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RECORDER'S OFFICE HOURSMonday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 16, 2015
PRESIDENTS DAY

Upcoming Shrine Center Public Events

February 7 & 8	8 SD Miniature Crafters	
February 9	SD Stitchery	
February 17	ASPE Trade Show	
February 18	Tierra del Sol 4X4	
	Wheel Club	
February 22	Stamps 4 Less	

Potentate's Message



Thanks to all who came to the Stated Meeting for Installation. I personally want to thank Most Worshipful Melvin Stein and Illustrious Sir Jack Marks for presiding over the swearing in ceremony.

Your Divan has gotten off to a fast start. Our official duties began Saturday following installation when it was our pleasure to attend the Legion of Honor

Installation. Then there were the Clowns, what an evening, I was honored to be inducted into "The Ancient Royal Exalted Order of Imperial Woochie Nose". The Honor came with my very own clown nose, so keep an eye out; you will probably see it soon.

It was truly wonderful to attend the Diamond Jubilee of Illustrious Sir Cliff Richards. The ability to honor such a great mason for 75 years of service to others will be hard to surpass. Silver Spur Parade is coming up soon. We will be heading out Feb. 13th to join with our friends from El Zaribah Shrine for one of Yuma's finest parades. We will be having our traditional Fried Chicken dinner following the parade. If you have the weekend free please join us for this great event.

Shrine Camp Update,

Our team of lawyers and experts will be meeting with the US Forestry Service in March to discuss our next steps in moving forward. As soon as we have further information from the USFS we will schedule a town hall meeting to pass along the information.

The position of Recorder at Al Bahr has been a combined position of Recorder and Building Manager for many years. The Elected Divan has determined that now is the time to separate the two positions. This process requires us to create a new job description for each. The job descriptions will be completed and published as soon as possible. This will allow us to encourage qualified applicants to respond, being fully aware of the responsibilities of the position for which they are applying / running.

In the interim I have appointed Illustrious Sir Ed Collins PP to the position of Recorder of Al Bahr Shrine.

Fraternally
Dave Pirie
Potentate 2015

Special Meeting TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015

NOBLES ONLY

MEETING 7:00 PM

Be it known that a special meeting of Al Bahr Shrine is being called for Tuesday, February 24, 2015 for the purpose of: approving the 2015 temple budget and the election of a noble to fill the office of recorder for the year 2015.

The meeting will be held at 7:00 PM at the Shrine Center 5440 Kearny Mesa Road San Diego and a 2015 dues card is required for admission.

Officers to be elected: Recorder

Electioneering: A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email, or other devices, by a Noble, or a group of nobles suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

For any violation of the above, the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election meeting the Temple recorder shall mail a notice thereof containing this section.

Fraternally Attest:
Dave Pirie Ed Collins, PP
Potentate Recorder



Chaplain's Message

Throughout life we are faced with a recurring dilemma: do we remain steadfast to our convictions and faithful to God or do we take the "easy road" and succumb to society's pressures? I always marvel at the "relativistic morality" particularly evident on TV and radio when it comes to celebrity transgressions. Are we ethical in our interactions and dealings and faithful to God's teachings or is it a matter of "well, everyone does it"? The people of Israel were struggling with the choice between remaining faithful to God or "going with the flow". Popular culture of the time was to worship the false god Baal, and the Bible in 1 Kings tells us that all of the Lord's prophets had been persecuted until only Elijah remained. Wouldn't it have been easier to take the safe route and go along with society and worship this false god? But Elijah was faithful and believed that God would not abandon His people. In fact Elijah was so confident that he challenged the prophets of Baal to a sacrifice of bulls. Despite drenching the Lord's sacrifice three times with water, "...the fire of the Lord fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones, and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench." (1 Kings 18: 38). The sacrifice to Baal remained untouched. Elijah's faith brought forth God's proof of who was the True God and who was the false god. I am not so naïve as to presume that all situations are black and white regarding the choices we face, and appreciate that our world is really "shades of grey". But Elijah shows us that by remaining faithful to God and trusting in His benevolence, we can depend on Him to be with us in our challenges and to sustain us and guide us in making the choices and decisions that will be pleasing in His sight. God Bless you! Mark Suycott, Chaplain

Past Masters Shrine Club

HELLO NOBLES AND LADIES,

It was great seeing so many of you at January's stated meeting and Installation of Officers. (I was the short guy going around taking pictures during dinner.) Congratulations once again to our new Potentate, Dave Pirie, and our new First Lady, Liza Pirie. I want to congratulate our Past Potentate, Cliff Richards, on his 75 years of being a Mason...what an inspiration he is to all Masons and Shriners, and what a great accomlishment. His Diamond Jubilee Ceremony was one I'll never forget. It was nice seeing so many of you at the Open House on the 23rd and the Nobility Ball on the 24th...the first destinations in our new Passports.

The Al Bahr Shrine Past Masters Club will be having our ANNUAL BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER on February 22nd from 8 AM until 11 AM (an excursion on your Passport). I hope you will all attend and enjoy a nice breakfast, good fellowship,

In Memoriam A A A A A A

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 SHRINER SHRINER
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 Quintanilla, Amado
 6/16/1927
 0615/1985
 11/18/2014

 Furtrell, Lester***
 8/26/1923
 6/22/1985
 11/16/2014

 *** Member of Widow & Orphans Fund

A memorial contribution to the Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund has been made in memory of our member listed above.

We mourn the passing of Laura Richards wife of Past Potentate Cliff.

A fine lady who will be truly missed.



Sunshine Committee Report

In consideration of recently enacted Federal regulations, we are unable to provide full information on our ill and indisposed members. Please keep these nobles in your prayers. Should you wish to contact one of these members, please call the office for further information.

Alvarez, Chico
Bayle, Rodolfo
Bechtel, Richard
Benson, James
Gentle, Ken
Bergstrom, Duane
Callier, William
Childress, Clyde
Condon, Howard
Crouse, Ray
Cunningham, Charles
Dewar, Bob
Childress, Clyde
Condon, Howard
Crouse, Ray
Cunningham, Charles
Dewar, Bob
Jones, R

Drummond, Gordon Kellett, Alan Dudley, Kenneth Kohler, Warren Gentle, Ken (PP) Latham, Ernest Gillard, Gene Lipa, Joseph Hadaway, Fred Markson, Richard Hollingshead, Arvin Mathews, John L. Houston, Bill McGrath, Jim Huszar, Skip Plastik, Herb Johnson, Johnny Rafferty, Alexander Johnston, Doug Ramos, Roy B. Jones, Ray Rash, Ronald

Shepard, Gene Silverman, Sidney Smith, Sidney R. Taylor, George Thorpe, Lewis Trapp, Ronald Wilson, Joseph Young, Wayne

and support our event. To show our care, love, and affection to all of our Honored Ladies, I want to invite all of our Honored Ladies as my guest (their breakfast is on me) so they can be reminded once again of how special they are, and be recognized for their love, dedication, and support of our institution. I hope to see you all on the 22nd.

Remind your Blue Lodge of our assistance with degrees. I am seeking helpers to support barbecues for inpatients at the VA Hospital. Our upcoming schedule is: PM CLUB BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER at 8 AM on February 22nd, Monthly PM Club meetings on February 20th, March 20th (with Ladies and the Divan), and April 24th. Fraternally, Noble James Glunt, Past Master Club President

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Shriners Hospitals for Children and Donations from our Members and Friends

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K.D. & Gretchen Morrison
In Memory of Jeanne Brittsan:
Sunshine & Ray Ormand
In Memory of Ruth Covarrubias:

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In Memory of Laura Richards:

Ann & Olen Woods, PP
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Dorothy & Thomas Traver
Nancy Merritt
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Naty & Eddie Camerino
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Edward Dangler

In Memory of Ronald E. Rothe: Eldora E. Love

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Al Bahr R.V. Club Javier Castro Muñoz Rudy Bayle

In Honor of Lou Hahn:
Suzanne Santos

In Memory of Rob Moris:
Richard & Annie Barrett
In Memory Margaret Short:
Richard & Annie Barrett

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Peace Officers

I would like to take this opportunity to "thank" the members of the Peace Officers for allowing me to be your president for 2015. I would also like to say I appreciate the members accepting the appointments, without hesitation, and those members that have stepped forward and offered their help! I'm very humbled.

Parades are the one thing that will get recognition for our club. Please join us at the next parade, in San Diego on March 14, 2015, St. Patrick's Day. There are vehicles available to ride on!

It's not too soon to start thinking about our fundraiser on July 18th and how we can help make this a huge success!

Your Officers welcome and encourage all members to join us at the shed. behind the Temple, on the 4th Wednesday of each month. The February meeting is on the 25th. What! You say you are not a member - Membership in the Peace Officers is open to all Members of Al Bahr. Regular membership consists of active, reserve, volunteers and retired Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, and other public service officers from the city, county, state. and federal agencies. Associate membership are those Shriners who are interested in the field but have no regular affiliation with public service. Ask any member for a Petition and join us on the 4th Wednesday of each month, with a social starting at 5:30 PM and dinner prior to the meeting! Remember, the dinners are still only \$5.00!

Bob Powell, PP President

Drum & Bugle Corp.

Hello Nobles and Ladies. 2015 is 1/12 over already. You may laugh, but I bet every November or December you are saying, "Gee, I can't believe were the year went. Here are some reasons why human beings need to play music. Playing music puts you in your own little space in this here world. It transcends you to wherever you want to go or to who you want to be. A good marching song (by the way, we don't march) gets that adrenalin a pumpin,' that heart a poundin,' and those feet a tappin.' And, if you join the Drum and Bugle Corps, you get all those things, plus lots of great fellowship. Don't put it off any longer. Show up the first Saturday of the month, at 11 AM, in the music shed behind the Temple No need to bring an instrument, unless you are a bugle player and you want to play your own instrument. We do have bugles of different sizes, drums of different types, and other good sounding instruments of various kinds.

Like I always say, "This is how we roll." We play our music, we have a good time, and we are blessed to -be able to share this music with others. If you enjoy listening to music, come let us show you how to make music. Come roll along with us. We're not a marching band, but we know how to look good and sound great sitting on our D&B Corps float, while parading down the street. Bill Stokes.

2015 Vice President Cell: 619-922-5668 wrsabsent@gmail.com



Congratulations to our very own Past Potentate, Cliff Richards, on his 75 years of membership in the Masonic Order.

Daughters of the Nile Mecca Temple No 34

The activities for the month of February will be:

- Feb. 3 Patrol will have their meeting at 10:30 AM at the Unity Lodge
- Feb. 4 Dancers & Pageantry will meet at 1:00 PM at the Unity Lodge.
- Feb. 9 San Diego Sewing will meet at 10:00 AM at the Unity Lodge. The Chorus will meet at that time also.
- North County Sewing will meet at the Oceanside Lodge at 10:30 AM. Feb. 11
- We will have our Luncheon at 11:00 AM & our Session at 12:15 PM. Feb. 16 At the Scottish Rite Center.
- Mecca Temple will attend the Session at Mokattam Temple. Feb. 17
- Feb. 24 Mecca Temple will attend the Session at Merret Temple.

Information regarding these trips will be discussed at our regular Session. We will be carpooling to both visitations.

RUBY NYBERG, (858) 292-1885

Al Bahr Honored Ladies

Our meeting for February will be held on Saturday, February 14th, at 9:30 AM, at the Al Bahr Shrine Center. Following our meeting we will play Mexican Train Dominoes. Our monthly Game Day will be Thursday, February 26th, 10:00 AM, at the Shrine Center. Bring a sandwich or buy a burger from the Director's Staff.



Carol Van Slyke 760/726-2800

RADOPS

GUEST EDITORIAL...

There is an old and nostalgic comment that: "Real radios glow in the dark." For sixty years radios had to "warm up" the vacuum tubes before being able to operate. As a young lad in high school I found that turning on all my radio equipment guickly warmed up my radio ham shack (carved out from one guarter of my parents garage). The Al Bahr RADOPS continue many of those old traditions of amateur radio; they even have a vintage display of approximately 100 vacuum tubes from "back in the day." Also present in the ham shack (underneath the tall antenna tower behind the Shrine Center) is a selection of much more modern ham gear. Most Thursdays about 11:00 a couple of RADOPS members can be found at the shack lunching on hamburgers cooked by the Director's Staff and enjoying the world of amateur radio. This continues to be an interesting and enjoyable hobby with many non technical aspects as well as presenting the opportunity to delve deeply into the technology for the limited number of individuals who wish to do so. We would like to invite you to drop by when you have the time. Company is always welcome. Best wishes.

Bill Snell KB6EB RADOPS Vice President/Treasurer.

If you are a "ham." or have an interest in becoming one, please contact us. Passing a short multiple choice test, administered locally each weekend by local hams, allows the FCC to issue you your own unique in all the world station license and call letters, like the radio and TV stations with which you are familiar. Study guides, with all the questions and answers, from which the test is composed, are available locally and at some libraries.

73's (Best Wishes) Robin Armour, N6HHM 619-253-7800 (24/7) RADOPS Secretary



Best Shrine Hamburgers Served Every Thursday at the Directors Staff shed 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM · Stop on by!

Clowns

January was a slow month for us Clowns - We had the Passing of the Gavel ceremony on the 12th, where Down and out Duper is Out :-(pun intended) and our Ace in the Hole is back as Prez again.

Your Clowns will again be participating in the Yuma Silver Spur Parade on the 14th of February. Great weekend fun - if you have never been, you should try it, you might like it Mikey? On February 21st we will be cleaning the shed and will have a short garage sale between 11 AM and 12:30 PM. One Clowns trash is another's treasure! Bring the Kiddos down with you also - I am sure we can find a balloon or two to volunteer to be shaped up accordingly.

NOW - there is a misconception out there that the Clowns are the hardest working unit at the Shrine - if you consider having fun, then yes we are guilty. We are always looking for more Clowns to join us - Dale, Rudy, George? We participate in a balloon bag full of events each year that much is TRUE -However, we ask that as a Clown you attend when you can! As a new Clown (Proby) we ask that you attend at least 6 events in your first 6 months. Us Clowns have so much fun participating in the parades, street fairs, car shows, Easter egg hunts, visits to Shriner hospital in LA, that we would really like to share the wealth of fun with YOU! So feel free to hit up any Clown (not too hard please) or come see us at Casa Machada (Montgomery Field) on the second Monday of the month for dinner and our meeting to see what we are truly about - "Having fun helping kids". Did I mention that we include the Boss (wives) in on everything possible too.

Well my fingers are sore now from typing so much, so as they say in the South - Let's get 'er Done!

Tex "Twister" Perry

Shaaru Court of LOSNA

Shaaru Court continues to work for the Shriners' kids, we have chosen a Shriner patient, a brave little girl named Anna, as our special project, in December we collected lots of pretty clothes and toys for her and we will continue to support her and her family while she is a Shriner patient.

At our meeting in January we initiated 4 new members. We meet the third Thursday evening of each month at Heartland Lodge in El Cajon. If you wish to join us in our work for the Shriners, contact any member of our Order who will be very happy to get the process started for you. You don't have to wait to be asked. We are having a fundraising trip to Las Vegas on Feb. 23, 24 and 25, if you are interested in joining us call Sharon Pennington at 858-586-0839. Judy Belknap, Reporter

Director Staff

The brothers at the Director's Staff decided we would build our new illustrious potentate a new yacht for the nobility ball and we hope everyone enjoyed their entrance. More than a few Brothers came together to build for the fun and tradition of bringing in the new potentate in a manner that best represents his character and interests, with just a touch of attitude.

The Director's Staff looks forward to the parades and events of 2015 and will endeavor to have fun while we serve our Al Bahr Shrine and invite you to join us. In particular the Director's Staff looks forward to seeing you at Silver Spurs. Feel free to ride on the Genie float as we represent our Al Bahr Shrine in Arizona. As always we invite you to burgers on Burger Thursdays at our shed in back. The rumors that we use kangaroo for our burgers are only partly true and we invite you to come between 11 and noon, each Thursday to see what part is true.

Robert Dockery President 2015

Legion Of Honor

Thank you to everyone that assisted with Commander Steve Walker's installation and the Nobility Inaugural Celebration Ball. I had a great time and I hope everyone who attended had a great time.

Congratulations to Commander Steve Walker and Mrs. Leighanne Walker. For everyone's information following the installation the Commander and Leighanne tied the knot.

The holidays are over for a while and it's time to get down to business the Silver Spur Rodeo Parade in Yuma, AZ. is just around the corner February 14th.

WSA 2015 is scheduled for April 22 through April 26 in Las Vegas. This will be at the Westgate Hotel which is located on the north end of the strip. If you need reservation information or a flyer for events let me know.

Please contact Cdr Steve Walker phone 760-917-9282 or e-mail seven16879@att.net for membership information.

Sincerely and Fraternally Tony Albright 1st LCDR

Red Fez Lounge Hours for January



Feb 1 - Super Bowl Party Feb 9 - Open Feb 27 - Open Motorcycle POG Feb 28 - Open Chili Cook off Feb 2 - Open Feb 20 - Open Fight Night

Feb 6 - Open Feb 23 - Open

D.A.D. Program - Dime A Day

We are scheduled to print the next issue for distribution around the 1st of September. The "Al Bahr-o-meter" needs the support of our readers! We would be pleased to add your name to the list below. If you would like to contribute to the continued success of the "Al Bahr-o-meter," please send your check to Al Bahr Shrine, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego, CA 92111. We are planning on printing 12 issues per year. Your contribution of at least \$35.00 would be appreciated!

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Cliff Richards, PP 2/14	Alice Mansfield 3/14	Arlene Coady	Dick & Linda Wolz 10/14	Carol Hendee 12/14
Laura Richards 2/14	Ferman Bumgarner 3/14	Shirley Van Ess 7/14	Elizabeth & Ralph Davis . 10/14	Bob Strangman 12/14
Georgia Nicoll 2/14	Steve Bumgarner 3/14	Bob Salini 7/14	Juanita J. Petter 10/14	Momina Skill 12/14
Ernest Latham 2/14	William Hoffmark 4/14	Maebelle Haslim7/14	Charles Webb 10/14	Eligio "Ed" D. Pangilinan . 1/15
Milagros Custodio 2/14	Jeannie Hoffmark 4/14	Golda Houk 7/14	Joan Webb 10/14	Herbert Plastik 1/15
John Willen 2/14	Guy Francesconi 5/14	Jeanne Cohen 8/14	Ray Webb 10/14	Lee Plastik 1/15
Elizabeth Jolley 2/14	Herbert Green 5/14	James & Shirley Crawford 8/14	Jean Ann Webb 10/14	Betty J. Love 1/15
Carl & Jean Gunn 2/14	Victor Muth 5/14	Mrs. Carl Plain 8/14	Kay Christianson 11/14	N. Camerino 1/15
Richard Mansfield 2/14	Ruby Nyberg 6/14	Herbert Plastik 8/14	Rocky De Laurentis 12/14	Robert Moffat 2/15
Betty Mansfield 2/14	Merold Nyberg 6/14	Lee Plastik 8/14	Dora Nadeen Jones 12/14	Richard Mansfield 2/15
Dick & Sharon Bullard 2/14	Steve & Karen Shultz 6/14	Cayetano Custodio 8/14	Winne B. Randolph 12/14	Lynn & Bill Taylor 2/15
Donald Jensen 2/14	Mary Schmid 6/14	Richard Van Overmeiren . 9/14	Stuart L. Morpeth Jr 12/14	
Carmi Hodge 2/14	Momina Skill 6/14	Nancy Merritt 9/14	Gordon & Barbra Drummond 12/14	
Edith Murphy3/14	Louis Charity 6/14	Madeline Giardina 9/14	Jack Hendee 12/14	



Hospital Transportation NOBLES AND LADIES

2014 was another successful year for Al Bahr Shrine in the transportation of patients to our shrine hospitals in Los Angeles and Sacramento. Our volunteers are to be commended for their efforts in assisting the families that need our help. We provided transportation to 1087 van patients making 249 van trip. Transportation was provided on 233 days and more than 7,400 volunteer hours were given.

There were a total of 129 van drivers and they drove 64,058 miles In addition there were 89 patients transported to Sacramento for treatment.

Al Bahr expended over \$180,000 for patient transportation and the Temple purchased two new vans to continue our program.

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and if you are at all interested in helping Al Bahr in this ongoing commitment, please give us a call.

Fraternally Bob Mars

Webmaster www.albahrshrine.org

The beginning of the year brings a rework of the entire website for all of the changes at the Shrine. Please take a few moments and review the website and let me know of any content that may need corrected such as phone numbers, email addresses, etc. We plan on entering our site in the Imperial competition this year so the more eyes we have on it to make sure it's 100% correct, the better we are! I'm always looking for pictures and write-ups from events we have already had. If you send me some web worthy information I'll make sure it gets up there! Remember, this site is built and maintained by our Nobles for our Nobles! If you are in a position that puts your name in the little book I need your picture with a fez on! Attire beyond that is optional;-)

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Remember, it's all for the kids.
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Oriental Guide

Thank you, Nobility, for the confidence you had in me by electing me as your Oriental Guide. I will do my utmost to return the trust and faith you have placed in me by carrying out your desires in the best manner I know how. I will make periodic progress reports to you, so you will be informed of my activities and actions. As I represent you and Al Bahr Shriners, I hope that my protocol will bring honor to you and to the fraternity. Please make sure to come up and introduce or reintroduce yourself if I am not quick enough to get to you, so that we may continue that fellowship that has given Shriners the great international reputation we have and maintain. Al Bahr has a lot on its plate these next years, and I look forward to your support, aid, and assistance in helping us to achieve the goals we need to meet to continue our successes. I will do my full part to make these successes. See you at our events and at the many events of all our Masonic bodies! *Gene Yee*

Oriental Guide

Motorcycle Riding Club

Greetings Noble Riders, Come and join us for our Passing of the Gavel/Divan visit on February 9th, 2015. Social from 5-6 PM, Passing of the Gavel Divan visit from 6-9 PM. Then come join our units and divan in Yuma for Silver Spur weekend/parade from February 13-15. Saturday morning breakfast ride scheduled for February 21. Meet at La Mesa lodge at 9:00 AM. Keep the rubber to the road!

Sincerely and Fraternally, Abraham Ravitch Motorcycle Riding Club, President

Tin Lizzie Parade Unit

We are in the middle of our annual downtime. January is filled with many Shrine activities and for us Lizzies, withdrawal from parade activities. Never fear, YUMA is here! Join us mid-month for a trip to Yuma followed by the trip up to the Date Festival to support our fellow Lizzies from El Bekal. It's Valentines weekend so bring your favorite Lady and let's have some fun! Remember to take the time to change your oil and check your chain and belt during the downtime. We have had many parades in 2014 with no tow rope out and that's a tradition worth rolling forward!

We are often approached with the question of cost for our Lizzies. Right now we have several Lizzies for sale and they range in price from \$800 to \$1100. We also have some trailers and other equipment available. If you have ever been interested in joining the Lizzies stop and see any of us or contact me. We can go over all the details with you. We are a very dynamic group with many characters that all come together to put on a great show at the Parades and show the Fez in a positive light. We would love to have you in our unit!

Remember, it's all for the kids.

John Harris, john@buddybox.com, 858.245.9696

Editor

The Albahrometer is a publication we all rely on for news and notifications. It is filled with information provided by the Nobles of the Al Bahr Shrine as well as some other sources. The editor is relied upon to review materials and ensure the information that is being distributed is accurate as well as written properly. This is most times a thankless job and one that very few people ever want to do. I would like to thank Arnold Korey for his time as Recorder being the first editor of materials for the Albahrometer and I would also like to thank Robin Armour for his role as editor for 2014. These Nobles did a fine job working through the materials submitted and ensuring we had a first rate newsletter. I would be remiss if I did not send an extra special THANK YOU to Barbara in the office who acts as a last proof reader, voice of sanity, and also the person who works with the printer to make sure it's all the way we want it. Please take the time to stop and thank these folks as they have spent many hours making sure you have a great newsletter month after month.

I would like to ask each and every person, when you read your newsletter, and find any mistakes or things you may like to see changed, please do not hesitate to drop us a line, call, or email. Let us know. As with other forms of communications we have at the shrine, this is done by our Nobles, for our Nobles. I look forward to hearing from you!

Remember, it's all for the kids.

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Rancho Bernardo Shrine Club

The Rancho Bernado Shrine Club welcomes all Nobles and their Ladies to join us at our monthly meetings that happen on the 3rd Thursday at 5:30pm with dinner at 6:15pm. We meet at the Athens Market restaurant in Carmel Mountain. Contact Stuart Morpath at 858-675-7446/"smorpjr@sbcglobal.net for reservations.

The RB Shrine Club has members with many and varied backgrounds so pre-dinner and dinner conversations are always enlightening.

One of the goals for the 2015 Shrine Club year is to increase our membership by 3-5 Nobles.

We will have special events for Memorial Day and Fourth of July and our presence is always appreciated by the viewing public.

Please feel free to call either myself (858-349-5563) or Noble Phil Johnson (Club Secretary) [619-884-5440] if you have questions or need additional information. Sincerely and Fraternally,

Paul F. Whitten, Sr.

President

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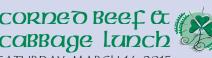
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