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Chili Cook-Off... great time!



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From the Potentate



I would like to Thank all those that attended the Hillbilly Chili Cook-off. It was a lot of fun, great chilies and super deserts. All New winners this year which spread the trophies around. Repeat winner Mark Bollinger and his cheese cakes were respectfully denied entry. Mark and Lady Debbie responded with a delicious lemon cheesecake. Just over 70 people joined in the fun. Great Cook-off.

Onion Sales are upon us. We need a strong effort – better than last year – to raise some income for

Al Koran and the clubs & Units. Please call in orders to the various Clubs and Units ... or into the office. Chairmen Al Paynter and Tom Klecan can use the help. Give some of your time to help in this fundraising effort.

Speaking of fundraisers ,,, it is one of my goals to establish a major fundraiser for Al Koran's General Fund. A committee is moving forward with a Fall Sportsman Show and gun raffle. The proposed raffle will involve a tremendous effort to sell tickets to an event that will see the raffling off of over 100 firearms. We will start ticket sales this month and hold the event in the Fall. We all need a maximum effort in volunteering some time to sell tickets at other events as well as selling ticket through family, friends, and working colleagues. I have confidence our people will answer the call.

SHC- Erie Community Day/Open house is Sunday, June 4th. This is the 90th Anniversary of the hospital I hope all consider attending that day... especially Drivers who will be recognized. The 3rd annual "Highmark Health Walk" will be the day before - June 3rd. Tom Klecan, Howard Merritt and myself have represented Al Koran and "Team Boardwalk" the past several years. Led by Howard, Al Koran led all Temples in Donations. This year there is a challenge and a trophy. Please support your Representatives and keep Al Koran on top.

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, April 17th 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

For those of you that submit materials for the monthly newsletter - the Al Koran News: It is important that I receive your letters, ads and photos in a timely manner, so that I can assemble the newsletter with enough time for artwork, layout, printing & mailing. I have a deadline of the "2nd Wednesday" each month to allow this schedule. As you can see on our monthly calendar, the middle of each month is a busy time for your Divan - with our meetings. If the newsletter can get into production earlier than that, it would greatly reduce the workload for other important Al Koran business matters later in the month. *Thank You, Roger Neff, Editor & Publisher*

Calendar of Events

April is for ONION SALES!

April 9th - Sunday - Scottish Rite Feast of Pascal Lamb

April 10th - Monday - Passover Begins

April 11th - Tuesday - Al Koran Board of Directors/Divan Meeting

April 16th - Sunday - HAPPY EASTER

April 17th - Monday - Al Koran Regular Business Meeting

April 22nd - Saturday - Medicare Informational Seminar

April 28 & 29th - Friday/Saturday - Ohio Shrine Meetings, Syrian Temple - Cincinnati

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Al Koran Welfare

Nobles, I know we are aware some of our sick and distressed are falling between the cracks, so please send any welfare concerns to me at klecantom@hotmail.com

Thanks
Tom Klecan
Chief Rabban



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February 2017 Membership

February 1st	1,090 Regular	4 Associates
Creations	2	0
Affiliation	1	0
Restorations	3	0
Demits	0	0
Deaths	3	0
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waters flow,
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Great Architect grow.*



In Memoriam

February 2017

**Robert D. Meil
Carl A. Sheppard
Paul L. Vasiloff**

Lakewood Shrine Club

Lakewood Shrine Club invites all Nobles, Ladies and their guests to join us for our April meeting at the Cleveland Yachting Club on Wednesday, April 12th. The evening's featured guest speaker is Mr. Eric Butler, who held the job of driver/personal assistant for George Burns. Mr. Butler has many great stories of his time with Mr. Burns. 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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to get needed care...

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Drivers' Corner

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

John Larson	Mike Gillmor
Scott Croxford	Debbie Saiter
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John Deliman	Ray Wilson
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From the Recorder

Greetings Nobles;

We have just concluded our Annual Recorders Seminar in San Diego, the weather was cool but sunny, the fellowship was great, there were 93 recorders and 13 of those were first year attendees. We were treated to some great hospitality from the Nobles of Al Bahr Shrine. We had great instruction on the web-fez and other matters of our Shrine from many of the Imperial office staff. I thank all the Nobles of Al Koran to allow me the opportunity to attend this most informative meeting.

First matter was the dues cards and mailings; the Tampa staff has worked with the US Post Office which resulted in no answers to us. The plastic dues cards sent in 2016 were supposed to be used for up to 5 years, many Nobles are suspected to have thrown them away to which we need to replace them, if you have thrown yours away please call the office so I can order a new one, (there may be an extra charge). 2017 stickers have been mailed and many have not received them, also dues notices were not received by many of our members, a reminder notice has been sent to 235 members and should have arrived, please send payment to our office, dues are still \$137.

The web-fez is downloaded every two weeks and many Nobles records are incomplete so I would like to update all records, please send my your name, address, phone both home and cell, e-mail, Blue Lodge name and number, club and unit affiliation, wife or ladies name and your occupation, if you are a snowbird please provide dates of being away and address. This is important to our temple in our communication with you; please help by providing all information.

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

It was good to see some familiar faces, at our last meeting that we haven't seen for quite a few months. Maybe at our next meeting we'll see a few more. We are still looking for a Scout and a Sargent at Arms. When the dues notices went out, there was also a request for activities and the response was very good. This was brought up at our last meeting. There are still a few of the members that haven't paid dues and another notice will be going out as a reminder. Dues are still \$15.00 and \$5.00 of that goes to the Transportation Fund. Parade season is about to start and the Trailer should be cleaned up and maybe painted. We have the tags for 2017, so let's think about filling the seats. When you are absent from a group for a while, it's hard to get back into the swing of it again. Know that been there, and it takes a special effort to get back or change your routine. So let's try to change all that and join us on the 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 of each month at the Shrine Center. Don't forget the Business Meeting. Dinner is at 6:00 and still being catered by Coyne. Maybe we don't own the building BUT, we still have the Hospitals and the Kids.

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Crooked River Hillbilly Clan #16

Weins, at da last meetin had more coz den weins had at da instillation. We had so much vittles and no one even Motermer, da hound dog, went hungry. At da meetin before da last meetin we had da month before weins talked about money make activities and it seemed dat A Bus-Casino Trip would be in da works. Cuz Bill Stine started lookin in to something like da. Well weins, I think, is goin to come about. Dates and months were gone over and it was decided dat September or October would be best. More details are for coming.

Dis last month on da 5th, weins had the Annual Chili Cookoff and weins had about 65 to 70 Cuz and flat landers present. Weins had an award for The Peoples Choice which went to Calleen Clancy. Da other awards which were by Judges were 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. First went to LanaNolan, Second went to Tracey Hackworth, and da Third to Rob Stenffens. Leona Smith took the da Desert award. Mark Bolinger is Desert Emeritus. Dis is a new one?

Now don't ferget weins meetin da 4th Wednesday of each month and it's always a POT LUCK. See all youin Red Necks then.

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Mariner's Log – Bob Stanley, M.S.A.

Yes Virginia, Vidalia onions will be available to sale again. As our late great P/C Bill Collins would say, “we are not going to gouge you for a ten pound bag of those delicious, tasty little devils.” This year, P/C John Baker, P/C Tiger Malm, Frank Bercheck and our Onion Queen Bark Kuchar from Orwell, Ohio, will be in charge of our Vidalia onion sales. The onions should be available in May. So get out there and start taking orders from your family, friends, neighbors or any person you may happen to see. The Mariners’ goal this year is to repeat as #1 in onion sales for Al Koran Shrine.

Our Sunshine Chairman, Emil Arvidson, has reported sick bay is empty. That is great news for any time of the year.

The Mariners April meeting will be held on Thursday, April 13, at Lakeside Yacht Club. Chow and grog are served at 1800 hours and the gavel is sounded to open the meeting at 1930 hours.

The April meeting of Al Koran Shrine will be held on Monday, April 17, at our Shrine Center at 1900 hours. As always, a dinner by reservation will be served at 1800 hours.

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

The Mariners and our ladies wish the Al Koran Shriners and their ladies a blessed Easter and Passover. Remember, your place as a Shriner has made you a Guardian Angel of those children who need our help.

God’s Speed

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9 Scottish Rite - Feast of the Pascal Lamb	10 Passover Begins Trumbull SC	11 Divan & Board of Directors Hunters	12 Lakewood SC Band	13 Korvettes Mariners LOSNA - Kheewawee Court	14	15
16 Happy Easter!	17 Al Koran Business Meeting Al Koran Trustees Meeting	18	19 Fairview SC Massillon SC Band	20 Eagle SC Youngstown SC	21 Lorain SC Southwest SC	22 MEDICARE WORKSHOP
23	24 Cleveland Clowns Krazy Kops	25	26 Bay SC Hillbilly Clan Band	27	28	29
30					28-29 Ohio Shrine Assoc. - Cincinnati	

May 2017

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&
LADIES**

Lakewood Shrine Club



Julie Ann Gulenko - beautiful singing was our own, private light opera concert.

