Am for a luncheon meeting. New Officers have not been elected at this time.

Both groups are planning next years schedules and are looking for good turn-out of nobles.

John Deliman; Secretary LCSC



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Dessert Trays
Seasonal Desserts
Custom Orders

Carol Fortney
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Historical Past... as part of an ongoing program for the year, the newsletter will feature historical information about Al Koran, The Shrine ... and in honor of 300 years of Masonry... historical Masonic information.



1956

IT WAS A DAY LIKE ANY OTHER at the offices of *The Cleveland Press*, the city's most vital newspaper. Copyboys scurried back and forth, typewriters clicked and clacked, and editor Louis B. Seltzer presided over it all from his office. Then a box full of men in red fez caps appeared outside the third-story window, singing their hearts out.

Hoisted by an industrial lift, Cleveland's Al Koran Shriners Chanters, 20 voices strong, were promoting the upcoming Great Lakes Shrine Association ceremony later in the week. Shriners from throughout the country, known for their pranks, tiny cars at parades and hospitals for the disadvantaged, gathered in Cleveland the weekend of Sept. 22.

About half of the 20,000 festival attendees marched to the lakefront stadium that weekend for music and hijinks. Other Shriner musical groups roamed the streets, assailing pedestrians with brassy tunes and pranks.

"There must be nearly 80 bands in town," reported *The Plain Dealer*. And they were making life hell. "Considerable serenading was in progress most of the night. Every hotel has at least one band."

By Monday, the Shriners were gone. // SHEEHAN HANNAN

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Transportation Unit – All drivers – Meeting March 1st!

There is a Luncheon Meeting at Al Koran for all Drivers and Transportation Coordinators – Wednesday March 1st. Lunch will be provided. This is an important meeting to relay current requirements and information to our Drivers. Please be there. Call Mike Davison with any questions.

We remain grateful for nobles and others who bring cans and copper to the center. We are especially grateful for the continued support of Baker's Union #19, Iron Woods Golf Course and Russ from Berea Heating and Cooling for their collection of cans and copper. Al Koran needs drivers to transport our children to the hospitals. If you would consider volunteering as a driver please call Mike at the center. Drivers are not required to belong to the Transportation Unit.

President/Secretary Thom Sabados

NOTICE: AL KORAN ROADRUNNERS NEED DRIVERS

All Masons can be Roadrunners – team up with Shriners and even involve your Lady
If you would like to help a child get to A Shrine Hospital to get needed care...

Please call Mike Davison
Office: 440 546-9866 or
Cell: 330 608-2414

Drivers' Corner

The following volunteers have driven children to and from the Shriners Hospitals during the month of January.

Mike Brookins	Larry Smith
Debbie Saiter	Jerry Gundrum
Tom Munro	Dan Smith
Stan Updike	Joe Dugan
Fred Freer	Scott Croxford
Mike Davison	John Larson
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From the Recorder

Greetings Nobles;

Well here it is March and spring is right around the corner.....we hope. According to our Groundhog spring should be here by Easter. Peg and I are currently in San Diego, California, attending the annual Shrine Recorders Seminar. I hope to have many questions about our new membership program Web-Fez answered to make this new tool more effective with all Al Koran members. Thanks to the membership for allowing Peg and I to attend and represent Al Koran, we have made many friends attending and we look forward to speaking with other Recorders and find some common problems and ways to solve them. We also share ideas to keep our members active and ways to increase our membership that is working in other Shrine Centers. Peg and I are staying out west and traveling to Hawaii for a retirement trip for Peg who retired on March 3, we will be back in office March 20.

Nobles...Tampa will be sending out second 2017 dues notices sometime near the end of February to middle of March to 240 who have not paid 2017 dues, if you are one of those please put this at the top of the to do pile so you will not be suspended. I did suspend 71 members for non- payment of 2015 and 2016 dues as of December 31, if you are one who has been suspended re-instatement is easy, just call the office for information and details. Remember dues are still \$137. If you know a member from either list please speak to him about these dues, if there is a health issue or other circumstances preventing you from paying your dues please call the office, I will work with each one of you to correct this issue and continue your membership.

In closing Nobles, your Divan has planned many activities for 2017 and I encourage you to be part of these activities, many are listed in this issue and future issues as well. Please MAKE THE EFFORT to support your Shrine Center and activities, BE PROUD you are a MASON and MEMBER OF AL KORAN!!!!

Robert D. Berteau, Recorder

Hunters

The 2017 Officers of the Hunter were installed in January following the installation of the Divan. As you know there was not meeting in the month of January, for the Installation replaced the meeting. We are still looking for a Scout and a Sargent of Arms. If at all interested, contact our Chief John Deliman at 440-667-5173 for information. At the February meeting a discussion for money making and club activities was had and a few ideas can up for future discussion. Speaking of activities, every Hunter, past and present should have received a letter requesting information and ideas for future activities. Also, there should have been a dues notice, if you haven't paid your 2016-17 dues. Dues are \$15.00 which \$5.00 goes to Transportation Fund. This is according to our bylaws. The last four years The Hunters has been supplying food for the BOP Car Show. But this year the group has moved else where and so far we have not been asked to participate. So right now all we have is the Spaghetti Dinner-Turkey Shoot.

Right now, we need member show ups at our monthly meetings to help with our future growth. If you know a Mason, invite him, he does not have to be a Shriner.

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Quarry Lodge PWM and Al Koran Shriner John "Jack" Watson and wife Mary Ann, of the Quarry Lodge "Masonettes" make a \$2500 donation to SHC- Erie Board Chairman Jim McKinney.



Tom Klecan P.P. Associate Board member of SHC- Erie donates contributions to Board Chairman Jim McKinney.

Lakewood Shrine Club

Guitarist and vocalist John Pierson was quite entertaining.



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Mariner's Log – Bob Stanley, M.S.A.

The Mariners were honored and proud to make a contribution to the Al Koran Shrine Transportation Fund. Our Roadrunners are always on the move transporting a child in need to our Shrine Hospitals either in Erie or Cincinnati.

As of this writing, February 5, Sunshine Chairman Emil Arvidson has informed me that sick bay is empty and all are healthy. Hang in there. Spring is right around the corner.

The Mariners March meeting will be held on Thursday, March 9, at the Edgewater Yacht Club. We usually meet at 1800 hours for chow and grog with our meeting being rapped to order at 1930 hours.

The March meeting of Al Koran Shrine will be held on Monday, March 20, at our Shrine Center at 1900 hours. There will be a dinner at 1800 hours prior to the meeting. As always, reservations are requested.

For information concerning membership or activities of the Al Koran Mariners, contact Commodore Ronn Murphy at 216-702-6785.

To all the Al Koran Shriners and their ladies, the Mariners and our ladies wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day.
God's Speed

Mansfield-Ashland Shrine Club

Mansfield/Ashland Shrine Club had their own East/West Shrine Game party.



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March 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Drivers & Coordinators Luncheon Band	2	3	4
5 Hillbilly Chili Cookoff	6 Lorain Fire Brigade Youngstown Clowns	7 Paper Deadline	8 Lakewood SC Band	9 Korvettes Mariners LOSNA – Kheedawee Court	10	11
12	13 Trumbull SC	14 Divan & Board of Directors Hunters	15 Fairview SC Massillon SC Band	16 Eagle SC Youngstown SC	17 Lorain SC Southwest SC	18
19	20 Al Koran Business Meeting Al Koran Trustees Meeting	21	22 Bay SC (11:30 AM) Hillbilly Clan Band	23	24	25
26 Installation of Kheedawee Court #6, LOSNA	27 Past Masters Cleveland Clowns Krazy Kops	28	29	30	31	

April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 Lorain Fire Brigade Youngstown Clowns	4	5 Band	6	7	8 Paper Deadline

TURNING 65?

Making Sense of Medicare Workshop

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NOTABLE

OBLES

New Noble Clyde Patterson is fezzed by Illustrious Sir Roger Neff on a night that saw 3 new Nobles created



Dan Edgar presents donation by the Lorain County Fire Brigade



Howard Walker makes 'Another' contribution to the Million Dollar Club



II. Sir Jack Conner makes his monthly presentation to the Children's Transportation Fund



Hunter's Chief John Deliman gets his Past Chief's pin and hat from Ill. and Past Chief Roger Neff



A "light" moment during the Lorain County Fire Brigade Officer Installations. Dick Deutsch was installed as Chief; John Larson as Captain and Scott Croxford as Secretary. Treasurer Glenn was excused and not present. Installing Team was Ill Sirs Terry Hamilton and Roger Neff, and Transportation Director / Business Manager Mike Davison."

