



Legion of Honor News

By JOHN BOHLING

WELL, spring finally looks like it is here to stay! If you don't believe it, come out and try to park some cars at the Aleppo Shrine Center "pit" and on the "hill" during one of the many events being held there.

But while we are on the subject of shows, the Gun Show had a very large showing. I am still trying to recover as I write this, I have never seen anything like it before. Special thanks to our new 2nd Lieutenant Commander, **Hoyt Siggins**, for working both days of the show. We could use more Legion members to help out at future events.

The Legion's parking strength has diminished in recent years due to illness, relocations and unfortunately, the "Black Camel." At least four of our parking squad has been taken away by that beast. If you are able to lend a hand please notify us.

I would also like to take this time to thank Noble **Ray Pittman** for his many years of service to the Legion of Honor. Ray has had to withdraw from our unit as he now resides in Florida. Ray, you will be missed.

Orders are out for two of this year's parades in Newton and Somerville. Let's hope for good representation from all units, especially the LOH.

The Somerville parade just happens to fall on May 24th, and it is with special dispensation that I will be participating, as the day before, May 23rd, my wife Lady **Carolyn** and I will be celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary. Now that is a really dedicated Shriner's wife! Thank you Carol.

Hopefully by the time this goes to print the Aleppo flag out front will have been repaired. Those of you have generously supported "Chuck-A-Buck" will be happy to know that when we had this latest one made, we were able to have it done in such a way that the leading edge can be easily repaired. This leading edge takes most of the abuse. Kudos to Young's Flag Co. of Lynn for this suggestion.

The LOH presented the colors at all the evening performances at the 2009 Aleppo Shriners Circus. Thank you for all who attended and took part.



THE LEGION OF HONOR kicked off the Wednesday night performance of the 2009 Aleppo Shriners Circus. From left to right are: **Robert Berry**, Assistant Quartermaster; **Bruce Boulter**; **Tony Anello, Sr.**, Past Commander; **John C. Bohling**, Past Commander/Adjutant; **Ralph Frye**, Past Commander; **Samuel Siggins**, 2nd Lt. Commander; **Russell Wright**, Sgt. at Arms; **Dan Schildman**, Commander.

Aleppo Chanters Truck Needed

DO you love a parade? Aleppo's Chanters invite you to drive in parades with us if you have a small truck or SUV that could pull our small trailer. With the good weather and parade season coming, the Chanters are in need of a vehicle and a driver.

If you are a member of another Unit who drives to Wilmington and parks your vehicle during the parade, we have a Noble who lives in Wilmington who would drive your vehicle for us.

If you are a member of a marching unit who finds it difficult to walk the parade route and have a vehicle that could tow the Chanter trailer, please tow us and get credit for your own unit for your attendance.

If you are not a Uniformed Unit member and have an appropriate vehicle, please join the Chanters as a non-singing member.

If you can help us, please contact Chanters Director **Joe Camara** at 978-937-3660 as soon as possible. We love singing in the parades but need a way of moving our trailer. We hope you will come to our rescue.

The Aleppo Chanters are recruiting men who love to sing! We sing at Shrine Ceremonials and other meetings and also in parades. All Nobles are welcome to join us.

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