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## POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Dear Nobles and Ladies:

By the time you receive this Arabian, the 2010 Circus will be but a memory.

It's now time to check your calendar and turn your attention in the direction of the Brenham Maifest parade, with the wonderful hospitality and where one can always enjoy a bowl of Blue Bell Ice Cream.

The Sportmen Unit will host their yearly fishing tournament. Come out and support this great unit for all that they do.

Don't forget game night and movie night will start up once again. Come out and be a part. Bring your favorite game. Come watch some of the latest movies for free and bring a friend.

We have had about two months of construction on our building. In a nut shell, it's a mess. But with that being said, a lot is being accomplished. Drain lines were added to the unit rooms and steel erected. The ballroom has the new doors cut in the walls, the kitchen plumbing is being installed and the new parking lot is coming along. Please remember in my last message, "**THIS IS A HARD HAT CONSTRUCTION AREA**" and is off limits to everyone.

Don't forget TSA in Ft. Worth is fast approaching. Hope to see you there.

Please continue to attend the stated meetings and other temple functions and keep informed about what is going on at your temple. The temple will be going dark June, July and August, so a good way to keep in touch is to come down and be with us on movie nights and game nights.

Fraternally yours,  
Mike Ellis, Potentate

### NOTICE OF STATED MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next regularly scheduled meeting of Arabia Temple will be held **Monday, May 17, 2010**. Please RSVP to Jean by Thursday, May 13, 2010.

The stated meeting will begin at **7:00 PM**. Business to be conducted will include such business as may come before the nobility.

Wear your fez – 2010 dues card required.

Mike Ellis  
Potentate

Don Slayton  
Recorder

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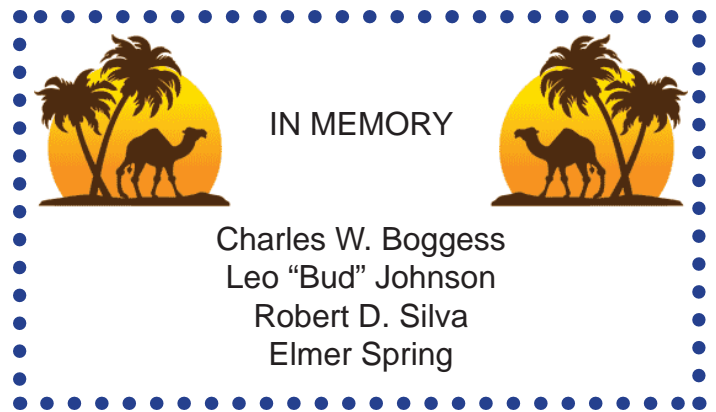
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## CALLING ALL SHRINERS!

Help us help you. Please contact Bill Walker at wow1b2@gmail.com to update your information in the roster. He needs information for the clubs and units as well as everyone's address, phone numbers and e-mail addresses.

Also, please contact John McLeod at mcleod-web-pub@sbcglobal.net with any articles you might want to add to *The Arabian* or updates for the web site. He also needs information for the clubs and units (officer information, pictures, write-ups). **Remember, all articles need to be to him by the 5th of the month prior to the next issue** (i.e., May's articles need to be e-mailed by April 5th). All articles should be in Microsoft Word 2003 format using Arial font and any graphics should be sent as separate graphic files.



## NEWSLETTER CHANGES!

By now you have probably noticed that the *Arabian* is 12 pages; down from 16 pages over the past few years. Cost saving measures are responsible for the decrease in size of the newsletter, thus the following recommendations are:

1. Please keep your articles brief and to the point.
2. Turn your articles in on time or space will run out.
3. If you have a full page ad for an event, it will be posted on the web, vice in the *Arabian*.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

John McLeod, Director of Publications and Web

## WEST SIDE SHRINE CLUB

By: David Frishman, President

The West Side Shrine Club, held its regular monthly meeting, March 25, 2010 at La Finca Mexican Restaurant, 23930 Westheimer Parkway. The meeting opened with the invocation by Noble John McGaughy.

The Club meets the fourth Thursday of each month. Social time commencing at 6:30 PM and the business meeting commencing at 7:00 PM.

The Treasurer was absent but his report was given by the President. The Secretary had previously typed and sent his minutes to the Club, and the reading of the minutes was waived and approved as presented.

Noble John McGaughy reported that the Club had raised some \$2,400.00 in the IHOP - Fry Road fund raiser. It was a success. The President asked Noble John McGaughy to purchase the 2010 medallion to attach to the Club's plaque. Noble John McGaughy also reported that the Bar-B-Que on June 12 is set.

Noble Mark Little reported that there are no longer any Shriner Hospital night tours and meals after 3:00 PM. He reported there are day and weekend tours and meals available. The consensus of the Club was, and the President requested Noble Little to see if it was feasible to schedule the May 2010 Club meeting for a May 2010 Saturday meeting and perhaps invite the local Eastern Star and Rainbows.

Club dues are collected each January, and 2010 dues are being collected.

The Club had a round Robin discussion of our mission, that we are here for the children in our Shriners' Hospitals.

John McGaughy gave David Appletry some Shriner pins, and provided the President with an Arabia calendar.

The President reported the Shrine Circus is scheduled for April 21-25, same location as last year and we should support it. He distributed material from the Circus' internet site.

The Club voted to cancel the April Club meeting at La Finca Mexican Restaurant, as has been its tradition in years past, and work at the Shrine Circus April 21-25.

The President, with the approval of the Club, will send out postcard notice of dues to all members on the latest Roster. The Club will discuss disposition of non-paying Roster members in the future.

The Club was visited by the newly appointed Club Ambassador, Bobby Hill from New Caney, Texas.

New Ambassador Bobby Hill was given the floor. He spoke about his newly created Shrine Club, some 23 members, which meets on the first Wednesday of each month.

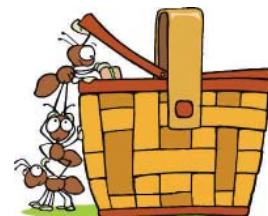
The benediction was delivered by Noble Keith Borst. The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 PM.

## SAVE THE DATE!

The First Lady's Luncheon honoring First Lady Phyllis Ellis will be held on October 30, 2010

Further details will be in the next Arabian

If you have any questions, please call Betty Weber at 713-899-0404



## NOTICE

The TSA/Victory Dance, August 21st and the Shrine Club Dance, September 25th will be rescheduled after construction is completed.

Check your September Arabian, our web site or the Shrine office for the rescheduled dates.

Mike Ellis, Potentate

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## NEW CANEY SHRINE CLUB

By: David L. Duke, Secretary

The New Caney Shrine Club, one of the newest formed clubs in the Arabia Shine is up and running!! Not only is our club new (we were officially formed in February 2010), we started operations with 38 members, a high percentage of whom are new Shriners with over 75% of our members becoming Shriners in just the past year so you can imagine the enthusiasm and excitement we have. Our meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of the month at Hofbrau Steak and Seafood in Porter, TX; dinner starts about 6:30 PM with the meeting beginning around 7:30. Family and friends are always welcome so bring your Lady and join us (we are dark during the summer months).

The following Nobles have been elected as officers for the 2010 year, **Ray Ricks** - President, **Floyd Jackson Jr.** - Vice President, **David L. Duke** - Secretary/Treasurer, **Benne Bortz Sr.** - Chaplain, **Dan Cantwell** - Quartermaster, and **Bobby Hitt** - Marshall. We are also blessed to have **Bobby Wallace** as our Ambassador, **Richard Ventrca** - Regional Ambassador and best of all Chief Ambassador **Ronnie Odell** has joined our club and keeps us all in line. We were honored to have Illustrious Sir **Mike Ellis** and **Lady Phyllis** along with Chief of Staff - **Jerry Glenn** and **Lady Corinne** and Chief Photographer - **John McGaughy** and **Lady Sheila** join us at our March meeting.

In the first three months of operation our Club has had many positive things going on. In our first "official" outing we participated in the IHOP benefit and we can proudly boast that collections at the Porter IHOP location were over double of what was collected last year!! We have also been able to organize two separate fraternal fund raisers for our club, working concessions at the Founder's Day events in Roman Forest on March 27th and the upcoming one in Splendora on May 8th. What we're most excited about however is that we have been able to partner with Splendora ISD who has graciously granted us permission to hold a "Skate Fest" at the district owned skating rink on May 15th. The funds from this event are dedicated for the Shriners Children's Hospital and we are hoping for great things. For more information on this event check our web site at [www.newcaneyshrineclub.org](http://www.newcaneyshrineclub.org).

Once again we want to extend an invitation to our fellow Nobles to join us at our meetings the 1st Wednesday of each month except during the summer. Please RSVP to [ncsc@att.net](mailto:ncsc@att.net) or give David Duke a call at 713-376-5916.

## MOTOR CORPS

By: Duncan Chapman

March proved to be one busy month for the Motor Corps. First weekend saw 7 members in Kerrville discussing rule and drawing for drill positions for TSA in Fort Worth this coming June. The following weekend participating in Houston St. Patrick's Day, then the following weekend in Willis supporting the VFW annual Chili Cook-off, then to Pasadena for the Swap meet where Mr. David Glasco was the lucky winner of the Mini-Chopper being raffled off. The Red Racers finally got a chance to work on the cars and do some practicing for the drill portion for this sub-unit. They looked good in practice. We have started getting together once a month just for a social outing at different locations around town. Any Motor Corps member can host this night out at a restaurant or hamburger joint. We went to Hydes Café in Olde Town Spring for a little fellowship, shrimp & catfish and hamburgers with a slice of birthday cake. One of our ladies was surprised with the cake.

April should give the Corps a little break since quite a few of the members will be working circus at Ft Bend County Fairgrounds. Come out to Ft Bend and give a hand for a few hours. It is a real blast to see the look on the kids faces when they see the animals for real instead of watching them on TV or in the cartoons. Remember because of the construction at the temple there will not be any Hot Sands but there will be a Stated Meeting.

Anyone interested in becoming a member, helping, participating or donating, please contact our Commander Ruben Robles, [rrobles@arabiamotorcorp.com](mailto:rrobles@arabiamotorcorp.com) or Lt Cmdr Laris Nolan, [laris.nolan@arabiamotorcorp.com](mailto:laris.nolan@arabiamotorcorp.com)

Arabia Motor Corps now has a web site where you can find our officer's contact information, a tentative schedule of events for the year and photos of the different events the Motor Corps has participated in. Just go to <http://www.arabiamotorcorp.com>.



## ARABIA SHRINE SPORTSMEN UNIT

By: Rudy Staudt, Secretary/Treasurer

At our March Sportsmen meeting several up-coming events were discussed. Some of them include the Willis Chili Cook-Off, Tomball BBQ Cook-Off, the Fishing Tournament, Cooking for Circus, our Annual Sporting Clay Tournament and the annual dove hunting in September. Everyone was excited to hear that the Shrine finally has the permits to start remodeling the Center. Several members have said that they have mounted game to decorate our new meeting room. Also changes to our by-laws were read and approved.

By the time you receive this issue of the Arabian, we will be making final plans for our 6th Annual Fishing Tournament. It will be held again this year at Matagorda Harbor Marina on May 22nd. It is not too late to sign up and enjoy a great day in the outdoors. In March our unit had a booth at the Annual Fishing Show at the George R. Brown Center. We sold raffle tickets on the Benelli Black Eagle Shotgun that will be given away at the Tournament. After 5 days of fun we had over \$5,000 in ticket sales. If you are not a fisherman come out anyway and wear your Fez. To sign up or be a sponsor, look us up on our web site: [www.arabiasportsmen.com](http://www.arabiasportsmen.com).

On March 19th and 20th our Unit competed in the 26th Annual Chili Cook-off at the American Legion Hall in Willis, TX. James VanMeter, Wesley Nichols, Bodie O'Donnell and I cooked chili and beans for judging. To my surprise when they announced the winners, I came in first place in chili. They presented me with a large trophy that will look good in our new meeting room. The Legion matches the profits for the event and presents a check to our hospitals. We don't have a total for this year but last year it was for \$25,000.00. Our unit was asked to prepare dinner on Thursday night of the Circus. It was suggested that we cook our award winning chili.

On April 9th and 10th we entered another cook-off. It was the Tomball Area Shrine Club Annual BBQ Contest. This gave us a chance to try out the new pit we purchased. We cooked brisket, spare ribs and chicken. Will give the results in the next issue.

If you are interested in joining our unit, we meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Shrine Center. For more information give me a call, (713) 828-4075.



Game Night:  
May 21st and  
June 25th  
7:00 PM



### PATROL

By: Norm Bates

Our Arabia Shrine Circus has come to a close after another successful presentation at the Ft. Bend County Fairgrounds in Rosenberg. A big thank you goes out to those who worked so hard to help make it a success. Those of you that come and help are the ones that make it happen. Thanks also to those Patrolmen and Ladies who sold circus and were on deck to assist by selling novelties and helping with all the children's rides. These efforts are what make the "good things" possible around the Patrol.

The Brenham Maifest parade and festivities come up Saturday, May 9th. The trip, food and fellowship always make this parade a winner. The Brenham Shrine Club and The City of Brenham make us feel welcome and appreciated. Include this trip in your May plans, help Arabia and The Patrol make a good showing, and enjoy the good times, BBQ and Blue-Bell.

Arabia stated meeting on the 17th (Saturday) – come on out and see everyone – have a good time!!!

Patrol meeting coming up on the 24th – mark the date – make plans now to come and have a great evening with the "troops"!!

TSA coming to Ft Worth and Hella Shrine Center June 3 thru 5th. Time to see friends from all over Texas. Come on – let's participate and have a good time!!!

## BRAZOS VALLEY SHRINE CLUB

By: Bob Epps

Club President Hank Salzmans was in high spirits after all his personal greetings and handshaking as he kicked off the March 24th meeting. It was a very enjoyable evening with good Texas victuals, good well-water refreshments and Great Shriners Fellowship.

Program Director, 2nd Vice Pres. Monty Yawn, introduced Mr. Steve Koran, Executive Director of Bryan's Prenatal Clinic. Mr. Koran's outstanding program related to the mission of the clinic in providing community centered prenatal care and health education to medically indigent pregnant women in the Brazos Valley. Mr. Koran is a former hospital administrator with and extensive background of health care experience.

Club Ambassador Clyde Collins and Regional Ambassador Bob Epps brought greetings from Illustrious Potentate Mike Ellis. Regional Amb. Epps reported on the Arabia March 15th meeting, highlights of Huntsville's Sam Houston Shrine Club/Hillcrest Ford Hospital Benefit, the Willis American Legion (Severe Weather) Chili Cook-off, the 1st Lady Phyllis Ellis' project to acquire "Kid Friendly Furniture for the Hospital".

While showing off his balloon talents at Hillcrest Ford, Clown Vice President "Camo" Doug Dudley faced a different kind of recognition. A little fellow wanted no part of "Camo the Clown". He looked too much like the BOGGIEMAN. Regional Amb. Epps and Sam Houston Shrine Club Pres. Larry Fuchs thought maybe it was HP&P Jim Spalding, looking very proper and dapper, who spooked the little fellow.

That snowy-wet weather in the last week of February failed to dampen the spirits of 1st VP John Hale and the 250 Montgomery Sam Houston Trail Riders headed for Houston. Noble Hale is BVSC's Trail Ride Ambassador. During the trail ride, Wagoner Hale continued to talk to his mule team of Belle and Polly pulling his restored Studebaker cargo wagon (circa 1880). BVSC Noble Mark Salmon noted that if you have a chance to talk to the mules, do it to their face. You'll get a better response. Noble Hale's Wagon No. 2 won the Push and Pull contest and the Mule Skinner Harness Competition. The Sam Houston Trail Riders were judged as one of the best entering Memorial Park staging area.

If you notice a polished reporting style for BVSC new in the March Arabian, you're correct. Many thanks to Pres. Hank Salzmans and Lady Patricia for their informative club news commentary. The other guy's typewriter ran out of wind.

Everyone ignored him on the morning of Saturday, March 17th. But things changed in the afternoon. There was a surprise Birthday Party at the IOLA Volunteer Fire Department for Arabia Shriner Earl E. Sword, Sr. Lady Wanda and family had secretly made arrangements. With "80" candles on the cake, it took a lot for the big blow. IOLA VFD Fire Chief, son Earl Sword, Jr., and crew stood by with water hoses for fire suppression. Noble Sword is a long time member of Arabia, the Legion of Honor, BVSC and has served as Executive Aide to the temple's leadership. More than 75 friends and family were in attendance.

Pres. Salzmans, in his other Masonic role as Worshipful Master of Adam Royder Lodge No. 778, announced Adam Royder Lodge is sponsoring "Rollin' in the Park" Car, Truck and Bike Show, Saturday, May 22nd, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Central Park Pavilion, College Station, TX. There will be plenty of judging, family fun and music, plus raffle and silent auction prizes. The event is a fund raiser for the little 1895 country lodge located in Wellborn, TX.

Join us Wednesday, May 26th, for a BVSC Special Ladies Night at Bryan's Briarcrest Country Club. Social gets underway at 6:30 PM, followed by dinner and program. There's a place saved for you.

## LEGION OF HONOR

By: John E. Metzler, P.S.C.

The 79th Annual Convention of the International Association of Legions of Honor was held on April 7-10, 2010, at the Chattanooga Choo Choo Hotel (a member of the Historic Hotels of America) Chattanooga, Tennessee. The Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce could not have dreamed of more perfect weather for we Shrine tourists to enjoy our sight seeing. We discovered why this scenic city was voted one of America's top ten family weekend getaways by Southern Living Magazine. The attractions that lured us to visit included: Lookout Mountain and the Inclined Railway, Ruby Water Falls, Rock City Gardens, the many Civil War Battlefields and beautiful old downtown Chattanooga where we all enjoyed shopping. For Lady Lucy and I, what a treat it was visiting the old book stores and finding many ancient volumes on early-day Chattanooga and its first settlers.

The opening session on Thursday, April 7, was led off by International Commander Bill Glenn who introduced our honored guest speakers: Mayor of Chattanooga, Honorable Ron Littlefield and Imperial Sir John Cinotto. The Theme Party that night was "Arabian Nights" with the assembled crowd dressed in fitting costumes, The International Commanders "Harem" pulled a fast one on him by stripping him down to his shorts and dressed him in a style of what they thought a "Potentate" should look like; it was a SCREAM.

On Friday, April 8 the morning session began with the Necrology Service wherein the names of 312 Legion Nobles were announced that were visited by the Black Camel, including the names of Past Commander John Fason and Royce R. Frederick of Arabia's LOH. Following the Necrology Service the Ladies held their Annual Luncheon and the men joined in a dinner honoring the Past International Commanders. After the luncheons the Legion Drill Competition was held and viewed by a large assemblage of convention attendees. That evening we all gathered in the hospitality suite to enjoy the food and beverages provided by the candidate for the 8th Lt. Commander's position.

On Saturday, April 9, the official business meeting was held. A change in the by-laws was approved, and the election of 2010-2011 International Officers was held. L.R. "Butch" Arnold was elected International Commander and Ray Combs, P.P. Antioch Shrine, Dayton OH, was elected to the 8th Lt. Commander's position. That evening the convention banquet was held which honored the visiting dignitaries and thence the ceremonial installation of officers.

The 2011 International Convention will be held in Branson, Missouri, on March 24, 25, 26 and 27. Any member of the Legion of Honor or member of the Divan wishing to obtain a convention packet, please contact John Metzler at 281-497-5500.



## COLONEL'S CORNER

By: Paul Weber



Saturday, May 8th: Brenham Maifest Parade (Official Parade)

Line up is 9:30 AM, Step off is 10:30 AM

Brenham Shrine Club will be providing lunch.

Please RSVP to Ronnie Odell at 281-354-3224 or e-mail digger4058@embarqmail.com by April 30th  
(Nobles are free, there is a small charge for others)

Details will be mailed to club and unit heads and posted on the Arabia Shrine Center web site  
when they become available for the above parades.

# *A LIVING MEMORIAL LIVES ON*

Lest we forget our Hospital Benefit Programs are year round by virtue of their continuing needs. "A **LIVING MEMORIAL**" can add meaning to your remembrance for a friend or loved one and will help a physically challenged child to walk or a burned child to live. "A **LIVING MEMORIAL**" will answer parents' prayers. More and more of our members are taking advantage of the postage paid memorial envelopes for such tributes.

I respectfully ask and urge you to support this portion of our Hospital Benefit Program.

**Jim Spalding, High Priest & Prophet  
2010 Benefit Chairman**

"LIVING MEMORIAL" envelopes can be obtained through the Temple Office.

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### **NEW CANDIDATES**

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**March 15, 2010**

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## ORIENTAL BAND

By: John Barron, Secretary

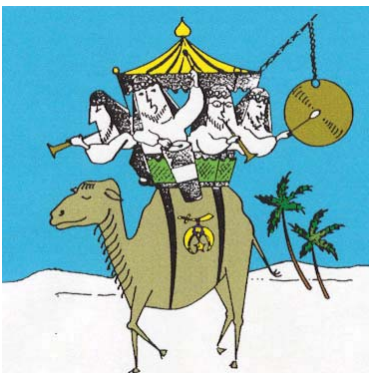
Just yesterday I was bad mouthing the cold weather and rains and in what seems the blink of an eye here it is May. Spring time will give way to summer just as circus has completed another good year and the competition units are practicing and preparing for yet another TSA. Shrine activities seem to just keep coming.

Circus was fun and Fort Bend always rolls out the red carpet for us. Somehow when it seems there is just no end to the work of putting on a circus everything falls into place and the people come fill the stands. The crow bar has been passed and Noble Bob Sharpe and Lady Linda along with their crew will be working earnestly to get us ready for another kick off and the cycle begins again.

The Oriental Band has been practicing and making preparations for Fort Worth in June for TSA and the annual competition. This year we will be defending our medium class first place banner against the Nobles from Hella. I don't expect they (Hella) will give us any quarter so our Director is working on his own brand of special surprises. Just like everything else we work and sweat the details and somehow when it is time to take the floor we go into overdrive and put on a show. There is still time for members to join the practice sessions and join in the fun.

The TASOB breakfast will be Friday morning, June the 4th and we invite our members and Divan to attend the meeting. This year will be a little extra special for me as I will be installed as Second Vice President of the Association. For us in the Oriental Band that means that in March of 2013 Arabia will host the annual TASOB Mid Winter meeting. Several have already come forward and volunteered their time and offered suggestions to help make the jewel of Arabia shine ever brighter. Noble Jim Spalding has pledged his support for us and we will certainly accept his help. I wonder just how he would look in one of our costumes.

Lest we forget the annual Brenham Maifest parade is on top of us. Make your plans now and join us and the other units of Arabia in downtown Brenham for a tradition we all enjoy. Of course waiting at the completion of the day will be plenty of good bar-b-que and that wonderful Blue Bell ice cream. I think I will go have me a bowl right now, makes me hungry just thinking about it!



## LAKE HOUSTON AREA SHRINE CLUB

By: Bobby Wallace, President

Our February 18, 2010, meeting was held at the Kingwood Country Club and was our Potentate's Official Visit. There were a total of seventy-six (76) Divan, Staff, Directors, Nobles, Ladies and guests that attended this meeting. Thank you all for sharing your time with us.

Lady Carla Wallace presented First Lady, Phyllis Ellis, with a club check for her "Kid's Friendly Furniture" project for the Houston hospital.

IHOP Day was again successful for the Humble and Atascocita locations. We want to thank all Nobles from the Temple and New Caney Shrine Club that helped at these two (2) locations. Our combined collections exceeded last year's.

Our 2nd Annual Mud Maxx Run event will be held June 19, 2010, at 20550 Townsend Blvd. Humble, Texas 77338. Early arrivals and check-ins will begin at 7:00 AM and the race will start at 9:00 AM.

The City of Humble will blockade Townsend Blvd. at FM 1960 and N. Houston Ave, (just East of Hwy. 59) for the event. The four (4) lanes of Townsend Blvd. will be used for parking. The event should be finished around Noon or shortly thereafter. Last year we had 382 runners and expect many more this year.

Two (2) or three (3) local Fire Departments will have water trucks to shower-down, cool-off and wash the dirty, muddy, exhausted and hot runners at the finish line. Also, there will be an EMS at the scene.

All Arabian units, clowns etc., clubs and Nobility are invited to join us to make this a HUGE success for our "Kids" and Houston hospitals. This is a charity event and all net proceeds will be presented at the September stated meeting.

All wishing to participate can go to the web site [www.mudmaxx.com](http://www.mudmaxx.com) for entry forms, contributions, or parking permits.

An update will be given at the May stated meeting.



## NASA AREA SHRINE CLUB

By: Bryan Corey  
Secretary/Treasurer

NASC meeting at Bay Oaks Country Club in Clear Lake March 25, with 37 members and guests present.

President Norm Miller welcoming all in attendance. NASC Chaplain, Milt Baker gave the invocation and Noble Dorsett Wilson led the Pledge to American and Texas flags.

Arabia Potentate, Mike Ellis assisted by Chief Rabban, John McDonald initiated (short form) Wiley Parks Davis into the Shrine. Noble Davis' Lady Jackie placed his fez.

The meeting reopened after dinner with President Miller making introductions of Past Presidents, Past Potentates, NASC Officers and Board of Directors and their Ladies and guests. Club Ambassador, Chris Cantin and Lady Anissa introduced and he gave his Arabia Temple report of upcoming activities.

Secretary Corey read a thank you note from Lady Phyllis Ellis for the gift to her project.

**PETITIONS** - James Westerfield - Lady Lana and Parks Davis - Lady Jackie was welcomed into NASC.

IHOP National collection \$510,000 to date with some still out.

**CIRCUS** - John McDonald, Chairman - Eagerly awaiting circus to begin. Sign up list to volunteer available. Buy Moms and Dads – club receives 20% commission.

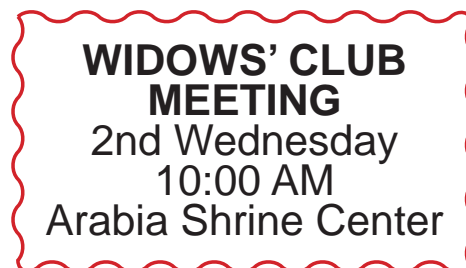
**TRANSPORTATION CORPS** - Dorsett Wilson said Galveston drives 1700 miles a week to and from Hobby, Intercontinental, Bus lines of Greyhound, and Mexican bus terminals for the Burns patients.

Hospital reports given by Bryan Corey (Houston) and John McDonald (Galveston).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Martin and Dona Page's granddaughter, Shelly (16), is a Champion Hog Raiser and Shower. She shows animals in the FFA and Livestock shows earning her accomplishments in local and state shows. Very impressive. Congratulations!!

**Illustrious Sir, Mike Ellis** said the Temple has received the long awaited building permits and has begun building the side entrance to the ballroom, unit rooms and permanent walls. Tours should be guided. Shrine Club dance and TSA dance may be held together in the fall when construction is completed.

**Next meeting: May 27th, 6:30pm, Bay Oaks CC. 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd. – Clear Lake. RSVP-Reservations to Norm & Janell Miller 281-335-1127.**



**THANK YOU!**

By: Jim Spalding (HP&P)

A huge THANK YOU for all the nobles that worked IHOP on a rainy Tuesday.

I think every Shrine Club worked at least 1 location. We had many nobles helping that seldom come to the Temple. All my reports were positive. We had fun and raised approximately \$85,000 for the hospitals. Job well done brothers.

Willis Chile Cook Off turned out to be another rainy day on Saturday but we had 29 teams hang in there and compete with Bloody Mary's, Beans and Chile. Our own Rudy Staudt won the best Chile. Way to go Rudy. At this writing we do not have the final number. Skeeter filled in for Ronnie Odell selling raffle tickets on the Liquor Wagon with a stellar performance. That was not easy in the rain but he sold \$1,100 that will be matched by the American Legion.

Thanks again for all the support.

# May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 1:30 PM LUFKIN/ OV
2	3 6:30 PM DTS/ GRE RM	4 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 7:00 PM FTB 7:00 PM LOS/GR 7:00 PM SAM	5 10:00 AM DON/LR 7:00 PM MOVIE NIGHT/GR	6 6:30 PM GRE/GR 6:30 PM SOE 7:00 PM AHR 7:00 PM WAL MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	7 7:00 PM SOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR	8 9:00 AM STRAW- BERRY FEST. PARADE <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content;">9:30 AM BRE/ MAIFEST PARADE/ OFF VISIT</div>
9 2:00 PM ART/GR	10 6:00 PM PRO/GR	11 8:00 AM J W CHAN- DLER/LR 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PMARK	12 10:00 AM WIDOWS/GRN ROOM 5:00 PM DON/ GR/LR	13 6:30 PM MOC/GR 6:30 PM ORB/ BLURM 6:30 PM SAJ MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	14 7:00 PM SOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR	15 6:00 PM HOLLA- ND LODGE/GR GOLF PLAY- DAY/ HUSBANDS & WIVES LOS/GR
16 9:30 AM CRO/ ELEC/MTG/GR	17 6:00 AM LOS GRAND COUNCIL <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content;">6:00 PM FOOD/7:00 PM TEMPLE STATED MTG RSVP</div>	18 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM FEZ/ GRNRM 6:30 PM GUL	19	20 6:30 PM LAH MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	21 6:00 PM DRC 7:00 PM GAME NIGHT 7:00 PM SOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR	22 SPO/FISHING TOURN.
23	24 6:00 PM BAT 6:30 PM PAT/GR	25 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM MGC OV/RSVP	26 6:30 PM BRA 6:30 PM BRE	27 6:00 PM WES 6:30 PM NAS 6:30 PM TOM	28 5:30 PM PAT BONES PARTY	29 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content;">6:30 PM CIRCUS APPRECI- ATION DNR/ BR/INVITE ONLY</div>
30	31					

# June 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<i>1</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/TAP PRACTICE/LR 7:00 PM FTB 7:00 PM SAM	<i>2</i> 7:00 PM MOVIE NIGHT/GR	<i>3</i> MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<i>4</i> 7:00 PM SOLIDARITY LODGE/LR	<i>5</i>
				TEXAS SHRINE ASSN./FT. WORTH		
<i>6</i> 2:00 PM ART/GR	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> 8:00 AM J W CHANDLER/LR 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM LOH/GR 7:00 PM SPO/PARLOR	<i>9</i> 10:00 AM WIDOWS/GRN ROOM	<i>10</i> 6:30 PM SAJ 7:00 PM ARK/CROSBY RODEO/SHRINERS NIGHT MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<i>11</i> 7:00 PM SOLIDARITY LODGE/LR	<i>12</i> 12:00 PM PHILIPPINE FLAG CERE GOL/PLAYDAY/ AWAY
				CLASSY CHASSIS CAR SHOW		
<i>13</i> 2:30 PM LOH ICE CREAM SOCIAL/GR  <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">CLASSY CHA...</span>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM FEZ/GRNRM 6:30 PM GUL 7:30 PM CLJ/GR	<i>16</i> 6:00 PM COV CIRCUS PARTY/SHERIDAN	<i>17</i> 6:30 PM LUF MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<i>18</i> 7:00 PM SOLIDARITY LODGE/LR	<i>19</i> 9:00 AM LAH/ 2ND ANN. MJD MAX RUN GOLF PLAY-DAY/FATHER & SON
<i>20</i> 2:30 PM GRE WATERMELON PARTY/GR	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM MGC	<i>23</i> 6:30 PM BRA 6:30 PM BRE	<i>24</i> 6:00 PM WES 6:30 PM TOM	<i>25</i> 7:00 PM GAME NIGHT	<i>26</i> 6:30 PM CIRCUS AWARDS DNR/INVITE ONLY/GR
<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> 6:00 PM BAT	<i>29</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/TAP PRACTICE/LR	<i>30</i>			

# July 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	2 7:00 PMSOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR	3 10:00 AMLAH/ KINGWOOD PARADE  <u>OFFICE CLO...</u> <u>IMPERIAL SE...</u>
4 10:00 AMBAT PARADE/ OPTIONAL 2:00 PM ART/GR  ▼	5	6 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PMLOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR	7	8 6:30 PMSAJ MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	9 7:00 PMSOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR	10 GOL/ PLAYDAY/ AWAY
<u>IMPERIAL SESSIONS/TORONTO</u>				<u>OFFICE CLOSED</u>		
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## **TSA REMINDER!**

Time is getting close for TSA. We would like to have a really great hospitality room and we need your help in doing so. We are asking all of the units and clubs if they could help with a monetary or food donation. As in the past, you have brought food to share with everyone in the hospitality room. If you could do so again we would really appreciate it. We want to have a great time and with your help we can all do this.

We would like to serve different items such as hamburgers, hot dogs, nachos, pickles, olives, cheese and crackers, and cold cuts for sandwiches. We've had one offer so far for brisket. If you can help, please contact Chief Aide, Bill Prell at 713-705-6724.

Mike Ellis  
Potentate

Bill Prell  
Chief Aide

A photograph of the Toronto skyline across a body of water, featuring the CN Tower prominently in the center. The text is overlaid on the image.

# **ENJOY THE WONDERS OF CANADA ATTEND IMPERIAL**

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