



of El Jebel Shrine a monthly newspaper

November 2019 Edition

3443 South Galena St., Denver, Colorado 80231



COMING SOON TO A SHRINE NEAR YOU!

Veterans Day Stated meeting and dinner 11 November 2019

Dinner \$20.00 Reservations required - 303-455-3470

El Jebel Shrine

Dinner at 6:00 - Program at 7:00



Ever wonder what a meal was like during World War II?



Dinner is a reproduction of the usual
Army mess during that time, consisting of:

Fruit salad

SOS (creamed beef on toast)

Beans

GI Coffee

Hershey bar

For the ladies and others not so in love with
SOS, there will be a grilled Chicken Breast

There will also be Pumpkin pie available.

Answers to these and other questions

Educational and fun

Put it on your calendar today!



Know the real meaning of the Star Spangled Banner?





POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



**Bobby
Marner**

Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of El Jebel Shrine:

Nobles, Ladies and Family of El Jebel Shrine:

Well so much for "Fall" like weather! It seems like we went from green to gone! October had a lot of great things happen for the Nobility of El Jebel. The "Chile Cookoff" Family Night was very well attended and the contest winners are; 3rd place Annie Bartus, 2nd place P.P. Tony Dattilo and 1st place honors went to Mary Wittner. The "Leading by Example award" for 3rd quarter of 2019 went to Sam (here I am) Wittner. Jim and Patti Dawkins and their "committed to excellence team" organized the Family Night event and really did a wonderful job!

Our very own Susan Boles celebrated 41 years of service to El Jebel in October. Thank you so much for your hard work and dedication!

Unit elections were done this year in October and are for the upcoming year. This is the new format to adhere to moving forward. Don't forget to get the results into the office.

El Jebel's 9th Annual Sportsmen's Raffle is in the books! Fundraising Chair Joe "I got this with your help" Kent and his incredibly talented team did a GREAT job this year. The El Jebel family really stepped up this year as in previous years to accomplish a very daunting task. Tallies and totals should be out soon as well as moving into the future news. 1st Lady Lisa and I could not have asked for more! Winner Winner chicken dinner!

The Veterans Day Parade is just around the corner and details should be out soon. We get the details out just as soon as we receive them. Lately these Parade organizers don't give out details till about a week before for reasons only they know. Joel does a great job attending all these mandatory meetings for us! Remember we put out what we get and "same as last year" doesn't always apply.

The "Veterans Appreciation Night" Family meeting is on Monday, November 11th at the El Jebel Shrine. Please see the flyer in this month's Red Fez for details. Reservations are a must and your participation is always welcomed.

November 16th at the Consistory, El Jebel will be having a Ceremonial to welcome in the New Nobles. There is still time to turn in those petitions!

The "Shrine Offices" center will be managed by a 3rd party (people in the business who know the business).

New leases are in the works and financial security is on the horizon. If you have questions about this contact the office at 303-455-3470 and ask for one of the "Building Trustee's" phone numbers. Please keep in mind if you know of companies who may be interested have them contact the office right away 303-455-3470. We need to maintain and keep all our spaces rented and with your help we will succeed.

In closing 1st Lady Lisa and I would like to wish all of our Nobility and their families a safe and warm Thanksgiving!

Cheers and thank you for supporting El Jebel Shrine. You really do make a difference!

Bobby Marner Potentate El Jebel Shrine 2019





Recorder's
Desk

Jay Bobick



EL JEBEL NEEDS YOUR HELP!

My article this month is short but a most important plea! To all El Jebel Units and Clubs, next month, Saturday, 7 December is our El Jebel Christmas Party for Children. This is a tradition that we, as Nobles, Ladies, and families, have supported and conducted for several years. As you are aware it is held at the Highlands Lodge now. We, El Jebel Shriners, currently do not have the funds necessary to insure a successful party. There are many different things to consider. Yes, our Santa Claus and his Elves will be there, as he always comes to greet and meet our children. Yet, there are toys and games to buy and food to serve, drinks are needed for the young and old. There are decorations, expendable tablecloths, cups, plates, napkins, and other items to provide. There are many other things needed as well. All items do not come free. This is a great party for children and their families and financial support is what will make it a success. Simply stated, there is a lack of sufficient funding for the Party and the plea this year is for every Unit and Club to contribute what funds they can. The total contributions to date are only \$400. So much more is needed. Join the Medical Staff and the Dune Buggy Patrol that have already donated and send your Unit or Club Donation to the El Jebel Office, annotated for the "Children's Christmas Party." Thank you in advance for your generous support to make the El Jebel Christmas Party for Children a joyful and great event. Fraternally, your Recorder.



**"LEADING BY EXAMPLE" AWARD PRESENTED TO
NOBLE SAM WITTNER , WITH WIFE MARY,
BY ILLUSTRIOUS SIR BOBBY MARNER**

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THE RED FEZ

Desktop Edition 2019-11

Bobby Marner

Illustrious Potentate

ELECTED DIVAN

Joe Kent	Chief Rabban
Ron Williamson	Assistant Rabban
Ken Jones	High Priest & Prophet
Ron Pitcock	Oriental Guide
Jim Stewart, P.P.	Treasurer
Jay Bobick	Recorder

APPOINTED DIVAN

Gary Loberg	1st Ceremonial Master
Perry Mittler	2nd Ceremonial Master
Joel Roche	Marshal
John Titterington	Captain of the Guard
Bill Brassette	Outer Guard
Ron Dunsmore	Director
Jim Oliver	Chaplain

LIVING PAST POTENTATES

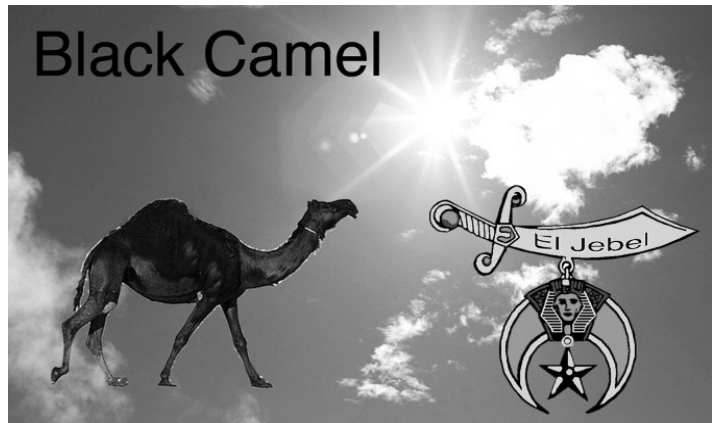
Robert G. Van Male (1988)
Thomas D. Palmer (1989)
Jack D. Patten (1990)
Steve Tucker (1991)
Richard E. Williams (1993)
Amer Plaisted (1994)
Dr. David Powell (1997)
Jim Lear (1998)
Michael G. Severe (1999)
Jim Fitzpatrick (2000)
Ron Cosens (2003)
Richard Karns (2004, 2005)
Clint Dexter (2006)
Tony Dattilo (2007)
Fred Taylor (2008)
Jim Stewart (2009)
Ed Rendon (2010)
Dennis Proctor (2011)
Jim Long (2012)
Matthew Raia (2013)
Phil Hause (2014)
Michael Trevathan (2015)
Larry Clark (2016)
Rich Silver (2017, 2018)

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Black Camel



There was a friend whose heart was good

He walked with men and understood

His was a voice that spoke with cheer, And
felt like music on the ear

His was a smile men loved to see; His
was a hand that asked no fee for friendli-
ness or kindness done. And now that he
has journeyed on, His is a fame that nev-
er ends, He leaves behind uncounted
friends

Passed thru the Unseen Portals

In Memoriam

“Our beloved Brethren live on in a new and
more glorious life and service. We carry
their influence in our lives and their memo-
ries in our hearts. They are not forgotten.

George A. Dunham

Byron L. Wells

Robert E. McCullough

Robert W. Howard, P.P.

Devon L. Glenn



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Calendar of Events

November

9 Veterans Day Parade (call out)

11 Stated Meeting/Vet Appreciation Night

13 Consistory Fall Reunion

16 Fall Ceremonial

December

7 Children's Christmas Party

9 Election of Officers/Ladies Program

January

1 New Year's Day

11 Presidents/Secretaries Meeting

13 Installation of Officers & Stated Meeting

17 Stock Show

17/18 East West Shrine Game

23-25 Grand Lodge

2019 PARADES BY DATE

March 16th St. Patrick's Day Parade - Call Out

May 27th Commerce City Parade- Call Out

June 15th Salida/FibArk Parade - Official

July 4th Brush Parade - Official

July 27th Buffalo Bill Days Parade – Call Out

August 10th Wheat Ridge Parade - Call Out

August 24th CSSA Sioux City Parade - Official

September 7th Arvada Parade - Call Out

November 9th Veterans Day Parade - Call Out

DONATIONS

Shriners Hospitals for Children

In Memory of

Dick Welle

Monthly Donation

Debe Boles

Glen Kettelhut

Bill & Lila Karcher

Mary O'Neill

Les & Sharon Mayer

Judge Ray Gollmitzer

Les & Sharon Mayer

Becky Dunegan

Les & Sharon Mayer

Ralph Donahue

Operating Fund

Jim Oliver

Donation

Dragoman Club

Donation

Jim & Annette Stewart

Bob McCullough

Ron & Judy Cosens

Bob McCullough

Building Fund

Robert Naudack

Donation

Membership Report

Total Membership (with Associates)

957

2-Associate Member Drop

4- Expired



OPTARS

BY J & J TAYLOR



On October 1, seven Optars members met for dinner at the Bent Noodle. Then we went to the Shrine for our October meeting at 7:00. Last month's minutes were approved, the Treasurer's report was approved, and Ed gave the nominating committee report: "moved to nominate the same officers as last year". Each year the club needs to vote to combine the Secretary and Treasurer job---it passed. All voted to accept the "new" officers: Ron Dunsmore, Pres., Ron Williamson, V.P., Jim Taylor, Sec./Treas.

Old business included the report from Jim that **Homestead Grille is cancelled** for this year's Christmas dinner and Optars will be joining the Roamers at **Mt. Vernon on December 1st at 11:30.** Ron W. will offer the same to the Dune Buggies. **Reservations and payment need to be done by November 22 for Mt. Vernon; this includes a Bloody Mary or Mimosa, and the price is \$33.00, including tip!**

The Sportsmen's Raffle was discussed. Optars will be having a \$50 table, raffling off a 16" X 20" canvas picture of an owl. We will need a tripod and signs for the display, and need people to man the table. Tickets will be \$5.00 each, and/or 5 for \$20. An email of the picture will be sent out to Shriners. Other Raffle talk included Nobles being needed to sell tickets at Bass Pro and Cabela's.

Discussion was held about taking pictures of the ladies at the Nile High Tea on Nov. 2. Since there is so much equipment needed for printed pictures, and so few members to be able to help, it was decided to do email pictures. Jim, Judy, and Ron D. will be available, and will set up by 11:00 for this 1:00 event.

Announcements were made (Nov. 9th Veteran's Day Parade, and Louisville's Christmas Parade in December), and then Ron W. gave the Divan report, with dates of events:

On Sept. 19th through the 22nd El Jebel and El Mejdal raised over \$3000 together for the Salt Lake City Hospital. They were the 3rd largest fundraising group; they participated together for the whole hospital weekend.

October 5th Oktoberfest was canceled.

Oct. 12, Saturday will be "Shrine Family Night" at 4:30, with a chili cook off (\$5.00/person---RSVP by Oct 7th); there will be no meeting on Monday, Oct. 14th.

Oct. 26th, the Sportsmen's Raffle, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Douglas County Events Center. Workers for pre-selling tickets are needed at Bass Pro, Cabela's and Tanner Gun Show.

Raffle tables of individual clubs and others need to be approved and paid before these tickets are sold (*Optars have done*).

Nov. 9th is the Veteran's Day Parade.

November 11th is the Shrine meeting.

November 16th Ceremonial at Denver Consistory.

"Remember, we are all responsible for membership!!!"

We then viewed pictures from the Walk for Love in Salt Lake City, by Robyn Williamson.

The next Optars dinner meeting will be on November 5th, with dinner at Mr. Panda Buffet, at 2852 So Havana, 5:30. After the business meeting at 7:00, hopefully, the Williamsons will be able to show their New Zealand/Australia pictures.

EL MEJDEL TEMPLE NO. 47 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE PQ CAROLE BOLDUC



HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!

It's been a very busy fall for our Temple; with the Singers' Luncheon/Fashion Show and our Supreme Queen Visit. Our Supreme Queen, Dale Obernolte visited our Temple on Saturday, October 19th. This year, rather than a banquet, we had a beautiful brunch, with a good crowd and beautiful performances by the Units. The day was a success with the induction of two new members, Pr. Deborah Ann Pellow and Pr. Sherry Powell. We welcome them both and hope they will become involved with the activities of our Temple.

Our Annual Nile High Tea will be held on the 2nd of this month, and we have a sold-out event. The theme this year is "High Tea in the Highlands". There are several very nice door prizes to be given away, plus the 50/50 raffle, which is always a big hit. Some new vendors will also be present for your shopping pleasure. The menu, of course, is all home-made goodies which everyone enjoys. Hope to see you there.

On November 4th, before Session, the Past Queens will host our Founders' Day Luncheon. This is a tradition our Temple enjoys each year, and a prelude to the holiday season.

We are all looking forward to the Holiday Season, and wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving with family and friends.



RADOPS

BY MICHAEL MARCUS

Election of 2020 Officers

On September 23, 2019 the Radops elected their officers for 2020. We would like to congratulate each of our new officers on their election and for their willingness to serve our unit. I'd especially like to thank Emit and Ken for their long dedication to the Radops. The elected 2020 officers are:

Emit Hurdelbrink – President
Michael Marcus – Vice President
Ken Behrens – Secretary
Rich Wall – Treasurer

Radops' Secretary Receives 50 Year Pin

In the March 2019 Red Fez Radops article Ken Behrens (KBØYLN) was acknowledged for receiving notice from his home lodge in Wyoming that he had earned his 50 year pin. As you may recall from that article, October 2019 marked Ken's 50 years as a Mason. Ken's only lodge association during the past 51 years has been with Franklin Lodge #31 located in Pinedale, Wyoming. Well, almost one year after his Masonic birthday Ken finally received his pin!

Ken and his lady Cyndie began their long trip to Pinedale on Sunday, September 1st and returned home on Thursday, September 5, 2019. During their excursion the couple visited various places along the way that Ken had been to when he was stationed in the Pinedale area. They also took a side trip to Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

On Tuesday, September 3, 2019 Franklin Lodge #31 presented Ken with his 50 year pin. The lodge held an open meeting so Cyndie could attend the presentation. During the presentation Ken shared the following story with everyone in attendance:

"I shared a story during the presentation about my 3rd degree proficiency. My boss at the time was a member of a lodge in New Jersey and he got special dispensation from the Wyoming Grand Lodge to do my posting and to conduct the proficiency exam. A few days before I was to stand my proficiency, his mother died and went on emergency leave to attend her funeral. A long time member of the lodge who was in his 80's volunteered to examine me. Two chairs were placed west of the altar so that he could sit while examining me. He started out just fine with the first 5 or so questions but then skipped ahead 10 questions. I must have had a puzzled look on my face because he asked me if there was a problem. I replied that he had skipped a lot of questions so he asked me what the question should have been. I gave him the question, he told me to answer it. He then said he was still lost and asked me to tell him what was next and then answered it. This went on for a couple more questions and

answers. He finally said that I should continue to ask and answer without interference from him. I continued examining myself for about ten more questions until the WM banged his gavel and said that I could not examine myself and that he declared me proficient. Then he congratulated me for passing my proficiency and because I was able to do memory work, he assigned me the job of giving the lectures in all 3 degrees and to be prepared for an Entered Apprentice degree at the next meeting."

The Radops would like to congratulate Ken on this great achievement and his 51 continuous years of Masonic service!

The picture below was taken during Ken's 50 year pin ceremony at Franklin Lodge #31 on September 3, 2019.



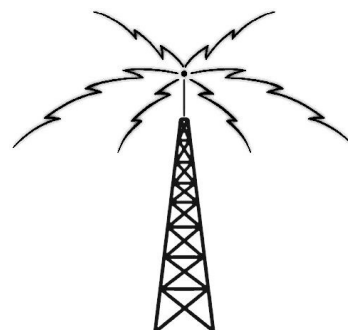
Pictured above are Wyoming Grand Lodge's Senior Grand Deacon Thomas Needham (left) presenting the 50 year pin to Ken Behrens (right).

Radops Next In-Person Meeting:

Our next scheduled in-person meeting will be held on Monday, November 25, 2019 at the Shrine Temple, in the 2nd Floor meeting room. The meeting begins promptly at 7:00pm. Our in-person meetings are held on the forth Monday of each month, September through April.

Radops Weekly On The Air Meetings:

The Radops weekly on the air meetings (a.k.a. Sunday Night Nets) are held every Sunday evening at 7:00pm on 146.985 MHz. Please join us if you have a Ham Radio license. Otherwise, feel free to listen to our meetings if you have a Ham Radio.



SANDBLASTERS OF EL JEBEL

BY CLAUDE AKRIDGE

The Sandblaster's September 25th meeting was held at the Golden Corral Restaurant located at W. Hampden Ave and S. Santa Fe Drive. 17 members were present and also present were our Divan Rep Joe Kent and visitor Grady Carter.

President Carl called the meeting to order promptly at 12:00 PM. Carl led the pledge to the flag and Vice-Pres Larry led the prayer. Carl brought the members up to date on all the Sandblaster business. Announcing the Past Presidents meeting would be held on Wednesday October 2nd at the Broken Tee Golf Course at 11:00 AM and the election of officers for 2020 would be held along with our regular meeting on October 30th.

Jim Teagarden gave the report on the golf outings that we had in the 2019 golf season and was pleased with the turn outs for the season as they were much better than the previous year. A lot of credit goes to new member Matt for he attended all the outings and brought guests with him. We trust he and his guests enjoyed playing with the Sandblasters and hope to see them next year.

The last outing for the year was played on October 17th at the Legacy Ridge Golf Course. We are happy to say that visitor Grady Carter turned out to be more than a visitor, he made out an application to become a member. Grady, thanks for coming and we are looking forward to you becoming a member.

Our Divan Representative, Chief Rabban Joe Kent gave an up-date on all the future happenings going on at the Shrine and some of the changes that have been implemented in the Shrine office.

On the health issue, Vice President Larry had a very successful heart procedure and he is feeling great. It appears there has been a lot of that going around in the club and we are grateful all have been successful.

Please remember you are always welcome to visit us on the last Wednesday of each month.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO EVERYONE



Happy Thanksgiving



EL MEJDEL TEMPLE NO. 47

DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

PROUDLY PRESENTS

A MYSTERY DINNER THEATER PRODUCTION
OF

"THE SHAGWOOD SECRET"
OR
"DOUBLE DEAL AT THE DIRTY DOG SALOON"

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020
HIGHLANDS MASONIC TEMPLE
3550 FEDERAL BLVD., DENVER, CO
TIME: 2:00 TO 4:00 PM (DOORS OPEN -1:30 PM)
COST: \$25/ADULTS - 12 AND UNDER \$15 -
UNDER 3 - FREE

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY: FEBRUARY 3, 2020

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
EL MEJDEL TEMPLE NO. 47
COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND MAIL TO:
ANNETTE STEWART
3022 S. WHEELING WAY, # 105
AURORA, CO 80014

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

ADULTS \$25.00 _____

CHILD 12 UNDER \$15.00 _____ UNDER 3 FREE _____

TOTAL REMITTED \$ _____ CHECK NUMBER _____

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT EL MEJDEL TEMPLE
OPERATING BUDGET

THE GUY

Are you a member of one of El Jebel's esteemed Uniformed Units? Do you check your Unit's webpage on El Jebel's Website to find out what's going on? Do you notice that there is no new information, or the page hasn't been updated in months?

Then maybe it's time for you to step up and be **THE GUY** who updates the page as needed. Each El Jebel Unit can assign a member to be the person to update the Unit webpage on our Website as needed. Instructions, access to the Website and training is available to a person from each Unit. If your Unit's page hasn't been updated, how about talking to your Unit Head and volunteering to be **THE GUY**.

New Nobles and potential candidates are always looking for information and I'm sure they access the website. If your Unit's page isn't updated, they probably won't check back again. If you are interested in volunteering to update your Unit's web page, check with your Unit Head, then give me a shout. We'll get you started and you'll be **THE GUY** for your Unit.

Illustrious Sir

Bobby Marner

Thank you Recorder Steve.....

EL JEBEL COMPUTER CLUB

BY JIM & JUDY TAYLOR

The October 8, 2019 Computer Club meeting was held at the Shrine at 1:00. There were 7 members present. After the pledge was recited, the May minutes & Treasurer's reports were approved.

Under Sickness & Distress, Judy thanked the Club for sending the fruit basket – It was delicious.

Old Business – None

New Business – Ken Behrens made the motion to combine the Secretary and Treasurer Offices. It was passed. Then the 2019 Officers were nominated and elected to repeat in 2020. They are: President-Ed Hamm, Sec./Treas.-Jim Taylor. We still need a V.P. It was determined that the By-Laws need to be changed to reflect the new deadline for election of Officers. Ken agreed to make the revision(s) for review before a vote.

Jim Taylor let the club know that The RV Roamers are inviting the Computer Club to join them for Sunday Brunch at Mt. Vernon Canyon Club in December. The date has been changed to December 1 at 11:30, the cost is \$33.00 per person and the reservation with a check is due by November 22. Make the check out to RV Roamers and send it to Richard Talkington at 11485 Harlan St., Westminster, CO 80020-3085

The next meeting will be at the Shrine on November 12 at 1:00. We will have lunch at the Fresh Fish Company at 11:30. The program will be an "Open House" (see below) and if time is available, we will discuss "Security Cameras" including "Ring".

All Shriners are invited to join our club; dues are \$12.00 per year. Wives, guests, and curious people are always welcome.

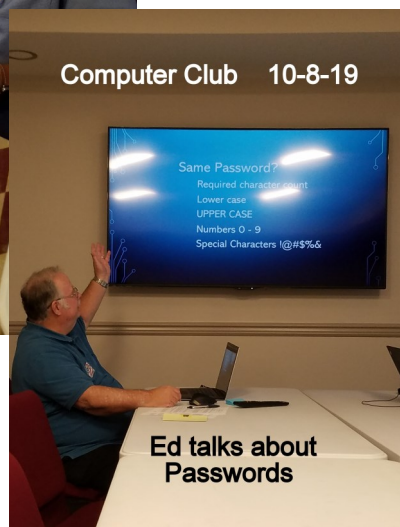
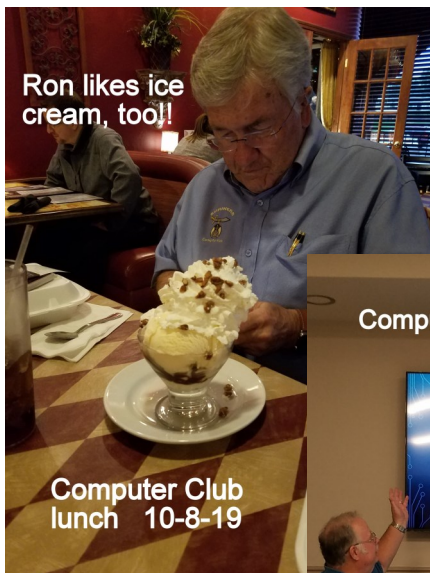
If you have any questions, please contact Jim Taylor, 303-795-3278, jimtal@msn.com. Jim & Judy

FLASH!!! AN OPEN INVITATION FOR YOU!!!

Here is your chance to ask your computer questions! We know there are people out there who did not grow up with the technology available today, and we want to help. There are Computer Club members willing to sit down, one on one, with you to give you answers---or at least point you in the right direction---about any silly, mundane question. Maybe you just want to send emails, and communicate with your grandchildren. You may just have a Smartphone---we'll try to help you there, as well.

So on **Tuesday, November 12th at 1:00**, we'll be waiting for YOU at the Shrine. We only do this occasionally, so don't miss out on this FREE session. Put the 2nd Tuesday in November on your calendar, and COME!!! You'll be glad you did.

P.S.: Ladies---you're invited, too!



WESTERN COLORADO SHRINE CLUB BY STEVE THOMAS

The Western Colorado Shrine Club board meeting was called to order by 1st VP Chris Geisler as our fearless leader was in Tennessee attending to an illness in his daughter's family. Chaplin Roger Phillips gave the blessing and Sgt. @ Arms Bill Hirt led the Pledge.

Chris thanked all those who were in attendance. Minutes were approved as mailed.

Our new Sec. Andrew BE said he is still learning a lot with Ray's help and is working on getting up to speed. I think he is already speeding and doing a great job, with Ray's guidance.

2-VP Jim Ditmore announced his resignation from the board as of the end of his term this year. So we are taking applications for 3 new board members and 2 VP spots on the board. Don't everyone charge in at once. Take a number and we will get to you as soon as we can.

Hospital Coordinator Gary Brown told us we had 9 patient trips. 7 to Salt Lake, 1 to Portland and 1 to Philadelphia.

Parade Chairman Jim Ditmore says we have 1 parade left this year. Veterans Parade in Grand Junction line up at noon, parade starts at 1pm then we have our Election Meeting at the Masonic Center in Grand Junction at 3pm. I just spoke with "Fearless Leader" and he said we will have our WCSC Board meeting at that time. Jim has spoken with Scott Krebs about him taking over as parade chairman next year with the approval of our President.

Mike Briscoe of the Ceremonial Team says he is still looking for a couple of team members. If you are interested please let him know.

Activities Director David Van Dyke asked that we do "Shriner of the Year" at our Installation instead of the Christmas Party. That was seconded and voted in favor of the Installation Party. We voted to have a buffet meal for our Christmas Party this year. More on this later.

Clowns: We had 4 go to Green River and I understand Bob "Boomer" Beeson had a lot of car problems. Looks like more shop time for Fred Carson. We plan on being in the Veterans Parade in Grand Junction Nov. 9th. Line up at noon. Then off to the Election and WCSC Board meeting at the Consistory in Grand Junction.

Tri-County: We haven't set our Nov. meeting place yet. So not much to report.

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CARING LADIES BY JEANNE THOMPSON

The Caring Ladies of El Jebel met for their monthly meeting at the Chalet Restaurant on October 9. We were again honored by the presence of Most Illustrious Grand Commander John Zeaphey and his Lady Margaret, as well as El Jebel Chaplain Jim Oliver. Miss Kitty made her rounds, collecting change for the Shrine hospital travel funds.

Shriners, please take note of the following: The Caring Ladies are the widows of Shriner and Blue Lodge Masons who meet the second Wednesday of each month for lunch, friendship and laughter. While we are united by a common sorrow, our meetings are filled with laughter and friendship. We are not a grief support group, but rather a circle of friends who care about each other and share our joys and concerns. We begin to gather between 11:00 and 11:30 A.M., order from the menu at 11:30 A.M., and are usually on our way home by 1:00 p.m., following a short business meeting. We support the Shrine hospital travel fund by sending a bank, Miss Kitty, around the table collecting change. The Chalet Restaurant, 7340 W. 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge, is a family-owned café with good food at modest prices, served by friendly staff. Kay Bell, 303-430-9001, takes reservations, but if you decide at the last minute to join us, just come on, it is easy to pull up a chair to the table. Shriners, please clip this notice and put it with your papers, so that if that sad day should come, your wife will know how to join us,



DIDJA KNOW?

BY EJGW



In case anybody has been asleep the past few weeks, we at El Jebel have a new Treasurer – Ill. Sir James H. Stewart. As a Past Potentate he knows how to keep things straight the Shrine way (you know that old saying about “the right way, the wrong way, and the company way”?). Well, in this case the right way is the company way, and Ill. Sir Jim will get all things straightened out. First thing he is doing is going by the book, which will also be good for El Jebel and its pocketbook.

Jim is a member of Blackhawk Lodge #11 here in Denver, as well as Denver Consistory. Born in Vancouver, Washington he has also lived in Texas, Oklahoma, Oregon, California, and Georgia – guess he can’t lay claim to being a Yankee although he could be a Reb or a cowboy or even a gold-panner. Actually, he and his lovely wife, Annette, are retired Air Force. He also claims the Dallas PD, the DOD, and Past President of the Colorado E-9 Association on his resume. According to him, graduating *Cum Laude* with a BS from Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas was his greatest scholastic accomplishment (a pretty good one, I would say).

A Radop and member of the Director’s Staff, he says the thing he wants most for El Jebel to do is to increase membership (a sentiment shared by most of the Nobility) and he is in a position to help bring this about. When not counting beans in the office, he enjoys motorcycle riding and traveling (guess the Air Force would give you itchy feet). Jim is also proud of the fact that he helped make the circus and the Sportsman’s Raffle successful events.

But didja know that Ill. Sir Jim lists as one of his greatest personal accomplishments “surviving Viet Nam.” There are a whole bunch of us that say “Roger, that”! And we are all very glad he did.



DROVERS

WAYLAND L. BRITT, REPORTING

We are conducting our meetings at Lu Lu’s on the first Wednesday at 6 PM for dinner, and meeting at 7. Just show up with a paid Dues card or an interest in the Shrine.

Don Alton has Passed...we have had his family in our prayers. Just to remind you, when you cross the tracks in Bennett, there is an Eastern Star building facing south at the crossing. Don and Mrs. Alton have been maintaining that facility for many years. I met him at the Shrine many years ago, around 2000. We discussed that his last name was the town I grew up in Illinois. I demitted from Ainad Shrine in 1975 as I recall. His son, Nate, can be found driving a draft horse pulling our wagon in the parades. Nate is planning to be there at the Vets day parade. Be sure to let Nate know your condolences if you haven’t already. Don was an Air Force Veteran in Korea. Marsha and I attended an outdoor memorial service yesterday at his ranch. Quite a crowd, many Masons, and Eastern Star. A heart felt thanks to Byers Lodge who did an excellent job. Many members of a Police motorcycle club were on hand as Nate is active in that group also. These Alton people are the people who are always working tirelessly without recognition for the good of our Order. Wages are definitely due.

I would like you to know a few things about our Late Drover Carson Ribble. He moved to Denver from New Mexico and wow there was a “hard to come by” Daughter, oh about 3 years old. The daughter was high spirited similar to her Dad. She played with Cooper’s grandson Bo at so many Drover functions. Anyway, Carson took on the task of repairing our green Studebaker wagon. He and Dave forged new bolts for the tires and got the wagon going. He put a lot of time into the wagon and to the Drovers without having to be asked. I helped them drink beer as I recall. He continued his work on a new place he moved to but quit riding horses. At this time we had to split his attentions with another Body that drove mini bikes with Old Glory painted on the tanks...But he coordinated the Stock Show for us often bringing refreshments for us. He often said something like this...”you don’t think it can be done, get out of the way and just watch me”. Solid as a rock! And all about the Shrine.

Do you think you could be like Carson Ribble? If you do, we are looking for members just like Carson. Let me know at 303 841 5607 if you are interested. You don’t have to have a horse.

See you on down the trail.

As usual, I write so others can walk.



November

Birthdays

Arab Patrol

Larry Smith
Chuck Schumacher

Band

Steve Munsinger

Dune Buggy Patrol

Janet Silver
Ron Pitcock
Renee Tedford
Tom Mehsling

Legion of Honor

Russ Gray
Neva Frohlick

Provost Guard

Mary Trevathan
Boots Lewis

RV Roamers

Pat Graves
Jim Ashley
Billy Umsted
Yoriko Umsted

Radops

Richard Anderton
Ron Pitcock
Sue Wright

Sports

Mary Anstine
Joel Roche

T-Nobles

Richard Wenzel

VIP's

Chuck Schumacher



JEWEL OF HONOR

James O. Ditmore

STARS

Beeson, Robert
Burns, Kent
Carr, John
Carter, Grady
Clark, Larry, P.P.
Cook, Harold
Covert, Wayne
Dare, Fred
Dattilo, Tony, P.P.

Ditmore, Jim
Fitzpatrick, Jim, P.P.
Gay, John
Harrington, Al
Harris, John S
Hilbun, Otis
Hoblit, Bob
Johnson, Tom
Kato, Jim
Kent, Joe
Lau, Jerome
Loberg, Gary
Marnier, Bobby
McConnell, Dean
McCune, Dan
McIntosh, Alex
Mitchell, Dick
Mittler, Perry
Moffett, Jim
Patten, Jack, P.P.
Peabody, Rodger

Petersen, Chuck
Powell, James
Proctor, Dennis, P.P.
Puckett, Ryan
Raia, Matt, P.P.
Schneider, James
Seely, Jerry
Silver, Rich, P.P.
Smith, Michael
Stewart, Jim, P.P.
Strand, Don
Stretch, Bob
Taylor, Jim
Thomas, Steve
Vigo-Torres, Manuel
Wardrip, Gerry
Weiser, Don
Weiszbrod, Gary
Wells, Wayne
Westerhoff, Chris
Williamson, Ron

**CHILI COOKOFF
OCTOBER 14, 2019**



1st Place Winner—Mary Wittner



**3RD PLACE
WINNER
JANET BARTUS
WITH CHIEF AIDE
STEVE HUBBARD**



**2ND PLACE WINNER
ILLUSTRIOUS SIR TONY DATTILO**

**NORTHEAST COLORADO SHRINE CLUB
BY JERRY WARDRIP, SECRETARY**



October 2019 meeting of the Northeast Colorado S. C. October 2019 Meeting of Colorado Outpost #1

We started the Morning gathering, with a great breakfast at Sonnies Overland Trail Café at the Junction of 176 and Colorado Highway 63. Our president Cecil Souders called the meeting to order and offered the prayer followed by the pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

Following the usual meeting protocol we discussed this year's Sportsman Raffle ticket sales. Jerry has his books sold and ready to send off to the big ticket drum.

In other Masonic activities we completed the Master Mason degree on 2 Fellowcraft and are now working on their proficiency. We have not connected with our EA to get him on to his Fellowcraft. He has changed jobs and has not been able to find an open date.

The Council degrees scheduled for October has been moved to November.

The Sterling Council No. 19 had its annual Ground Council visit along with Fort Collins Council 21. We had a great dinner prepared by the kids and leaders of the 4H Foundation. We like to use the foundation as the money helps sponsor a member to make the trip to Washington DC to learn about our government.

The Shrine Club and Outpost will be helping with a pumpkin carving clinic at the Library with the Santa's of Sterling and a couple other organizations. The Santa's and the Boy Scouts have acquired about 200 pumpkins to give for carving the 28th of October. We will also be helping with the Santa workshop at Home Depot the first and second weekends of December. We did this last year and everyone had a great time helping the kids make toys.

The summer has been slow with not a lot of activities to do. Now fall is approaching and it seems to hold a lot of promise of things to come. Lots of work for Blue Lodge and York Rite are on the planning table.

We seem to have covered all upcoming business so it was now time to move on to the rest of our day. The president Cecil Souders closed the meeting at about 7:36 A.M. with peace and harmony prevailing.

You all have a standing invitation to come out and meet with us the second Monday of each month here at the Overland Trail Café at the Atwood interchange at 6:00 A.M. That is the Sinclair Station at Exit 115 off I-76. Good food and Great Fellowship.

T-NOBLES

BY BOBBY JUCHEM

Greetings Nobles and Ladies, grab your favorite autumn beverage, single malt, or otherwise, for it is time for another update from your 'Princes of the Pavement' and 'Ladies of the Land.' As we get ready to close down the parade season with a couple more parades in the books, we reflect on our blessings. In doing so, today, we honor the labors of two wonderful T-Nobles as they ride into the distance hand and hand.

Of course, I am speaking of John and Kathy Loerwald. Before we get into what they have done for the El Jebel Shrine, let's find out how this power couple for good got started. They say that serendipity occurs when you start thinking with your heart and not with your head.



Noble John Loerwald was looking for an apartment when he moved to Colorado. Instead, he found a beautiful, elegant, and compassionate best friend in the apartment next to him named Kathy. In Freemasonry, we are taught to make ourselves into smooth ashlar. Although she has never said it, I am sure she has spent some time in the quarry whipping that Navy Chief and submariner into shape. But what developed was the definition of unconditional love.

As a sailor, Noble John Loerwald cites his proudest moment is when he passed his command review board to become a qualified submariner. To put it in perspective, six candidates went into the review board, and after seven hours, he was the only one to get his 'dolphins.' This promotion was a proud moment for Noble John and the first opportunity for him to experience the pride and sense of accomplishment from becoming a member of an elite brotherhood. An experience that would eventually lead him to Freemasonry's doorstep.

I was there when Noble John and Lady Kathy were at the doorstep of Freemasonry, as I was a part of his investigation committee. In life, there are those rare opportunities when you can look into a man's eyes and know he understands the value of honor, character, and integrity and the price when it is squandered. That was how I felt on my first meeting with Noble John. I have come to know him as a true friend and brother, and one of the greatest Freemasons I know.



His congenial disposition was only outshined by the grace, hospitality, and peace that Lady Kathy brings to every conversation. In a world that prides itself of transactional relationships, Kathy's most significant currency is the transformational outlook she brings to every relationship. Since that day, her results are the impact she has had on the El Jebel Circus, Sportsman Raffle, and the hundreds of personal interactions with each of us. You are a better person if you are fortunate enough to have Kathy in your life.

Over the years, both Noble John and Lady Kathy have enriched Freemasonry, the Daughters of the Nile, and El Jebel Shrine. They cite that they joined to make a difference in the lives of others. To be a part of something greater than themselves, and to see the smiles on the face of others. My dear friends, your legacy in our organization is well documented.

It is our fervent wishes for your future welfare on your next adventure to Las Cruces, New Mexico. We hope you beat the snow as well. As for the next chapter, well, let's not put any limitations on that. So we will leave you with this quote from author Jerry Spinelli:

"You be you, and I'll be me, today, today, and today, and let's trust the future to tomorrow. Let the stars keep track of us. Let us ride our orbits and trust that they will meet. May our reunion be not a finding but a sweet collision of destinies".

Godspeed, my friends, and thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR TO "SAVE THE DATE"

STATED MEETING & ELECTION OF 2020 OFFICERS

DECEMBER 9, 2019



PRESIDENT & SECRETARY'S MEETING

JANUARY 11, 2020



LADIES PROGRAM CHRISTMAS SOCK EXCHANGE MONDAY DECEMBER 9th

Buy a pair of Christmas socks, stuff them full of your favorite goodies, tie them together with a ribbon, bring your filled socks to the December Ladies Program and we will play a game to exchange our socks.

I promise we'll have fun with these socks, even if you fill them with rocks. The socks can be plain, fuzzy or ugly, just as long as they are warm for our toes! You can fill them with candy, chap stick, nail polish or just about anything that will fit in a sock



El Jebel Shrine Presents

Children's Christmas Party

December 7, 2019

Noon - 3pm

Highland Masonic Lodge

3550 Federal Blvd.

Denver

Food, drinks and gifts from Santa!

Please **RSVP** to:

303-455-3470



SHRINE NIGHT AT THE NATIONAL WESTERN STOCK SHOW JANUARY 17, 2020 (TICKETS AVAILABLE SOON)

RV ROAMERS

BY J. & J. TAYLOR

On October 20, Roamers met at Rosemary Café with 19 members present. Jim called the meeting to order after what everyone agreed was a delicious meal. It was good to see Pat Marshall again. Introductions of the Past Potentates, Tony Dattilo and Larry Clark, were made, and the minutes as published via email from the last meeting were approved (thanks Marylyn!), then Richard gave a Treasurer's report (thanks, Heidi!)

We are glad to report members on the mend: Marylyn Hepp, Glenn Lasater, Larry Clark, and Judy Taylor. With continuing happy news of birthdays and anniversaries, Billy announced that Yoriko is in Japan, visiting her three sisters!

Old Business included planning the 2020 "innings" and "outings"; adding to our year's events will be Talkingtons hosting the March inning at Spaghetti Factory, and Bonnie & Ken doing November. Still to be decided is an event for September---usually a Caravan for four or more days.

The 2020 officer elections were under New Business. Voted in were President, Jim Taylor, Vice President, Billy Umsted; Secretary Tony Dattilo; and Treasurer ("for one more year"), Richard Talkington. Jim reminded everyone to pay their dues, for both Roamers (by Nov. 1st) and El Jebel (by Dec. 31st).

The future events are: Next---**November 17th at Cinzetti's, 12:00 p.m.** with a cost of \$13.95 each; and **December 1st at Mount Vernon, 11:30 a.m.** for a Sunday brunch, for \$33.00 per person (the money has to be in by Nov.22). **This is a date change---please mark it down!** Other groups will be invited in order to hopefully reach a 50-person minimum for the brunch tables to be set up downstairs.

Reminders for the June 26, 27 Chatfield event---reserve your spot exactly 6 months before through the Colorado State Parks; this means the day after Christmas if you want to start on Friday. We're all trying to stay in Loop D.

The Divan Report was given by Jim Oliver (for Ron Williamson, who was out selling Raffle tickets!) He read Ron's Divan notes, which included the Raffle update, the Veteran's Day Parade (Nov. 9th) the Shrine Meeting (Nov. 11th), the Ceremonial (Nov. 16th), the Children's Christmas Party on Dec. 7th (RSVP for free food!), and the Dec. 9th Stated Shrine Meeting.

It's always good to see our Roamers friends! Please join us on November 17th at Cinzetti's!



Roamers watch
Jim eat 10-20-19



RV Roamers

10-20-19



RV Roamers
at Rosemary
Cafe 10-20-19



Roamers at
Rosemary Cafe
10-20-19

PIPE BAND BY KENT BURNS



Winter has come to Denver. It could be worse; it could be like it was thirty years ago with lots of snow and little warmth. But I miss summer already. These old bones really don't like the cold anymore, not that they were ever in love with it. Lived in Colorado all my life (with a sabbatical here and there) but have never really developed a love of snow sports. Never skied, nor snow-boarded, nor skated (although that was not so much I didn't like it as I never could quite get the hang of balancing on those narrow little runners they called skate blades). Seems like I spent more time trying to get back up on my feet than gracefully gliding over the ice.

October was not exactly a "dear diary" month – not a whole lot going on except for the Sportsman's Raffle. The Band did fairly well with its little raffle, a year's membership at Bristlecone Shooting, Training, and Retail Center, arguably the most prestigious and best such establishment in the area. Early reports have the Raffle doing exceptionally well this year, also.

The big event up-coming is on 11 November – the Veterans Day dinner. Tasked to arrange for the dinner and program, the idea was to recreate a typical Army boot camp mess (meal). One of the staples was the so-called "SOS," or creamed beef on toast. Generally much maligned in books, on TV, and in movies, most GIs actually liked it. Beans and "fruit salad" were also frequent items on the menu. All these were unceremoniously "slopped" onto a square compartmented metal mess tin by a disinterested cook's helper. And washed down with good ole GI coffee, strong enough to eat a spoon, and served in a metal cup. Have you tried to find those beat-up metal mess trays? Or the metal cups? They are very nostalgic and also very rare. Plenty of 'em in China, but somehow new ones don't quite cut it. Hopefully the idea will come across and everyone will have a good time. And the meal will be followed by a little exposure to history. Don't worry; there will NOT be a quiz afterward.

While we hope everyone has a good time (and maybe even learn something), the most important thing about this day is to remember and honor the veteran. There are many platitudes, cute little quips, amusing anecdotes, etc., etc. But the one that should be remembered above all is the quote from Gary Sinise: "We can never do enough [for our veterans], but we can always do more." The Band is privileged to play for the Honor Flight returns. We have been doing this basically since they started here in Colorado, and are some of the most rewarding performances we do. The look on the veterans' faces when they come up out of the train tunnel is worth all the effort.

One of our members is an oft-time guardian on these flights, and tells of their excitement when they get off the train and hear the pipes. (And trust me, the acoustics at DIA are such that the pipes are heard all over the terminal!) One of the more endearing reactions by these veterans who gave so much so the rest of us can live so well is their "I didn't do anything special" attitude. As has been said before, they heard of a job that had to be done, hitched up their britches, and went "over there" and done it! Sorta like going to the store for a loaf of bread because momma said we were out of bread. No big deal, nothing special. One of these special men even has a more-or-less motto that is shared by all: "Just doin' my job." Let's all doff our caps to them and say a heartfelt "Thank you."

If anyone is interested in all this fun, we are looking for a few good men. So come on down almost any Thursday evening at the Shrine at 1900 (or 7:00pm for the uninitiated) for the fun!



DUNE BUGGY BLAST

JAY BOBICK

It was a long drive for many Dune Buggy members to our October monthly meeting at the Romano's Macaroni Grill but well worth it. Everyone enjoyed a great meal, libations and the best camaraderie any man or woman could imagine. Nine nobles and seven ladies attended. After dinner, our President Ron Williamson called the meeting to order with an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Nation. The Secretary and Treasurer Reports were given and approved. Our financial status was as follows: beginning statement balance of \$9,979 with expenses; Sportsman's Raffle booth \$50, Ladies' Luncheon donation \$100, new checks \$18.95, and no deposits; providing an ending balance of \$9,810.40. Ron Dunsmore reported that Greg Melton is now home again and Rod Johnson reported that he is having lung issues that are keeping him from doing all the things he would like to do. We will keep these brothers in our prayers.

Buggy Business was next on the agenda. The Sportsman's Raffle Dune Buggy Table was discussed and a decision was approved to order two plates of Edward's Meat samples for the table. Our nobles have truly met and exceeded the need for Raffle Ticket sales individually and at the all stores, mainly Cabela's and Bass Pro. A big thanks to all those who volunteered and sold Raffle tickets as well as those who sold our raffle tickets at Edwards Meats and individually.

Our Potentate Bobby Marner and Rodger Peabody recognized our \$500 contribution to the Boris Bus project with thank you notes. This is another example as to how El Jebel Nobles are joining together to solve issues as one cohesive body.

As directed by the latest General Order No. 1 amendment, we held our officer elections for 2020. The following were elected: President Ron Williamson, Vice President Ron Dunsmore, Secretary/Treasurer Don Strand, and Red Fez Articles, Don Weiser.

Don Weiser suggested that our Patrol donate \$300 to support the Kid's Christmas Party. A motion was made, seconded and passed to provide the \$300.

A reminder that Shrine dues are to be paid no later than 31 December of the prior year was stated with a request that all members "spread the word" to all nobles. Dune Buggy dues are \$15 also due by 31 December. Additional information will be available shortly on garage rental space payments.

The Dune Buggy Social at Helga's German Restaurant and Deli was cancelled due to the Snow Storms. That location will be scheduled for a social at a future date.

Let's not forget that the Veterans Day Parade is 9 November with more information to follow. The Christmas Parade in Louisville is 6 December. There has been some interest expressed in attending, but it is dependent upon

the weather. Sunday, 8 December, the Dune Buggy Patrol has been invited to join the RV Roamers and Optars for their Christmas Party at Mt. Vernon Country Club. The time is 11:30 am and the cost is \$35 per person. The next meeting will be at Sweet Tomatoes, 9445 Park Meadows Dr., Lone Tree, on 13 November beginning with a social at 5:30 pm, followed by a 6:00 pm dinner and meeting at 7:00 pm and the November Social will be on the 24th, at Amici's 4300 Wadsworth Blvd., Wheat Ridge, Social 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:00 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm. Wed., December 11 – Dune Buggy Meeting & Social - Malone's 14455 W 64th Ave., Arvada. Social 5:30 PM, Dinner 6:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM.

The following are El Jebel events you will want to put on your calendar: Veteran's Program Dinner, 11 November at 6:00 pm and Stated Meeting at 7:00 pm. The Fall Ceremonial at the Denver Consistory on 16 November following the 32nd Degree, about 4:00 pm. The Children's Christmas Party is Saturday, 7 December at noon but be there early to help. To complete the year, 9 December will be are Stated Meeting with officer elections for 2020. There will also be a Ladies program.

There being no further business or information to transact, the meeting was closed at 7:45 pm, peace and harmony prevailing



A line of red dune buggies driving on a paved road during a parade. The buggies are decorated with American flags and other flags. People are visible inside the buggies, some wearing hats and sunglasses. The background shows trees and a clear sky.

For more information, call Don Strand:
303-799-6629



November 2019

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