



# Now Hear This...



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### From the Commander's Desk...

As I write this message Christmas is over and the New Year is about to come in. I hope that Santa was good to all of you and yours, and that the New Year will bring you good health and happy times. Lady Jennifer and I hope that you had a joyous Holiday Season.

What can I say, Arlington was a success. Lt. Cmdr. Jim Pulley and his Lady Deb, along with all of their staff put on an outstanding program. It all came together November 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> thanks for a great job. For the first timers, I hope that you come again and bring someone new with you. Let me say this, when you stand on those steps and watch someone place a wreath on the tomb you get that feeling of pride at having served in the armed forces of your country. When you are the one that is placing the wreath at the tomb there are no words to say that can tell how it makes you feel inside. To have the honor to place the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns on behalf of the International Association Legions of Honor is something that I will never forget and keep in my heart always. I thank all of the members of the IALOH for giving me the honor and support during the Wreath Laying at Arlington this year.

Lady Jennifer and myself hope that you and yours had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

As in the past and during this holiday season, I ask you to keep our Service Men and Woman in your prayers as many of them will not be able to be with their families during this time.

During the month of January, it is on the road again. I will be in Evansville, Indiana, to install the new officers for Hadi



**Tony Murray**

Legion of Honor. Then on to Kingsport, Tennessee, for the Jericho Legion of Honor Commander's Ball and installation of officers for 2012. At the end of the month I will install the Officers of Kena Legion of Honor in Fairfax, Virginia. Then it is off on what has become my and Lady Jennifer's favorite trip of the year; "February in Buffalo, New York" to install the Officers of Ismailia Legion of Honor for 2012. The first week in March Lady Jennifer and I will be in New Braunfels, Texas for the Texas Association Legions of Honor.

This will take us to the 2012 annual IALOH Convention in Alexandria, Virginia. You will find all of the forms needed in this issue or on the IALOH.org web site. Please get your paperwork in as soon as possible; there is a lot that has to be done so that we will be ready for you when you arrive.

This will be my last newsletter message to you as the International Commander of the IALOH. What a ride! I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Lady Jennifer and myself to thank each of you for all of the courtesies, hospitalities, and support that you have given to us over the years as well as to the IALOH Officers and staff. Thank you some much.

A special thank you to my COS Ralph Bartlett and his Lady June and my IALOH staff and their ladies.

Yours in the Faith,

Anthony S. "Tony" Murray, PP  
International Commander

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### *The Crystal Ball*

*Looking at the Future...*

**TALOH Midwinter Meeting**  
New Braunfels, TX  
01-04 March 2012

**IALOH 2012 Convention**  
Alexandria, VA  
21-25 March 2012

**SASA LOH Spring Meeting**  
Ashland, KY  
12-15 April 2012

**MASA LOH Spring Meeting**  
Meadville, PA  
03-05 May 2012

**PNSA Spring Meeting**  
Nanaimo, BC  
17 May 2012

**Canadian Wreath Laying**  
Ottawa, ON  
02 June 2012

Check the IALOH web site for other upcoming events

*If you would like your Association meeting listed here, please pass the information to the Adjutant.*

*If your Association is having an event and it isn't listed here—It could have been...*

# 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Commander's Message

2011 is quickly drawing to a close and I for one don't know where the year went. After suffering through the Texas hot summer we have finally broken the hot spell and now we are having cold weather and some nice rains.

Enough of the weather report. In August my Chief of Staff and our ladies Sarabeth and Jean attended Central States Shrine Association's Fall Convention in Overland Park, Kansas. I congratulate outgoing CSSA Commander Bill Dunham and his Lady Ruthie and their hard working staff on a great Convention. I had the honor of installing their officers for the 2011-2012 year and wish to extend my congratulations to Donnie Bowerman, Commander, Russell Gray, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander, James "JD" Benton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Commander and Jerry Rodman, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lt. Commander. We always enjoy time with the CSSA Legion of Honor members.

Right after we finished 10 days and 15 performances of Moslah Shrine Circus, my lady Sarabeth and I and Chief of Staff Don Gibson and his lady Jean went to Karem Shrine, home of the TALOH 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. commander, Paul Sawyer. We



**Jack Tuomey**

enjoyed a nice dinner and meeting with them. TALOH Commander Jim Hollis and his lady Barbara as well as 8<sup>th</sup> International Lt. Commander Eddie Daffern and lady Shari were also there.

The following day we all went to Round Rock, Texas. We were royally entertained at the home of Past TALOH Commander Warren Huckabee and his lady Anna for dinner and conversation. We

had a great turnout this year with three out of four of the TALOH officers there. Unfortunately 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Commander James Green has moved to New York and will not be able to fulfill his duties. We will truly miss him and his lady Gina. Fifth Lt. Commander Gilbert Medina and wife Nelda and his chief of staff Jim Fox and lady Maureen joined us at Round Rock for the festivities.

My Chief of Staff, Don Gibson, and I and our ladies left the next day to go on the Potentate's Cruise from our Temple and when we returned home we quickly packed for our annual trip to Arlington for the 29th Wreath Laying Ceremony. Once again we had a great time renewing old friendships and making new friends. Fourth Lt. Commander Jim Pulley and

# Division One

Lady Deb along with their hospitality staff did an outstanding job in the Hospitality Room. You certainly didn't go away hungry. All in all, the wreath Laying went off very well. If you have never attended the Wreath Laying, you are missing a great chance to pay tribute to our fallen comrades. So, if can, you are invited to attend next year. I'll be looking forward to seeing you. You can find information about registration on the IALOH website at [ialoh.org](http://ialoh.org).

We had planned to attend the annual Legion of Honor Christmas dinner at Karem Temple this year but due to illness we had to stay home.

My lady Sarabeth and I want to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy, Healthy New Year. I know it will be a busy one for us.

Division 1 Temples are, Bedouin, Hella, India, Isis, Khiva, Maskat, Midian, Mirslah, Sahara and Scimitar.

God Bless our Troops.

Yours in the Faith,

Jack Tuomey

# From the Adjutant/Editor

In this month's issue you will find the form to register for the Annual Convention in Alexandria, Virginia, as well as forms to submit ads for the annual yearbook. I would like to encourage everyone to make good use of these forms and show your support for the International Association. The Annual Convention is a great place to see your Association at work and meet friends and comrades from years past. The yearbook is a means for you to show your support and the support of your units and regional associations.



**Ron Lee**

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find details of the two proposed bylaws amendments that will be voted upon at the Convention business meeting and Shriners International's guidance on national flags. This issue also has a column from our Intl. Chaplain, Rev David L Kinsey and an e-mail detailing an important project offered by Noble Tracy Coughlin.

On a personal note — Part of our pre-Christmas travels this year included a visit to San Juan, Puerto Rico and I had made arrangements to meet with the

Commander of Al Rai'e Saleh Legion of Honor, J. Osvaldo Rodriguez, for a chance to say hello and exchange Masonic greetings.

In route to Puerto Rico we met one of the ship's doctors who was a member of Al Amin Shriners (and the source of another "only in the Shrine" story) and he was invited to join us on our visit.

Upon arriving in San Juan, we found that CDR Rodriguez was unable to meet us but he had arranged for another member of Al Rai'e Saleh Legion of Honor to fill in for him. We were met by none other than the Potentate of Al Rai'e Saleh Shriners, I.S. Jose Mulinelli 33°, who

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Commander's Message

Greetings everyone, and here's hoping that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and wishing you the best for 2012.

Again this year the Arlington attendance was down just a bit but we had a great Wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Div COS Claude Meade/Lady Robbie, Paul Daniels, SASA Commander, Don McBrayer, El Hasa LOH Commander and several others from El Hasa, along with Lady Judy and I attended this year. Congratulations to International Commander Tony Murray and Lady Jennifer along with 4<sup>th</sup> Lt Commander Jim Pulley/Lady Deb and Staff for a super job.

Lady Judy and I attended Zembo Legion of Honor Commanders Ball at the Allenberry Resort in Boiling Springs, Pennsylvania, 30 September – 2 October 2011. We want to thank and congratulate Commander John DeLack/Lady Barbara and the Zembo crew for a great Ball. The

hospitality was great and it was nice seeing so many MASA Officers present.

It was an Honor for the El Hasa Legion of Honor to be invited back on 22 October, 2011 to conduct one of our many patriotic programs for the Scottish Rite. The meeting this year was in commemoration of the 100th year of the Indra Consistory of the Scottish Rite Bodies in Covington, Kentucky.

Lady Judy and I attended the Syria Legion of Honor Commander's Ball at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, 11 – 12 November 2011. Commander Kost/Lady Linda and Syria Nobles did a super job and again, it was great to see so many of the other MASA Unit Commanders and Legion Nobles demonstrating their support

It was a great Honor to Install the Officer's of El Hasa Legion of Honor on 1



**Woody Mitchell**

## Division Two

December 2011. We know Commander Tom Neace and Lady Beverly will do a super job and we wish them and the Staff, which includes PC Claude Meade, Finance Officer, and PC Don McBrayer, Adjutant, the best.

A reminder: If the annual Association and International reports haven't been submitted, it's time to get on them. Also, it's not too early to start thinking about ads for

the upcoming yearbook It would be great if every Unit in the realm would submit an ad. Our visitations for January include Rizpah, Jericho, and Acca Legions of Honor.

**God Bless America and our Troops. It's an Honor to Belong to the Legion of Honor**

Yours in the Faith,

Woody Mitchell

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proved to be a great spokesman and cheerleader for Masonry in Puerto Rico. I.S. Jose's plan for the afternoon included tours of the Puerto Rico Scottish Rite and Grand Lodge buildings, followed by an invitation to join in his Mother Lodge's Christmas party.

Following a brief tour of the historic old part of San Juan, our first stop was in "new" San Juan at the Scottish Rite building. Touring the building, we saw the part that will become the home of Jose's newly formed Al Rai'e Saleh Temple.



**Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico**



**Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico Lodge Room**

We then proceeded to the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico where we met the Grand Master of Masons in Puerto Rico, Most Worshipful Victor R. Berríos Pérez 33°. I.S. Jose and the Grand Master gave us the grand tour of the many meeting rooms full of artifacts and art. It is a grand and beautiful old building (see photos) that dates back to the founding of the Grand Lodge in 1885.

Following the tour we joined the Christmas party in an activities room in the building. We had an enjoyable evening visiting with members of I.S. Jose's

Mother Lodge and their families and trying many new dishes at their pot-luck dinner.

When it came time to depart, we volunteered to take a taxi, leaving I.S. Jose to enjoy the party but he insisted, saying he was the only one that could get us back on time. As it turned out, he was right and it was an exciting ride that got us back to the ship on time!

Many thanks to I.S. Jose and also M.W. Victor for everything. It was a day we will always remember.

Ron



**A Lodge Room in the Grand Lodge Building**

## 5<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Commander's Message

Best wishes for success and happiness in the New Year TO ALL. This past year has brought Nelda and me such joy and good health; we are hoping our good fortune holds for years to come.

On behalf of all of us; Nelda and I, Chief of Staff Jim and Maureen Fox, Asst. Chief of Staff Kevin and Ginny Fox, Advisors, and Aides which are the rest of the team; I want tell you how much we appreciate the endless hours of service the Legion Nobles have dedicated to IALOH and the Shrine. We must stay motivated and focused, even in the face of several obstacles.

On December 4, 2011, 3rd TALOH Lt. Commander Richard and Martha Russell and Nelda and I were invited to attend the Karem Shrine Legion of Honor Christmas Party in Temple, Texas. The Christmas party was held at the Temple Country Club. Some of the special



**Gilbert Medina**

guests were Karem Divan and a special guest, a military officer who had been in the Middle East War. He gave an outstanding presentation on the Middle East. Also, 8th IALOH Lt. Commander Eddie and Shari Daffern and Chief of Staff Jim and Barbara Hollis were in attendance. We were welcomed by the Karem Legion of Honor Nobles and 1st TALOH Lt. Commander Paul & Edith

Sawyer. They had a great hospitality and superb Christmas Banquet. The Karem Legion Nobles and their ladies presented us with a Christmas gift. Thank you Karem Legion of Honor for a wonderful Christmas party.

On December 12, 2011, Nelda and I and COS Jim and Maureen Fox, and Ginny Fox attended the AL AMIN Shrine Legion of Honor Christmas Party. Also in attendance were 3rd TALOH Lt. Commander Richard and Martha Russell. We were welcomed by the AL AMIN Le-

## Division Five

gion of Honor Commander Robert Hinshaw and Legion Nobles. During the banquet the Legion Ladies were served by the Legion Nobles as an appreciation for all they do for the Legion and the Shrine. We were thrilled to be included in such a happy event. After the banquet, we participated in Yankee-Swap gift exchange. Thank you AL AMIN Legion of Honor for a memorable event. Thank you so much for inviting us to attend the Christmas banquet for the Legion Honor.

Mark your calendars for our 81st Annual Convention. This year's International Association Legions of Honor Convention will be March 21 – 25, 2012, at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Alexandria, Virginia. All Legion of Honor Nobles and their Ladies and guests are invited to attend.

Fraternally,

Gilbert Medina  
5th Lt. Commander

## Proper Display of National Flags

Shriners International, as its name states, is an international fraternal organization. As such, all flags are to be displayed in accordance with the proper protocol of the nation, commonwealth or territory of the Jurisdiction in which the parades, functions and meetings are being held. In some countries or jurisdictions, such as the United States of America, the position on the right is the position of honor. In other countries or jurisdictions a different protocol may prevail.

**Buildings.** Flags may be displayed inside and outside of appropriate buildings. If only one flag is displayed, it must be the flag of the country or jurisdiction. It is acceptable to fly flags of all countries wherein a Shrine temple exists as long as they are of similar size and height. It is also acceptable to fly additional flags such as state and provincial flags, Shriners International flag, Shriners Hospitals for Children's flag, and the temple flag.

At Shriners International headquarters, the flags of the United States and Canada are to be flown at all times. The flags of other coun-

tries or jurisdictions having Shrine temples are to be displayed on a rotating basis for a period of one month.

**In an Auditorium.** Once again, the protocol of the country or jurisdiction will prevail. In the United States of America, when used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker; and when it is displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium it should be displayed at the speaker or clergyman's right as he faces the audience or congregation; and other flags should be on the left of the speaker or clergyman. However, if it is a Shrine function, it would be proper to have the flags of other Shrine countries or jurisdictions at the speaker's right (next to the American flag) in the order of their charter dates; and any other flags at the speaker are left.

Of course, if the Shrine event is being held in another country or jurisdiction, the position of honor for a flag on a staff would be reserved for the flag of the country or jurisdiction at the speaker's right as he faces the audience, and the flags of other Shrine countries or jurisdic-

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tions at the speaker's right (next to the host country or jurisdiction flag) in the order of their charter dates; and any other flags at the speaker's left.

**At Parades.** Once again, the protocol of the country or jurisdiction will prevail. In some countries or jurisdictions, when in procession, the flag of the country or jurisdiction may be either on the marching right, that is, the flag's own right or, if there are a great number of other flags, it may be in front of the center of that line. If not inconsistent with protocol, it is recommended that the national flags be paraded side by side and in front of state, provincial, and other local flags, with the flag of the country or jurisdiction having the position of honor on the marching right.

Other flags which temples may wish to parade should be in a line immediately following the national flags in the following order, beginning on the right: state or provincial flag; Shrine temple flag; Imperial Potentate's flag; Past Imperial Potentates' flags, and other flags.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Commander's Message

Happy New Year to everyone. I hope everyone enjoyed a glorious New Year. It has been a busy quarter for me and Lady Deb.

I visited my own unit in October for Ladies Night and election of officers. It was a great evening. Thanks to Commander Kimbrell for a great year. Congratulations to incoming Commander Ervin and all the officers.

Then, we set out for Arlington. What a wonderful time we have every year meeting all of our old friends and making new ones. Then going to the wreath laying itself—no matter how many times you go it is a moving experience that you never forget. As you know this past year was the year to make it happen for me, Lady Deb, and my staff. Lady Deb and I want to thank everyone that came to Arlington this year and I hope everyone had a great time.

I want to try and thank everyone that helped us as Arlington, starting with my Chief of Staff Jim Lare and his lady Nancy. Lady Nancy did a wonderful job keeping the food out for us in the hospitality room. Thanks to all the ladies who helped out. There were several who put in overtime and it was really appreciated. A special thank you to Jan Howell and Helen Lee for sharing from all their experience.

The rest of my staff was equally outstanding. Thanks go to Assistant Chiefs of Staff Ken Morey, P.P. and Paul Daniels, P.P. and to Don McBrayer for taking care of registration and the tickets for the wonderful luncheon we had. Then at the bar, thanks to Charles Howell and all of the guys that helped him. Thank you Boots and Elizabeth for taking care of the fifty-fifty and our raffles.

Thanks to Honor Guard Commander, Louis Galati and Housing Chairman Ray Coffey for all the work you do behind the scenes to get it off smoothly year after year. A special thanks to Howie Wynia, for taking charge of our Memorial Service; our Chaplain, Rev. David Kinsey, P.P.; and our Quartermaster, Mike Kimbrell for his wonderful rendition of our national anthems.

Finally, thanks to Commander Tony Murry, P.P. and Lady Jennifer for a wonderful time in Arlington.

When I got back from Arlington, it was off to Mohammed Legion of Honor in Peoria, Illinois. My Chief of Staff and I had a wonderful meal and a great time meeting all our old friends there. Congratulations to Commander Parker and all of his officers. A special thank you to Illustrious Sir Gary Daniels.

Then it was off to Fort Wayne, Indiana, for the Mizpah LOH installation of officers. Lady Deb and I were joined by GLSA Commander Ken Morey, P.P. and his lady Bev and Ken's Chief of Staff, Vern McGregor, P.P. and his lady Cheri. Thank you to all the Legion of Honor members; you made us feel right at home. We enjoyed a wonderful meal and witnessed a very special ceremony that they held as part of their program.

During their Americanism Presentation, the Mizpah LOH recognized two very special organizations that are out there supporting our active duty military and our veterans. One prepares packages for our deployed troops. The second builds



**Jim Pulley**

## Division Four

homes for returning veterans – providing any special access that they may need.

Congratulations to Commander Buskirk, 33<sup>rd</sup> and all his officers. I hope you have a wonderful year.

Then it was off to Ararat LOH in Kansas City, Missouri, for their Christmas party. What a great time I had there. I have some dear friends there. But, I discovered the IALOH has some

history with this group. When I was ready to leave, one of the ladies from the banquet hall came up to me, pulled open my coat, and searched my pockets. She told me she was searching for silverware. She said the IALOH officer that was at the party last year was suspected of trying to take a piece of silverware with him. Thanks Butch! (For those of you that may not know, this was a running joke during Butch Arnold's career as an International Officer.)

Lady Deb and I have had a wonderful year. Thanks to all of you that have been a part of it.

“Precious moments and precious friends — they are the treasures to hoard and cherish. We find ourselves wealthy in both and are thankful that you are part of that treasure.”

It's an honor to be a member of the Legion of Honor.

Yours in the faith,

Jim Pulley  
4<sup>th</sup> Lt Commander

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One of the most common violations of international flag usage is the dipping of national flags at reviewing stands, during the playing of the national anthems and other occasions. Unless the protocol of the country or jurisdiction states otherwise, national flags should never be dipped to any person or thing. However, all other flags should be dipped as a mark of honor.

**In Front of Shrine Temples and Club Buildings.** When national flags are dis-

played in front of a Shrine temple or Shrine club building, they should be flown from separate staffs at the same height and the flags should be of approximately equal size. The flag of the country or jurisdiction in which they are being displayed should be in the position of honor in accordance with the country or jurisdiction's protocol. In the United States of America, this is the extreme right, i.e., a person's own right as he faces outward of the building's entrance.

**Half Staff.** When a country or jurisdiction in

which the flags are displayed proclaims that its flag should be flown at half-staff, it would improper to fly the other flags at full staff. Therefore, the flags of the other country or jurisdictions should not be flown during that period.

**Order of Charter Dates.** The order is as follows: United States of America, Canada, Mexico, Panama, Puerto Rico, Philippines and Germany.

**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION LEGIONS OF HONOR**  
**81<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
**Hilton Alexandria Mark Center and Convention Center**  
**March 21 - 25, 2012**

**Registration Information**

Reagan National Airport serves Washington, DC, and Alexandria, VA. The airport is 5 miles from the hotel. The hotel provides transportation from/to the airport. Reservations are not required and shuttles run every 30 minutes.

**Hotel Reservations**

Make hotel reservations directly with the Housing Chairman, Ray Coffey. Convention rates are \$119.00 per night, plus tax. This rate will be honored 3 days before and 3 days after the convention. Suites are available on a first come, first serve basis. When making your reservations please specify the room type, bed size, etc. We will note your request, but there is no guarantee. If you have dietary or special needs, please inform the Housing Chairman when you make your reservation.

**Conference Registration Fees**

Registration (Prior to January 16, 2012)      \$140.00 per person US Dollars

Late Registration (After January 15, 2012)      \$150.00 per person US Dollars

Payments: Please make checks payable to "IALOH 2012" and mail with Registration Form and Information to:

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Legion Noble \_\_\_\_\_ Lady \_\_\_\_\_

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**International Association Legions of Honor  
81<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention  
Alexandria, VA  
March 21 - 25, 2012**

**TENTATIVE CONVENTION SCHEDULE**

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Wednesday<br>March 21, 2012 | Golf Tournament              | 0800      |
|                             | Free Time                    |           |
|                             | Registration and Credentials | 1300-1700 |
|                             | Market Place                 | 1300-1700 |
|                             | Lunch on your own            |           |
|                             | Committee Meetings           | 1400-1500 |
|                             | Board of Directors Meeting   | 1500-1700 |
|                             | Dinner on your own           |           |
| Thursday<br>March 22, 2012  | Registration and Credentials | 0800-0845 |
|                             | Formal Opening               | 0900-1030 |
|                             | Market Place                 | 1030-1700 |
|                             | Business Meeting             | 1045-1230 |
|                             | Lunch on your own            | 1230-     |
|                             | Free Time                    | 1230-1700 |
|                             | Hospitality                  | 1330-1700 |
|                             | Welcome Party                | 1800-2300 |
| Friday<br>March 23, 2012    | Registration and Credentials | 0800-0845 |
|                             | Necrology Service            | 0930-1130 |
|                             | Ladies Luncheon              | 1230-1400 |
|                             | Chief of Staff's Luncheon    | 1230-1345 |
|                             | Market Place                 | 1230-1700 |
|                             | Drill Competition            | 1430-1600 |
|                             | Hospitality                  | 1600-1800 |
|                             | Candidate Hospitality        | 1900-2100 |
| Saturday<br>March 24, 2012  | Registration and Credentials | 0800-0845 |
|                             | Business Meeting/Elections   | 0900-1100 |
|                             | Market Place                 | 0900-1600 |
|                             | Lunch on your own            | 1130-1300 |
|                             | Commander Elect Session      | 1300-1400 |
|                             | Hospitality                  | 1500-1700 |
|                             | Commander's Reception        | 1800-1900 |
|                             | Banquet/Installation         | 1900-2230 |
| Sunday<br>March 25, 2012    | Departure                    |           |
|                             | Safe Travels                 |           |

# International Association Legions of Honor Yearbook Advertisement Agreement 2012-2013

Return to: Ron A. Lee, Yearbook Committee  
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Virginia Beach, VA 23455

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Phone: 757-473-9817  
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Please insert the attached advertisement(s) in the I. A. L. O. H. 2012-2013 yearbook for which the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed. (Make checks payable to I. A. L. O. H.)

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**PHOTOS - Photos sent as attachments to e-mail are preferred.** Photos sent by regular mail should be on smooth, glossy photo paper for best results. Photos printed on plain paper do not scan well and are generally unusable.

**30 April 2012 IS THE DEADLINE FOR ADS**

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION LEGIONS OF HONOR  
YEARBOOK ADVERTISEMENT AGREEMENT  
2012-2013

**Special Ads/Special Price:**

Four individuals submitting quarter-page ads in at the same time can purchase the ads for **\$25.00 each**. The ads must be sent in together to receive the Special Ad Price. Business cards may be submitted with this form or the information provided below will be used. If you need help or have questions about your ad, contact the Yearbook Editor or the International Adjutant.

**IMPORTANT:** For each advertiser to receive a copy of the yearbook -  
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# Proposed Bylaws Amendments for 2012 Convention

The International Bylaws Committee has received three proposed amendments to the Association’s Bylaws for consideration at the 2012 IALOH Convention.

- 1) From El Hasa Legion of Honor: A change redefining the Annual Meeting.
- 2) From Boumi Legion of Honor: A change affecting submission and approval of IALOH Convention Budgets.
- 3) From Zem Zem Legion of Honor: A change defining membership eligibility of World War II Merchant Marines.

These proposals were reviewed by the

Committee and the International Judge Advocate. The Judge Advocate’s rulings follow:

*The proposed bylaws amendments submitted by El Hasa Legion of Honor and Boumi Legion of Honor are in proper form and should be presented to the membership at the convention in March for a vote.*

*The proposed bylaws amendment submitted by Zem Zem Legion of Honor is not in the proper form, it contains extraneous material, and its intent to allow Merchant Marines who served in World War II and were declared Veterans to become members of the Legion of Honor is superfluous because*

*our Association Bylaws already state that any Shriner who has served in the Armed Forces of his country and has received an Honorable Discharge or release from active duty and received a Form DD214 is eligible to become a member of the Legion of Honor. Veteran status was granted to most World War II mariners on January 19, 1988, after a court case and reconsideration by the Civilian Military Review Board.*

In accordance with Article IX of the Association Bylaws, the proposals submitted by El Hasa and Boumi Legions of Honor are presented below for review.

## EL HASA PROPOSAL

Article III, Section 1, International Annual Meeting. Currently reads: The International Association Legions of Honor Annual Meeting shall be held at the same time and place as the Imperial Session is held each year. The International Commander shall request the Legion of Honor Unit in that city where the annual meeting is to be held to make arrangements for a suitable meeting place and those refreshments he wishes to have available. The International Commander shall set the time and date for this meeting. If there is not a chartered Legion of Honor Unit in that

city, the International Commander shall select another Legion of Honor Unit to host and make all the required arrangements. The International Association Legions of Honor Finance Committee shall designate a fixed sum in the budget to defray the expenses incurred by the host Unit for the Annual Meeting. All official business of the International Association Legions of Honor shall be included at the convention.

### **Proposed Change: Delete entire paragraph and add the following to read:**

Article III, Section 1. The International Association Legions of Honor Annual

Meeting shall be held at the same time and place as the International Association Legions of Honor Convention.

Rationale: Many Legion of Honor members, including members of the Board of Directors are unable to attend the Imperial Session. Some of those that do, have other responsibilities and are unable to attend the Legion of Honor meeting. Conducting the International Association Legions of Honor Meeting at the same time and place as the International Association Legions of Honor Annual Convention, will permit all business to be conducted at one meeting and eliminate an expensive trip for many.

## BOUMI PROPOSAL

The underlined and *italicized* wording is to be deleted, **bold print** is new or revised verbiage.

Article III, Section 2, subdivision (A):

...The budget for the International Association Legions of Honor Convention is and shall be an integral part of the Fiscal Budget for the I.A.L.O.H., which commences at the conclusion of the preceding Convention. The contract for the hotel to be utilized for our Convention must be submitted and approved at least two (2) years prior to said convention. The Convention Budget shall be presented and approved at the Arlington Meeting in November of the year prior to the

commencement of the Fiscal Year. The Convention Budget shall be presented and approved by the International Board of Directors at the Arlington Meeting in November of the year prior to the commencement of the Fiscal Year in which the convention takes place. A copy of both of these Budgets will be sent shall be forwarded to each unit at least two (2) months prior to the convening of the convention at which they will presented for a vote.

**Prior to the execution of a proposed contract for the hotel to be utilized for our Convention it shall be submitted to the International Judge Advocate, for his review and report, at least two months prior to its sub-**

**mission to the International Board of Directors at a called meeting for a vote on the same. After his review, the International Judge Advocate shall forward a copy of the aforementioned proposed contract and the report thereon to the International Adjutant who shall forward a copy of each to all members of the International Board of Directors at least two (2) weeks prior to the aforementioned called meeting of the International Board of Directors. The proposed contract must be submitted to and approved by the International Board of Directors at least two (2) years prior to the said convention before it can be executed.**

## A Report...from Over There!

Tracy A. Coughlin

*The following e-mail was received from Noble Coughlin, last year's Yearbook Editor, a few months ago and he has provided us a glimpse of life for our troops in Afghanistan. He has also offered to serve as an intermediary for those of you who would like to do something for our deployed troops. — Editor*

Greetings LOH Nobles and Ladies,

As some of you know, I've taken a civilian contractor job with the USAF and have been deployed. I have been assigned to the 577th Expeditionary Prime Beef Group located at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan. My duties include civil engineering support for approx. 300 forward operating bases, but I have also been doing some architectural work, mainly on a new chapel design for several of the forward bases. Never thought I would be specifying sand bags in the design of a church, but over here, anything is possible.

Things are interesting here, sometimes very exciting, if you know what I mean. I live in a plywood hut and we're surrounded by mountains that you can see when the wind isn't blowing dust in the

air, which is almost never. I like to think of it as my own little cabin in the mountains with several very close neighbors living together, something we all dream to have someday.

I have received several emails from LOH members wishing me well and asking for my address or asking if I need anything. Generally, I'm pretty well off, Janet has been doing a great job of supporting me and the BX here has most of what I need. I appreciate the offers and have only one request. There are many young soldiers and airmen over here that do not have the support network I have back home. Like myself, they have most of what they need, but they don't always get the personal touches I do. Items like snacks, stationary/envelops (letters are free to mail back home), powdered mixes for their water, toiletries, etc. Thank you notes from people back home also lift their spirits.

As a LOH member over here, I think it would be great if the Legion would help support these young men and women. If you care to send something over here, I

will make sure it is placed in the hands of someone who could really use a moral boost. Bagram is one of three main bases in country and there are a lot of folks processing through here to locations that are, to say the least, primitive. There is a USO and a couple of MWR tents set up that could be used to distribute items as well.

And don't forget to send the most important item, membership petitions! We might as well get these young men before the band or clown units get to them.

Please spread the word and if you'd like to send something, you can send it to me at:

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Yours In The Faith,

Tracy Coughlin

## International Chaplain's Message

Rev. David L. Kinsey, 33<sup>o</sup>

### "If Everyone Stands In Line to Receive – No One Will"

Every day should be a reason for celebrating the numerous gifts which God has bestowed upon each of us. We recently celebrated several festive occasions – Thanksgiving, Christmas, Chanukah and New Years. These festive occasions are all about renewal, loving one another and giving thanks for the innumerable benefits each of have received. However, if everyone stands in line to receive we could not receive the benefits of another person's love since everyone is standing in line – waiting to receive.

There are two types of people in this world. Takers and Givers. We are born into this world as Takers. Understandably so. We can do nothing for ourselves. We cannot feed, cloth, or bath ourselves so we depend on our parents or guardians to do these things for us. As we

grow older it is the responsibility of our parents to help us shed the Takers needs and develop us as Givers. My parents taught me well. "David, don't give until it hurts, give until it feels good." How well I remember the process of transforming from a Taker to a Giver. I found comfort in having Mom and Dad do everything for me. So the process was gradual and yes often painful. But I saw the blessings bestowed upon my parents by God because of their generosity. Their entire life was based on reaching out and touching the hearts of all they met. My Mom and Dad were God's Masterpiece. And you – you were born with the "Need to be Loved" and you never lose that need. You too, when born, – you too are God's Masterpiece.

Unfortunately, somewhere on life's highway, some individuals take the "Scenic Route of Life". They have no desire to move from Taker to Giver. It's all about ME and what can you do for

me. They live life with their hand out expecting help from everyone including their family, the church, the synagogue and the government. How sad. What a waste of the potential of developing a talent that God has given them.

While everyone is born with the need to be loved, everyone's greatest fear – for their entire life is Rejection. Perhaps the root of the problem has been rejection. Perhaps they were not afforded the opportunity of parental guidance. I have seen so many lives changed from Takers to Givers because they see the value in the importance of Giving.

So if you see someone in need, don't give them a fish – rather, teach them to fish.

That is your Godly responsibility. And besides, someday they will love you for it.

# 6<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Commander's Message

## Division Six

Happy New Year... Were you good boys and girls last year and Santa filled your stocking with all your wishes? Now how about your New Year's resolution? Mine is not to wait for IALOH Adjutant Ron Lee to tell us that the Newsletter is due. I am going to start adding to the blank page every Monday after I visit your Legion of Honor.....

Last October I started the month off planning for my annual elk hunting trip to Meeker, Colorado. The trip was great. One in our party of eight got his elk on opening morning. My grandson and I left a day early with memories of a wonderful trip. My oldest granddaughter got married the next day. I tried for three months to get Cassandra to change the

wedding date. Well, it was easier to cut the hunting trip a day short. I love her and her husband Jeremy.

November is the annual trip to Arlington to place a Wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. There were 437 that registered in the attendance book for the three day memorial. As usual there were over a hundred that were first time attendees. With the hotel cost of less than a hundred dollars per day in Washington DC, this is the best kept secret in Shrinedom. I will be co-captain in 2012 and captain in 2013 and will need all the help from LOH Units in my DIVISION.

November is the month we give thanks for all the blessings we have in the great USA. I attended the Arab Shrine stated meeting and Arab Legion of Honor annual thank you turkey dinner for the ladies who have furnished the covered dish dinners all year. The men do all the cooking and the Rainbow Girls do the serving. We also elect our new officers for 2012. We have made a great selection with David Kinzie for Commander and David Smith First Lt. The Adjutant and Finance officers are appointed by the new commander and will be announced at our January meeting with the installation.

December is the annual Christmas parties. The first one that Lady Cynthia and I attended was Abdallah Legion of Honor dinner and installation, which was held at the Masonic



**Morris W. Sykes**

lodge in Shawnee. Smokie Siecgrist was Master of Ceremonies and Donnie Bowerman was Installing Commander, with the assistance of 3<sup>rd</sup> Lt. Jerry Rodman and IALOH 6<sup>th</sup> Lt. Morris W. Sykes. The new officers were installed with Commander Jon Robbins serving a second term, Bill Carrell as Finance Officer and Chad Wyancko as Adjutant.

No one can miss their home Legion of Honor Christmas Party, so Arab was next on the list. It was held at the Ramada Inn this year and the decorations were great. Our Unit has Red Dinner jackets and they really add to the holiday color of Christmas. Commander Don McClafin and Lady Lila and all of his officers and ladies were in attendance. Past Commander Lane Ruehlen made a toast to Commander Don for the great job he has done this year while battling his illness the last three years. New Officers will be installed at the January meeting with David Kinzie as Commander. I wish he and Lady Jo the best for the 2012 year.

Then Cynthia and I traveled down to India Legion of Honor in Oklahoma City to attend their annual Christmas Dinner Party. We have made this an annual trip since they served as officers in my CSSA LOH Staff back in 2006-08. This was the first time it was not held at the Officers Club at Tinker Air Force Base. Commander Rick Kirk and Lady Peggy had a wonderful party. Everyone brought gifts and signed Christmas cards for the children at their designated Shrine Hospital. Next year's officers are Commander "Barney" Lehmebeck Jr, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Kenneth Pointer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Robert Wicker, Adjutant Lyle Fry, Finance Officer Ferman Collier and Quartermaster David Greenberg.

I wish all of you A HAPPY NEW YEAR. Say a prayer for our armed forces that are serving around the world for our freedom.

Yours in the Faith,  
Morris W. Sykes

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**IN MEMORY OF  
OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS**

## 7<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Commander's Message

October was a slow month as we closed up the season with our final 2011 parade for Antioch at Minster, Ohio. The activities after the parade were great with German food being served all over Minister. Man, was I in pain when I left--I ate all afternoon and the German beer really goes without saying. What a way to finish the year!!

My first Board of Governors meeting at Lexington, Kentucky went well. It was great to see old friends again, as I have been to Lexington Shrine Hospital and attended several meetings prior to being elected onto the Board. The Board members received me with open arms and my day was a total success. I'm proud to be working for the Hospitals and the Children, something I can honestly say is the main reason I joined the Shrine---to work for our Children.

Later on in the month First GLSA Lt. Commander Roy Combs and I, with Ladies, attended Zenobia's Change of Command. I assisted the IALOH Commander, Tony Murray, as the Installing Marshal and we did it by the BOOK. Well, as close as we possibly could and having fun along the way. Congratulations to Commander Lloyd Herrington and his new officers of Zenobia Legion of Honor.

I was so proud to again attend the Arlington Laying of the wreath in November. Congratulations go out to 4<sup>th</sup> Lt Cmdr Jim Pulley, his Lady Deb, and his staff for an outstanding job during the Convention. Everything went as planned and we had plenty of food and libations. I want to thank Jim personally for inviting me to attend some of the legwork in setting up the functions with the Army Base and the meal preparations.

The Board of Governors meeting in November went as planned. The moving of the Lexington Shrine Hospital with the New Lexington Hospital, (Construction has started), is on schedule. The completions of this event are scheduled for the year 2014. More to follow as I get information to report.

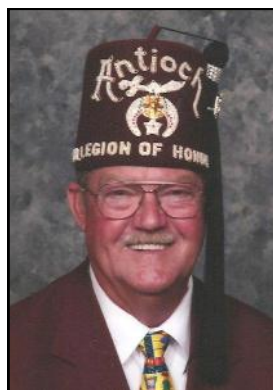
Lady Pat and I had a marvelous time at the Antioch Temple Children's Christ-

mas party. Mr. & Mrs. Claus was dressed for the occasion and we received 120-130 children for this special occasion. And yes, we had a Great-Great time supporting our Temple, our Nobles, Ladies, and their children.

09 December we started the month off by visiting Syrian Shrine Temple LOH, Change of Command. Last minute changes had the Potentate of Syrian doing the Honors of the Installation. My Chief of Staff Roy, 1st Lt Cmdr GLSA LOH, and his lady Kay accompanied Lady Pat and me. We also had one of my Personnel Aides, Tony Stout from Murat Temple, attending as well. Congratulations to the new officers of Syrian.

12 Dec Lady Pat and I traveled to Lexington Shrine Hospital for the Board of Governors Meeting. As of Nov, Lexington Shrine Hospital is under budget for the year. Our Current Applications total 2737 for the year. Just a little info from Lexington Hospital. After the meeting we traveled home and then to Aladdin Shrine Temple for their Shrine COC. 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Roy, GLSA LOH installed the new Officers while I assisted. Ohio Temples are assigned to Roy as well as myself for our divisions, and so we split Ohio Temple for Installations. Congratulations to Commander James P. Rock and his new officers for the year 2012. Roy presented GLSA LOH Past Commander Robert Faver with a plaque from the GLSA LOH for his dedication and service to the Legion of Honor. Pete Phillips spoke about his friendship with Bob and all the great times they have had together.

13 Dec Roy and I traveled to MOCHA Shrine Temple LOH for their Change of Command Ceremony. We had a great time with the Legion of Honor members and enjoyed ourselves immensely. It was great to spend some quality time with our friends in Canada. Congratulations to Commander Roland L'Heureux as the new Commander and his officers.



**Ray Combs**

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Lady Pat and I are now slowing down for the remainder of the month to spend time now with our families. Merry Christmas to All; never forget the Reason for the Season.

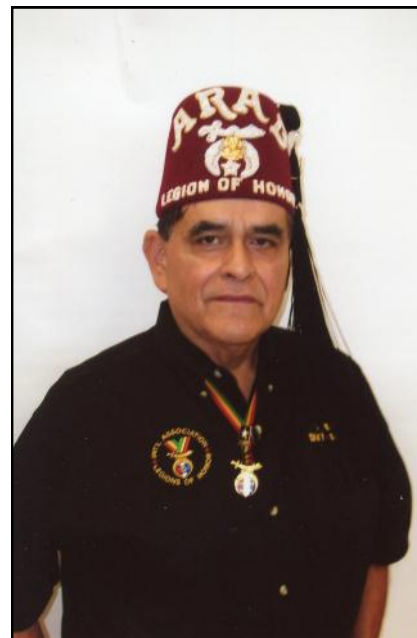
Ray Combs

## Division Seven

16 Dec Lady Pat and I again traveled to Wright Patterson AFB to support another Christmas Party for our friends and their children.

20 Dec my Chief of Staff, Roy, my Lady Pat and myself traveled to Murat to attend their VA Hospital Visitation and Dinner. The vets were wonderful to visit, the food was great, and many thanks go out to Tony Stout and his Lady Chris-

## The Candidate



**Al Gonzales, PC**

Noble Al Gonzales, Past Commander of Arab Shriners Legion of Honor, is this year's only candidate for Eighth International Lieutenant Commander. All of Noble Gonzales' paperwork was properly submitted.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Commander's Message

Happy New Year everyone!! Lady Shari and I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas with your families and friends and are now ready to begin a new Shrine year.

Legion Noble Paul Sawyer, current Adjutant and Past Commander of Karem LOH in Waco, Texas, and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander of the Texas Association Legions of Honor, invited us to their monthly meeting on October 21, 2011. My Chief of Staff Jim Hollis, Commander of the Texas Association Legions of Honor, and his Lady Barbara attended with my Lady Shari and me. We were met there by the 1<sup>st</sup> International Lt. Commander Jack Tuomey, Lady Sarabeth, his Chief of Staff Don Gibson and Lady Jean. Karem LOH Commander Bob Bickett, Paul Sawyer, and Karem Potentate, Illustrious Sir David Buckles were gracious hosts. We had a very informative meeting and a delicious meal.

The Wreath Laying in Arlington on November 5, 2011, was, as always, top notch and should not be missed by any Legion Noble. The entire event was well planned and executed by the 4<sup>th</sup> International Lt. Commander, Jim Pulley, his Lady Deb and the many conscientious members of the Pulley Team. Again, my Chief of Staff Jim Hollis and his Lady Barbara joined me and Lady Shari. It was my first "official" meeting in Arlington as a line officer and I listened a lot, actually learned a little and was impressed with how Commander Murray led the meeting. A real highlight was having Imperial Potentate, Mike Severe, speak at the meeting. He stated there was some confusion among temples concerning the proper order of flags and that the Imperial Council would soon be sending out the correct protocol for all Shriners to follow. By the way, after the laying of the wreath, most of us joined our Canadian brethren to pay respects at the Canadian Cross of Sacrifice in a beautiful ceremony by laying poppies at the base of the monument. Lady Shari and I were also excited because one of our newest members at Ben Hur Shrine, Legion Noble Allan Scholin and Lady Brenda joined us in Arlington.



**Eddie Daffern**

Ben Hur Shrine Legion of Honor participated in the Veterans Parade in San Marcos, Texas on November 11. Chief of Staff Jim Hollis brought his old military jeep and we were joined by another new member, Dr. Sam Stimson.

On November 12, Ben Hur Shrine held a "Proud to be an American" day at the temple. It was hosted by the Legion of Honor and Potentate Mike Ford. Tables were

set up so that any veteran, or family of a veteran, could bring old photos, memorabilia, uniforms or anything else that pertained to the veteran to be viewed by all present. There were about 20 tables set up and the displays and stories that went with them were magnificent. In keeping with the "All American" theme, hot dogs, hamburgers and ice cream were served.

December 1<sup>st</sup> was the Christmas Party for the Ben Hur Legion of Honor. All of our Divan members were present plus Legion Noble Paul Sawyer from Karem LOH. On December 4<sup>th</sup>, the Chief of Staff, our Ladies and I traveled to Temple, Texas, for a Christmas Party hosted by Karem LOH. Both were great parties!

Lady Shari and I will be in San Diego at the Al Bahr Legion of Honor on January 21, 2012. Incoming Commander George Barber has invited me to be the Installing Officer. I was very excited to get the invitation and am truly looking forward to it. Remember Legion Nobles, the International Officers are willing to attend your functions, but we need to be asked in plenty of time to make it part of our calendar.

A short membership note...there are two things my unit at Ben Hur started doing in 2011. One, we developed a tri-fold brochure that explains the Legion of Honor and what we do. Two, we have received permission from the Divan to automatically make any new member coming into Ben Hur, who is a veteran, a member of the Legion of Honor for one year. He will not pay dues for that year, but will be a regular member, not a probationary member. If we do our job right, he will want to stay. If he already has plans to participate with another unit, that is also ok because it gives him another outlet to find his way as a new member. This year, Ben Hur Legion of Honor has nine (9) new members. If you think this would work for your unit and you need more information or help, shoot me an email and let's get started.

Semper Fi,

Eddie Daffern, PP



Al Bahr Members who will be part of the Installation Ceremony. From the left: Chaplain Dave Winesett, 1st LCDR Don Heath, PC Frank Schoen, Outgoing Commander John Kasten, and Commander-Elect George B. Barber.

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Love of Country and Flag;  
To perpetuate the memory  
of our Comrades in Arms  
who made the Supreme Sacrifice  
by giving their lives for their country  
while members of the Armed Forces;  
To devote our efforts  
as individuals and  
Legion of Honor Units  
to strive for an increase in  
Friendship and Cooperation  
between our Legion of Honor Units  
and other Units  
of Shriners International*

## **You Never Know Who You Might Meet...**

While on vacation last month on board the Celebrity Silhouette, I was stopped by a young man, a member of the crew, who recognized the Shriners Hospital logo on the tee shirt I was wearing. He introduced himself as Dr. Gabriel Margain, one of the ship's doctors, and also as a member of Al Amin Shriners!

We learned that as a child living in Mexico, Dr. Noble Margain had been badly burned over 70% of his body. After several days in a hospital in Mexico, he was flown to Texas and accepted at the Shriners Burn Hospital in Galveston where he eventually made a full recovery. His experiences there led him to become a plastic surgeon and he now spends part of each year doing cleft palate repairs at the Shriners Hospital for Children in Houston.

Dr. Margain, Gabriel, joined us on our visit in San Juan with the Al Rai'e Saleh Legion of Honor and enjoyed



**Left to Right: Dr. Gabriel Margain, member of Al Amin Shriners, MW Victor R. Berrios Pérez 33°. Grand Master of Puerto Rico, I.S. Jose Mulinelli 33°, Potentate of Al Rai'e Shriners, and Ron Lee, Intl. Adjutant during visit to San Juan, Puerto Rico.**

the outing as much as Helen and I did and I have to say that he is one of the most enthusiastic Masons and Shriners I've ever met.

Ron Lee