



By JAMES G. PERKINS, JR.

**C**ONGRATULATIONS are in order to Patrolman **Harold "Bud" Remon** upon his recent retirement from Healthfront Services as AS400 Operator/Operations Support, after fourteen years of service. Bud's career begun following his graduation from Salem High School (Class of 1951), a job with the Registry of Deeds, followed by a fifteen year tenure at H. P. Hood Milk Company, starting as a route salesman, and rising through the ranks to Manager/Computer Programmer. Bud's career included stints at A.C. Lawrence and Damon Corp as a computer programmer, and ten years with Bostik as Manager of Operations and Telecommunications, after which he joined Healthfront Services.

Bud's athletic accomplishments include three years of varsity basketball, and one year varsity baseball at Salem High School, followed by baseball with the Salem American Legion League. Bud was the swim coach at the Danvers YMCA from 1976-1983 during which time his students included Olympic team swimmers Pat Kennedy and Jenny Thompson.

Bud's past hobbies included bowling, softball, golf, road races and bridge (at which he achieved the rank of Master). Upon retirement, Bud looks forward to working at his present hobbies of walking and weight lifting.

The computer industry's loss is Aleppo's gain as Bud plans to be of service to working the shows, parades, and manning buckets at supermarkets for the North Shore Shrine Club, and help with the Craftsman Unit on Tuesday mornings. Bud and Lady **Barbara** recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary and they are proud parents of four children, **Mark, Kammy, Tina,** and **Jodi**, who have blessed them with six grandchildren and two great grandchildren. We wish them a long and healthy retirement.

Congratulations are also in order to Sergeant **Edgar Wheeler Wallace** and Patrolman **Phillip George Post** on their being presented with their Fifty Year Veteran's Medal at Liberty Lodge. Medals were presented by **Timothy Gardner Loring**, District Deputy Grand Master for the Tenth Masonic District. Ed was raised a Master Mason on October 20, 1958 and Phil was raised January 27, 1958. Major **James G. Perkins, Jr.** was in attendance and one of the first to offer his congratulations on behalf of the Arab Patrol.

The fourth annual "Arab Patrol Snow Bird Get Together" was held March 11 at the beautiful winter residences of Master Sergeant **Salvatore S. Privitera** and Lady **Doris**. An afternoon of socializing followed by a delicious meal was enjoyed by all. Those in attendance in addition to Sal and Doris were Patrolman **Gelean M. Campbell** and Lady **Juanita**, Lieutenant **James I. Starratt** and Lady **Delores**, First Lieutenant **David L. Anderson** and Lady **Claire**, former Arab Patrolman **Ernie Chionopoulos**, former Arab Patrolman **Harry Carlson** and Lady **Mary Kay**, and Patrolman Harold "Bud" Remon and Lady Barbara.

A hearty welcome to **Gerome "Gerry" L. Matteo** upon his joining the Arab Patrol. Gerry is a member of Mount Vernon Galilean Lodge where he is currently serving as Tyler. A graduate of Saint Joseph's High School and Boston Trade High. Gerry and Lady **Anna** have two children, **Steven** and **Roseann** and one granddaughter **Abigail**. Retired after thirty-two years of service with the Donnelly Outdoor Advertising as Bill Poster and Painter, Gerry is enjoying his retirement by doing oil paintings, playing cards and babysitting for his beloved granddaughter Abigail.

The Arab Patrol Summer Outing is scheduled for August 16, 2008 and will again be held at Tucks Point, Manchester by the Sea. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this great annual event. Details to follow.



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## Starratt Appointed Captain/Executive Officer

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**I**LLUSTRIOUS **Stephen G. Eriksen**, Potentate of Aleppo Shrine, recently promoted Arab Patrol, First Lieutenant/Quartermaster **James I. Starratt** to the rank of Captain/Executive Officer. A ten-year veteran of the Arab Patrol Starratt was named Patrolman of the Year in 2001. His Masonic career commenced immediately following the receipt his Majority from the Lynn Chapter Order of DeMolay in 1953, when he joined Benjamin F. Arrington Lodge, now merged with Philanthropic Lodge, and was Worshipful Master nine years later. He received his fifty-year veteran's medal in 2003 from then DDGM Richard Parker at Wayfarers Lodge.

Starratt graduated from Lynn English High School (Class of 1950), Wentworth Institute of Technology (Class of 1953), and became a registered architect. Prior to establishing his own practice, he was associated with numerous North Shore and Boston architectural firms. In 1967 he became a building official with the City of Lynn Building Department (during which he continued to practice as an architect), retiring in 1999 as Building Commissioner. His architectural practice is now limited to "fun projects."

He is a member and past president of numerous professional and service organizations: Massachusetts Building Commissioners and Inspectors Association, Eastern States Building Officials Federation, Lynn Lions Club, and Wentworth Institute of Technology Alumni Association. He recently retired as a director of Equitable Cooperative Bank after twenty-eight years of service.

Jim and his wife of over fifty one years and counting, Lady **Delores**, have four children, **James D., Paul M., John A.** and **Debra J. Starratt**, and two grandchildren.



JAMES I. STARRATT AND LADY DELORES



TWO OF THE Arab Patrol's members recently received Fifty-Year Veteran's Medals. Left to right: Recipient **Philip G. Post**, Senior Steward; **WM Thomas Pawlyck**; **DDGM Timothy Gardner Loring**; Recipient **Edgar Wheeler Wallace**.



The Arab Patrol Snowbirds Get together in Florida. From left to right are: **Jim Starratt, Sal Privitera, Harry Carlson, Lady Mary Kay, Bud Remon, Lady Barbara, Ernie Chionopoulos, Lady Delores, Lady Doris, Dave Anderson, Lady Claire, Bud Campbell, Lady Juanita.**