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**TO PROVIDE THE TOOLS FOR FUN, MUSIC,  
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FOR THE ORIENTAL BAND COMMUNITY**

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## SO OUR KIDS CAN PLAY



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- **\$80,000.00 for the Ladder of Smiles •**
  - **Bring More Bands to ASOB •**
- **More Participation in the Associations •**

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1928-29	Dr. George H. Madill*	Medinah
1929-30	Dr. Charles E. Wilson*	BDUDE
1930-31	Charles H. Dunn*	Mohammed
1931-33	Dr. Joseph Philippbar*	6ULD
1933-35	Ivo A. Burton*	Al Menah
1935-36	Frank H. Graham*	Almas
1936-37	Dr. Elmer O. Hinman*	Islam
1937-38	Forest I. Muphy*	Za Ga Zig
1938-40	Monty Fer Don*	Antioch
1940-41	James E. Varina*	Boumi
1941-42	R.G. Wallower*	Zem Zem
1942-43	Walter B. Drake*	Moslem
	U*(6LMUOLQJ.....	Medinah
1944-46	George R. Hennig*	6ULD
1946-47	Harvy G. Kiefer*	Al Koran
1947-48	C.R. Hutcheson*	Boumi
1949-50	F. Harry LeBarron*	Al Bahr
1950-51	Ray Arnold*	Tripoli
1951-52	R.L. Allen*	Al Chymia
	:LOOLDP19DVVHU.....	Murat
1953-54	Phil Glick*	Moslem
1954-55	B.L. Worthen*	Pyramid
	6S(GG\.....	Ararat
	569HOWHQ.....	Jerusalem
1957-58	R.L. Totman*	Kalif
	%XUW6WLOOZHOO.....	Arabia
1958-59	Ken McElroy, P.P.*	Zenobia
	513DUKLOO.....	Al Kader
1960-61	R.L. Price*	Khedive
1961-62	Charles Cromwell, P.P.*	Luxor
1962-63	W.C. Chase*	Ben Ali
1963-64	Dale Wampler, P.P.*	Zembo
	\$/HRQ6LQJHU33.....	\$O6LKDQ
1965-66	William E. Bricce*	Ararat
1966-67	C. Richard Brough*	Antioch
1967-68	C. Thomas Gowling*	Rameses
	%6SLQJHU33.....	Kerak
1969-70	Arthur Murphy*	Arabia
1970-71	Peter Cortley*	Mecca
1971-72	Clarence Compton*	Midian
1972-73	W.H. Maddox*	Morocco
1973-74	Dr. Ralph Benson*	Bektash
1974-75	Harold McKinster, P.P.*	\$A
	:LOODUG3XJH.....	Murat
	5REHUW6FKPLHGHO.....	Zembo
1977-78	Hoyd Brock*	Arabia

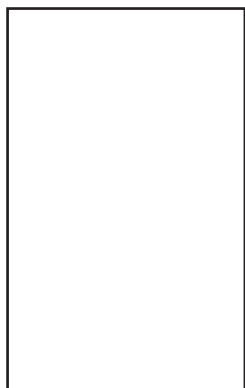
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1978-79	Harding Campbell*	Al Bahr
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	6WDQOH6QGHU.....	Zembo
1990-91	W.A. "Bill" Paskaruk*	Karnak
	DG66QRGG\.....	Algeria
	\$UFK/6PLWKVRQ33.....	Alcazar
1993-94	Hal Withee*	El Bekal
1994-95	William A. "Bill" Brooks*	Rameses/Hamilton
	3DXO66KLMO).....	6FLPLWDU
1996-97	Cliff Brown*	Gizeh
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bigger disappointment ends up being our inability to equip new bands with surplus equipment for the same reason. However all hope is not lost. **You Are the Key to a Strong Association.** Talk to your band's secretary/treasurer. Ensure that the Association fees have been paid for all band members. With your help and some new fundraising initiatives being planned by your Association Executive we can build a strong association and the first step for any band wishing to have access to surplus band equipment. Thank you in advance for your support.



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How time flies! The year is half gone which means I'm a year older. My mind tells me I'm only 40 but, my body

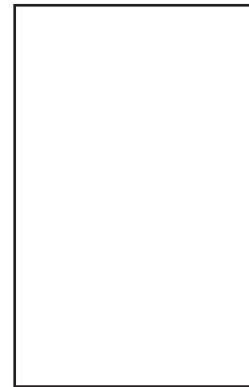
says 106.

In April, I had a wonderful visit to El Karuba in Alexandria, Louisiana, for a "Hoe Down." Those folks sure know how to throw a great party. Lots of fun, good food and friendship.

In June, I attended the Texas 6KULQH \$VVRFLDWLRQ \$QQXDO in Pasadena, Texas. Thanks to Texas 6KULQH 2ULHQWDO %DQG \$VVRFLDWLRQ President, Mike Pinson, for making the arrangement, we attended a fantastic breakfast at Kelly's Restaurant.

We just returned from Imperial in Tampa, Florida. The Oriental Band members met at the Doubletree Hotel on July 3rd. Meetings, meetings and more meetings followed by everyone gathering at an incredible hospitality suite where we enjoyed brotherhood, booze, laughter and of course, food. July 5th was celebrated with an Oriental Band parade and competition of the 4 bands that attended. Closing out a WHUULILF\$62%ZHHZDVWKHLQVWDOODWLRQ

of officers banquet hosted by outgoing 3UHVLGHQW -HII ORRUHV RXU QHZ RILFHUV LQVWDOOHG 7RP RIRZ President (Moslah), Chris Tsaros, First Vice President (Al Azahar), Harry 3UHVVPDQ 6HFRQG 9LFH 3UHVLGHQW (Arabia), Darren DeHass, Third Vice 3UHVLGHQW \$O %HGRR 6HFUHVVDU Treasurer, Don Moores (Amara).



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Darren DeHass

The announcement over the loud speaker verifies the message on my phone, the gate for my flight has changed. I

look around to find that my new gate is directly across from where I am sitting, so I gather myself up and cross the walk way to my new destination. We are all asked to sit down and we would be called up to give us our new seat assignments since the plane has been downsized. They are even offering some pretty large stipends for anyone willing to take flights to other GHVWLQDWLRQVIDPHDIWHUQDPHLVFDQHG I am beginning to worry that I will not have a seat on the plane. Finally my name is called and I am able to board. This was my experience at the Denver DLURUWRQRPZDWR,PHULDO6HVVLRO this year. Thank goodness this did not set the tone for what turned out to be a fantastic trip!

7KH\$62%DQQXDOPHHWLQJ,DP beginning to think that it is every bit as much about great food as it is music and comradery. My experience is that we eat very well. I truly enjoy great food and good conversation and had the opportunity to exercise both while in 7DPS6WHDWWRVHDIRRGDQGHMUWKLQ in between. The conversation was just as fulfilling and I enjoyed my time with everyone.

Okay so I didn't eat the whole QHZ that I was at Imperial, I did find RIRZ to attend the meetings, video the competition, take a few pictures, and even occasionally found some time to sit LQGHQW hospitality room with everyone. I really enjoy the competition, seeing all HVEDU support that goes into creating these great performances. The real reason I record the competition is that it allows PHWRWDNKRPHQRWHVVRXMXVWQHMH know where inspiration comes from and I watch those videos over and over again. Each of the bands did a wonderful job and kept the audience on the edge of their seats. If you want to see the videos, be sure to sign up for Facebook DQGJRWRWKH\$62%)DFHERRIDJH There you will find all of the videos, WRQVRIKRWRVVDQGHMUWKLQJ\$62%

Being the "new guy" on the block and with my previous limited exposure WRWKH\$62%,DPVWLOOVRDNQJLQ everything. The heritage, the myths and the direction for the future of our association. The latter is the challenge for our executive board, to find ways that we can help each of the bands become stronger and thrive therefore doing the same for our association. I spoke about community before and I still feel just as strongly that we need to create a nurturing and active community of bandsmen. It sounds like a lot of ZRUXWLWGRHVQRWKDMWREH6HQQ us a picture of your band in a parade or at a party. Create a Facebook page for your band and let everyone know DERXWLW6HQGDQHPDLOZLWKDQLY you might have or write an article for WKHID.KDEDUOLWWOHVWHSVEHDFKR can add up to do great things for all of us. If you have questions on doing any of these things, feel free to get a hold of me, I would be more than happy to help get you started.

The gifts given via the Ladder RI6PLOHVDUH\$WDOWRWKHZRURIRX hospitals and should be a great source of pride to each and every member of those bands that contribute. Once again you did an amazing job and raised over \$100,000 to be given to

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Philanthropy is very important, we  
would not be able to raise any of  
that money if we are not looking to  
WKH RWKHU HOHPHQWV RI 6K  
having fun, brotherhood and creating  
opportunities for the public to see and  
KR  
all about. The Oriental Bands in my  
eyes are positioned like no other unit  
to accomplish all of those things. If you  
are a band that does not raise money  
IRUWKH/DGGHURI6PLOHVIRUZK  
reason, maybe consider setting out a  
“tip” bucket at each of your meetings  
or at your Oasis and give those funds.  
One of the goals that we would like to  
see accomplished is 100% participation  
from all the bands to give something to  
WKH/DGGHURI6PLOHVHDFKH  
it is contributing \$5, though I can tell  
you it would add up to more than that  
every year.

If you need ideas to raise money,  
DJDQUHDFKRXWWRWKH\$62%RU  
band, helping each other with our goals  
is again a part of being a community.  
RX DUH QRW DORQH DQG WKURXJK WKH  
\$62% ZHFDQ XQLWHDOORIRXUEDQGV  
6KDULQJLGHDV LV KXJHDQGFQ  
more participation, friendships and  
fun. Isn't that the real reason each of us  
MRLQHGWKH6KULQHLQWKHILUVVSDFH  
Es salam alaikum, my brothers!

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TREASURER**  
Don Moores

Greetings  
Bandsmen!  
We have just  
completed  
another  
successful year  
is our history.  
We, in Florida,  
were glad to  
treat so many of you to our wonderful  
summer, a season we sometimes wish  
would just go away. Be thankful  
though, that during the week of the

6KULQJ & RXQFLO 6HVVLRQ LQ ZDPSD  
KRPHRI6KULQHUV,QWHUQDWLRQDO  
6KULQHUVRVSLWDOIRU&KLOGUHQ  
we had no significant rainfall during  
the week. I believe I remember  
only one relatively small shower.

Congratulations to now Past  
President Jeff Moores for a very  
successful program for the week  
and the abbreviated schedule we all  
HQMRRHG XULQJWKH6HVVLRQ,ZDQWR  
personally thank Jeff's five aunts and  
two of their spouses that attended and  
once again worked very hard on the  
food part of the Hospitality Room.  
In attendance were (alphabetically):  
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ORRUHV (OVZLFNHQQ\DQG /RZHOQ  
RZDUG 5LWD DQG %LOO 6PLWK 7KH  
came from Ohio, Kentucky and Texas.  
Thanks to all of you, I am sure Glenda  
was looking down from above checking  
on everything being done and being so  
proud of the help you all gave Jeff.

The Parade and Fantasy went very  
well with a small number of Bands, the  
results should be in Chris Tsaros' article  
elsewhere in this issue. We want to  
offer our sincere prayers and thoughts  
for our brothers and sisters who were  
Kedem, who were scheduled to be in  
Tampa, because of the devastating  
floods that came to the Charleston  
area during the week prior and they,  
therefore, had to cancel. Many of their  
friends and families were impacted by  
these floods.

7KH 6WUDWHJLF 3ODQQLQJ 0HHWLQJ  
started two years ago, is up coming  
in Fort Worth, TX, during October  
21<sup>st</sup> and concluding October 24<sup>th</sup>. This  
LV WKH (HFXWLM 3ODQQLQJ 6HVVLRQ WR  
which all Bandsmen are welcome, it  
is three full days of discussions and  
SDQQLQJIRUWKHKHDOWKRIWKH\$62%  
as an Association. Anyone wanting to  
attend is welcome to contact President  
Tom Crow at the email or phone  
numbers in the officers section of this  
issue.

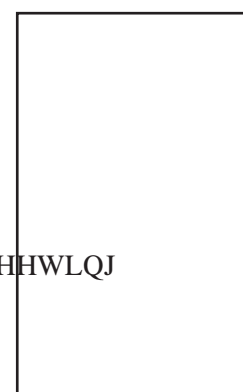
In Tampa the slate of officers was  
elected going forward into 2016-2017,

and hopefully further the Association's  
QRODQGWKHQHZ2ILFHUVDUH1REOH  
HQBRSUHVVLGHQW0RVODK1REOH  
Chris Tsaros, 1st Vice-President (AI  
\$KDU 1REOH DUU\3UHVVDPQ QG  
9LFH3UHVLGHQW\$UDELDOO6LUDUUH  
DeHass, PP, 3rd Vice-President, (AI  
%HGRR 6HUJHDQW DW \$62%  
Past President Don Moores, Re-elected  
6HFUHWDUU\UHDVXUHU\$PDUD\$VRX  
ZLQQRWLFHWKHUHZDVQRWD6HUJH  
Arms elected to serve this year because  
despite the Officers effort no one came  
forward to present their name for that  
position. It is hoped that someone  
UHDGLQJ WKLV LVVXH RI WKH ID .KD  
will see fit to come forward and present  
WKHLUQDPHDVD6HUJHDQWDW\$UPVVF  
President and the Executive Committee  
can appoint someone to fill this position  
and hopefully going forward next year.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting  
RIWKH\$62%ZLOOEHIRXQGLQDQRWKHU  
area of this issue.

\$OHLXP(V6HODP  
RQORRUHV\$62%6HF7UHDV

**\$332,170(176**



**LADDER  
OF SMILES  
CHAIRMAN**  
Michael Hartup  
6 X P P H U  
greetings to  
all bandsmen  
and I hope you  
are enjoying  
3DUDGH6HDVRQ  
3DUDGH 6HDVRQ  
here in Kansas  
includes heat, wind, thunderstorms  
and a lot of walking and a lot of  
hospitality.

Maggie and I spent mid-April in  
Alexandria, LA, enjoying El Karubah's  
DMXQKRVSWDOLWDPW7KH6RXWK(DV  
6KULQH QXE RHGRZQ DQG \$62%  
President Jeff Moores' Mid-Winter  
Meeting. The last of May we visited  
6RXWK RQWUDO 6KULQH \$VVRFLDWL



6KUHMURUW /\$ \$OWKRXJK WKHUH ZDV  
no Oriental Band Competition we  
thoroughly enjoyed ourselves visiting  
ZLWKIULHQGVZPHWDWSHMRXV6&  
meetings. We will see them again next  
April in Pensacola, FL.

Our next trip was to Tampa, FL, for  
,PSIULDO6HVVLQRXRUEDQGVFRPSIWHG  
in both parade and stage competition,  
the smallest band had five on stage and  
the largest band had 17. The Oriental  
%DQGIURPDGML6KULQHUVLQ3HQVDFROD  
FL, participated in their first Imperial  
\$62% FRPSIWLWLRQ DQG ZHQW KRPH  
a winner. We hope to see them back  
again.

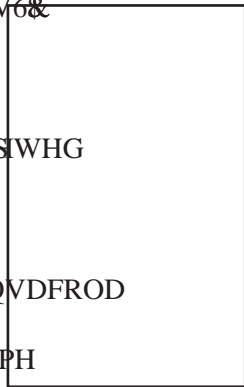
\$WWKH\$62%%DQTXHWLQ7DPD  
,ZDV KD\$WR DQQRXQFH WKDW 285  
GRQDWLRQV WR WKH /DGGHU RI 6PLOHV  
totaled \$103,400.62. Congratulations  
to Amara Oriental Band and Don  
Moore for their leading the list of top  
donations this past year.

President Tom Crow announced  
WKDWKLV/DGGHURI6PLOHVJRDQIRUWKLY  
coming year is \$80,000.00 and with the  
help of each bandsman, his lady, band,  
regional association and friends, we  
can make this number a reality. It just  
takes some creativeness and thinking  
RXWVLGH WKH ERJ6KDUH RXU LGHDY  
with other bands, together we can make  
this happen. We are looking forward to  
3UHVVLGHQW 7RPV (HFXWLM 6HVVLRLQ  
Ft. Worth in October, and learning of  
his plans for bringing bands together in  
Kansas City the last of March and first  
RIS\$LO.HH\$ZDWFKLQJWKH1D.KDEDU  
for information. This will be an exciting  
and fun time for ALL Oriental Bands.  
Remember, the smiles of children DO  
make it all worthwhile.

I bid you peace...  
Mike

*See you at the*  
**ASOB JAMBOREE**  
March 31 - April 2, 2017  
in Kansas City, MO!  
*More information*  
*on page 27*

\$0% \$66\$256



**CANADA**  
James  
Woodley

HOOR 1REOHV  
my name is  
Jim Woodley.  
I was surprised  
and a little  
worried when  
1REOH -HII  
Moore called  
me to ask if I  
would accept

WKH RVLWLRQRIS\$62% \$PEDVVDGRUWR  
Canada. I worry because, as far as I  
know, there are no instructions for the  
position. I will do the best I can or until  
I am fired.

, KDM KHDUG IURP ORFKD "  
Oshawa, Khartum, Winnipeg and  
WAWA in Moose Jaw. I am a member  
of Philae and a Life Member of Tunis  
OBs. Unfortunately all seem to be  
losing members to the "Black Camel",  
old Father Time or other reasons.

1REOH %RE -RQHV 2VKDZID  
indicated they are down to 6-7 members  
at practices or on their float. They were  
the only OB practicing at the Rameses  
6\$LOJ)DOO\$UHPRQLDOV7KLVGRHW  
not too well for the Rameses OB.

1REOH %HUQLH \*URVV .KDUVWQW  
indicated they have lost one of their  
PRVWVHQLRUDQGFWLMHPHEHUV1REOH  
Irv Jackson, to the Black Camel. As  
many members are unable to parade  
they have acquired a float.

1REOH \*RUG 6WHZDUW :\$:\$  
indicated they are down to 12 active  
members. They are seeking information  
about OB instruments. Gord's e-mail  
address is: [gordon.stewart@sasktel.net](mailto:gordon.stewart@sasktel.net)

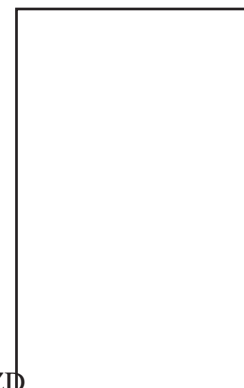
I have not heard from Barry  
Burchill, Tunis, but I know their  
numbers are decreasing. I received an  
HPDLO WKDW 1REOH -DFNSHOO 33  
long time member has recently passed.  
We here at Philae still have 16 members  
on file but only 5-6 show up for

practice. We were unable to form a unit  
for the last ceremonial and induction of  
QHZ1REOHV7KLVVLVWKHILUVVWLPWH  
knowledge.

0\WKDQW WR WKH 1REOHV ZKR  
submitted articles. I had to shorten  
them to omit repeated remarks and to  
keep this article a reasonable length.  
R\$IXOOZHLOOKHDUIURP1)WR  
BC for the next issue.

7)DQG DV 1REOH \*URVV ZURWH  
May the G.A.O.T.U. keep you safe  
and in good health. And may you be  
successful in raising funds for the kids.

1REOH-LP:RRGOH\  
\$62% \$PEDVVDGRUWR\$QDGD



**CENTRAL  
STATES**  
Rick Moody

The bands of  
KQWUDO 6WDWHV  
wish Greetings  
to you all.

Ahh, do you  
KHDULW,"VW WKH  
sound of sweet  
music in the  
DLU HV WKH

EDQGV RI KQWUDO 6WDWHV DUH EXV  
summer parading and also practicing  
at our convention in Little Rock,  
Arkansas. I am told by the secretary of

KQWUDO 6WDWHV 6KULQH 2ULHQW  
that 5 bands will be attending. Though,  
it will be wonderful that more bands  
would attend, it is still going to be a  
great time to get together and play the  
sweetest music on this side of heaven.

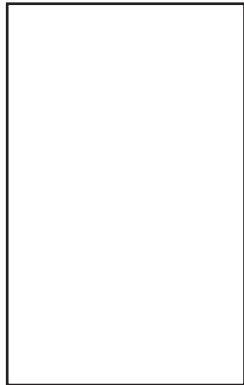
2XUKRVVWHP\$H6FLPLWDUKDVHQVX  
us that this will be a great convention  
August 24<sup>th</sup> thru 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016, and by the  
time you read this article, I will have  
had the pleasure of seeing a lot of you  
and having a great time. To the bands  
WKDWDUHQRWVWVHQGLQJ6\$WKLVH  
we will miss you. I am sure that with  
DQG of the local parades that happen this  
time of year, you will be busy also.

As always, membership is a hot  
topic with all Temples. Please be

active in your unit and in recruiting new members. A great unit for new members to belong to is the Oriental Band Unit. I guarantee the O.B. has the most fun!

I hope that you have had a great summer and please remember the /DGGHU2I6PLOHV

RXUVLQ)DLWK  
Rick



**FLORIDA**  
Robert E. Stihler

Greetings from the Oasis of warm/sunny Florida! Can you believe that 2017 is only three months DZD' « , can't.

I guess the biggest news to report LV DERXW WKH ,PSIULDO 6HVVLRO KHOG DW Tampa, FL, during 3 to 6 July 2016. 2XWJRLQJ\$62%3UHVLGHQW-HIIORRUHV did a fine job arranging the activities and hospitality hosted by the Melha Oriental %DQG ZDV VXSIEUE 1R RQH ZHQW DZD\ hungry or thirsty!!! Congratulations to 1REOH7RPEIRZRQKLV ULVHWR \$62% 3UHVLGHQW DQG WR DOO WKH other Line Officers.

Participating Bands in the Fantasy were Hadji, Melha, El Hassa and 6DKLE HDFK UHFHLEQJ \*DPlace Award for their respective categories. RQJUDWXODWLRQV WR 7KH \*UHDWGDKLE Oriental Band for receiving the Best Overall Band Award, and a "Big AttarWR 1REOH)ORG/DXHRI6DKLE named Best Director.

On Wednesday morning, 7/6<sup>th</sup>, the Oriental Bands escorted Deputy ,PSIULDO 3RWHQWDWH & ULV 6PLWKHQRW the Pageant at the Tampa Convention RQWHU 0DLQJ :KHQ WKH 6DLQWVHR marching in."

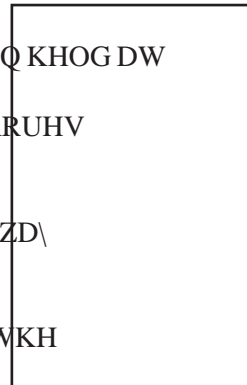
It's not too early to start thinking about the Hoedown in Kansas City,

WR DGML 3RWHQWDWH Tom LeCroy invited all to Pensacola, )/DQG WKH,PSIULDO Convention in July at Daytona Beach, FL.

At an "Executive Board Meeting" held on 7/16/16 at the Bridge Tender ,QQ DW /RQJERDW .H)/ )62%\$ President Paul (the Greek) Pante suggested arranging a four or five night cruise for interested Bandsmen and their Ladies ..... sounds good Greek!

On Tuesday, 9/6/16, Hillsborough /RGJH\$)0/RGJH7DPS)/ will present their 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Table Lodge Dinner. This gourmet event is RUFKHWUDWHGE\REOH%URWKHUVV DOWHDLJKWDVDQDUURZ 6KHZRU 6FKRHDQGD.UOHLJLDFRPLPHPEHU backless dress so everyone could see how straight her spine is.

5HPHPEHU WKH /DGGHU RI 6PLOHVHW LVVXH , ZLOO KDM WKH UHVXC and the children in the hospitals. God from Virginia Beach and the update on %OHVV RX \*RG % OHVV 2XU 7URRY some of the parades and other events. God Bless America.



**MID ATLANTIC**  
Keith Oviatt

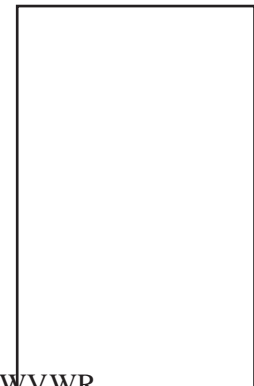
First I would like to congratulate Jeff Moores on having a successful year as our leader and thanks for all you did on

WKHEHKDOIRI\$62% \$OVRFRQJUDWVWR Tom Crow for his willingness to take the reins for the next year. I am sure he did a good job as Jeff. Those moving up on the line will have some big shoes to fill.

0\$62%\$\$QQXDO0HHWLQJZLOOEH KHOG LQ 9LUJLQLD %HDFK RQ 6HSHPEHU 9 at the Convention Hall. Pres. Rob Reed will call the meeting to order and WKHQRW will call for the election of officers and will become a "has been." Wayne Grumbein will take the reins of leader and someone not yet QDPHGZLOOEHFRPH6JWDW\$UPVH April. His meeting was well attended article we will know who will be in

charge of the blender. ,Q -XQH WKH 6KULQH RVEWDO (ULH Unit, held an open house event for the community with many Temples from the Mid-Atlantic represented. Our own Emily Mellish was one of the featured VSDNUVZKRWKDQNG WKH 6KULQHUV all they have done for her. Also speaking ZDVDRXQJODGIURP RQDGD6KHKDG VHMUH6FROLRVLVDQGDWWKHDJHRIK ribs were almost touching her hip. The doctors in Canada said they would be able to operate in 4 years. The family FRQWDFWHG D RQDGLDQ 6KULQHU D weeks later she had her operation at the (ULH8QLW6KHLVQRZDQGHUEDFN LVV DOWHDLJKWDVDQDUURZ 6KHZRU backless dress so everyone could see how straight her spine is. from Virginia Beach and the update on some of the parades and other events.

The thought for today: As you slide down the banister of life, may the splinters always aim downward!!



**SOUTH ATLANTIC**  
Nolan Stanley

Greetings from your fellow Oriental Bandsmen IURPWKH 6RXWK \$WODQWLF 6KULQ Association 6\$62%\$ From the reports received,

sounds like Tampa was the place to be in July. Congratulations to the bands competing and a "huge" congratulations to our new President, Tom Crow and Lady Katie. Wishing you only the best in the coming year. Also, a big congratulations to Jeff Moores on a very successful and productive year.

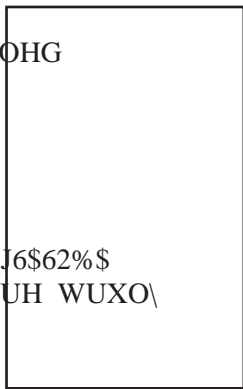
2IILFHUV DQGHPEHUVRI6\$62%\$ have been busy making plans for the year. President Randy Blake held his 6SLQJ0HHWLQJLQKDUOHVWRQ:9LQ April. His meeting was well attended by members from several states that

PDN XS\$62%\$ 5DQG\DQG KLV /DG\XVDQSDQHQGDIXOOIXQILOOHG weekend. I think everyone who came away from the casino that night came out with more money than they went in with, which is always a good thing! The friendships that have been built remarkable.

Preliminary plans for the year were discussed and then finalized at the 6XPPHU0HHWLQJKHOGRQWKHZHHNOG RI -XO\DW /DN 1RUPDQ 1& /DN1RUPDQKDVEHHQDIDIKULWHVIRU IRU 6\$62%\$ PHHWLQJV IRU VHMUBO years because of its location, shopping for the women, and a restaurant named Mickey and Mochies, which has the best 7-layer chocolate cake you'll ever find! It has also been mentioned the martinis are pretty good too. Again, President Randy and Lady 6XVDQ ZHUH HFHOHQW KRVW 6\$62%\$ will hold their competition, ladies brunch, business meeting and awards EDQTXHW DW WKH 6HD 0LVW 5HVRUW 7KXUVGD6HSHPEHU GXULQJ 6\$6\$ LQ 0UWOH %HDFK 7KHEXVLQHV meeting and ladies brunch will be held at 10:00, followed by the competition of the bands at 2:00, then the awards banquet at 7:00 that evening. We are very honored to have Mr. Kenny \*DUMQV ,SULDO %RDUG 6KULQH International, as the guest speaker at the banquet. Everyone is invited to attend any and all of the events and have the opportunity to hear the best music in the world during the competition!!

7KHFXUUHQW6\$62%\$2IILFHUVDUH 5DQG\%ODN 3UHVLGHQW -HII \$OOHQ 9LFH 3UHVLGHQW )RUHVW HPDQHV 9LFH3UHVLGHQWDM7XFNUUG9LFH 3UHVLGHQW XUI %RODUG 6HFUW 7UHDVXUHU6WHMOHDJKHU6JWRISUPV 6\$62%\$2IILFHUV DQG PHPEHUV ORRN forward to another great year and wish peace and happiness for all members of \$62%

Fraternally,  
5LFKDUG6WDQOH\  
6\$62%\$\$PEDVVDGRU



President (Caliph) of the Oriental Band from Moslah in Fort Worth and Past President of Texas Association RI 6KULQH 2ULHQWDO %DQGV 0HIIRUWV this year will be to highlight what's KDSQLQJLQ WKH JUHDW 6WDWHRI 7HDV regarding our oriental bands.

ARABIA in Houston performed DW76\$LQ-XQH DQGDG WZR PHPEHU attend Imperial. They also have a band 6\$62%\$ together planned for the summer.

KHIVA in Amarillo reports they are dark until October. Joe Brewton HVRUW 6QEM ready by mid-October. 7KH WRQTXLWHDVKRZDW76\$ 5\$ LQ 6DQ \$QWRQLR LV SHDULQJWRKRVW7\$62%0LG:LQW in 2017 on the Riverwalk. More information will be presented by Bill 1DQHVFUHQW7\$62%3UHVLGHQW\*UADW VKRZLQJDW76\$FRPWLWLRQDOV 6\$521 LQ 7OHU LV DOUHDG competition.

026/\$LQ )W :RUWK LV DOVR preparing for Mid-Winter in 2019 under the direction of 2nd VP Terry Posey. SW 76\$ 0RVODK HUIRUPHG FRQFHUW competition in full tux. Classy! More to come from Texas in the future. Don't forget to support the /DGGHURI6PLOHV

David Dodgen  
0RVODK6KULQH2ULHQWDO%DQG 817-832-0110  
drdodgen@hotmail.com

TEXAS

David Dodgen  
Fellow Oriental Bandsmen, my name is David Dodgen, the \$62% Ambassador IRU 7(\$6 Just as an introduction, I am a past

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ABDALLAH  
Overland Park, Kansas

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(Above front L to R), President Ed Harvey, Don Marah (driver), QM :5LFKDUG 6REHNDU %HQQHWW 33 Chris Robertson, (rear L to R) Mike Cook, Ron Maybell, Les Volentine, Treasurer Gregg Loeser, Tut McAfee, Bill Murray, Jamie Thornton, Director Don Best PP, and Honoree DRep Greg GUSO ULGLQJ 6HURLD WKH SEGDOOD Oriental Band Mascot. I was also there but was standing in a line.

6XBRHUPXVWEHKHUHDQRWKHUMU XFFHV VIXO /HQHD .6 RPPXQLW\ Parade is part of history.

President Bruce Fischbach submitted a resignation as President, due to overwhelming duties. Kansas Governor's committee on Veteran Affairs, Past Kansas V.F.W. Commander, the many duties at the V.F.W., a new job that takes him out of town ALOT, we can just imagine! Thank you Bruce for all you do for the OB and our veterans.

6RRRR 93 (G WKH)HIDUM camel wrangler extraordinaire, is the new President and King of the Mighty 6RQV RI WKH HVHUW RQWUDWV (G ZH NRZRXLZLOOVHUM 7@%\$1ZHOO

as you always have.  
*Our own Abdallah OB, President Ill Sir Gary Bennett P.P., Kansas*

If we don't see you in Little  
5RFNRU \$62% 666\$, KRH WR  
see everyone here (KC) for the 1<sup>st</sup>  
\$118\$/ \$62% -\$0%25((  
0DUFK\$SLO

1926. The Band who supplied the  
initial impetus to forming this group  
ZDV 1REOH HQQLV 2%ULHQ ZKR ZDV  
WKH GLUHFWRU RI WKH \$O %HGRR 6K  
band at that time. Most of the original  
PHPEHUVZHUHDSUWRIWKH6KULQH%D  
and they necessarily performed in duo  
capacities.

7KHUHDIUWHU 1REOH LFNDOO ZDV  
appointed Captain of the Oriental Band  
DQG WKH JURXS\$SDUHG LQ 6HDWWOH  
1930 with about 32 members. In 1926  
there were only three Temples which  
had an Oriental Band and Al Bedoo was  
one of them. In 1928, Dick Hall was  
one of four representatives attending an  
Oriental Band meeting in Chicago. The  
depression years caught up with this  
Oriental Band and it was disbanded in  
1934 and 1935.

William Bunney was Potentate of  
Al Bedoo Temple in 1937 and 1938. He  
DSRDFKHG6%UDLGDZLWKWKHUHTXH  
that an Oriental Band be organized.  
At the time Dennis O'Brien was still  
GLUHFWURIRIWKH\$O%HGRR6KULQH%  
DQG 6%UDLGDZDVDPHEHURIRIWKH  
band. It was the Potentate's desire that  
a completely separate and performing  
unit be established to take part in  
ceremonials and become a part of the  
XQLRUPERGLHV6Q%UDLGDFFH\$WHGW  
assignment with the understanding that  
he would still belong to the band and  
eventually return to that organization.

There were approximately 20  
members in the original group forming  
the Oriental Band. It is interesting to  
note that out of those 20, four of the  
members went on to become Potentates  
of Al Bedoo Temple. From this nucleus  
the unit grew. The uniforms were  
obtained and those uniforms were  
made up in Billings, Montana. They  
were far more colorful than the present  
day band uniforms. Thereafter, beards  
and makeup were introduced as a  
traditional and distinctive characteristic  
of the Oriental Band.

The Band became a truly  
independent performing unit. It took  
part and helped in ritualistic work at

*ShrineB owl, be forew elcomings peeche  
at Kansas Shrine Bowl Banquet.*

:H WKH \$% DWWHQHGH WKH  
.DQVKH\$DDQIDKR  
-X\ QPSB .6 7KH IH

Temples (Abdallah, Arab, Isis, Midian,  
Mirza) of the Great Desert of Kansas  
manage to gather for football and of  
course the brotherhood. The Oriental  
%DQGV GHOLMULQJ WKH YZHHWBYVLF  
this side of heaven' for the morning  
parade.

6 H U R \ L D

Abdallah Oriental  
Band Mascot, has  
been extremely  
R\$ODUVKHZRXOG  
hand out more  
autographs than  
the home team, KC  
5RDOVLIVKHFRXOG  
ZULWH6HURLDMXVWV\$WVRQHMRQH

Abdallah OB has performed in  
eight (8) parades, one being for Mirza  
KHUHPRLDO 3DUDGH LQ 3LWWV\$RRI ID.KDEDUV LQFOXGLQJ ROH  
and then one banquet, the Red Zone  
%DQTXHW IRU WKH .DQVDV 6KULQH%RZW  
Eastern team, and this season has many  
more to perform.

8SRPLQJ 66\$ LQ /LWWOH  
Rock, Arkansas, the last weekend of  
August stands a good chance at having  
PRUH FRP\$WLWLRQ DW WKH \$6%  
\$VVRFLDWLRQRIRI6KULQH2ULHQDW%  
RIKQWUDO6WDWHVHM\$QWZLWKDFRXSH  
of returning Oriental Bands. I'll let you  
know how the Abdallah Oriental Band  
dominated...LOL.

### Kansas Shrine Bowl Parade 2016

Bruce Fischbach,  
7((1'  
ALBEDOO  
Billings, MT

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This article is from the Al Bedoo  
archives, we thought it might be an  
interesting read since so many have had  
questions about the Al Bedoo Oriental  
Band. It was originally published in the  
Al Bedooings, our temples monthly  
publication. We may run a small series  
of these archived articles over the next  
\$RRI RI ID.KDEDUV LQFOXGLQJ ROH  
written by the infamous Arnie Berger  
QH%RZW. We do not have the dates on  
these articles so please keep that in  
mind while reading these. This is a part  
of our bands history.

### Oriental Band Is One Of Al Bedoo's Oldest Uniformed Bodies By DQGV. Speare (date unknown)

The forerunner of the present  
Oriental Band made its first appearance  
LQ 6KHULGDQ :RPLQJ LQ WKH HDH

ceremonials. The Band was drilled and though it was never a precision marching unit, they became pretty good. In 1948, under the leadership and guidance of the Oriental Band until World War II. At this time he left for the service in the Armed Forces and during this period. After the War, Braida returned to the Oriental Band for a period of time. There were other Captains of the Oriental Band and became Potentate in 1952.

Many changes in the Band gradually took place. The uniforms were discarded and authentic uniforms from Jordan were purchased for the Band. Additionally, songs and patters in the Arabic language were introduced. Makeup and beards were considered and their use refined. Production numbers were developed and this continued to the point where the Band truly could put on a performance of the concert type. Credit for the initiation and implementation of all of these factors is due to Arnold A. Berger. He was music director under the band during this growth period.

In the early 1960s under the leadership of Matt Woodrow and the Band achieved some of its finest honors. In championship competition the Al Bedoo Oriental Band won the World's Championship for three years in a row. The cup representing this achievement was retired to the Al Bedoo Oriental Band and is now among the trophies of Al Bedoo Temple.

Historically and today, the Al Bedoo Oriental Band has enjoyed a close working relationship with the Potentates of Al Bedoo Temple. In addition to helping with the ritualistic work and performing at ceremonials, the Band has consistently traveled to various parts of the state as a representative. These appearances have been numerous and well-received. Like all units in the uniformed bodies, the Oriental Band has had its

ups and downs but has always been a part of the Band. In 1951, the World Championship was won, there were some let downs in out-of-state activities. The present Band is a blend of old and new members under the leadership of C.H. Graham. Arnold A. Berger is still the musical director and interest and activity is increasing. Plans are planned for the coming year and Potentate Eck has indicated his desire to have the Oriental Band represent him at several functions throughout the state of Montana.

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This is the second year the Oriental Bands have had the opportunity to make a presence at a main event of the Khiva Oriental Band, Amarillo, TX, was featured and played at the Opening year the Pageant.

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Greetings from the Arab Oriental Band! Here we are in the thick of the hot summer months and the Oriental Band is just as hot. We will be ready to give our best in the competition and to once again enjoy the brotherhood and camaraderie we share at this special event. Our Potentate, Jim Whitehead, and Unit Director, Robert Gifford, will be joining us as we kick out the jams. "RZFRRROLVWKDW"

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for the Hella Oriental Band is the Hella  
Osborne, a longtime member of the  
band, jump started the Hella Oriental  
Band back onto the road to success,  
and was joined by the Divan joining the  
Hella Oriental Band! WOW! Welcome  
6,56

Another power base is the friends  
of the band like Lady Kris Hargove.  
Let us count the ways! Lady Kris is our  
champion Oriental Band membership  
petition bringer in. Thank you Lady  
Kris for your many years of "gitter  
done" broad brush action steps  
Childrens Hospitals!

Thank you Lord, Great Architect  
of the World for your blessings and  
directions. Watch over us and guide  
us with your special strength and  
directions for brotherly love in action.

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QGH6PLWKBSVDLQHOOD2%

### MEDINAH

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Behold, how good and how pleasant  
it is for brethren to dwell together in  
unity! The Band had a summer that  
created forceful mixed emotions.

We had an amazing time at the  
fourth of July parades. Our unit joined  
the Brass Band creating a big band  
sound with an Arabic motif! The

Grove enjoyed our performances under  
Later that week many members, some  
with their wives and others "bacheloring  
able to attend a barbecue at my new home  
to drive more than two hours to get to  
our home! My son, Efrain, manned the  
flames. We gorged on hamburgers,  
hotdogs and salads. Tempting desserts  
were provided by Howard's wife, Bea,  
and my daughter-in-law, Margot. My  
sons and grandchildren who worked  
so hard to make our afternoon such a  
pleasant one.

The sadness of the loss of two  
of our nobles is overwhelming. Bill  
Cummings and Howard Blair were  
called to their Creator within three  
weeks of each other. Our hearts go  
out to their wives, Isobel and Leal, as  
well as to their families. Our hope is  
that they took their horns with them so  
that they can play with so many of our  
bandsmen now gone.

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### MELHA

Spring eld, Mass.

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6SULQJHOG0\$  
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Hello OB brothers from the  
summer. Right now I am writing this  
at beautiful Hampton Beach. I love it  
up here! The water is a little on the  
cold side but it is very refreshing. This  
year has been a very busy one for the  
Melha OB. Parades, fundraisers and  
Tampa Imperial have been keeping us  
out of trouble... somewhat. As always  
we have a lot of fun doing what we do.

Let's just get right into Tampa  
shall we. OK, here we go. It started out  
with the arrival and setting up one of  
the best hospitality rooms I have ever  
been a part of... outstanding job Jeff.  
from the Wahoo to the bourbon balls,

everything was first class all the way,  
I'll enjoy it again, great job Jeff. It  
was a week of meeting up with old  
friends and making some new ones.  
If you missed this year, you missed a  
good one. That's just the feedback that  
I have gotten from folks from all over.

We competed and won in the  
medium band class, but the best part  
at the end. It just proves that we sound  
so much better when we are all playing  
for all the guys that played in the  
was so awesome to be a part of. Playing  
under the leadership of the great Floyd  
Ladue, I got the honor of playing next  
to The Greek. What a great time we all  
had.

As far as what is going on at  
Melha, we have some parades coming  
up. Like everyone else we are having a  
hard time attracting new members, so  
our numbers on the street seem to keep  
dwindling. One thing that I personally  
am trying to do is cross train guys to  
play more than just one instrument.  
Even with a small band we can do big  
things.

In closing, I would just like to  
thank all those who did travel to  
Tampa. I would like to thank Jeff on a  
great year and an outstanding job with  
the festivities in Tampa. As always,  
remember our kids in our hospitals  
and the docs and staff that make it all  
possible. Remember the men and women  
who fight for our freedom every day.  
If everyone carried a tooth pick no one  
would have to carry the log.

### MOSLAH

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Well... here we are moving toward the  
fall months and hopefully some cooler  
weather. Moslah Bedouins, in June,

made the trip south from Fort Worth to Houston, in between the floods, for a great time mixing it up with the Texas Oriental Band community. Our Caliph, %LOO&QQ KLV/DG%HWKZLWKWKHLU

trusty crew, provided us with some great hospitality and liquid libation to prepare us for competition and parade activities. Thanks go to the "crew" and %LOO%HWK  
7\$62%V DQQXDO EUHDNDVW ZDV enjoyed by many and congratulations to the new slate of officers. Elsewhere in the magazine check out the new 3UHVLGHQW RI 7\$62% 1REOH %LOO 1DQHV \$ODIDU ODQV IRU WKH association. Great time promised in 6DQ \$QWRQLR LQ 0DUFK DQG RX don't have to be from Texas to come, partake and enjoy. All are welcome.

July found this ole boy and his Lady in Tampa, FL, for Imperial 6HVLRQ ZLWK WKH \$62% 2ULHQWDO Band community. Another fine time, check out our pictures on Facebook LQWKH\$62% VHFWRQR 7KHUHWKHQHZ President from Moslah, Tom Crow, took the reins of the association. All enjoyed the weekend of competition and camaraderie with fellow bandmen and their ladies.

The future holds some new things WRJHWLQK&MGLQ 6WD(WXQHGR)ROM when or wherever possible, you are missing out if you don't attend these DFWL&WLHV 6X&UW RXU DVVRFLDWLRQV and especially the Oriental Band communities. Don't forget the Ladder RI6PLOHV

6LQFH WKLW ZULWLQJ LV LQ ODWH -XO\ most folks' temples are in their "dark" period, recharging and ready to go into the fall activities. Moslah Bedouins Caliph Bill Conn quite successfully instituted a Bedouin nite out once a month during the "dark months" at a local restaurant. This has been a great success to keep the unit engaged and in touch thru this period.

The unit is fully engaged in selling circus ads as Moslah Circus is slated IRU WKH 1RMPEHU WLPHIUDPHDQG WKH "men" are anticipating the annual

weekend outing in Perrin, TX. Time to kick back, relax and recharge for the falls activities. Until the next time we meet, go in peace.

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\*UHHWLQJVIURPWKH\*UHDW1RUWKZ am writing this as the weather has been TXLWHVDOXEULRXV6HMQWILMWRHLJ with sun!!

The Band is in the throes of rebuilding the musette section. We're in as good of shape as possible for 3162%\$ WKLV FRPLQJ \$XJXVW LQ Billings, MT. We will have fun and we look forward to seeing old friends at the venue in MT.

The parade season has been good this year starting in LaConner on April 9th. It was good to see Lila Long. Parades following were: Oak Harbor - \$SLO6HTXLP0D%HOOLQJKDP - May 21, Port Orchard - June 25, 6HGUR:RROH\ -XO\0RXQW /DN 7HUUDFH-XO316\$\$XJXVW 13, and lastly, Granite Falls - October 1.

6LQFH, ZDV ODWH ZULWLQJ WKLVL necessarily short!! That's about all my thumb can write on the I-Phone right now!

6WDVXQHGR  
Bruce Garner  
.HHSIURIWKH6FUROOV  
1LOH2ULHQWDO%DQG

**2002 Imperial  
World Champions**  
*Vancouver, B.C.*

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Mountlake Terrace  
Washington 98043  
Exit 177 (W) off I-5



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Greetings from the hot humid  
Imperial Convention held in Tampa, Florida. The temperature was hot, hot, hot, over 90° everyday. I want to personally congratulate Jeff Moores on having a well planned and well executed weekend of great hospitality and good competition. We enjoyed the camaraderie of all the past presidents and all the line officers. Congratulations to Tom Crow for advancing to his new position as president of the Association  
2016-2017. We all know that he will do a fantastic job.

Jeff, you're also to be congratulated for raising over \$100,000 during your year as president. It gets harder every year to raise that much money as our membership declines. Thanks to all the line officers for all the efforts to keep

I want to thank the members of hard work they put in over the past few

months. It paid off with our winning the best overall award and our fearless director, Floyd LaDue, taking the best director award.

divan for helping us out at the Monday night parade, when we found out at the last minute we needed people to walk to escort our float the whole parade

Hope to see a lot of bands in Kansas City next March 30th-April 2nd for the Hoedown, and at the Imperial Convention in July in Daytona Beach, Florida. We may be getting smaller in numbers but we're certainly not lacking enthusiasm.

Again, thanks Jeff for a great convention and for the successful raising of money for the Ladder of

Paul Pante (Greek)

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our parade season! First was the annual

zoo parade in Erie that marks the zoo opening for the summer. It is one of the biggest parades of the year in Erie.

In June the Oriental Band was out Unit for their open house event. More on that event in the Mid-Atlantic Parade marked the 60th year that we have been there. They always present us with a nice check for the hospital. It is the largest fireman's parade in PA but the problem is that this year the fire trucks behind us must have thought that the crowd wanted to hear their sirens more than our delightful renditions of the classical music from our talented musicians. The next few parades should have better playing conditions.

Our annual reverse drawing event had to be postponed from May until issues. There are some other events where we will be represented for the Temple to get the word out about the hospital.

report, hopefully a new member or two and not a black camel at our oasis.

The older I get, the better I was!

*We meet every Friday night for social hour and band practice at 6:30*

*Our Business Meeting is the 1st Friday of each month.*

*Melha Shriners  
133 Longhill Street  
Springfield, Mass*

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**OUR website**  
**ASOB.ORG**  
**for the latest information!**

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# MEMORIALS *and* DONATIONS

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April thru July 2016

## In Memory of:

### HELEN JACEK

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# TOP BANDS

## Top Ten 2015-2016

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## Top Bands July 2016

<b>RAJAH ORIENTAL BAND</b> .....	\$585.00	
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 (Memory Glenda Moores)  
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 C. Vince Bobrosky  
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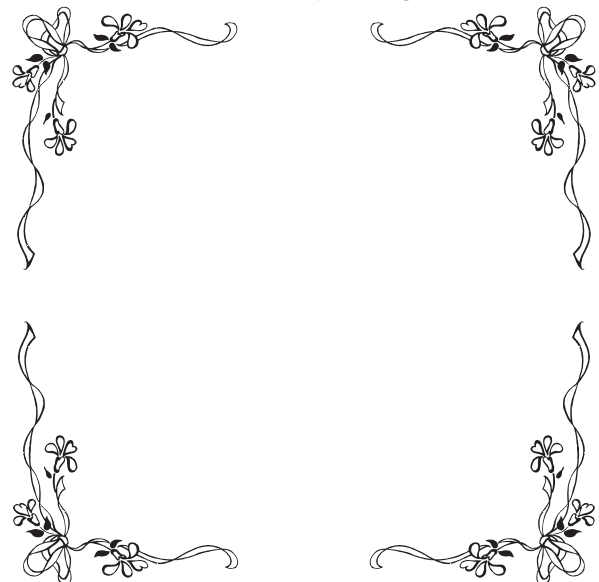
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## BILL NANES







**Association Of Shrine Oriental Bands International**  
**Summery of U.S. Operating Funds, July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016**

<b>Balance:</b> July 1, 2015 .....	\$ 5,577.58
<b>Revenue:</b>	
\$62% XHV .....	\$ 280.00
\$62% XHV .....	\$6,710.00
Fantasy and Caliphs Trophies .....	\$ 246.00
Fantasy Registration.....	\$ 0
Patron's Fund .....	\$1,000.00
2016 Imperial Rooms.....	\$4,335.00
2016 Registration Fee (Binder).....	\$ 680.00
Awards (Rajah) .....	\$ 241.79
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Total Revenue: July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016.....	<u>\$16,757.49</u>
Revenue Balance: June 29, 2016 .....	\$22,335.07
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Honorarium 2015 .....	\$3,000.00
2016 Imperial Hotel Refund (Cancelled).....	\$ 141.00
2016 Imperial Hotel DoubleTree .....	\$4,335.00
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1D.KDEDU/DRXW.....	\$2,100.00
Postage .....	\$ 95.39
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Plaques - Competition 2015 .....	\$ 391.00
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Awards .....	\$ 241.79
Website Maintenance .....	\$ 47.88
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Total Expenses: July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016.....	<u>\$18,071.07</u>
<b>ACCOUNT BALANCE:</b> June 30, 2016 .....	<u>\$ 4,264.00</u>

**Association Of Shrine Oriental Bands International**  
**Summery of Canadian Checking Account, July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016**

<b>Balance:</b> July 1, 2015 .....	\$2,978.73
<b>Revenue:</b>	
A.S.O.B. 2016 Dues.....	\$1,440.00
/DGGHURI6PLOHV.....	\$1,100.00
Total Revenue: July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016.....	<u>\$2,540.00</u>
Revenue Balance: June 30, 2016 .....	\$5,518.73
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Monthly Bank and Service Charge .....	\$ 72.00
/267UDQVIHU.....	\$1552.00
Total Expenses: July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016.....	<u>\$1,624.00</u>
<b>ACCOUNT BALANCE:</b> June 30, 2016 .....	<u>\$3,984.73</u>

**Association Of Shrine Oriental Bands International**  
**Summery of Edward Jones Savings Account July 1, 2015 thru May 27, 2016**  
Formerly 1st 100 Club Savings Account

<b>Balance:</b> July 1, 2015 .....	\$ 19,111.21
<b>Revenue:</b>	
L8GHQGV,QWHUHVW.....	\$ 440.14
Change in Value .....	\$ 867.01
Total Revenue: July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016.....	<u>\$ 1,307.15</u>
Revenue Balance: June 30, 2016 .....	\$ 20,418.36
<b>Expenses:</b>	
)HHV&DUJHV .....	\$ 51.11
/267UDQVIHU .....	
Total Expenses: July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016.....	<u>\$ 51.11</u>
<b>ACCOUNT BALANCE:</b> May 27, 2016 .....	<u>\$ 20,367.25</u>

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BAND	LOCATION	1961-2015	2015-2016	FINAL TOTALS
Aad	Hermantown, MN	\$85.00		\$85.00
Aahmes	Livermore, CA	\$1,957.00		\$1,957.00
Abdallah	Overland Park, KS	\$35,839.46	\$500.00	\$36,339.46
Abou Ben Adhem	Springfield, MO	\$67,670.77	\$1,000.00	\$68,670.77
Abu Bekr	Sioux City, IO	\$121.00		\$121.00
Acacia	Baton Rouge, LA	\$1,031.75		\$1,031.75
Acca	Richmond, VA	\$12,319.63	\$2,222.00	\$14,541.63
Ada	Havre, MT	\$3,409.00		\$3,409.00
Akdar	Tulsa, OK	\$225.00		\$225.00
Afifi	Tacoma, WA	\$920.00		\$920.00
Ainad	East St. Louis, IL	\$220.00		\$220.00
Al Amin	Corpus Christi, TX	\$401.00		\$401.00
Al Aska	Anchorage, Alaska	\$15.00		\$15.00
Al Azhar	Calgary, Alberta	\$100,090.96	\$550.00	\$100,640.96
Al Bahr	San Diego, CA	\$17,838.05		\$17,838.05
Al Bedoo	Billings, MT	\$6,684.00	\$2,220.00	\$8,904.00
Al Chymia	Memphis, TN	\$135.00		\$135.00
Al Kader	Wilsonville, OR	\$16,629.50	\$1,115.00	\$17,744.50
Al Koran	Broadview Heights, OH	\$429.00		\$429.00
Al Koran	East Liverpool, OH	\$608.48		\$608.48
Al Menah	Nashville, TN	\$125.00	\$25.00	\$150.00
Al Shamal	Edmonton, Alberta	\$4,310.00		\$4,310.00
Al Sihah	Macon, Ga	\$1,173.00		\$1,173.00
Alcazar	Montgomery, AL	\$3,917.75		\$3,917.75
Alee	Savannah, GA	\$1,820.25		\$1,820.25
Aleppo	Wilmington, MA	\$4,225.00	\$100.00	\$4,325.00
Algeria	Helena, MT	\$432.74		\$432.74
Ali Ghan	Cumberland, MD	\$98.00		\$98.00
Almas	Washington, DC	\$6,597.10		\$6,597.10
Alzafar	San Antonio, TX	\$12,421.31	\$582.00	\$13,003.31
Amara	Palm Beach Gardens, FL	\$41,851.46	\$40,861.19	\$82,712.65
Amran	Raleigh, NC	\$273.34		\$273.34
Ansar	Springfield, IL	\$1,287.00		\$1,287.00
Antioch	Dayton, OH	\$6,858.00		\$6,858.00
Arab	Topeka, KS	\$3,595.00	\$100.00	\$3,695.00
Araba	Fort Myers, FL	\$14,000.17		\$14,000.17
Arabia	Houston, TX	\$20,772.60	\$1,068.00	\$21,840.60
Ararat	Kansas City, MO	\$11,244.24	\$617.00	\$11,861.24
Asiya/Islam Arabians	San Mateo, CA	\$4,142.71		\$4,142.71
Asiya/Islam Cammel Herders	San Mateo, CA	\$30.00		\$30.00
Azan	Melbourne, FL	\$14,782.95	\$50.00	\$14,832.95
Bagdad	Butte, MT	\$31.00		\$31.00
Bahia	Orlando, FL	\$1,950.25	\$10.00	\$1,960.25
Ballut Abyad	Albuquerque, NM	\$84.00		\$84.00
Bektash	Concord, NH	\$3,206.19		\$3,206.19
Ben Ali	Sacramento, CA	\$13,402.57		\$13,402.57
Beni Kedom	Charleston, WV	\$30,386.23	\$1,000.00	\$31,386.23
Boumi	Baltimore, MD	\$41,479.86		\$41,479.86
Cairo	Rutland, VT	\$10,732.00	\$100.00	\$10,832.00
Calam	Lewiston, ID	\$50,760.14		\$50,760.14
Crescent	Burlington, NJ	\$772.00		\$772.00
Cyprus	Albany, NY	\$663.00		\$663.00
Egypt	Tampa, FL	\$2,159.88		\$2,159.88
Egyptians	Tampa, FL	\$201.00		\$201.00
El Bekal	Anaheim, CA	\$38,188.28	\$100.00	\$38,288.28
El Hasa	Ashland, KY	\$8,582.33	\$400.00	\$8,982.33
El Jebel	Denver, CO	\$365.00		\$365.00
El Kahir	Cedar Rapids, ID	\$7,539.48	\$100.00	\$7,639.48
El Kalah	Salt Lake City, UT	\$858.00		\$858.00
El Karubah	Shreveport, LA	\$70,579.02	\$3,982.00	\$74,561.02
El Katif	Spokane, WA	\$881.00		\$881.00

El Maida	El Paso, TX	\$2,219.00		\$2,219.00
El Mina	Galveston, TX	\$25.00		\$25.00
El Riad	Sioux Falls, SD	\$13,290.00	\$925.00	\$14,215.00
El Zagal	Fargo, North Dakota	\$85.00		\$85.00
El Zaribah	Phoenix, AZ	\$1,660.25		\$1,660.25
Elf Khurafeh	Flint, MI	\$57,240.00	\$1,000.00	\$58,240.00
Elf Khurafeh	Saginaw, MI	\$16,730.00		\$16,730.00
Gizeh	Vancouver, BC	\$70,250.00		\$70,250.00
Hadi	Evansville, IN	\$9,753.00	\$1,050.00	\$10,803.00
Hadji	Pensacola, FL	\$56.00	\$50.00	\$106.00
Hella	Garland, TX	\$3,139.00		\$3,139.00
Hillah	Medford, OR	\$200.00		\$200.00
India	Oklahoma City, OK	\$1,001.00	\$200.00	\$1,201.00
India	Fort Still, OK	\$5,059.00		\$5,059.00
Irem	Wilkes-Barre, PA	\$16,836.00		\$16,836.00
Isis	Salina, KS	\$91.00		\$91.00
Ismailia	Buffalo, NY	\$13,219.00		\$13,219.00
Jaffa	Altoona, PA	\$4,771.00		\$4,771.00
Jaffa-Clearfield	Clearfield, PA	\$10,060.53	\$25.00	\$10,085.53
Jericho	Kingsport, TN	\$3,350.00		\$3,350.00
Jerusalem	Destreham, LA	\$1,265.32		\$1,265.32
Joppa	Biloxi, MS	\$1,497.62		\$1,497.62
Kaaba	Davenport, IO	\$2,666.00		\$2,666.00
Kalif	Sheridan, WY	\$20.00		\$20.00
Kalurah	Endicott, NY	\$1,380.00		\$1,380.00
Karem	Waco, TX	\$20.00		\$20.00
Karnak	Dollard des Ormeaux, QU	\$16,126.73		\$16,126.73
Kazim	Roanoke, VA	\$1,087.50		\$1,087.50
Kena	Fairfax, VA	\$5,376.98		\$5,376.98
Kerak Arabians	Reno, NV	\$30,948.55		\$30,948.55
Khartum	Winnipeg, Manitoba	\$85.00		\$85.00
Khediye	Chesapeake, VA	\$8,919.10		\$8,919.10
Khiva	Amarillo, TX	\$49,272.21	\$3,875.00	\$53,147.21
Kismet	New Hyde Park, NY	\$13,422.00		\$13,422.00
Kora	Lewiston, ME	\$365.00	\$25.00	\$390.00
Korein	Rawlings, WY	\$8,945.66		\$8,945.66
Kosair	Louisville, KY	\$110.00		\$110.00
Lanoble Club		\$200.00		\$200.00
Lu Lu	Plymouth Meeting, PA	\$16,191.00		\$16,191.00
Luxor	St. John, New Brunswick	\$677.00		\$677.00
Mahi	Miami, FL	\$566.00		\$566.00
Mazol	St. Johns, Newfoundland	\$405.00		\$405.00
Mecca	New York, NY	\$1,865.00		\$1,865.00
Medinah	Addison, IL	\$1,105.00	\$75.00	\$1,180.00
Melha	Springfield, MA	\$97,413.49	\$13,919.57	\$111,333.06
Midian	Wichita, KS	\$48,367.43	\$1,410.00	\$49,777.43
Mocha	London, ON	\$18,340.00	\$3,000.00	\$21,340.00
Mocha	Sault St. Marie, ON	\$1,350.00		\$1,350.00
Mocha	Windsor, ON	\$11,386.88		\$11,386.88
Mohamed	Peoria, IL	\$611.00		\$611.00
Morocco	Jacksonville, FL	\$24,276.83		\$24,276.83
Moslah	Ft. Worth, TX	\$29,986.00	\$785.00	\$30,771.00
Moslem	Southfield, MI	\$12,613.05		\$12,613.05
Murat	Indianapolis, IN	\$14,353.04		\$14,353.04
Nile	Mountlake Terrace, WA	\$90,277.01	\$5,099.49	\$95,376.50
Nur	Wilmington, DE	\$19,588.00		\$19,588.00
Oasis	Charlotte, NC	\$2,929.33		\$2,929.33
Oleika	Lexington, KY	\$705.00	\$50.00	\$755.00
Osman	St. Paul, MN	\$25.00		\$25.00
Palestine	Cranston, RI	\$3,025.00		\$3,025.00
Rhode Island Shriners	Cranston, RI	\$120.00		\$120.00
Philiae	Halifax, Nova Scotia	\$2,774.00	\$100.00	\$2,874.00
Pyramid	Millford, CT	\$2,803.00		\$2,803.00
Rajah	Reading, PA	\$43,593.96	\$1,827.00	\$45,420.96



Rameses	Hamilton, ON	\$63,684.06		\$63,684.06
Rameses	Oshawa, ON	\$20,809.11	\$1,500.00	\$22,309.11
Rameses	Owen Sound, ON	\$25.00		\$25.00
Rameses	Ramaco, ON	\$3,078.00		\$3,078.00
Rameses	Sudbury, ON	\$2,494.75		\$2,494.75
Rizpah	Madisonville, KY	\$100.00		\$100.00
Sabbar	Tucson, AZ	\$65,082.23		\$65,082.23
Sahara	Pine Bluff, AR	\$820.00		\$820.00
Sahib	Sarasota, FL	\$18,396.85	\$400.00	\$18,796.85
Salaam	Livingston, NJ	\$27,593.95		\$27,593.95
Saladin	Kentwood, MI	\$12,172.00		\$12,172.00
Scimitar	Little Rock, AR	\$5,311.28		\$5,311.28
Scimitar, N.W.S.C.	Rogers, AR	\$33,996.39		\$33,996.39
Sharon	Tyler, TX	\$2,365.00	\$500.00	\$2,865.00
Sphinx	Newington, CN	\$100.00		\$100.00
Sudan	New Bern, NC	\$1,442.50		\$1,442.50
Sudbury	Sudbury, Ontario	\$150.00		\$150.00
Suez	San Angelo, TX	\$1,745.00		\$1,745.00
Syria	Pittsburgh, PA	\$15,363.00		\$15,363.00
Syrian	Cincinnati, OH	\$52,579.65	\$1,020.00	\$53,599.65
Tadmora	Akron, OH	\$935.00		\$935.00
Tangier	Omaha, NE	\$636.60		\$636.60
Tebala	Rockford, IL	\$12,957.00		\$12,957.00
Tehama	Hastings, NE	\$59.00		\$59.00
Tigris	Syracuse, NY	\$1,875.00		\$1,875.00
Tripoli	Milwaukee, WI	\$3,065.00		\$3,065.00
Tunis	Ottawa, ON	\$34,012.60		\$34,012.60
Yarrab	Atlanta, GA	\$3,217.00		\$3,217.00
Za-Ga-Zig	Altoona, IO	\$1,050.00		\$1,050.00
Zamora	Irondale, AL	\$218.00		\$218.00
Zelzah	Las Vegas, NV	\$8,750.00		\$8,750.00
Zem Zem	Erie, PA	\$44,112.92	\$960.00	\$45,072.92
Zembo	Harrisburg, PA	\$54,197.75		\$54,197.75
Lancaster County	Lancaster, PA	\$252,608.49	\$1,665.00	\$254,273.49
Zenobia	Toledo, OH	\$183,093.01	\$610.00	\$183,703.01
Zorah	Terre Haute, IN	\$5,080.45	\$100.00	\$5,180.45
Zuhrah	Minneapolis, MN	\$2,420.00	\$75.00	\$2,495.00
Aonymous Donation		\$225.00		\$225.00
Misc Donation		\$1,595.12		\$1,595.12

### REGIONALS

KICK OFF FUND		\$6,674.00	\$600.00	\$7,274.00
ALL FLORIDA		\$5,302.84		\$5,302.84
ASOB (Projects, Fines & Memorials)		\$57,942.47	\$333.25	\$58,275.72
ASOB (Past Presidents)		\$3,807.00		\$3,807.00
CALIPHS		\$1,150.00	\$150.00	\$1,300.00
SGT AT ARMS BREAKFAST		\$1,672.00	\$150.00	\$1,822.00
FANTASY DONATION		\$2,684.00	\$380.00	\$3,064.00
CENTRAL STATES		\$1,840.00	\$100.00	\$1,940.00
GREAT LAKES		\$26,632.83	\$1,008.00	\$27,640.83
MID-ATLANTIC		\$14,499.66	\$1,627.00	\$16,126.66
MID-WEST		\$3,580.70		\$3,580.70
NEW YORK - ONTARIO		\$2,194.75		\$2,194.75
NORTHEAST		\$2,916.00		\$2,916.00
PACIFIC NORTHWEST		\$11,852.56		\$11,852.56
SOUTH ATLANTIC		\$27,369.00	\$1,900.00	\$29,269.00
SOUTH CENTRAL		\$1,581.71		\$1,581.71
SOUTHEASTERN		\$6,974.00	\$149.00	\$7,123.00
TEXAS		\$12,601.61	\$17.00	\$12,618.61
WESTERN		\$7,933.16		\$7,933.16
INTEREST ACCUMULATE		\$11,667.68	\$38.12	\$11,705.80
<b>TOTAL TO DATE</b>		<b>\$2,667,790.60</b>	<b>\$103,400.62</b>	<b>\$2,771,191.22</b>

# A.S.O.B. 2016 BANDSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD



It is with great pleasure to report that IREOHKULV3DUNUZRWKH,QDXJJEHOHWRIHLWKHU WKHEDQG WKHMBDDQQ6KULQH2ULHQWDO%DQGDWV \$62% %DQGVDPDQ RI WKHHDU RQWHURU WKH/DGGHU RI 6PLOHV3HJUDGHV DQG HMQWV RU 0HOKD 6KULQ DZDUQ WKH\$62% (HFXWLM runs a Pasta Dinner in the spring, Committee established this award for a Golf Tournament in the summer D6KULQHUZKRGHPRQVWUDWHVOMHGHMKS Sen Dance in the fall in his band and the entire Oriental Band Community, run fundraisers for KLVEDQG DQG 6KULQH RQWHU DV ZHOO DV WKH/DGGHU RI 6PLOHV DQG DWWHQG regional and international functions. Chris was nominated for this award with letters of recommendation from ,OO 6LU %ULDQ RQQHU 3RWHQWDWH RI 0HOKD 6KULQHUV DQG IREOH RPHQLF LVWHIDQR \$62% 1RUWKHDVW Ambassador and Chief Rabban of 5KRGH,VODQG6KULQHUV

Chris is serving his third year as the President of the Melha Oriental Band (if he ever gets it right, maybe they will let him fade into being a Past President). He has served his 6KULQH RQWHUDVFDUHHWDRU the membership committee and also a dedicated member of Team Circus.

He has run many fundraisers for the runs a Pasta Dinner in the spring, a Golf Tournament in the summer Sen Dance in the fall

as a fundraiser, and all have been big successes over the years. He has also been instrumental in building a PXWXDOOEHQHÀLDO UHODWLRQVKHXPWQGDWLRQ WR WKH 6HFU the Rhode Island Oriental Band. It

is not uncommon to see the Rhode Oriental Band at Rhode Island Parades and events.

These recommendations were read at our Mid-Winter Meeting in Alexandria, Louisiana, and the Executive Committee voted unanimously to bestow this award XRQ KLP ,Q 0D\, ÀZ XSWR 6SLQJÀHOGDQGS'HVHQWHGDFHUWLA of this award to him at an Oriental Band Business Meeting. While there I made arrangements with Chief Rabban to present the plaque to him at WKH0D6WDWHG0HHWLQJRIWKH6KULQ Center. Wish I could have been there, but I heard that he got a standing ovation from the nobility that night.

7KH\$62% (HFXWLM&PPLWVHH is looking for nominations for the \$62% %DQGVDPDQ RI WKHHDU Make sure you get your letters of PXWXDOOEHQHÀLDO UHODWLRQVKHXPWQGDWLRQ WR WKH 6HFU before the next Mid-Winter Meeting.



*Jeff Moores, ASOB Pres. 2015-2016, Chris Parker, Ray Turini, Chief Rabban Melha Shriners*

*Ray Turini, Chief Rabban, Chris Parker, Brian Conner, Potentate*

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We will attend the Fantasy % :HZLOO127DWWHQGWKH)DQWDV\  
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