ILLUSTRIOUS SIR DAVID JUERGENS

Where to start. Thank you for allowing me to be your Potentate for 2012. It has been an honor and a privilege to be the 115th Potentate of Kosair. As I put pen to paper it is hard to believe this journey is about to be over. Clara and I thank everyone who has helped make this a great year for Kosair. I thank everyone who helped carry the message to the Lodges about Kosair Shrine and Kosair Charities, also all the hospitality, chicken dinners, and brotherly love shared at all these Lodges and Club events.

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ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Nobles, Please Take Note
Annual Meeting of Kosair Shriners and Kosair Charities Committee, Inc. Will be held at Kosair Shrine Center 812 South Second Street, Louisville, KY 40203 Friday, January 11, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

Kosair Shrine Officers and Directors of Uniformed bodies and Clubs will make annual reports. Any business or reports specifically called for in the bylaws of Kosair Shriners or Kosair Charities Committee, Inc. will be presented or acted upon. Kosair Shriners may act upon any business which properly comes before the Temple. The installation of Shrine Officers for 2013 will be held at the conclusion of the meeting. In addition, one member will be elected to the Board of Directors of Kosair Charities Committee, Inc.

An organizational meeting will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, January 12 at the Temple. Your 2013 dues card is necessary for admission. The Recorder’s Office will be open to receive dues. A Fez is also required for admission. Dress appropriately.

Yours in the Faith,
David Juergens, Potentate, Kosair Shriners
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Attest: Eddie Chrisman, PP Recorder, Kosair Shriners
Attest: Eddie Chrisman, PP Secretary, Kosair Charities Committee, Inc.

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THE NEXT
KOSAIR KOLUMS DEADLINE
IS SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 23, 2012
FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE

To recap, thanks to everyone
who attended the Elizabethtown
fundraiser that Riasok and the
Knights of Columbus hold every
year raising money for Kosair Charities.

The Spring Ceremonial was a huge
success, taking in 117 New Nobles
and presenting a program for their
ladies. That night the Potentate’s
Celebration was a huge success with
a great time had by all. The garbage
can cookout by the Roustabous was
fantastic! Thanks to everyone who
attended the Kerbela Funfest. The
day at the races at Churchill Downs
was a sellout. At the Imperial Session
we were able to get legislation
passed that allowed Shrine Ladies
and children to ride in Community
parades. Kosair now has approved
by-laws. The Sam Swope Charity
Ride raised $241,000 this year. A
good time was had by all. A big
thank you goes to Sam Swope and
Riasok Shrine Club for their gifts.

The Ceremonial in Lebanon during
Ham Days took in 37 New Nobles.
Kosair Charities Dreams Take
Flight committed $17.1 million to
90 community agencies.

A new Divan has been elected and I
wish them well. I take this time to
thank Betty and Laurie for keeping
me in line, for without them Kosair
would not run so well.

My time has come, my 366 days
of fun are all but done, but Kosair
will always be “Lifting for Kids!”
Again, Clara and I would like to
thank everyone who helped make
this a great year for Kosair, the Best
Shrine Temple of all!!

Soon to be P.P. Big Dave

Transportation Unit

Another year that passed to quickly.
It seems like only last week that
Dave Juergens was being installed
as the year 2012 Kosair Potentate.
Brother Dave, you did a good job.

And 2013 Potentate (and Brother)
Bob Maxwell, I have no idea what
size shoes you wear so I’ll just say
you’ve got a big pair of pants to fill.
Here’s wishing you much success in
year as leader of Kosair Shrine.

The elected Transportation Unit
Officers for year 2013 are: President,
Jim Baker; Vice President, Art
Davis; Secretary, Henry Watson and
Director, Roger Hines. They were
installed on December 19th, the
night of our annual Christmas party.

The Unit had a very busy travel
schedule for the October 18th
through November 20th time frame.

We made 24 trips, and drove ¬7371
miles for an average of 307 miles per
trip.

We always looking for new members
since most of the present are old,
grouchy and decrepit (excluding
the writer of course), and we would
welcome an infusion of new blood.
Our monthly meetings are held
the third Wednesday of the month,
10:30AM in the Kosair dining room.
Come and observe and then decide
if you would care to be a member
of Kosair Transportation. Your
uniforms are furnished, we have
no yearly dues and all out of pocket
expenses are reimbursed.

May everyone have a happy and
healthy New Year and I bid you
adieu until next month.

Roger Hines
Secretary, Transportation Unit
Kosair Greeters
Gordon E. Berry, PP

The 2013 Greeter Officers were installed as part of the 2012 Greeter Holiday Party festivities by Joe Graves. The 2013 Greeter Officer’s are as follows: President, Lou Flamm; First Vice President, Perry Strader; Second Vice President, Kent Gott; Third Vice President, Alton Roberts, PP; Membership Officer, Harold Herman and Secretary/Treasurer, Gordon Berry, PP, Harold Herman will serve as the 2013 Greeter Unit Director.

Greeters do not forget the 40th Annual Mason/Knight Dance on Saturday evening, January 26th in the Kosair Center Ballroom. The cost of dance tickets is $25.00 per couple. This dance is an eligible Greeter BAL Award event. The Rob Brown Combo will provide the music. The dance will begin at 7:00 PM. (All Greeter Unit net proceeds of this dance are donated to Kosair Charities.)

The January executive committee meeting will be on Monday, January 14th beginning at 5:00 PM, the regular Greeter Meeting will begin at 7:00 PM, Hospitality will be served beginning at 6:00 PM.

The “Rite” Stuff

HAPPY NEW YEAR” EVERYONE. I hope everyone had a MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY HOLIDAYS and/or HOLYDAYS.

I welcome the new Master’s of the Royal Secret that participated in the November Illustrious Gayle Bush 33rd degree reunion.

The Louisville Scottish Rite starts off the New Year on January 1st, 2013 with our New Years Day reception at the Scottish Rite Temple in Louisville. Once again our families are invited. The time is 12:00 p.m.(noon) till 3:00p.m. Come on down and renew friendships, drink some punch and eat some cookies. Don’t forget to pick up you souvenir glass. If you can’t make it downtown, visit one of the Scottish Rite Clubs in your area.

On January 10th there is a Stated Meeting. There will be lite refreshments at 6:30p.m. with the meeting to follow, including the election of officers for the Chapter Rose Croix and Consistory.

On January 24th there will be a Family Night Dinner. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by the installation of officers for the Chapter Rose Croix and Consistory in the auditorium. Congratulations to the newly installed Officers.

On February 2nd the MASONIC EDUCATION CONFERENCE for Districts 12, 13, & 14 will be held from 3pm to 6pm.

On February 14th, VALENTINES DAY, there will be a FAMILY NIGHT DINNER at 6:30 p.m. with a program to follow. Bring your HONEY to dinner. I know Frank will prepare a delicious meal for the ladies. As always there is no cost for the meal. Call the Scottish Rite office, 584-6185 and make reservations for you and your guest.

Don’t forget to pay your dues.
Bill Meyer, Senior Warden
Louisville Chapter Rose Croix  Louisville Scottish Rite

“Don’t let your worries get the best of you, remember Moses started out as a basket case.”
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SunShriner Unit

The Kosair Sunshiners along with members of Team 12 Kentucky Honor Mission returned to the Masonic Home in Shelbyville September 9th and had a Veterans appreciation Ceremony in the chapel where we Thanked 21 Veterans for their Service to our Country. We presented them with Certificates, American Flags and we conducted a ceremony to show our appreciation of Military Service during this time our Country was at War. I report that each of us that came gave words of Thanks to our Veterans. There were several residents that had their families attend as well. There were over 60 people that came and shared our presentation of Thanks for Your Service. There was a small party after our event where we interacted with all the Veterans. I report that there were some serious Soldiers, Marines, Navy, and Air Force men of Military in the House this day. We had WW II and Korean War Veterans represented. The Hugs, Tears and Handshakes were something I will always remember.

I want to thank Mel Borich, Lee Bradford, John Wesley & Jean, and Russell Kersey, a Purple heart / Bronze Star US Marine veteran of the Vietnam War, that made this a success. Special Thanks to John Wesley and Jean for recording the mission and taking photos. I could see the pride in the room when we posed for pictures with each one.

We also salute the Masonic Home for inviting us to come out and have a Veterans Day Ceremony for the many veteran residents that need to know we still care about them. This is why we do what we do on a regular basis as Masons, Shriners and Veterans.

Fraternally,

Walt Oster, Mel Borich, John Wesley, Lee Bradford
Sunshiners Unit Kosair
Few if any organizations have been more adept at reconstruction in the face of adversity, and at creating another world and a magical empire, as have the Freemasons, -- which the fanciful use of Egyptian motifs in the nineteenth century clearly illustrates. While a number of recent studies call attention to the historical contributions of fraternal orders in the United States, including the Pythians, Odd Fellows, Woodsmen, and Red Men, movements whose temples in the nineteenth century were found on every Main Street, it is Masonry which was the pre-eminent secret society of the nineteenth century and deserves the most attention.

At the start of the nineteenth century, most Masonic lodges were relatively simple affairs, both in architecture and in ritual. It might be argued that, until that time, lodges had been more concerned with the world of ideas rather than of ceremony. Authorities such as Margaret Jacob in studying their influence have claimed that the Masonic lodges of that earlier seventeenth and eighteenth century period were the progenitors of civil society despite their secrecy and their gender and social bias.

However, the nineteenth century saw the creation of an enormous number of additional Masonic degrees and organizations promising to confer more exalted honors and communicate ever more esoteric secrets, and to accomplish this the Masons increasingly turned to Egypt for a leitmotif, both for their dramas and for their buildings. While the inspiration for this has been credited to the presence of Masons on the Egyptian campaign of Napoleon Bonaparte and the discovery of the Rosetta Stone, as well as to the influence of Judaism -- witness the synagogue designed by the Mason William Strickland for Philadelphia in 1825 -- it also is sometimes attributed to the enthusiasm aroused by the creation early in the century of two new Masonic organizations, the Rite of Mizraim (Mizraim simply being the plural of Egyptian) and the Rite of Memphis. (Acetates of Memphis and Mizraim.) Mizraim was organized in Milan in 1805 and moved to Paris by 1812. It has ninety degrees, and although claiming to perpetuate the lost tradition of Egyptian hermetics is a confusing collection of rituals partly based on the kabalah and alchemy as well as the so-called Scottish Rite. Mizraim and Memphis were merged in Italy in 1881 by the famous Italian patriot Giuseppe Garibaldi, but are now practiced both by separate and unified organizations. (Acetates of Misraim and of Memphis.) In England, Mizraim was introduced or re-introduced the Rite of Mizraim as well as other degrees with Egyptian themes, like Garibaldi attempting to combine Mizraim with Memphis.

Other sources include Mozart’s Magic Flute (1791) which in the production by Karl Friedrich Schinkel in Berlin in 1815 was given a fully Egyptian staging that would influence subsequent productions. One could go further back in history and assert that the interest in Egypt was prompted by Biblical studies or by the classical tradition and by claims that Greece and Rome were primarily indebted to Egypt. Or, of course, one could move forward in time to Verdi’s Aida at the dedication of the Cairo opera house in 1871. As for the motivation, contributing was undoubtedly the fact that virtually all human societies, at all times have turned to the past to authenticate the present.”

However, putting that debate to one side, in the case of the United States, regardless of possible antecedents, the Egyptian influence on nineteenth century Freemasonry was strongest after the anti-Masonic movement of the 1820s and 1830s waned, and the order began to reconstruct itself. This is at variance with the British experience, where a case can be made that the so-called Egyptian Revival dates to the 1790s and where there was no comparable anti-Masonic activity. Evidences of the a general Egyptian enthusiasm are fairly common throughout the British Empire. There are some good examples in the United States as well, notably the Egyptian building of Virginia Commonwealth University dating from 1845.

When it comes to the specific case of Freemasonry, the increased American involvement in fraternal orders after the

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Kosair Kolums
EDDIE T. BLACK, PAST POTENTATE

Eddie was born in Ohio County, Kentucky and was an alumni of Manual High School. He retired from Naval Ordnance where he was a planner for over 35 years. He was an Army veteran of the Korean War. Eddie was a member VFW. Iroquois Hill Post #6182: a charter member of Shively #951 and PRP #959 Masonic Lodges; Scottish and York Rites; Shively Eastern Star Chapter #566; the 2000 potentate of Kosair Shrine Temple where he was active with the Provost unit since 1966, the Directors Staff unit and assistant chairman of the Shrine circus; and a member of the Order of Quetzalcoatl, Teocalli #20. He passed to the Unseen Temple on November 24, 2012 with his loving wife Judy and other loved ones comforting him.

His sense of humor was a delight to his longtime friend, Noble Carroll Laird. Carroll fondly remembers the time he and his wife Chris were at home at Christmas when Eddie gave them a surprise visit. The doorbell rang and when Carroll opened the door he found a Santa Clause stocking in a yard chair on his porch. What was in the stocking? A new Yorkie puppy sticking his head out. It was a surprise gift from their friend, Eddie Black.
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hysteria of anti-Masonry declined not only involved membership growth but a vast expansion of the ritual activities and, with that, an increased interest in the architecture of the lodge buildings. the results were often extraordinary. One architectural historian wrote, trying to make sense of the eclectic Silvergate Masonic temple in San Diego:

Traditionally, the Masons have used Egyptian designs in their rituals and buildings. The architects probably drew on this heritage in designing the interior of the building. Inside the Temple are examples of Egyptian Revival design on light fixtures, curtain rods and ceiling stencils. In addition to these occasional designs in the smaller rooms, the large Lodge Room on the third floor is completely Egyptian Revival. It is an impressive, windowless room designed to look like an Egyptian throne room. Exotic designs include stencils of the scarab beetle on light fixtures around the walls; stenciled wooden beams across the ceiling; Egyptian columns flanking a raised, stage area at each end of the room; and three wooden “throne” chairs on each of these stages, each chair having Egyptian designs carved on its back. Huge, circular light fixtures hang from the ceiling on long pillars which term inante at the ceiling in a lotus/papyrus design, like the tops of columns.

These buildings played an important role in the community, often doubling as theatres and even schools and post offices, and it is fair to note that Masonic lodges have been a neglected factor in considering the nineteenth century creation of “public space”. In England, Masonic temples at Boston, Warwick, and Edinburgh survive as testimony to the Egyptian enthusiasm, while in the United States there are far more examples.

As for the esoteric ceremonies, they became for a time the tribal rites of American and other societies, with just as much of an anthropological flavor as the activities of tribes in New Guinea. The humor of the era shows just how much the lodge permeated the popular culture.

This popularity was partly because in nineteenth-century America, fraternalism was a way by which men escaped from the profanum vulgus: once the lodge door was guarded, another world opened. This was a serious world. There is considerable difference in sophistication between the ritualistic activities of Victorian lodges and Hollywood depictions of fraternity initiations. The lodge in the nineteenth century was not a place for comic hijinks, but for the enactment of serious dramas teaching moral precepts.

Such activities required inspiration and Egypt provided it, although sometimes by default since, employing Occam’s razor, the extensive Masonic use of Egyptian themes can be attributed simply to the ready availability of Egyptian art, which was far easier to emulate given the numerous available books and engravings than Assyrian or Persian designs. Egypt was one of the accounts from which artists and architects, whether Masons or not, could take ideas. Even degrees which historically had nothing to do with Egypt were costumed with Egyptian dress and staged in Egyptian settings.

The Egyptian stagings have survived despite their historical inappropriateness and painted backdrops with Egyptian designs are still used by Masonic temples in supreme disregard for the historical content of the degrees. The Masons were and, with that, an increased interest in the architecture of the lodge buildings. the results were often extraordinary. One architectural historian wrote, trying to make sense of the eclectic Silvergate Masonic temple in San Diego:

Despite such criticism, the numbers of Masons in the United States increased remarkably in the last half of the century. A study shows that in Wisconsin the per cent of population who were Masons was as follows:

- 1850 .28%
- 1860 .48%
- 1870 .87%
- 1880 .85%
- 1890 .82%

This growth was in the face of opposition as the religious universalism of the Masons was taken seriously by orthodox Christian critics, with some justice since the suggestion has been repeatedly that Masonry offered a more satisfactory spiritual experience for some men than did conventional religion, and enabled them to be religious while asserting their masculinity. This is an argument of Professor Mark C. Carnes of Columbia University in his book Secret Ritual and Manhood in Victorian America:

These ideas and emotions could not be stated publicly. If men had acknowledged that the orders were an alternative form of religion, of family, and of...
The Christmas Party at Oxmoor Country Club was wonderful and the food was delicious as usual. The gift exchange was a lot of fun. Marolyn Etheridge’s music set the tone for a wonderful holiday season. Thanks to Sandy Weiss for making all the arrangements for this party.

Our annual donation to Kosair Charities was presented to Kosair Charities President Jerry Ward. It is always a pleasure to hand over our donation for our Kosair Kids.

Kosair Nomads

Here’s hoping everyone had or has a “Great New Year 2013”. Everything is in full swing for all our new Nomads, we had, I believe around 59 new Nobles inducted into the Shrine on November 17th. What a wonderful day it was, and a full day for all. As I have said before, we as new Nobles (NOMADS), are getting a newbie club started within our Shrine, we will be known as Nomads. Everyone who is new to the Shrine will be a part of this organization for at least the first year, but nothing says you cannot be one longer or even forever. This will be your call.

We hope to have all of our new members show up for our next meeting this month on January 18th, which is a Friday night, which we usually have right after the Friday dinner @ 6:30pm (the dinner cost $10 a person and is usually pretty darn good). If you can not make the dinner, we will meet around 7:30pm.

Keep in mind, we are discussing changing the day our meeting from Friday evenings to another night, because Friday’s seem a little hard for many to make. We will keep everyone posted of any changes.

What we want is to channel information to all new nobles, since many of us know that all to many times, when we have joined an organization. The new ones seem to get left out of the information trail, and we have felt like we were the forgotten ones. That is why we are starting this club “Nomads” to make everyone feel welcome, and also get the info out to you, so YOU can make your informed decisions to where you might fit into our great organization. Remember we are what we make it. It’s not only for what we can do for the kids, its how the Shrine can help us, so we can become better brothers. I am blessed to have known several people here at the Shrine who help show me the many ways, so I could find my niche, and that’s what the Nomads are about.

I hope I got everyone’s paperwork that they filed out the day they became Shriner’s, if not email or call me and I will forward you a copy.

Also remember your ladies are always welcome at our meetings......

Remember the 17th of January at 7:30pm - dinner @ 6:30pm ($10 each). Also don’t forget we have a Nomads web page & Nomads page on Facebook - give us a look!

Hope to see you soon,
Kenny Carrier
kcarrier@insightbb.com
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Kosair Kolumns

10 Kosair Kolums
social organization, the forces that had crushed Masonry in the 1820s [the Anti-Masonic hysteria in the United States] might have again besieged the fraternal movement. Not only lodge buildings and ceremonies, with their papyrus stalks, cobra heads, lotus flowers and scarab beetles, testified to Masonic interest in Egypt.

Wonderful costumes were created. And a widespread nineteenth century phenomenon was the erection of obelisks with accompanying Masonic observances, of which the Washington Monument, whose interior displays dozens of Masonic memorial stones, is the prime example.

While existing Masonic institutions fell under the Egyptian influence, quite apart from the evidence of Egypt on the mainstream Masonic buildings and rituals (“mainstream” would include the blue lodges giving the first degrees and the Scottish and York Rites) is its significance in the creation of auxiliary organizations that were completely Middle Eastern in their flavor. A major example is the Mystic Shrine, or more properly, the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, an autonomous organization which recruited from those who have climbed the Masonic ladder and become either Knights Templar or thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Masons. It is probably best known today to the public for its charities such as hospitals for crippled children and centers for severe burn victims, and for sponsorship of events such as the East-West Shrine football bowl and circuses.

Like many Masonic organizations, the Shrine has a legendary past which historians would challenge, claiming that it originated in 656 AD somewhere in the Middle East. Its buildings are called mosques and its board of officers is known as a divan, with the presiding officer termed the potentate. The uniform is modeled after the one used by Zouaves in the French Empire and the red fez is its famous distinctive headdress. The fez became such a status symbol that it was borrowed by many other Masonic groups. Possibly the most remarkably eclectic use of it is by some Masonic Knight Templars, who sport the fez adorned with the Christian crusading cross!

A competitive group, called the Mystic Order Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, or the Grotto, got its start by admitting Masons who have only the first three degrees and was called the poor man’s Shrine because members did not have to pay out to take additional degrees as the Nobles must before they can join the Shrine. The Grotto claims to base its ritual on the works of Hakem ben Haschem, the great Al Mokanna or Veiled Prophet. (There is an excellent chapter in the Louisville area, Aahmad Grotto. Ed.)

There is a separate Shrine organization of late nineteenth century origin principally for blacks but which has men of all races, the Ancient Egyptian Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Many of its members have honorably served in the armed forces of the United States. Members enjoy and respect fine fellowship, service to God and country, and Freemasonry. (Damasacus Shrine Temple #58 is the local chapter in Louisville. Ed.)

For women, there are groups such as the Ladies Oriental Shrine, which only admits female relatives of Shriners, and the Ancient Egyptian Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Many of its members have honorably served in the armed forces of the United States. Members enjoy and respect fine fellowship, service to God and country, and Freemasonry. (Damasacus Shrine Temple #58 is the local chapter in Louisville. Ed.)

All of these organizations go to great lengths to project an image of age. Meeting rooms are often based on notions of what a Pharonic temple looks like, although they often are eclectic and blend Persia, Egyptian, Islamic and Coney Island themes. Undoubtedly some, though not all, of the members think they are participating in very ancient ceremonies.

In actual fact the Shrine appears to have been invented by a medical doctor, Walter Millard Fleming. Dr. Fleming was active in Freemasonry in New York City in the 1870s. He belonged to both the Scottish and York rites of Masonry. In 1867 a friend of Dr. Fleming, William J. Florence, returned from a trip to Middle East full of enthusiasm for Islamic architecture and costumes. Florence was an actor and his real name was William Jermy Conlin. One story about his part in the beginning of the Shrine holds that he actually received the Shrine ritual from another Mason, Charles T. McClenachan, before he went on his travels.

In any event, the passion for Orientalism proved contagious and along with McClenachan, Fleming and Florence devised a ritual which would be given only to Masons who had climbed the York or Scottish Rite ladders. The Odd Fellows, Pythians and other groups responded with additional orders with an Egyptian and general Middle Eastern theme. The Shrine eventually established itself in nearly 200 cities in Canada, the United States, Mexico and Panama.

Little of this had any real connection with Egypt. Nevertheless, Masonry did attempt to grow in the Arab world and during the last half of the nineteenth century, was politically significant in the Ottoman Empire. Arab tradition was embraced in the search for ritualistic legitimacy: a Masonic authority asserted that the koreish or guardians of the sacred kaaba in Mecca were members! One might think that the Islamic world would react with pleasure to the erection of Arabic-style buildings and the desire of leading Americans to dress up as Middle Easterners. That was not the case. The organization in the Middle East encountered criticism and disapproval. The treatment the Masons have received from some Arabs and Muslims has been harsh to the point of persecution.

Ultimately then the influence the order had with the Arabs is problematical: one Victorian-era member waylaid in the desert was spared by a bedouin about to cut off his finger to acquire his Masonic ring. Asked if he had given the

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Brothers may gain additional Light by becoming members of the York Rite Bodies. The Louisville York Rite Bodies shall work with Bullitt Chapter and Council to provide a Chapter-Council One-Day Festival in February. The tentative date is the first Saturday.

Louisville-DeMolay Commandery shall then host the three orders’ conferral on the second or third Saturday. The fee for the entire York Rite is $100 which includes the 2013 dues.

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Street Machines

Well, another year has come and gone. We all are making plans for the challenges the New Year is going to bring to us. The Street Machines members are making our plans for our annual Bullitt County Car Show. It is scheduled for April 21, 2013 at the Bullitt County Shrine Club located in Shepherdsville, Ky. Last year we had over 110 vehicles that ranged from Motorcycles and vintage automobiles to rat rods to modern muscle cars. There were many trophies presented as well as a “Best of Show”. The show will run from 10:00 am until presentation of trophies between 4:00 and 5:00 pm. There will be music and games as well as food by the Bullitt County Shrine club. It is an open vehicle show, so bring your favorite ride. Cost for entering is $15.00 per spot.

We now have a club “Drag Plate”. They are made from cast aluminum and paint filled to make the relief image stand out. They measure approximately 9 inches by 5 inches. If any member is interested, contact one of the officers.

The slate of officers for the Kosair Street Machines for 2013 is as follows:

President – Edd Fisher; 1st Vice Pres – Jim Barr; 2nd Vice Pres – Marshal Geoghegan; Chaplain – Randy Skinner; Sec / Treas – Ed Embry

The Street Machines is a club of Kosair Shriners that is open to any noble with a street legal vehicle and wishes to participate in the sanctioned Kosair parades. We meet on the last Monday of the month after the Unit Directors meeting (approximately 7:30).

Legion of Honor

Happy New Year to all the Nobility of Kosair Shrine Temple. With the New Year comes a new era; especially with incoming Commander Mel Borick. Also, we look forward to Kosair Shrine Legion of Honor’s own Noble Robert Maxwell, who will be taking over the reins as the incoming Potentate for 2013. The Kosair Legion of Honor offers our congratulations to him and Lady Marsha. Our next stated meeting will be on Tuesday, January 15th, 2013 beginning at 7pm. For our newer nobles who are veterans, consider the Kosair Legion of Honor and meet other veterans and Brothers-in-Arms. “It’s an honor to belong to the Kosair Legion of Honor”.

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2012 Veteran’s Day Parade in Louisville Nobles Sam Gearhart, John Phillips, Commander Chuck Kimberl, Dale Lemond and guest Russell Kersey of Team 12

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These bricks make a unique gift for any occasion. What a wonderful gift for that person who has everything and is so hard to buy for! What a meaningful way to honor any loved one! You can view some of the bricks that have already been placed around the statue by going to the Kosair Shrine Temple site http://www.kosair.com and then clicking on the navigation button on the left that is labeled “Kosair Shrine Memory Bricks.”

For more information contact the Recorder’s Office on 502-585-5412 or visit our Memory Bricks webpage http://www.kosair.com/memorybricks.html.
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Stop by the Kosair Shrine office to pick up yours or get a stack of calendars to sell and help us reach our goal. You can also call the Kosair Shrine Office at 585-5412 to have one mailed out to you once we receive your calendar purchase.

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great high-sign, he recounted: “I did not. The fellow may have been a Mason — there are lodges in Damascus, Aleppo and Baghdad — but he was no brother of mine, for though he left me my ring, he took my watch, my money, my letter of credit and my baggage.” Considering the way in which Masonry used Islamic motifs in a secular way, the aggrieved traveler was probably lucky to escape with his life. That the biggest mosque in town may have a bar and has a membership which includes Catholics, Presbyterians, Jews, and Episcopalians is one of the ironies of cultural history.

It proved impossible to completely Egyptize the Masonic movement. The spiritual teachings that could be extracted from Egypt were less than could be found elsewhere; ultimately Grecian urns are superior to mummies. The lodges could use Egyptian decors for their meeting rooms but it takes more than crocodiles, sphinxes and winged discs to make something Egyptian. The Egyptian revival as far as the Masons were concerned was part of a general stew that they concocted of orientalism and exoticism, of stucco fantasies with limited historical authenticity. Freemasonry is supremely eclectic.

Steven Bullock remarks: “Divergent understanding of Masonry may be inevitable. Brothers adapted the fraternity to an extraordinary range of cultural and geographical settings... Masonry’s elements of mystery helped lead the Enlightenment into romanticism. A broad and nuanced view...may not be possible in the foreseeable future.”

That is undoubtedly true, but it is also true that to understand the nineteenth century one must understand the secret orders which were so much a part of it. We live in a less florid time and perhaps we are the poorer for it.
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The January 2013 Kosair Kolums back cover calendar corrections

The changes/corrections below were intended for the two calendars on the back of the January 2013 issue of Kosair Kolums, but were late and didn’t make it to print.

January 14th - Greeters do not meet
January 15th - Planning Committee is to be listed with no time for the meeting as that is still to be determined.
January 16th - Remove Planning Committee Meeting
January 21st - Remove Divan Meeting. Enter Unit Director's/Circus Meeting 6:30 P.M.
January 25th - Dinner Honoring Grand Master 6:30 P.M.
January 28th - Divan Meeting 5:30 P.M. Remove Unit Director's Meeting

February 7-8-9-10 is the Circus
February 1st - Remove Harold Gilbert
February 4th - Greeter's Exe. Meeting 5 P.M., Greeters Unit Meeting 7 P.M. Remove Membership meeting.
February 5th - Poker Night 6:30 P.M. Mark Twain Shrine Club Meeting 6:0 P.M. Central Time.
February 8th - Remove Stated Meeting, Installation, etc. Installation was held January 11th. Add NO DINNER-Circus.
February 11th - Remove Greeters
February 12th - Planning Committee Meeting. No time to be listed until determination is made.
February 13th - Finance Committee Meeting Noon
February 14th - House Committee Meeting Noon
February 15th - "Murder Mystery" Dinner 6:30 P.M.
February 18th - Unit Director's/Circus Meeting 6:30 P.M.
February 19th - Divan Meeting 5:30 P.M. Remove Planning Committee Meeting
February 20th - Remove Planning Committee Meeting
February 22nd - Called Meeting 7:30 P.M. To Vote on Budget
February 23rd - Riasok/Knights of Columbus dinner / dance in Elizabethtown
February 25th - Remove Divan Meeting. Remove Unit Director's Meeting.

There will be a dinner honoring the Grand Master in the future and reservations will be needed.

There will be a Murder Mystery Dinner on February 15th with reservations needed.