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# ALCHEMIST

MAY / JUNE 2006

## ★ CALENDAR of EVENTS ★

### May

<b>2 Tuesday</b> Scottish Rite	<b>3 Wednesday</b> Unit Head Meeting, Dinner 6pm RSVP Meeting after Dinner	<b>4 Thursday</b> Musketeers	<b>5 Friday</b> 50 year Member dinner	<b>7 Sunday</b> Tea Dance	<b>10 Wednesday</b> Stated Meeting, Dinner 6pm RSVP MUST, Meeting 7pm
<b>11 Thursday</b> Pot Luck Past Masters Host	<b>19 Friday</b> Circus Workers Appreciation Party RSVP 6 pm	<b>22 Monday</b> Boosters Luncheon Ladies Day	<b>29 Monday</b> Office Closed for Memorial Day		

### June

<b>4 Sunday</b> Tea Dance	<b>7 Wednesday</b> Past Masters	<b>8 Thursday</b> Pot Luck Brass Band Host	<b>10 Saturday</b> Professional Fights	<b>17 Saturday</b> Screening Clinic	

## FREE MEDICAL CARE FOR CHILDREN

A no-cost screening clinic will be held to identify children in your area who can benefit from the expert orthopaedic and burn care provided at Shriners Hospitals.

If you know of any children under 18 who have problems of the bones, joints or muscles, or problems associated with healed burns, bring them to the free clinic for an evaluation to find out if they are eligible for free, expert medical treatment.

**JUNE 17, 2006**

**OCTOBER 14, 2006**

**All care provided at Shriners Hospitals is absolutely free of charge.**

Shriners Hospitals treat such problems as:

- Scoliosis
- Neuromuscular disorders
- Hand and back problems
- Leg length discrepancies
- Rickets
- Congenital hip problems
- Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis
- Orthopaedic problems associated with cerebral palsy



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Since our last issue, a lot has taken place and a lot of fun was had. Our joint Scottish Rite Reunion/Shrine Ceremonial at the Scottish Rite brought in 10 new members, via Cold Sands. We all would like to welcome them. Several have already shown interest in joining units and clubs. It is always a pleasure to work with the Scottish Rite Masons.

In April, we hosted the District I meeting and it was a pleasure to welcome our new Most Worshipful Grand Master, Sid C. Dorris, III. He is a member of Al Menah. A very informative meeting was presented. Our very own Jerry Hanson was elevated to the position of Senior Grand Warden. Congratulations Jerry.

Again, the information for this issue was greater than space permits. So enjoy this larger issue. As you can see, we have many diverse events coming up the next couple of months. One of my main goals this year is to put the fun back into the Shrine. In June, I urge you to help celebrate my birthday by joining me and Lady Barbara for a trip to Branson. Other trips are planned for later in the year. I will keep you posted.

By the time this issue is printed the Ladies Luncheon will not of taken place, however, I am sure it was a beautiful affair and honored my special Lady. My thanks go out to Sue Norman and her committees, who worked so hard on this special day. I am looking forward to the dinner, which will honor our newest 50 year members. This dinner was first held last year and was truly a success. Never have I heard so many compliments from so many, and they really appreciated the recognition. With the temple going dark during June, July and August, I wish all of you a safe summer season.

Yours in the Faith:  
Shelby G. Berryhill

## RECORDER MESSAGE

The summer months will be busy for all of us, with all the activities planned. The Potentate's birthday party Branson trip, Professional Boxing and our first ever Car Show and the Annual Screening Clinic.

Thanks to P.P. Max Pass and Billy King, the renovations to the Potentate's bathroom is complete, which was started last year. In addition, thanks to Ass't Rabban Wayne Bonner, we have new counter tops in the Potentate's Bar. Billy has finished painting the foyers, hallways, offices and most anything that doesn't move. He did, however, learn how many gallons of hot water the water heater holds. He figured out a way to get up under a sink and couldn't get out. He was yelling like a scalded dog.

I hope everyone will have an absolutely wonderful summer, stay safe so we can see you in September.

Yours in the Faith: Ralph F. Muench

## BRASS BAND

Spring is busting out all over and so is your Brass Band. By the time this is in spring, we will have played for the Grand Masters visit at the District I meeting at our temple. We will have played at the Motorcycle Rally at Ripley, TN. We are working up a program for the Memorial Day Ceremony at the National Cemetery in Memphis, in May.

We welcome Joe Wright to the Band. Noble Wright is a fine trombone player and is a nice guy too. Our Prez., Vernon Drane is working on our program for the Southeastern in August. We deeply regret Irv Evans, is retiring as pianist for our Dance Band. At home on both piano and keyboard, Irv didn't play with the keys, he played from his heart. We wish him well! We still need property men and players. We meet Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. at the far east wing of thte temple. Come and Join with Us.

## COLD SANDS CEREMONIAL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

A cold sands ceremonial will be held on May 20, 2006 at the Troy Lodge in Troy, TN. The temple will open at noon in Troy, for the purpose of voting on petitions only. The fee will be \$250.



## PROFESSIONAL FIGHTS SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 2006

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 P.M.  
1ST BOUT AT 7:00 P.M.

RINGSIDE SEATS \$20.  
GENERAL ADMISSION \$15.

For More Information Call  
Richard Franks  
901-491-9001

TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE

## ELECTIVE DIVAN

Illustrious Potentate.....Shelby G. Berryhill  
Chief Rabban.....Jimmy D. Norman  
Assistant Rabban ..... Rayford Wayne Bonner  
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## 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  
Ernest E. Sutherland ..... 2001  
D. Randy Waddell ..... 2002  
Charles E. Moore ..... 2003  
Donald N. Lefkowitz ..... 2004  
Max E. Pass ..... 2005

## Membership as of 01-31-06 1825

Gains:  
Created 10  
Affiliated 2  
Restored 4  
Total 16  
Losses:  
Demitted 1  
Expired 18  
Assoc. Drop 1  
Total 20

## Membership as of 3-31-06 1821

<b>Membership Changes</b>	<b>Creations</b>
<b>Restorations</b>	Michael Dean Akins
Richard T. Hughes	Michael Eugene Gavigan
Thomas F. Poletti	Zachary W. Hodgkins
Robert P. Shackelford	Bobby Dwayne Kellum
Jonas S. Sparks	Daniel Edwin Kohr
<b>Associates Dropped</b>	Alton Boyer Lanier
John F. Herndon	Scott Allen Lovelace
<b>Affiliated</b>	Francisco A. Reyes
Ralph E. Shankle	Jeremy E. Wiley
John F. Herndon	Erwin C. Wilson

## Demits

Samuel Lee Haines



Passed thru  
the Unseen  
Portals

## DEATHS

Louis Risser Hallstrom  
William D. Harrison  
J. C. Horn  
James Thomas Patillo  
Thomas H. Austin  
Willie Edward Burns  
Virgil Samuel Byrd  
Milton E. Crews, Jr.  
Kenneth Richard Doyle  
Julius Kaplan  
John T. Murphy  
Lewis Harold Nobles, Sr.  
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Emmett G. Scott  
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## PUBLIC RELATIONS

The purpose of this article is to give updates, periodically, as to our Public Relations at the National and Al Chymia levels. Thanks to the many Nobles who made this suggestion.

Two new PSA radio and TV spots are now being launched, nationally and locally. Well known celebrities Terry Bradshaw and Barbara Mandrell will be helping to spread our message of "Shriners Having Fun and Helping Kids." Please contact me with any radio and TV executives, whom you know, so that I may compare and add them to our contact list.

Thanks to The Commercial Appeal, Staff Reporter Jody Callahan and Photographer Karen Focht, for the great story and photos highlighting our 2006 Shrine Circus and Clown Unit. Their unique coverage brings the Al Chymia Shriners closer to our community and in a positive manner.

Our two Hospital Screening Clinic dates are set for this year. They are Saturday 6/17/06 and 10/14/06. Both will run from 8:30 am until noon. If you know of any child that we may help, please contact the family with the dates and times. More details will be announced at our stated meetings and the Alchemist. All Nobles and their Ladies are asked to assist during these clinics.

Yours in the Faith,  
Donald "Don" Lefkowitz P.P.





**BRANSON  
TRIP  
JUNE 2-4,  
2006**



**Potentate Shelby Berryhill  
"Branson Birthday Trip"**

Friday, June 2nd - Depart Al Chymia at 8:00 a.m.  
Shopping  
Dinner, Included  
Presley's Jubilee Evening Show

Saturday, June 3rd - Breakfast Buffet  
Sightseeing or shopping on your own  
Dinner, Included  
Mickey Gilley Show  
with comedian Joey Riley

Sunday, June 4th - Breakfast Buffet  
Arrive Memphis 4:00 p.m.

Cost Per Person: Single \$480. Double \$375. Triple \$345 Quad \$340.

Includes: Coach USA, Two nights lodging, Reserved seating both shows, Baggage handling for one bag, Two Breakfast buffets and two dinners.

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In order to confirm space, a \$50. deposit is required. Final payment will be due May 5, 2006. In the event of a cancellation after this date, a refund will only be given if your space can be resold.

**MAIL CHECK TO AL CHYMIA · 5770 SHELBY OAKS DR MEMPHIS, TN 38134**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

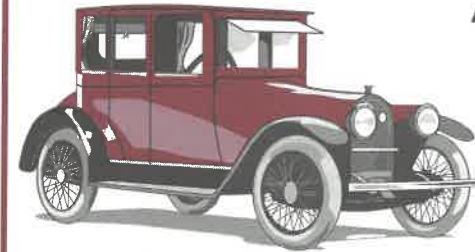
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**AL CHYMIA SHRINERS**

**1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL  
OPEN CAR SHOW  
JULY 22, 2006**



**Location: 5770 Shelby Oaks Dr. Memphis, TN 38134**

**Shriners own and operate 22 Hospitals for Children FREE of CHARGE to the tune of \$1.7 MILLION DOLLARS PER DAY or \$20. PER SECOND. This is done without any Government subsidies or 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurance co.'s. The only item we do not have in our hospitals is a cash register. Since 1922 we have helped over 770,000 burned and crippled children. For every dollar donated, 93% goes to patient care and research. In these 84 years we have spent about \$7 BILLION for construction costs. Our hospitals are located in these great United States of America, Mexico and Canada.**

**Registration: 1<sup>st</sup> Entry - \$20. 2<sup>nd</sup> Entry - \$10**

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

**Entry Vehicle (List additional vehicles on back of form) Entry**

**Year:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Model:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Club:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

LIABILITY: Entrants and participants by execution of this form, release and discharge Al Chymia Shriners and Shriners Hospitals for Children, their officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, servants, and anyone else connected with the presentation of Al Chymia Shriners 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Open Car Show from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgements and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any participant to his person or property.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Signature Required

This is a family event and we will have hot dogs, corn dogs, funnel cakes, cokes, etc., for sale

Mail Early Registrations to Al Chymia

For further information call

Sandy Sanders: 901-438-7908 · Jessie Whitesides: 731-536-6717 · Tim Snider: 731-607-2387

1<sup>st</sup> 100 Registered will receive Dash Plaques · Award for Divan's Choice

Shriners Hospitals for Children is a 501 (c)(3) organization and your donations are tax deductible.

## Hillbilly Article

The Hillbilly's have been busy with several activities. Our members enjoyed working the circus and preparing food for all the workers. It's always a rewarding experience seeing how much everyone enjoys the circus.

Several of our members attended the Potentate's Ball and are appreciative of all the decorations, food and fun. Congratulations to the Potentate and his committees for a wonderful party. Our Ladies had a great time at the Ladies Luncheon. It was a spectacular event as usual. We are looking forward to the spring and summer and the any activities planned by our Potentate Shelby Berryhill.

Our condolences are extended to our President's Lady, Cindy Riggs for the passing of her father.

Until next time, Honor the Cob

## Carroll County Mounted Patrol

The Al Chymia Shrine Carroll County Mounted Patrol is preparing for a busy spring by practicing their 2006 routine set to music on their all black Tennessee Walking Horses. CCMP has been invited to perform for the crowds at the Bruceton in May Festival on May 13th in Bruceton, the 2nd Annual West Tennessee Gaited Pleasure Horse Show to be held in Huntingdon, TN, on Saturday, May 20, 2006, and the Billy Carey Memorial Walking Horse Show in Huntingdon on Friday, June 2nd. The CCMP and their black Tennessee Walking Horses continue to draw attention for their routines and sharp good looks.

The sponsors of the May 20th horse show are again donating proceeds to the Shriners Hospitals for Children. As well as performing, CCMP will be cooking and serving food from their concession stand, proceeds of which will also benefit the Hospitals. Everyone is welcome for food, fun and fellowship, and an invitation is extended for all members to inform their gaited horse friends about the May 20th show and the contributions it can make to the Hospitals. Come enjoy this family event.

## Thank You for Your Donations

### Burn Hospital

Greater Memphis Area Pest Control.....Donation  
Joyce Stanton.....Memory of Ken Doyle

### Children's Hospital

Janie Crane & John & Susan, Jim & Fran  
.....Memory of Capt Bobby S. Morgan, USNR  
John B. & Glenda Elam.....Memory of Ken Doyle  
Hunter & Mary Wilson Holley...Speedy Recovery, Bob Parrish  
Don & Rochelle Lefkowitz...Speedy Recovery, Ray Harvell, P.P.  
..In Honor of Birth of Grand Daughter of M/M Danny Dingus  
Frank & Shirley Simonton.....Memory of Richard Horton  
Howard & Walne Speck....Memory of Capt. Bobby S. Morgan

### Transportation Fund

Shelby & Barbara Berryhill.....Memory of Mildred Fowler  
.....Memory of Ernest Henning  
.....In Honor of 50th Anniversary of Bill & Virginia Goss  
.....Memory of Alva Scudder

Ray & Judy Boyd.....Memory of Wally Gross  
Mildred Colotta.....Memory of Christine Wilson  
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Early Birds.....Memory of Christine Wilson  
Fleet Reserve Assoc Branch #231.....Donation  
M/M Charles French.....Memory of A.C. Lee  
Laverne Galbreath.....In Honor of the Greeters  
Boyd Highfield.....Memory of Alva Scudder  
Hillbillies.....Donation  
Marion & Sandy Hubbard.....Memory of Kenneth Doyle  
Eastern Star Huntingdon Chapter #180

.....Memory of Christine Wilson  
Jackson Shrine Motor Corps.....Memory of Nancy Yarbrow  
Annie Jenkins.....Memory of Mildred Fowler  
Charlotte Jones.....Memory of Christine Wilson  
Lakeland Lions Foundation.....Memory of Wally Gross  
Mrs. Mildred Lee & Family.....Memory of A.C. Lee  
Don & Rochelle Lefkowitz.....Memory of Mildred Fowler  
.....Memory of Marlin Grisham  
.....Speedy Recovery Howard Winn, P.P.  
.....Speedy Recovery Josh Benedict  
.....Memory of Alva Scudder

Jane & Toy McCrary.....Memory of Alva Scudder  
Debra Meiner.....Donation  
Charlie & Mary Fay Moore.....Memory of Marlin Grisham  
.....Memory of Ken Doyle  
.....Memory of Roy Good, P.P.  
.....Memory of Mildred Fowler  
.....Speedy Recovery Marion Hubbard

Ralph & Sandra Muench.....Memory of Mildred Fowler  
.....Memory of Marlin Grisham  
.....Memory of Christine Wilson  
.....Speedy Recovery Marion Hubbard  
.....Memory of Ernest Henning  
.....Honor of 50th Anniversary of Bill & Virginia Goss

Albert Owings.....Memory of Ernest Henning  
.....Memory of James Dean  
Joyce & Pete Pickler.....Memory of Manuel Childers  
Pickwick Shrine Club.....Memory of George Saxton  
Provost Guard.....Memory of Marlin Grisham  
Margaret L. Richardson.....Memory of A.C. Lee  
Floyd & Nellie Rowe.....Memory of Elizabeth Tucker

.....Memory of Mildred Fowler  
.....Memory of Marlin Grisham  
.....Memory of Ken Doyle  
.....Speedy Recovery to Don Stuart  
.....Honor of Frayser Raleigh Senior Citizens Center  
Al Shaw.....Memory of Mildred Fowler  
.....Memory of Ken Doyle

Al & Betty Shaw.....Memory of Alva Scudder  
Butch & Janella Stockdale.....Memory of Dick Horton  
Harold & Beth Truebger.....Memory of Tony Swaim  
.....Memory of Roy Good, P.P.

Maria Wilson.....Memory of Alva Scudder  
Frank Yetter.....Memory of Janetta Carsten  
M/M Frank Yetter.....Memory of Thomas Peden

### Temple Fund

Cotton Carnival Beam Club.....Memory of Alva Scudder  
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B. Forrest Malone & Family.....Memory of Curtis F. White  
Debra Meiner.....Donation  
Microsoft, Heartland Area.....Memory of Ralph Shankle



## Director's Staff October Issue

Needless to say, March has been an active month. Lots of work to accomplish. The Shrine Circus always triggers us into a series of activities. Sorting out the advertising banners is always job one, followed by putting up the banners and signs at the Coliseum. Sandy, Neil and Cliff - notice I said "us". Thanks to you guys these got up the Wednesday before.

Ticket sales were our main focus during the circus and kept us counting the money. Thanks to all on the ticket and T-shirt detail in the Memphis Room. We had the usual home cooked treats appear there from time to time. Jim and MH Walls performed the final Circus task by transporting the signs and banners back to the Shrine Center on Sunday evening.

Cecil Williams, Neil Krapels, Larry Kern, Bill Fuller and I were fortunate to be able to participate in the York Rite the weekend before the Circus. What a great experience! If you can, take part in the York Rite in September. It is a series of beautiful degrees.

A number of director staff members are rehearsing for the Ladies Luncheon in April. This will be a sure bet for entertainment!

See you in a couple of months.  
Steve Treat



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## DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please mark your calendar and join us on June 24th, 2006 - 12:00 noon - Al Chymia Shrine Center.

The Daughters of the Nile are having a luncheon and Spectacular Show, entitled - "The Daughters American Pride"

In these uncertain times, this is our way of saying thank you and paying tribute to our men and women in uniform, who risk their lives, for us to enjoy the freedom we so often take for granted.

We hope you'll join us for an afternoon of Special Entertainment as we Salute our Troops and our Grand Old Flag.

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Winner is responsible for sales taxes • Void where prohibited by law

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Address	
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Number of tickets (limit 10 for mail-in)	
Amount sent (Suggested donation \$10 per ticket)	

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