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# ALCHEMIST

November / December 2005

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### November

<b>1 Tuesday</b> Scottish Rite	<b>2 Wednesday</b> United Head Meeting 6:00PM RSVP	<b>5 Saturday</b> Widows Luncheon RSVP MUST	<b>6 Sunday</b> Tea Dance	<b>9 Wednesday</b> Stated Meeting Dinner 6:00pm RSVP Meeting 7:00pm	<b>10 Thursday</b> Pot Luck Dinner Musketeers Host
<b>11 Fri • 12 Sat</b> Scottish Rite Reunion	<b>12 Saturday</b> Your Mothers Mustache Party	<b>20 Sunday</b> Memorial Service 2pm See Ad page 2	<b>24 Thu • 25 Fri</b> Office Closed		

### December

<b>1 Thursday</b> Musketeers Past Masters	<b>3 Saturday</b> Ceremonial See Ad page 4	<b>4 Sunday</b> Tea Dance	<b>6 Tuesday</b> Scottish Rite	<b>7 Wednesday</b> Unit Head RSVP	<b>10 Saturday</b> All Units Party Draw Mix at 2pm
<b>14 Wednesday</b> Stated Meeting & Elections 6pm NO MEAL	<b>18 Sunday</b> Children's Christmas Party 2pm-4pm	<b>19 Monday</b> Boosters Luncheon Ladies Day	<b>23 Fri • 26 Mon</b> Office Closed	<b>31 Monday</b> News Years Eve Dance See Ad page 5	



MERRY CHRISTMAS

&

HAPPY HANUKKAH

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I would like to thank all of you who elected me to the divan, then elevated me to serve as your Potentate for 2005. It has been a great honor for Delores and me to have been a part of your lives. Al Chymia has had a good year. I cannot express enough thanks to the members of the divan, the Circus Director and the Circus Committee for a great Circus. All the Units help with the fund raising projects, such as The Boss Hoss, Paper Crusade for The Shrines Hospital for Children, our #1 goal. Further thanks to J.D. Parks and Jerry Haynes for an outstanding job at the fair and the Golf Committee chaired by HP&P Wayne Bonner. Thanks also go out to our office staff, Jane, Patsy and Ralph our Recorder who keeps things going as smooth as possible, thanks Ralph! And to Charlie for keeping our grounds and building neat and clean. Again, thanks to all of you. The Holidays are just around the corner and we hope all the units will be able to make all of the Christmas Parades. Commandant Neil Krapels will be calling to let the units know the time and place. Check this Alchemist for all the events for the November and December and please try and make as many as possible. Lady Delores and I would like to wish all of you a Happy Christmas, a Happy Hanukkah, a joyous New Year and may all your wishes come true.

Remembering all in our prayers:

Max & Delores

## RECORDERS MESSAGE

This will be my last article for the year 2005 and there are so many Nobles and ladies to thank for their help and dedication during the year that I won't even try to list them. All I can say is THANK YOU, from the bottom of my heart.

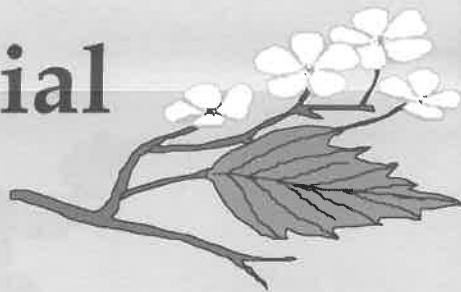
This year, as usual has flown by and it doesn't seem possible it's coming to a close. All I can say is that it's been quite a ride and "everything is absolutely wonderful."

On behalf of me, the office and maintenance staff, we wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving, a happy Hanukkah and a very Merry Christmas.

Yours in the Faith:

Ralph F. Muench  
Recorder

## Memorial Service



On Sunday, November 20, Al Chymia will present our annual **Memorial Service** to honor all the Nobles who have passed to their greater reward since October 31, 2004. Families and friends of our departed loved ones are encouraged to attend and join us in paying tribute to those who are so missed and who's voices are hushed forever. The service will be held in the Shrine Auditorium, 5770 Shelby Oaks Dr., at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

The Director's Staff will set the stage, the Chanters will sing appropriate music and the Patrol will usher our guests. The Legion of Honor will dramatize our loss by placing a rose for each member on our tribute board. Taps and religious music will be provided by members of the Brass Band. The Greeters will welcome you and the Provost Guard will direct traffic. A reception will follow the service.

Please mark your calendars and help fill the auditorium for this ceremony. We guarantee you, your family, guests and the General Nobility will be deeply moved.

Max E. Pass  
Potentate

Mayer Eisman  
Chairman

### ELECTIVE DIVAN

Illustrious Potentate ..... Max E. Pass  
Chief Rabban ..... Shelby G. Berryhill  
Assistant Rabban ..... Jimmy D. Norman  
H P & P ..... Rayford "Wayne" Bonner  
Oriental Guide ..... Allen C. Smith  
Treasurer ..... Jerry L. Archer  
Recorder ..... Ralph F. Muench

### IMPERIAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Dr. Rufus Craven, P.P. Emeritus  
Robert F. Henderson, PGM Emeritus  
A.B. Williams, P.P. Emeritus  
Max E. Pass, Potentate  
Shelby G. Berryhill, Chief Rabban  
K.C. May, P.P.  
John B. "Jack" Rendall, P.P.

### S.E.S.A. VICE PRESIDENT

Robert E. "Billy" Conn, P.P.

### S.E.S.A. REPRESENTATIVES

Max E. Pass, Potentate  
Ralph F. Muench, Recorder  
Charlie Grisham, P.P.  
J. D. Parks

### AL CHYMIA TRUSTEES

Billy Goss  
Charlie Grisham, P.P.  
Richard Callicott  
Ken Koehler  
John Schmidt

### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

ST. LOUIS UNIT  
Robert F. Henderson, PGM, Emeritus  
John B. "Jack" Rendall, P.P., Emeritus  
Joseph C. Harrison, PGM

### LIVING PAST POTENTATES

Rufus E. Craven ..... 1970  
Raymond H. Sayle ..... 1972  
Roy C. Nixon ..... 1977  
Howard R. Winn ..... 1978  
Robert I. Stacey ..... 1981  
Billy W. Miller ..... 1982  
Raymond E. Harvell ..... 1983  
William J. Jason ..... 1985  
Edward D. Morrison ..... 1986  
A.B. Williams ..... 1987  
Ernest E. Sutherland ..... 1988  
Thomas N. Dickey ..... 1989  
E.C. Jones ..... 1990  
Kermit C. May ..... 1991  
Thomas L. Brimhall ..... 1992  
B.W. Thornburg ..... 1993  
Gene L. McDaniel ..... 1994  
Oscar L. Gilchrist ..... 1995  
Albert H. Owings ..... 1996  
John B. "Jack" Rendall ..... 1997  
Charles M. Grisham ..... 1998  
Robert E. "Billy" Conn ..... 1999  
R. Roy Good ..... 2000  
Ernest E. Sutherland ..... 2001  
D. Randy Waddell ..... 2002  
Charles E. Moore ..... 2003  
Donald N. Lefkowitz ..... 2004

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership as of July 31, 2005	1949
Restorations	+3
Demitted	-3
Expired	-8
Membership as of September 30, 2005	1941

#### Restorations:

James Thomas Gore  
James G. Harbor  
Larry R. Hooper

#### Demits:

Jack Glass  
George Edward Harner  
Ray Davis Hayes

### Christmas Parade Schedule

Sat.	Nov 19th	Cordova	Line up 9am
		*Chimneyrock & Germantown Rd St. Francis Church	
Mon.	Nov 28th	Dyersburg	Line up 6:30pm
Thur.	Dec 1st	Ripley	Line up 6pm
Sun.	Dec 4th	Bruceston	Line up 2pm
Mon.	Dec 5th	Covington	Line up 6pm
Sun.	Dec 11th	Decaturville	Line up 3:30pm



## INSTALLATION DANCE

SATURDAY

JANUARY 14, 2006

8:00 p.m.-12:01 a.m.

Honoring all Unit Heads,  
Committee Heads, Club Presidents and  
Officers to be Installed

Admission:  
2006 Dues Card  
Dress:  
Coat & Tie





# FALL CEREMONIAL

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2005**

**Honoring  
ERNEST C. JONES, JR., P.P.**

**Al Chymia Shrine Center  
5770 Shelby Oaks Drive**

### PROGRAM

9:00 a.m.	Candidates Registration in Party Room - Unit Heads Address Class
10:00 a.m.	Special Meeting: Open temple for voting on petitions only
10:30 a.m.	First Section
12:00 Noon	Moslem Feast
1:00 p.m.	Introductions
1:30 p.m.	Second Section: Presentations of Fezzes, dues cards

### CEREMONIAL STAFF

W. Albert Ownings .....Class Director	Robert Carter .....Ritualistic Cast
Cecil Williams .....Director, Directors Staff	Greeters & Hillbillys .....Moslem Feast
Joe Harrison, P.G.M. ....Membership Chairman	Floyd Rowe .....Master of Ceremonies
Neil Krapels .....Commandant	Steve Gibson .....Master of Ceremonies
Hollis Thomason .....Registration	

## OFFICIAL CALL

"In accordance with the bylaws of Al Chymia Shrine, A.A.O.N.M.S. you are officially called to the annual meeting to be held on Wednesday, December 14, 2005 at 6:00 p.m., for the election of Officers and Representatives to the Imperial Council for the ensuing year and such other business as may be presented. NO MEAL WILL BE SERVED NOTE ARTICLE 25, SECTION 325.10 OF THE IMPERIAL BYLAWS

(A) The printing, publication, circulating or distributing of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets or other devices, by a Noble suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Shrine Center is prohibited.

(B) For any violation of (A) the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

**Imperial bylaws require a 2005 dues card to attend this meeting.**

Attest: Max E. Pass, Potentate  
Ralph F. Muench, Recorder



**Congratulations to our newest  
Honormen from the Scottish Rite  
Bodies for 2005**

### New 33° Masons

Jake M. Akers, Sr.  
Robert R. Good, Sr. P.P.  
Lee Manning  
Dennis A. Taylor  
Sam J. Tune, Jr.  
Jesse K. Whitesides  
Arthur B. Williams P.P.

### New K.C.C.H.'s

Diosdado A. Barawid, Jr.  
Bobby J. Brown  
Robert G. Browne  
Joe R. Cassini  
James W. Connors  
Lawrence W. Kern  
Jimmy D. Norman, Asst. Rabban  
Reynaldo U. Paguio  
Leonard B. Paslay, Jr.  
Gayle W. Percival  
Michael J. Price  
Michael G. Truebger  
Geren E. Williams  
W. Theodore Woolfolk, Jr.



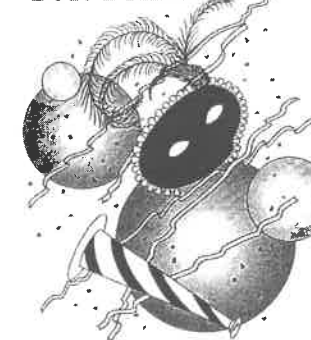
**Annual  
New Year's Eve  
Party**

Admission: \$50.00 per couple

### **RESERVED SEATING**

Champagne served at midnight  
**Soft Drinks - Ice - Party Favors**

**Black Eyed Peas & Corn Bread**



**MUSIC BY  
Larry Garrett**

**YOUR 2006 DIVAN WILL BE  
INSTALLED AFTER  
AULD LANG SYNE**

Unit, Club & Committee Heads will be installed at the Installation Dance on January 14, 2006  
Guests Welcome When Accompanied By A Shriner.  
Formal Preferred or Coat & Tie  
DO NOT Wear Fez

**Saturday, December 31, 2005  
9:00 P.M.-1:00 A.M.**

**Newest  
\$100 Million Dollar  
Club Members**

**Thomas B. Hunter  
Paul J. Thompson**

**Total Members:  
1086**

**If you get a call from  
Shrine Circus Telemarketing,  
Tell them you are a  
Shriner and buy your tickets  
from Al Chymia**



## PROVOST GUARD

A large group of sixteen delegates from the Provost Guard attended the recent Southeastern conference in southern Florida. While there our Provost Guard took second place in the uniform competition. More good news, congratulations are in order to Richard I. Jones who is now President of the Southeastern Provost Guard Association and William Embrey, Past Captain, who is Provost Guard member of the year. President Richard I. Jones, made the announcement that the Mid-Winter meeting of the SESA Provost Guard Association will be held here on February of 2006, right here in Memphis.

Boyd Highfield  
Secretary



Passed thru  
the Unseen  
Portals

## DEATHS

James Paul Cooley  
Bobby O'Neil Glover  
R. Lloyd Gray  
Milton William Harrell  
Thomas E. Kilpatrick  
Robert E. Maxey  
Charles Horace Overton  
Murry C. Tucker

## Thank You for Your Donations

### Burn Hospital

Betty Burnett..... In Honor of Virginia & Andrew Haley's  
60th Wedding Anniversary  
Margie Burton.....In Memory of Oscar Harwood  
Grand Chapter of TN Eastern Star..... Donation  
Evelyn Rast.....Donation

### Children's Hospital

Anonymous.....Donation  
Stan & Liz Brinson.....In Memory of Oscar Harwood  
Mary Day.....Donation  
James L. Gentry.....Donation  
Grand Chapter of Tn Eastern Star.....Donation  
Richard & Maxine Jones.....In Memory of Gunetta Smith  
Ken & Margaret Koehler....In Memory of Joyce Hearnberger  
.....In Memory of Otis M. Griffin  
Mr. & Mrs. Leo Schneider.....In Memory of Murry Tucker  
Sarah Shelton.....In Memory of Lloyd Gray  
Linda Tozer.....Donation  
Wal-Mart.....Donation

### Transportation Fund

Charles & Joann Allen.....In Memory of Tony Swaim  
Arlington Lodge #641.....In Memory of John Dallas  
Ashbury Methodist Church .....Donation  
Mr. & Mrs Robert Bartlett.....In Memory of Murry Tucker  
William S. Boyd.....In Memory of Murry Tucker  
Harry & Lydia Braud.....In Memory of Murry Tucker  
Clown Unit.....In Honor of Tom & Martha Hunter  
Jack Glass.....Donation  
Grand Chapter of TN Eastern Star..... Donation  
Jerry & Roberta Haynes.....In Memory of Frances Guthrie  
Hickory With Community Assoc....In Memory of Tony Swaim  
Mrs. Richard Lee, Hopson & Michael .....  
..... In Memory of Mattie Hopson Markham  
Hospital Staff..... Donation  
Lois T. Johnson.....In Memory of Murry Tucker  
Don & Rochelle Lefkowitz.....In Memory of Mother of M. Perler  
..... In Honor of Birth of Granddaughter of Jeffery Levy  
..... In Memory of Gitan Levy  
..... In Memory of Bob Baker  
.....Speedy Recovery to Mickey Jones  
..... Speedy Recovery to Diane Brown  
Lee Manning.....In Memory of Lloyd Gray  
Bob & Kati McGoldrick.....In Memory of Otis Griffin, Sr.  
.....In Memory of John McGoldrick  
Robert W. F. Mosby.....In Memory of Lloyd Gray  
Ralph & Sandra Muench....Speedy Recovery to Nelle Pollard  
.....Speedy Recovery to Andy Bane  
.....Speedy Recovery to Glenn Snyder  
.....In Memory of Lloyd Gray  
.....In Memory of Murry Tucker  
.....Speedy Recovery to Sandy Sanders  
.....Speedy Recovery to Odell Baker  
Ron Murphy.....In Honor of Robert M. Stewart  
Albert Owings.....In Memory of Terry Alkinson  
Floyd & Nellie Rowe..... In Memory of Robert Jontz  
.....In Memory of Helmer Harms  
.....In Memory of Norma Aycok  
.....Happy Birthday to Billy Dalton  
.....In Memory of Murry Tucker  
Crue & Magda Russell.....In Memory of Lloyd Gray  
..... In Honor of Ken & Margaret Cunningham  
Sidney Shapiro & Carolyn Pensel .....  
..... In Honor of the 91st Birthday of Henry Lee  
..In Honor of 65th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Chiles  
Al Shaw.....Speedy Recovery to George Selph  
.....Speedy Recovery to Glenn Snyder  
.....Speedy Recovery to Glenn Snyder  
Shrine School.....In Memory of Otis M. Griffin  
Mrs. Martha Siler.....Speedy Recovery to Mickey Jones  
Frank Yetter.....In Memory of Bill Jones  
.....In Memory of Louise Harris  
.....In Memory of John Burness

A Hand Clappin  
Foot Stompin  
Good Time



Your Mother's  
Moustache XXII

Swing With  
"e.Band"

Saturday, November 12, 2005  
Show Starts 8:00 p.m.  
Al Chymia Shrine Temple

\$15.00 per person

## HOSPITAL STAFF



I would like to thank everyone who helped at the Screening Clinic. Special Thanks to Donald Lefkowitz, P.P., for being the chairman and who coordinated the event. Special thanks to the Daughters of the Nile, Nurses, Translators, Shriners, Clowns and Billy Hicks for all their help. We saw 35 children and so far 33 have been accepted for treatment. Other thanks go out to those who helped with the Paper Crusade. I hope it is successful in our efforts, as part of the monies go to the Transportation Fund. We are planning on purchasing a new van before the years end. Our older vans have accumulated a lot of mileage and need replacing. If you have the time, we desperately need drivers and help in the office. Please consider this plea for help! I have been president for two years and will go back to driving on a regular basis. I'd like to thank all the members of the hospital staff who have helped and supported me these years and hope this continues for the next president.

John Fowler

## CLOWNS



Johnny Canady had us working in Millington at the Goat Days Fest. Tom Myrick, Tom Hunter, Randy Waddell, Walter Smith, John McFarland, Greg Lacki and Tim Good worked in the heat. The Hospital

Screening Clinic was a lot of fun. The Clowns who dressed out were, President Dean (Dino) Brown, Tom (Flipper) Hunter, Tim (Jingles) Good, John (Itchy) McFarland, Harry (Toast Master) Bungard, Randy (Silly Willie) Waddell and Don (Zipper) Chenault all enjoyed the day.

Flipper and Dino went to the annual K.C. May, LePlanto, Arkansas Turtle Race. Children with Down Syndrome had a buddy walk. Deno, Zipper, Flipper, Silly Willy and Greg Lacki went to entertain the kids.

Happiness is making a child smile!

Don Chenault  
Secretary

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## Director's Staff October Issue



The Staff has come out of retirement and have been rehearsing under Otis' tutelage for the long-awaited reincarnation of Your Mother's Moustache which will be presented in November. ALL NEW shtick, knee slapping humor and spoofs! Yes, it seems that the dignity of the middle aged Director's Staff and their co-conspirators has been once again thrown out because . . . . .WHOOPS. . . well . . .time to stop! We ARE selling tickets for this, after all!

A number of the staff turned out in September for the annual fishing fest at Cecil's camp and this year the fishing was great! More fish were caught than in several of the previous years.

The traditional manning of the beer tent by the Staff last Thursday was quieter than usual, except for the band that was playing next to the tent. Seems that many folks at the fair were commenting that things overall were much slower than the previous year.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Sandy Sanders and Mickey Jones as we wish them back on their feet at 100% capacity. Get well guys!

See you all (y'all?) at "The Moustache"!!

Steve Treat