

Membership Note from the Pote

I NVOLVEMENT and activity level within the Aleppo Membership Team is on the rise. Earlier this year we invited the TRAC team (Temple Resource & Counsel Specialists) from Shrine Headquarters in Tampa to come to Aleppo and review our strengths and weaknesses to see if we were doing everything we could to stimulate growth in our membership and to see what they could offer to help. Since that visit, our Membership Chairman, **Phil Kumph** and the Membership Team have been busy trying to get the word out about Aleppo Temple, Shriners, and the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

A recent survey from the TRAC specialist resulted in the following report (below) to Tampa
I was copied on this communication from **Barry McQuillin**. It was really nice to see such a positive report on our membership effort from an outside source. Thank you to the Membership Team for all the work that they have done so far and all that they have committed for the future.

Stephen G. Eriksen – Aleppo Potentate 2008

1. TRAC Visit: September 27, 2008
2. TRAC Follow Up November 25, 2008
Conference Call to Illustrious Potentate and Divan
3. The Potentate reported that the timing and messages of the TRAC and the Membership Seminar worked nicely to compliment each other and reinforce their initiatives.
4. The following initiatives have been implemented for **Recruitment**
 - (a) held a membership dinner – 3 potential recruits
 - (b) set up a Travelling Degree team – 2 lodge visits planned
 - (c) partnering with 4 lodges with presentations, E.A. letters, invitations
 - (d) set up membership goals for 2009
 - (e) attending various craft lodge special days and Scottish Rite classes
 - (f) presenting shirts to sponsors from '08 with "I replaced myself"

- Retention**
- (a) called all 200 potential nobles to be suspended
 - (b) noble questionnaire to be used at Jan. ceremonial
 - (c) starting a fund to pay dues for distressed nobles
 - (d) calling all '08 candidates called to see if they have joined club/unit
 - (e) set up goals for suspensions
5. Two of the membership sub chairs have been filled, restoration still to go.

At the TRAC visit, it was agreed that membership was the number one initiative to work on from all the suggested activities. It is most rewarding to see that they have moved quickly and decisively and are now showing some positive results. They have accomplished all of the above in 60 days.

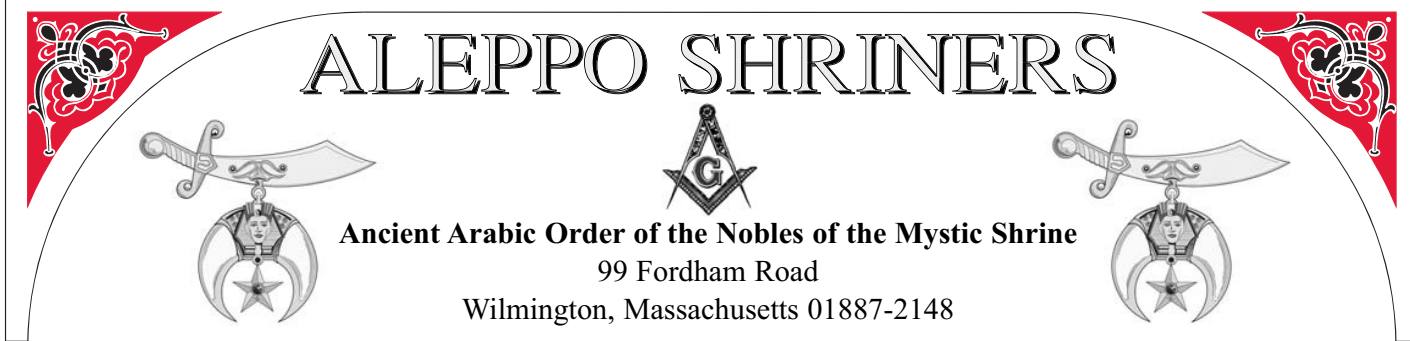
At this point, they do not feel that they need any further input from TRAC or Tampa.

Barry McQuillin P.P.
TRAC Specialist

Membership Goals Set for 2009

AT the December Heads of Units meeting, forms were given out to Unit Heads for keeping track of their 2009 membership goals. Each Unit's goal is to bring in 1 new Shriner for every eight members in their Unit. For example if there are 16 members in the Unit, then the goal is two new Shriners for 2009. If the Unit has 40 members then the 2009 goal is five new Shriners. Each Unit is requested to appoint a Chairman for membership within their Unit. It will be his job to keep track of membership results and issues, and communicate with the Aleppo Membership Team. A similar program is being rolled out to the Shrine Clubs. In addition to the Unit and Club goals we are tasking the remaining Nobility to add one new Shriner for each 50 members. If we all work to achieve these goals, we can realize 238 new Nobles in 2009.

Brochures, CDs, and other membership materials are available through the Recorder's office.



PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

*To the Potentate, Officers and Nobles of the Aleppo Shriners
Situated in the Oasis of Wilmington, Desert of Massachusetts*

Please print or type all information:

Full name: _____ Date: _____

Birth Date: _____ Place of Birth: _____ Name of Spouse (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address: _____ City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Business Phone: () _____

E-Mail Address: _____

I am a Master Mason in good standing in: _____ Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Located: _____ (city, state)

which is a Lodge recognized by or in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore I have resided at my current address for not less than 6 months, as required by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. I hereby make application to become a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and a member of your temple. If granted membership, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Imperial Council and the Bylaws and Ceremonies of your temple.

Recommended and Vouched for on the honor of (if you don't have a sponsor please call 978-657-4202 for immediate assistance):

1. Noble _____ Membership # _____ Print Name _____
Sponsor Signature (on dues card)

2. Noble _____ Membership # _____ Print Name _____
Sponsor Signature (on dues card)

The fee must accompany the application. Make checks payable to **ALEPPO SHRINERS**. Application for Shrine membership is not tax deductible.

- A check for \$150.00 payable to Aleppo Shriners is enclosed
- I want to pay by credit card: Master Card Visa
- Credit Card Number: _____

FEE \$100.00
FEZ \$50.00
TOTAL \$150.00

Expiration Date: _____

Candidate Hat Size for Red Fez _____



I would like to petition to one of the following Aleppo Temple Units:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Activities Unit | <input type="checkbox"/> Minutemen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arab Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Patrol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brass Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Mounted Patrol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chanters | <input type="checkbox"/> Oriental Band |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clowns | <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe Band |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cycles | <input type="checkbox"/> Provost Guard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Director's Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Ragtop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Brigade | <input type="checkbox"/> Stewards |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legion of Honor | <input type="checkbox"/> Temple Guard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Corps | <input type="checkbox"/> Swing Band |

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