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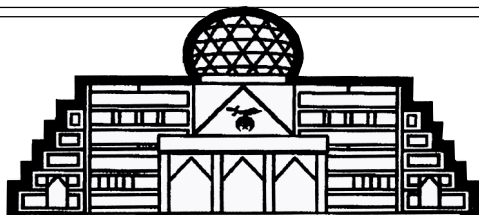


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Installation of Officers

January 14, 2013

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Meeting at 7 p.m.

Notice of Stated Meeting

Annual Budget Meeting

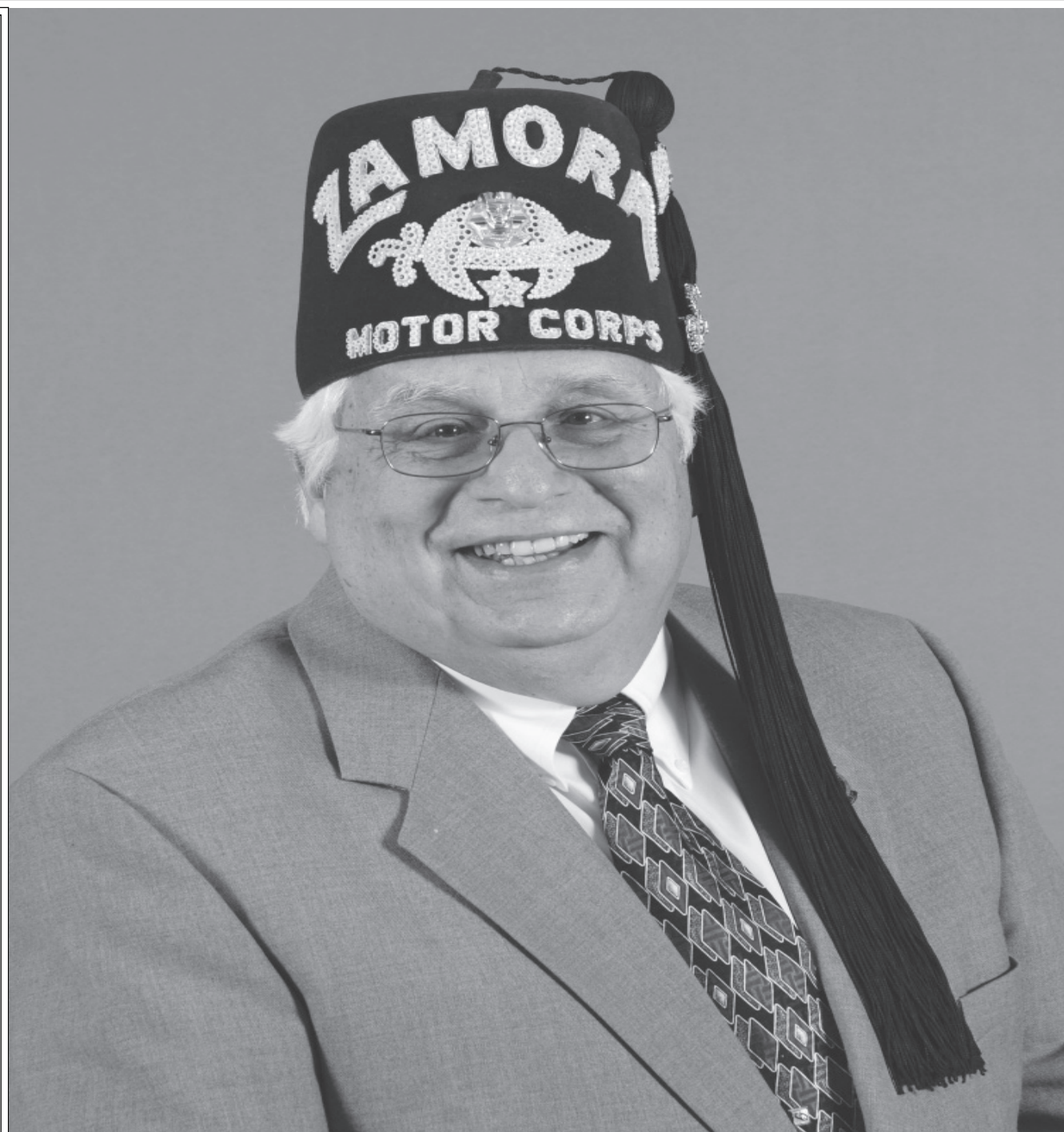
Monday, February 11

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Meeting at 7 p.m.

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Parade
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**Congratulations to Noble Tom Gaskins for
being named Zamora's Shriner of the Year!**

From the Potentate...



Congratulations to all the winners at our Annual Awards night! We have a bunch of great Nobles at Zamora, and while we could not recognize all of you who helped this year, we were able to appreciate quite a few!

First, congratulations to Tom Gaskins for being named Shriner of the Year! Tom (and Pat) were there for every project we did all year long. He spearheaded the bus trip to Greenville; he helped with the multiple kids events, the conventions and the fundraisers. Thank you for always being there!

We also named the Potentates Super Seven. These Nobles took on huge responsibilities this past year, spending hundreds of hours helping make Zamora work. Jerry Mulkey, Hospital Transportation Director; Garry Wates, Membership Chairman; Al Wortham, Director of Units; Ralph Weeks, Director of

Clubs; Mike Lann, Parade Director; Preston Cain, Z Lounge; Terrell Yates, Fundraiser Par Excellence, and Fundraiser of the Decade! WOW! What a great group of dedicated hard working Nobles! I thank each of you for all you did to support me and your Temple!

You will find a complete listing of all of the awards later in the newsletter.

Congratulations also to all the members of the Divan who were elected on Election Night! We had nearly 150 Nobles in attendance and were treated to a delicious dinner by Jerry Self and his staff. They have done a tremendous job this past year of keeping us all fed. We appreciate each of you very much! We have a strong Board of Directors led by our Potentate Glen Watson. I firmly believe that this coming year will be even better than last year. Glen and his team will hit the ground running and continue to build on the success of the past year. I pledge my full support and ask every Noble to do the same!

I am proud to say that we worked hard to control our expenses last year, and even though we lost some money on our circus, we still had a loss of less than expected for the year. We did not have to borrow the full amount that had been approved from the protected fund. Next year, we will make money at the

circus, and I fully expect it to be a huge success in a few years, surpassing all our other fundraisers. If we can accomplish that, we can spend even more time helping the Hospitals and our kids. Combine a successful circus with downsizing our facility and we can get back to having fun!

Once again, let me thank all of you for the privilege of serving as your Potentate last year. It has been a tremendous experience. I have been able to get to know many of you much better and have made some lifelong friendships. I am determined to work as hard as a Noble as I have as Potentate. I will be here to help the Divan in any way I can.

Thanks to all of you who helped make this a good year for me. Words cannot express how much I appreciate all the help you gave me and the support you showed. The Staff, Fred, Crystal, Debbie, Donna and Shea all worked very hard, and I owe each of them for their support.

Glen will soon be putting out his calendar, his plan for the year, and announcing the appointed members of his team. Let's all get behind them and provide support for their initiative. We can make Zamora a wonderful, fun, productive, positive place

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

As of August 31, 2012, the deadline is the 5th day of each month for all submitted materials for publication in the next edition of the Zamora News.

Sorry, NO EXCEPTIONS.
Thank You

Our Procedure for submitting articles and notices for the Zamora News has changed.

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SHRINE CLUB MEETING DAYS

Coosa Valley: 3rd Monday
Cullman: 2nd Sunday
Dixie: 3rd Wednesday:
East Alabama: 4th Thursday
Free State: 2nd Thursday

Gadsden: 2nd & 4th Thursday
N.W. Alabama: 2nd Monday
Walker County: 2nd Friday
West Alabama: 3rd Thursday



J A N U A R Y	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 <i>New Year's Day Office Closed</i>	2 <i>Unit Directors, Club Presidents, Red Fez meets</i>	3 <i>Motorized Association, Directors Staff, Comunications</i>	4 <i>Clowns, Photo Unit & Trailblazers meet</i>	5
	6	7	8	9	10 <i>Free State & Gadsden S.C. meet</i>	11 <i>Walker S.C. meets</i>	12
	13	14 <i>Installation Ramblers, N.W.A.S.C. meet</i>	15	16 <i>Arab Patrol, Ham Radio, Convertible & Dixie Shrine Club meet</i>	17 <i>Dune Buggies, Legends, Skat Kats, Parade, Riders, Photo, West Alabama S.C. meet</i>	18 <i>Clowns & Hillbilly meet</i>	19 <i>East/West Game</i>
	20	21 <i>Flying Fez, Greeters Cabiri, Coosa Valley S.C. meet</i>	22	23	24 <i>E.A.S.C., Gadsden S.C. meet</i>	25	26
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ZAMORA AWARDS NIGHT

December 10, 2012

*Congratulations to all of our Nobles who
were acknowledged on this special evening*

Director of Units – Noble Al Wortham	Vest Trailblazers Unit – Illustrious Sir Tyrone Davis, P.P.	President – Noble Ron Creamer	Truck Giveaway Chair – Noble Tom Gaskins	Paper Crusade – Noble Glenn Welborn & The Blind
Arab Patrol – Noble Dudley Rowell	Vagabonds Unit – Noble George Drummond	Kids Easter Party – Greeters Unit	Paper Sale Chair – Illustrious Sir Miles Huffstutler, P.P.	Man Store
Clown Unit – Noble Fred Barron	Best Unit Director of The Year – Noble L.L. “Spike” Howell	Kids Christmas Party – Clown Unit	Paper Sale Trophy (Unit/Club with the most in donations) – Communications Unit	Membership Chair – Noble Garry Wates
Communications Unit – Noble Johnnie Alderson	Director of Clubs – Noble Ralph Weeks	Masonic Day at Zamora Park – Noble Terry Wester	Photography Committee – Noble Ron Creamer & Noble Dale Roberson	Membership Trophy (Unit/Club that brought in the most new candidates) – Parade Unit
Convertible Unit – Noble David Alberts	Coosa Valley Shrine Club – Noble Dave Shelton	Onion Fundraiser Chair – Noble Ricky Vinson	Chief Personal Aide – Noble Drew Alexander	Hospital Transportation Chair – Noble Jerry Mulkey
Directors Staff – Noble L.L. “Spike” Howell	Cullman Shrine Club – Noble Carroll Gray	Liaison to York Rite – Noble Jim Crook	Top Unit Ticket Sales – Legends	Circus Chair - Noble Glen D. Watson
Dune Buggy Unit – Noble Jimmy Sills	Dixie Shrine Club – Noble Robert Hill	Liaison to Scottish Rite – Noble Frank Little	Top Club Ticket Sales – Gadsden Shrine Club	Fundraising Excellence – Noble Paul Hardin
Greeters Unit – Noble Charles Sherer	East Alabama Shrine Club – Noble Gary Isenhour	Liaison to Grand Lodge – Noble Winston Each	Contributions to the 2012	Rookie of the Year – Noble Paul Leger
Ham Radio Unit – Noble Winston Each	Freestate Shrine Club – Noble Timothy Hines	Liaison to DeMolay – Noble Ron Andress		
Hillbilly Unit – Noble Mike Lann	Gadsden Shrine Club – Noble Robert Darnell	Temple Ball Chair – Illustrious Sir Milie Avery, P.P.		
Legends Unit – Noble Howard Newman	Northwest Alabama Shrine Club – Noble Ralph Weeks	Public Relations – Noble Jim Kutschke		
Mobiles Nobles – Noble Lee Yarbrough	Walker County Shrine Club – Noble Garland O. Lively	Temple Work Day – Noble Thomas McGhee		
Motor Corps – Noble Tom Gaskins	West Alabama Shrine Club – Noble Joe Hollingsworth	Spring Country Cash Co-Chairs – Noble Ron Patrick & Noble Glen D. Watson		
Parade Unit – Noble Paul Hardin	Zamora Park Director – Noble Johnnie Peterman	Sportsman’s Giveaway Chair – Noble Ron Patrick		
Photography Unit – Noble Ron Creamer	Motorized Association			
Provost Guard – Noble James Vaughn	President – Noble Jesse “Sonny” Faggard			
Ramblers Unit – Noble John Galbreath	Red Fez Association			
Riders Unit – Noble Jason				

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND VOTING ON PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2013

ZAMORA SHRINE

DINNER AT 6 P.M. ~ MEETING AT 7 P.M.

Notice of the Annual Shrine Meeting is hereby given. Dinner will be served at 6 P.M., with the meeting to be convened at 7 P.M. in the auditorium of Zamora Shrine, 3521 Ratliff Road, Irondale, Alabama

G. Fred Slaney, Recorder

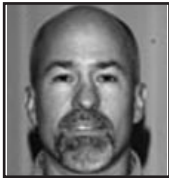
Welcome New Shriners from the 2012 Fall Ceremonial Class



THE CANDIDATE

BY RW ALAN R. HEATH, GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

*It was his dream to become a Mason, though he wasn't sure quite why.
So he made an application, then waited months for a reply.
No committee came to pay a call, to meet him and his wife,
No invitation to Mason's hall; nor offer of advice.
Finally a postcard in the mail said, "Come Monday night at six,
And bring us twenty dollars, if you want to see our tricks."
He made that solitary journey, and entered by the door,
But not one hand was offered, as he slowly crossed the floor.
They fed him beans and hot dogs, and a piece of apple pie,
Then lead him to a little room, with no explanation why.
The work was done with care and skill, no one could argue that.
But, the candidate was forgotten, as they patted themselves on the back.
He came to the lodge hall two more times, and was raised to the third degree.
That was the last time they saw him. What could the trouble be?
They scratched their heads and wondered, as again they cried and moaned,
"Our time has all been wasted!" "We should have stayed at home."
It seems to me that they've missed the point, but they need to understand.
It's not just how well you do the work, it's how you treat the man.
Because you can only be a Mason, when you're a Mason in your heart;
And along with his jacket seams, they had burst his dream apart.
So, if you get an application, please, call on that man at once.
Invite him and his family to tour your hall and share some lunch.
Answer all his questions. Let him share your pride.
A Mason's work, is honest work; that's not a secret to hide.
And when it's time to present him with the gift of a degree,
Remember, genuine friendship is the true gift of masonry.
Pick him up and take him home. Isn't he worth the trip?
No candidate should come alone. Please, don't ignore this tip.
All should rush to greet him, as he enters by your door.
Extend your hand in friendship. That's what a Mason's grip is for.
Remember your obligation, as you lead him to the gate.
It's up to you to guide him through, not to hurt or humiliate.
Now armed with proper instruction, Masonry's door will open wide,
Thanks to you, his best example, of what a Mason should be inside.
And thank him sincerely for coming. Invite him back to his new home,
For a brother will not be a brother, if he feels unwelcome and alone.*



Making a difference great New Year's resolution for Shriners

Nobles as you read this I hope that your New Year is off to a great start!

I would first like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU to our Illustrious Sir Greg Gregerson for his year of service to our organization. With Greg's guidance and ideas, I view 2012 a very-successful year, as we have agreed as your Board of Directors to guide your Shrine forward to achieve objectives to make us more respected and noticed in our community, Masonic

Bodies, and place Shriners in the public eye of our work. Many Nobles contribute to this effort, and I say Thank You!

Speaking of many Nobles....many were recognized in December for the outstanding efforts they contributed to our Temple during 2012. Congratulations to all the deserving Nobles, Units and Clubs. Without all your support, we will never succeed in our objective. As Masons we are thought to be better men in our community and support the need of

those less fortunate, let's continue to keep this close to our heart as Shriners.

Speaking of the New Year, many make New Years resolutions....I ask each of you to make the resolution to help make a difference in our objectives to support Masonic Bodies, our Hospitals and the needed guidance of our fraternity as a whole. We have many challenges facing our Shrine. Membership is at the top of the list. Our membership team continues to work their efforts to commu-

nicate with our Nobles in an effort to make sure they are active and aware of our desire to keep them among us.

I look forward to serving you in my position in 2013. I also know that we can bring fun, fellowship and support our cause all at the same time. I also look forward to seeing you on January 14, 2013 at our annual installation of Officers. Please come be a part of this and show your support to all these Nobles that take pride in being a

Shriner and supporting not only their Unit, Club or position, but Zamora Shrine Temple.

In closing, your input is desired. It is a necessity to succeed. I invite your opinion. as your Divan does. as well. Again thank you for your support.

Hope to see YOU...at YOUR Temple!!

Fraternally,
Glen D. Watson

*OUR KIDS LIVING A
DREAM 2013*

Thank you Roadrunners

From the Transportation Director to all the Roadrunners:

With over a hundred trips made in 2012, it is with a grateful heart that I say thank you Roadrunners for a job well done! If it wasn't for your dedication and voluntary spirit, our transportation program would not be what it is today.

To Crystal, Debbie, Fred, Jim Kennedy and our Potentate for

2012, Greg. Thank you for believing in me. It has truly been a learning experience and I appreciate everything that you have done this year to train and help me out. This has been a rewarding experience.

My wish for you in 2013 is "May the Best of Your Past Be the Worst of your Future".

Jerry Mulkey



ROADRUNNER COMPLETES 75TH TRIP

Roadrunner Doug Owens recently completed his 75th trip to Greenville Hospital transporting patients. He is pictured above with his wife, Betty, along with a patient and his mother. Congratulations Doug!

Transportation Fund Donations

**Greeters Unit, Non-Motorized Units, Trailblazers,
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Skat Kats pay tribute to late Paul Gober

Congratulations to all the newly elected Divan and Potentate. We are with you, brothers. Take the ball and run!

WOW! It is 2013 already! My, how time flies. Our Unit is ready, willing and able to have a lot of fun this year. We have our officers and drill team together and on the same page. What makes a director of a Unit great is

when his second term comes around. He gets to know his members better and his understanding of the Shrine gets better, too.

The members get to understand where the director is coming from and their respect of a good director gets better, too. Greg Hanvey gets better and has earned a lot of respect from our unit members. That is why we have re-elected him to be the man this year.

It is with a sad heart that the ole' black camel visited one of our past members last month. He was a member of

the Director's staff sometime in the 70's. He was an avid golfer and played regularly at the Zamora golf course at the old Temple on Valley Avenue. He joined our unit for a year or two in the 80's. I used to work with him at ACIPCO for about 30 years or so. What I remember best about Paul was when he retired, our company employees took up a collection as a gratuity for his years spent at ACIPCO. Paul donated all his gratuity to Shriners Hospital. We will miss you Paul Gober, good friend and good Shriner.

You know, I have often wondered if you get to ride the black camel all the way to Heaven?

Yep, we still meet on the first Thursday of each month. We still have more fun than a barrel of monkeys. We still enjoy life. We still support the Shriners Hospital. We still support the Zamora Shrine Center. And yes we still need YOU as a member. To join, call 305-966-1259 and as always we say GO KATS GO! Later.....

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Remember This...The Shriner's 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, especial-

ly 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 "Temple of Mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.

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Awards...

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Recognition for Service
Chaplain – Noble Doug Owens
Chief of Staff – Noble Jerry Self
Ambassador – Noble Walt Sanderson

Most Contributed by a Past Potentate – Illustrious Sir Miles Huffstutler, P.P.
Multiple Years of Service – Noble Dale Roberson

Potentate's Super Seven
Noble Jerry Mulkey
Noble Garry Wates
Noble Al Wortham
Noble Ralph Weeks
Noble Preston Cain
Noble Mike Lann
Noble Terrell Yates

Fundraiser of the Decade – Noble Terrell Yates
Shriner of the Year – Noble Tom Gaskins

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Shriners enjoy holiday parades

Shriners took time out of their busy holiday schedules to make the season bright for others by participating in parades throughout throughout our communities. Pictured are a few of the highlights from some of the many parades.

Also, be sure to check out more parade pictures on Pages 11 and 12.

**NOBLES, CONSIDER HONORING THE ONES YOU
LOVE BY SHOWING YOUR LOVE FOR THOSE WHO
NEED IT MOST.**

DONATE TO THE TRANSPORTATION FUND

Obituaries

We are saddened to report the Black
Camel has visited the following
Zamora Nobles:

Johnny Wharton, M.H. “Slim” Dismukes, Billy C. Parker, Thomas W. Duke, John W. Smith, Herbert L. Reed, Jr., Jackson L. Lansford, Paul E Gober, Charles “Chuck” Dobbs



Buggies hit the parade route.

Nobles Joey and Jesse “Sonny” Faggard really seem to be enjoying themselves at one of the local parades.



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Every Shriners temple has a special unit of transporters called the Road Runners. Countless miles and innumerable hours have been accumulated by this unique group of volunteers. The Road Runners have all traveled millions of roads and highways transporting children and their families to Shriners Hospitals for Children® across the United States then safely home again. When asked why they volunteer so much of their time, the Road Runners simply reply that when they see what our patients and families are going through, they are honored to “go the distance” and feel privileged to take on the tasks assigned to this unit.

When visiting or working at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati, you are likely to run into one, two or more of our volunteer drivers. “I started driving in 1988” said Road Runner Marvin Boyer of Syrian Shriners. “Back then, we used our own vehicles and gas and we operated out of the temple, not the hospital.” Road Runner Bud Linn became involved with the Road Runners in 1992. “Over the years we gave talks, showed films, took people on tours, and picked up patients and families to bring to the hospital; really anything we could do to be helpful.”

Road Runners across the globe have achieved milestone journeys, traveling millions of miles to hospitals throughout the system. We are honored to recognize this elite group of Shriners and thank them for their continued dedication and commitment to positive outcomes for our patients.

If you would like a Road Runner to transport your child to a Shriners Hospitals for Children, please contact your local Shriners temple.

If you know a child we can help, please call:

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- Gynecomastia (abnormal breast development in teenage boys)
- Congenital breast deformities
- Hidradenitis (chronic sweat gland disorder)
- Post trauma deformities (treadmill injuries, dog bites, lawnmower accidents)

COMPLEX WOUND & SKIN CONDITIONS

- Purpura Fulminans
- Necrotizing skin infections & Necrotizing Fasciitis
- Stevens-Johnson Syndrome
- Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis
- Port wine stains

Scenes from local Christmas parades



Potentate-Elect Glen D. Watson and Noble Preston Cain.

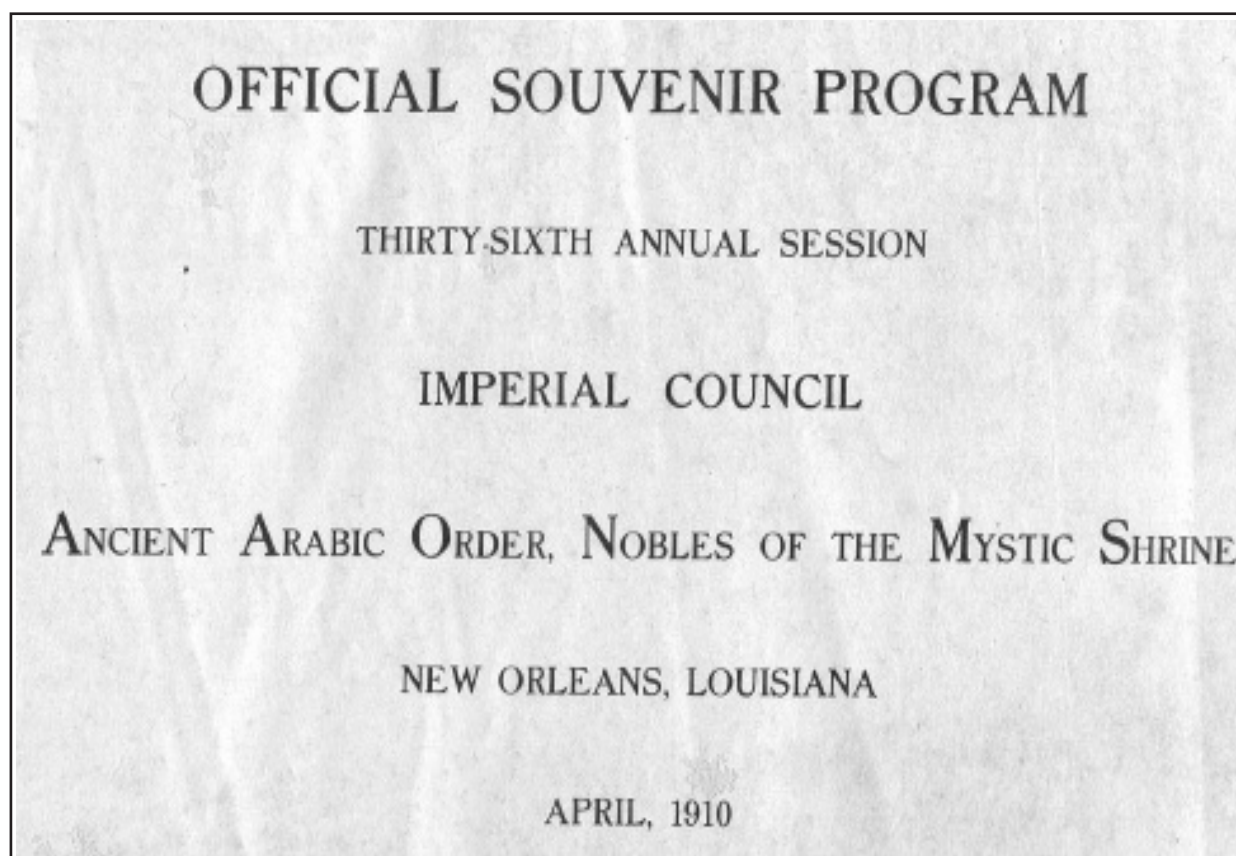


Noble Mike Lann suiting up for a parade.



Noble Terrell Yates is ready to drive.

Remembering When...



Shriners had fun at local Christmas parades



Our red car looked classy during a local parade.



Pictured above are Noble Steve Horton and Noble Brian Fields preparing for a parade.



Noble Bil Turk and Noble Billy Wilson are ready for a parade.



Special Thanks to Springville Diner

We extend a special thanks to the employees and patrons of the Springville Diner. They have collected a 55 gallon drum full of soda can tabs which will be carried to the Cincinnati Shriners Hospital. There, they will be recycled to earn funds for toys and supplies for the patients.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!