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From The President

D. Earl Frady



Earl Frady
President

Nobles and Ladies,

The New Year is just beginning and I'm looking forward to mid-winter in March. We have some amazing things planned. You won't believe it. I'd tell you, but you need to be there to experience it.

I want to congratulate past president Buddy Brown on his starting the line in Sudan Shrine. The leadership of Sudan is fortunate to have Buddy with his leadership skills and personality; he'll be an asset that can't be beat. Way to go "Skittles"! You should add color wherever you go. Also congratulations are in order for Jake and Diane Hensley. They have been blessed with another grandchild. A granddaughter this time known as 'Dust Ruffle'. I hope we'll all get to meet her at Fun Fest.

As clowns we should all have goals and objectives to reach. We all need to come together and make SASCA an organization

HEJAZ Shriners

any Shriner would want to join. Time has brought changes and challenges this year, too. My good friend, David Cunningham, has been under the weather since SASCA in Pigeon Forge, but he's on the right track now. Sadly, we have lost membership, but with you help we should be able to regain some of our former glory. Get out there and recruit some new joeys. Let them know what fun we have as clowns and how friendships are formed that last a lifetime.

If you don't make it to Myrtle Beach for Mid-Winter, I hope to see you at Fun Fest in May at Pigeon Forge. Then get ready for one of the biggest best blow outs ever at Myrtle Beach in September. You might be familiar with an old song about the gray squirrel. If you are, you need to get out there and do what it says. As you know, I am

Nuts about clowning,
Earl Frady, president



When Allah calls, then our friends obey, and fold their tents and steal away
To the land where the crystal waters flow, where the Beautiful Palms of Allah grow.

The Black Camel Has Visited

J.C. Wood Jr
Ron Vanbuer

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EL-HASA Temple

Please keep brother David Cunningham in your prayers. He had major heart surgery at the end of the year due to a Heart attack and is still doing poorly.



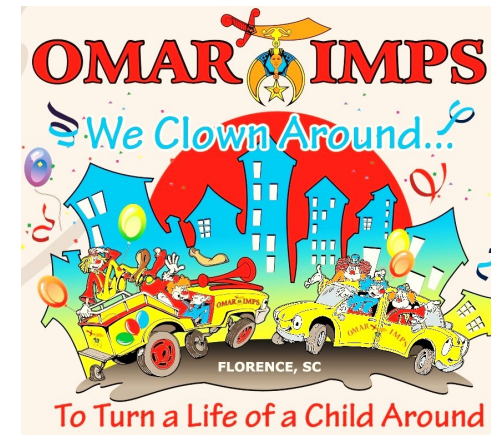
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From The 1st. Vice President Bobby J. Fisher OMAR Shriners



Bobby Fisher
 1 st.. VP

Hi Nobles,

Here it is almost July and the Omar Imps are planning to attend the Imperial Session in Charlotte, N.C. It will probably not be that close to us here in South Carolina again for a long time. I am so excited, I can hardly wait. I have never had the opportunity to attend one of these sessions until now. Hope to see my friends there. **"THIS MEANS YOU."**

At our September meeting, in Myrtle Beach, S.C., we will be electing officers Sept 20. We need everyone of you to come support us as we all come together to try to make this a stronger Clown Association.

Judy and I are asking you to bring something for our Silent Auction. Also, come to the Banquet on Fri. night and see the presentation of trophies. You can also see how we all look ALL DRESSED UP.

There will be a pool party to drown the new Pres. after the parade on Sat. Know you don't want to miss that.

God bless each and every one of you and I hope to see you in Sept.

Faithfully Yours,
Bobby J. Fisher
 1st V. Pres.

If anyone asks where THEIR copy of the newsletter is, ask them to check with their Secretary and/or Treasurer . This went out to ALL PAID UP MEMBERS as of May 20th.
 The Editor, EddO

From the 2nd. Vice President

Michael Wallace

KAZIM Shriners



Mike Wallace
2nd. VP

Hello to everyone, as you know, we just have completed our mid-year meetings it was very nice. We had vendors, and I was happy to see Tony and Nikki

Jones again, they have always been a great friend to SASCA. They have helped us a lot in the past. Thanks to the other vendors that attended also!

I hope everyone is doing well. At our midyear meeting we learned more and different ways to put on our makeup, we also talked about what Judges are looking for. I have found out that sometimes making a change in the way you look does pay off.

We also learned that talking about things that effect others is also a plus when you are a officer, my feelings are, after a mistake has been made, what you do to follow that is your strength

As officers and members it is very important that we talk to each other as this will help us not to make a mistake and if one is made solve the problem and treat each other as

a Brother.
We are looking forward to beach in September please come to the competition and the banquet it will be a time to remember
We will have vendors at the Sea Mist Conference Center with some new things to see.
As we move toward September I wish Earl a great competition and banquet as he completes his year. Thanks to Earl Frady for what he has done,
Bobby Fisher will move up to President and we need to support Bobby as he takes over as President. I hope to be the 1st Vice President and I will work hard for SASCA to make it stronger and better and I will support the President and our organization the best I can but we as officers are only as good as the brothers that elect us

My phone number has changed to 540-580-6344

Looking forward to seeing you all, come to the competition it is a lot of fun

God Bless each of you
Mike (SLEEPY) Wallace

From I.S.C.A.

I.S.C.A. is extending the deadline for their I.S.C.A. 50th. Anniversary Book. Don't forget, if you are an I.S.C.A. member, SEND IN YOUR BIO's and PHOTO's.

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From the KAZIM KLOWNS

Let us keep Harry Leonard and Kitty Worrell in our prayers. Let us also keep Bobby Brammer in our prayers. Bobby has had back surgery.

Thanks to all klowns that were at the circus. A fun time was had by all and the people got a good dose of the klowns. A Big Thank You goes out to all of the out of town klowns that were there to help. We, the Kazim Klowns Enjoyed having you here and your companionship. It is always nice to see all the klowns and their ladies.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU
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THAT HELPED WITH THE HOSPI-
TALITY ROOM FOR ALL THE
DECORATIONS AND ALL THE
GREAT FOOD. AGAIN, THANK
YOU LADIES. THE UNIT
WOULD NOT BE A UNIT WITH-
OUT YOU.

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AT SAL'S ON 460
DATE IS FEBRUARY 16TH AND
THE TIME IS 6:30 P.M.

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serving at 11:00 till 5:00

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11:00 to set- up—Start serving at
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There will be no To Go orders for any
klowns.

FOR ALL THAT CAN'T REMEM-
BER, KLOWNS,
YOUR DUES ARE DUE.
PLEASE PAY THEM.

Winky is now taking orders for new
Klown Shirts. The Color is TUR-
QUOISE. The price is the same as it
was two years ago. Get it touch with
Winky and get your order in today.

A Little advance notice: The Klown
Dance is Next Month. The theme is
Margarittaville. Come on Klowns
Let's fill the Ball Room to its capacity
and have a good time.

That is all I have For Now, Folks. Have
a Great Day.

Hobie the Klown

From the 3rd. Vice President Pat Godwin SUDAN Shriners



Pat Godwin
3rd. VP

Noble klowns,

I have been
reminded that I have
not submitted an arti-
cle for our newsletter.
I have been very busy
in a good way at

work and hope you have too. In the
clown world we have Imperial
coming up in Charlotte in July and
hope to see as many of you there
as possible. International will have
competition at the Convention
Center on July 2nd. The Parade is
July 4th. I plan to attend but not
compete. I'm trying to talk some of
our guys into competing. I've been
to International before and you
better have your "A" game on.
Good luck to the SASCA competi-
tors.

I hope everyone was satis-
fied with mid-winter. I did it on
short notice of which was my fault.
Although we had smaller numbers
in attendance than last year I've
not heard any complaints. I'll try to
keep it interesting and mixed up
for the fall. I think everyone was
mesmerized with the Broadway
Magic presentation on magic. Eve-
ryone was seated and attentive.

That's one thing we have in our
association is great talent in our
presenters and displays. Thanks go
out to all who help keep our asso-
ciation thriving.

I'm thinking ahead for the
next few years in the progression
of the lineup and have an idea up
my sleeve for the banquet when I
may become president. I remember
this from years past and it turned
out well. I'll consult some of you
for your thoughts.

If you have any ideas for
the future success of the associa-
tion let the officers know. It's a lot
different being an officer than a
member. I recall an employee and
his old time wisdom... **the looker**
can see more than the doer.
Think about it and he's right.

Remember your blue lodge
better than I have as of late. Re-
mind each in the error of his ways
and aid a reformation. This band of
brothers will remain so 'til the
trump' shall sound and all look
upward to that place not made with
hands, eternal in the heavens.
Look forward to July and Septem-
ber,

Pat Godwin Jr (aka REDD)
3rd V. Pres.

REMEMBER ALWAYS YOUR OBLIGATION
Visit Your Blue Lodge Often

From the 4th. Vice President

Robert Wilson



Robert Wilson
4th. VP

Hello Fellow
Klowns:

Time is flying by
and soon it will be
time to go to Myrtle
Beach for our an-
nual convention.

Just a reminder to start Planning to
have fun in the sun. The dates are
Sept. 19th-23rd.

We had a great time at Mid-
Winter in March. There were semi-
nars on makeup application, face
painting, costumes, judging, bal-
loons and magic. Thanks to all that
help with seminars. Great Job .As
always the beach was beautiful.
The Kosair Funsters Have been
really busy. In March we partici-
pated in St.Patty's Day Parade,
Easter Parade and attend the Po-
tentate's Ball.

Also we had our Spring Cere-
monial and WOW was it a success.
We are so proud to report the initia-

KOSAIR Shriners

tion of 117 New Nobles. Also the
Funsters continue with their monthly
hospital visits to the children at Ko-
sair Hospital. The children's smiles
remain priceless and remind us
what being a Shriner is all about.

In May we did the Derby Festival
Pegasus Parade and we had a blast
at the 2012 Funfest hosted by Ker-
bela Temple in Pigeon Forge, Tn.
Spending time in the Smokies is al-
ways relaxing. Socializing with all
the Shriners from different Temples
makes you proud to be apart of our
Great Fraternity. The Kosair Fun-
sters did great in competition and
would like to thank Kaptain Eric
"Patches" McPeake for all his work
in making this event successful.
In closing I would like to wish you all
well and hope you continue to put
smiles on all the Kid's faces you
meet.

Robert L. Wilson "Lucky"
4th Vice President SASCA.
Kosair Louisville, Ky.

From The Editor

Edward A. Harper P.P. OMAR Shriners



Edward A. Harper
P.P. & Editor
Clowning Around

Well, I seem to be
getting later and
later with your
newsletter. This will
be the first edition
of the Web letter
that will be e-mailed
instead of printed,
as was approved in
March.

We have ALL got
to try to get more
members into our
Association if we are to survive. We (your
Officers) have tried to give you what you
want and what you need, but you, as mem-
bers, are NOT responding. It was brought
home even more with the Imperial Session
coming to Charlotte in July. The most
common statement I heard was, "I can't
get off to go!" Where is the enthusiasm
that our members had as little as 10 years
ago. I remember going to ISCA Mid-
winter and enjoying the company of 4 or 5
HUNDRED clowns company, we even
had over 150 in competition.

At the SASCA conventions in the
70's and 80's, we had 40 or more
TRAMPs and close to that (if not more)
WHITEFACE in our competitions, even
up to the early 90's. We would have sev-
eral elimination rounds just to get them
down to a manageable size. We began
giving out "Top 10" patches to those who
made it to the final cut, now we have
"Novice" classes because "I can't win
against the Old Timers" complaints, and
we wind up with classes with only 1 or
two clowns, and at least twice that I know
of, NO CLOWN to compete in a class.

Many of us would plan our Vacations
around our Association activities. Now it
takes all we can do to get members, let
alone Parade or Compete. Even a lot of

the ones who ARE members, and DO go
to the Conventions, don't even bother to
come to our association Meetings and
Activities, yet you argue that SASCA
doesn't do anything for you or "They
make changes without checking with
us!" We can't, if you don't give us a
chance. As I have preached in this col-
umn over and over, This is YOUR AS-
SOCIATION but ONLY IF YOU LET
IT BE. We cannot hear you if you're
NOT HERE when we meet.

We had a very good Mid-winter that
was VERY INFORMATIVE, just check
with some of the New Clowns that at-
tended, trouble was, there weren't
enough of you there to make a differ-
ence. Our instructors are MORE than
happy to work with you, but when only 3
or 4 show up for a seminar, the instructor
wonders Why? We went back to the
working seminar that was used when
SASCA was started to try to give you all
a quite time to learn your craft and be
able to bring your family (which we did
not do at the start of SASCA) so they
could see what it is all about. We try to
get reasonable room rates for you and all
of this without any charges. Maybe if we
start charging \$25.00 for your training
like some associations (and even unit/
temples) do, you might feel more in-
clined to come, or do you, the Member-
ship, want to "Just drop the whole thing.
We don't need an association anymore!"
It is beginning to look more and more
like this is your attitude, and I guess this
is why I don't have the enthusiasm and
energy to get excited about the newslet-
ter any more.

"Eddo"..

Edward A. Harper
PP S.A.S.C.A.
Editor Clowning Around

**Units, Please Remember To Update Your Newsletters, Dead-
lines are Feb. 15th., May 15th. August 15th and Nov. 15th.**

From the SUDAN Dunn Clowns

Greetings from Sudan land.

Our new year has started and we're making progress with our typical parade season this time of year. Spring festivals have sprung and parades are keeping us busy.

We look forward to Imperial in Charlotte the first week of July with I believe about 12-14 clowns committed to go. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for some and we need to take advantage of it. We have learned that International (ISCA) is having competition at the Convention center on July 2nd. Some of us look forward to competing and observing. We hope to see you there.

Our unit has purchased property to eventually build on and we're in the process of getting it cleaned up and the fence in good repair. The Sudan Clowns have

added more "Joeys" and we look forward to their character developing in the coming months. This is one thing that keeps me interested is to see the clowns begin to come out in these guys. Some more than others but the parade routines they put together have been fabulous as of late. Lots of excitement on the street as we go by. Well just a short note and we look forward to seeing you in Charlotte or Myrtle Beach in September.

P.S. We have a 29' motorhome we are selling that has shrine colors already on it. It has been replaced by our second bus. We have a few nibbles of interest. If I recall the price is \$2500. If interested let us know at 910-890-0263.

Happy Clownin'
Sudan Dunn Clowns

From the Kazim Central Virginia Clowns

WOW—yesterday was Valentine's Day. So, that reminds me of an old saying, "A nose is a nose". Wait, that must be a clown's version of some famous saying. But let's think about that. Is it true that a nose is just a nose? Not to a clown. A clown's nose is a very integral part of the persona. Sure you can use any nose you want, but if you want to see how many choices there are for a nose got to Leon McBride's website, www.proknows.com. In case you do not know, Leon is a retired clown from Ringling Brothers. When he retired he was Boss clown. So he knows a nose! We, in central Virginia are fortunate to have him living in Buchanan, Va. At our circus about 2 weeks ago one of the K Klowns from Kazim called Leon and he came over to sell a few noses and accessories and answer our thousand questions about makeup. I had 2 noses I had purchased from his website which just did not fit right. He got his Dremel out and in a few minutes I had 2 perfect fits. Not only that but he told us how they should fit. I am a Hobo clown, but I wanted a red nose to wear sometimes. He had plenty red noses with him but would not sell me one because they were all glossy and he said Hobos do not wear glossy noses. Of course he was right. He told me he had some at home and told me what to order. As a Hobo I use a white mouth. For the last 7 + years that I have clowning I have fought some of the the white coming off my mouth as I clown. I have asked several clowns if there is any makeup to help and had not found a solution. Of course Leon had the solution. For your info it is called LipChic by Ella. It is a sealer that you put on after setting the white with powder. I have not tried it yet but have no doubt it will work. He did say it makes your mouth tingle for a while. If interested, you can get it from Proknows. My point, though, is that your nose is an important part of your makeup so be sure it complements your complete look. I do not mean it has to be a purchased nose because some clowns can paint their nose on and it looks great. But I do not agree that "a nose is just a nose".

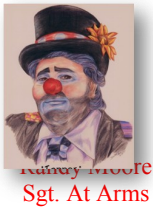
If you really want to know if your nose is ok and any other comments on makeup or your clown clothing try competing at SASA. The first time I competed was in 2005. I competed as Novice Hobo/Tramp. Not to brag, but out of all the new Hobo Tramps in SASA and you know there were a lot of them—Of course—I took first place. OH-DON'T TELL ANYONE BUT OUT OF ALL THE ELIGIBLE CLOWNS ONLY 2 COMPETED. Ha!!! The judges had several constructive criticisms but the one that got me was they said that my mouth was too big. Being a new clown I just did not understand and was a little offended that they would say such a rude thing. They did not even know me and they were calling me a big mouth. Well, luckily, I finally figured out that they meant my white makeup was too wide and the more I studied other Hobo faces the more I realized they were right, of course. If you could see the change in my make up from then to now you would be surprised.

We do not often have the chance to speak with a pro like Leon McBride but that is ok. We have many years of experience with the clowns in our groups and, especially at places like SASA, any of the Shrine clowns will be glad to help a Brother. Use that knowledge to improve your clowning. One more little tip. How do you answer the inevitable question, "Are you a real clown?" Just say back "Are you a real little boy/girl? That usually catches them off guard and you can then change the subject. Keep on clownin' and remember we do it for the kids.

Dusty Rusty
The Sad Clown

Remember that Pro-Knows will be at
the Beach for Mid-Winter

From the Sergeant-At-Arms
Randy Moore *RIZPAH Shriners*



Greetings Noble Clowns and Ladies, Hello again, I hope everyone is doing well so far this year. By the time you read this half a year will be gone again,

but we'll still have another half to go. It's really the best half for me and I enjoy it the most. Summer is here the snows are gone, temperatures are on the rise, the grass is growing, hedges need cutting, weeds to pull, wait a second is this a good thing? Yeah of course it is...renewal is always a good thing. After a good winter's sleep a chance to start over fresh. Last time I told you about a new Clown unit at Rizpah, the Rizpah Cutups, I have attended all their meetings so far and gave their president all the info on contacting SASCA to apply for membership. By now they should be a part of our Family. I've also told them how and where to submit stories of their own to Ed for Clowning Around. We should be hearing from them soon.

We are already starting to get busy again this year, since the last time Our first parade, Tater Day was a lot of fun. The Clown school was very good. Our Potentate's ball was done with a Clown theme, and we even attended as clown per his wishes. Fun Fest was a lot of fun too. It

was great seeing old friends again. Another event in Kentucky in May is held in Lexington, Kentucky. That will be Hospital day. It will be May the 20th, it is always a great time, visiting the kids and families. The Hospital is opened to the public and they put on the biggest little parade at the front entrance for the kids and family members that are there.

Remember also in September we will be holding our fall meeting down at Myrtle Beach in South Carolina. We will be back at the Sea Mist once again. I am looking forward to being there and working it this year as an Officer and not just as a visitor. Don't forget to stop by <http://sasca.webs.com> for info on SASCA this year. I hope to see everyone there. Well, that should about do it until I hear of more to write about.

Until later...do all you can, when you can, if you can. No matter how small a smile is still a smile and can make a big change in someone's life.

Randy Moore aka Topper the clown Sergeant-At-Arms RIZPAH

Greetings From the RIZPAH Loonies

Greetings from the Loonies, We hope everyone is doing well. The Loonies have been staying busy this year and having a great time.

On Easter weekend we did some balloon tying at the Indian Hills country club. Helping the children who attended with their Easter egg hunt.

We held our Clown School in Madisonville, Ky. on the 14th of April. It was a good time for all. Kenneth Sharp demonstrated the Whiteface, Fred Tate did the Auguste, and Bobby Collins and myself showed how to do the Hobo makeup.

This year our Potentate Mack Scott wanted Clowns to be the theme of his Ball. Illustrious Sir Mack is a Whiteface clown. So the ballroom was decorated with clown pictures everywhere. He also asked that as many of us that wanted to, to come dressed out as our Clown selves. Which we did. I feel everyone who attended had a very good time.

We even did a little skit for him,

of course we didn't let him just sit back and watch. No, no, we put him right in the middle of it all.

We've also attended a Relay for Life event and tied balloons for the people attending. Then there was Fun Fest.

Everyone who competed won something. Kenneth Sharp 1st 55 and older and in white face. Billy Taylor won 2nd in Character, and the two man skit with Fred Tate. Fred Tate also won 2nd in Auguste. Bobby Collins won 2nd in Hobo, and John Brown won 3rd in Hobo. It was a great time.

Now we look forward to the rest of the year and I hope not only for us here in Kentucky. But that it will continue to be a good year for everybody. Till later.....

I hope to see all my fellow Clowns somewhere down the road, till then Keep on smiling. Until next time, **Randy Moore aka Topper** and all the Loonies wish you well.



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Minutes from the Officers Meeting

10 March 2012

Meeting was called to Order by Earl Frady, President at 4:30 P.M. Invocation was given by Frank Moore. Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Earl Frady.

Mike Wallace brought up the number of Minutes for an Individual Skit should be changed to to 3 min.skit and 1min. on and 1 min.off for a total of 5 min. By-Laws concerning time were read by Randy Moore.

Past Presidents in attendance were Frank Moore, Harry Moore, Ed Harper, R.A. "Robbie" Jones, and Jake Hensley.

Bobby Fisher brought up that we had a problem with trophies, that we were supposed to redo old trophies on hand and replace those that were given out in September. This was given to Keith Mason and his wife to do in September for the coming September.

Earl went out and purchased new ones in January for \$800.00 for trophies only and handed Robbie a hand written note with an address and \$800.00 written on it for trophies, but Robbie wouldn't take the receipt, as it had to be an original copy from vendor and needed a break down of product, in order to pay the bill, due to problems arising in September at Pigeon Forge.

Robbie said, Earl should have gotten Officers OK before buying trophies, what would happen if Keith Mason, who was approved in September to make trophies, would have gotten through with trophies and then we would have two bills for trophies. By chance Keith said he could get trophies canceled. We will still have to buy the Officers Plaques and President's Plaque & Lifetime Card.

Bobby said we need to go ahead

and help Earl with trophies and need to pay for trophies.

Ed had to send a check to pay the banquet room deposit in February for the March meeting, and will have to pay for the Banquet Room on July 15 for the fall session. Ed will have to pay Sea Mist \$600.00 for the meeting room and \$1000.00 on the banquet on July 15th. He just paid \$433.00 for printing supplies. and will have more expense before September. He will have to pay with his personal credit card if we do not have money as he guaranteed contract. He explained that the cash deposits on rooms had been used in the past to defer paying the deposit, however, as everyone wanted to use their credit cards, these go direct to the Sea Mist and can not be used for SASCA's deposit.

We discussed that all trophies should be bought in August and paid for in Sept. in the future.

Jake and Ed Audited the books and found that a check for \$433.00 had not cleared, but when check clears the books will Balance.

New Members Dues are \$10.00 at all times and if a member has been member before, Dues will be \$11.00 after April 1st, Ed recommended a By-Law change that dues have to be paid by Feb.1 of each year but this will take a Membership Vote. This will be brought up again in September for a vote.

Pat Goodwin said he will front the money to pay for trophies and association will make contract to pay Pat back as soon as possible.

Benediction by Frank Moore.
Meeting Adjourned by Earl Frady

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(editors note)

"You won't get another chance of having an Imperial this close in some time, please go out and support YOUR Shrine, YOUR Temple and YOUR Unit and BRING THE FAMILY !"

Oasis Clowns and Ladies Have Fun at the Beach

The Oasis Clowns took their ladies to Myrtle Beach in March for their annual Ladies' Weekend. The event was to thank their wives for the amount of time their husbands are away from home doing activities for Oasis Shrine and the clown unit. Captain French Harvey and Lady Julie scheduled the weekend to coincide with the South Atlantic Shrine Clown Association clown seminar held at the Sea Mist Resort convention facilities. The clowns and their ladies stayed in condos on the beach at the Bay View Resort.

On Friday night the clowns enjoyed dinner at the Empire Fire Mongolian BBQ restaurant in N. Myrtle Beach and then returned to the condos for some fun and fellowship.

On Saturday, the clowns attended the clown seminar to fine tune their craft. Lectures were presented on clown make-up, face painting, magic and balloon sculpturing. The make-up lectures were given by Leon "Buttons" McBride, a nationally known clown professional and graduate of Ringling Bros, Barnum and Bailey Clown College. Costumes, clown gimmicks, face painting and magic were on sale through various vendors.

While the clowns attended their seminar, Lady Julie, who serves as the clown unit Ladies' Auxiliary President scheduled a luncheon and entertainment for the ladies at the Sea Captain's House Restaurant. The entertainment for the luncheon she and several ladies planned was a surprise "Roast" for Rosemary Bickel to honor her as immediate Past President. The participation of each of the ladies made the event a fun-filled success. Rosemary was a wonderful sport and

"payback" has been promised! From all reports, pictures and the video taken during the lunch, they appeared to have more fun than the men.

That evening the unit treated their members to a dinner at TBoyz restaurant and the *Hooray for Broadway* show at the Palace Theatre.

After the show and back at their condos the groups had short meetings and presented awards.

Truett "Stripes" Harrelson was presented the 2011 Clown of the Year Award. The Clown of the Year trophy is a Ron Lee sculpture of a shrine clown with a child mounted on a wooden base with all previous recipients' name engraved on it. Tom "Stickers" Acklam was presented the 2011 Red Nose Award.

Captain French Harvey was voted as 2011 Best Circus Clown by those clowns who participated in last year's circus performances and received the Tommy Nelson Circus Clown Trophy from 2010 Best Circus Clown, John Farris. The award is also a large Ron Lee clown sculpture on a wooden base with all former recipients' names on it. Former Circus Chairman Tommy Nelson and his wife donated the award to the clown unit in 1993 and Captain French was the first recipient of the award when he served as the "boss clown" of the 1993 circus.

In April the clown unit was asked by the Hejaz Shrine Circus committee if our unit could provide clowns for the Hejaz Shrine Circus in Spartanburg, SC. The Hejaz Shrine clown units did not have the active manpower to work on the show.

March Business Meeting

10 March 2012
Business Meeting:

Meeting was Brought to Order by Earl Frady, President at 5:00 P.M. Invocation by Frank Moore. Pledge of Allegiance By Earl Frady.

Roll call of temples Hejaz, Beni-Kedem, Omar, Kazim, Sudan, Kosair, Rizpah, Kerbela, El Hasa and Acca were represented.

Past Presidents in attendance were Frank Moore, Harry Moore, Ed Harper, R.A. "Robbie" Jones, and Jake Hensley.

Secretary Robbie Jones gave the treasurers report. As of 30 Sept. 2011 the bank account closed with \$2647.04 with all bills paid. As of 05 March 2012 we have \$2450.56 in the bank with a check for 433.00 not cleared. We will have to pay \$800.00 for trophies and possibly \$1000.00 to \$1200.00 to be paid for the hotel.

Jake and Ed Audited the books and found them to be O.K., Motion was made to accept and seconded, with all members in favor.

Ed made a motion to dispense from reading of the minutes, because they were printed in Clowning Around. We had a motion and second and members all were in favor.

Black Camel- Ron Vanbuer of El-Hasa.

Diane Hensley does super job on SASCA site.

Ed said some web site addresses and phone numbers are wrong and e-mail addresses need to be corrected as soon as possible. Officers need to update their info.

Old Business Discussion: Bobby Jo brought up again that he thinks Clowning Around needs to drop one issue out of 4. We sent out 372 copies for March,

used 2 cartridges one Black, one color, and 49 cents a stamp per copy, Total cost of \$748.00 for this mailing of the newsletter.

Harry Moore asked to go to 2 Electronic Emails and 2 mail outs of Clowning Around. Last of December and first of August to send copy out by mail and 2 Email copies in between.

A Motion was made by Harry Moore to send 2 issues by Email and 2 by U.S.P.S. however we need all email addresses of officers of all units and all members of units in writing, ASAP. and his motion was seconded. All members present were in favor. E-mail will begin in June.

Mike Wallace discussed number of minutes for one man skits should increase to 3 min. for skits, and 1 min. on and 1 min. off, if needed, for a total not to exceed 5 min. Bobby read out of the by-laws on skits and unit skits.

Harry Moore made motion to change By-Laws on minutes for the one man skit to 3 min. for the skit, and, if needed to set up, up to 1 min. on and 1 min tear down. A second was made, all voted in favor by unit, First reading. 2nd. reading will be in September per our By-laws.

Harry Moore made a motion to change SASCA By-Laws to add multiple balloon and single balloon competition. We had a second and all were in favor by unit, A second vote will be in September per our By-Laws.

A motion to Adjourn was made by Frank Moore and seconded, and all were in favor by unit.

Meeting adjourned by Earl Frady. Benediction by Frank Moore.

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