LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

GUESTS *of* **Alton J. Moore**, *P.P., who attended the June 2007 Ceremonial were impressed stating it "was the best one they ever saw." From left to right: Illustrious* **Albert D. Flight**, *Aleppo Potentate;* **Derek Corbett**, *Cairo Shrine Imperial Public Relations;* **Steve Corbett**, *Cairo Shrine Public Relations;* **Eddy Whitcomb**, *Bektash Shrine High Priest & Prophet;* **Wesley Lord**, *Bektash Shrine Recorder; Alton J. Moore, Aleppo Past Potentate.*

June Ceremonial Lauded

Al, the Ceremonial was great, my guests from Bektash had a great time, and my guests from Cairo told me that the Ceremonial was the best one they ever saw, they told me that everyone knew just what to do. They can't wait to come again.

Yours in the faith,
Al Moore
Past Potentate

Editors Note: The responses from visitors from other temples who attend Aleppo's' Ceremonials is one of admiration. They are constantly impressed by the organization and professionalism with which the Ceremonials are carried out, from the degrees to the parade in review, and of course the lunch. Let's keep this tradition going and boost attendance. See you at the October 6, 2007, Ceremonial featuring the Arch Degree and the Grand Master Jeffrey B. Hodgdon Class of Candidates.

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Loss of a Great Friend, Shriner, Husband, Father, and Son

It is with great sadness in my heart to announce the passing of one of our most beloved brothers. On July 1, 2007, **Stephen T. Bissett** passed on unexpectedly while at the Imperial Session in Anaheim, California. A beloved family man, devoted Shriner, and incredible friend, Steve lived life and accomplished so much and made many, many people smile.

He leaves behind a wife, **Sheila**, and step-son, **Justin**, of Wilmington, and sons, **Chris** and **David**, of Maine, whom he loved so much and completed his life.

He devoted so much of his time to helping the children in the Shriners Hospitals for Children by volunteering at the Aleppo Shriners in Wilmington, where he was appointed to the Divan this year as Second Ceremonial Master. He was looking forward to seeing his ideas become reality in helping the Shriners to raise funds and provide transportation services to the children.

Steve had a successful production business that allowed him to showcase his artistic talents for a vast audience of clients.

Steve touched so many people. He was always there for you whenever he was needed and, in turn anyone would do anything for him. So many people loved him. He was there for them, now they would be there for him.

On Saturday July 7, 2007, hundreds of people were there for Steve and his family. They came to say goodbye to their brother, friend, son and confidant. There is a great emptiness that will never be filled and a great loss for the Bissett family and the Shriners.

I am honored to have met and become a friend of this great man with a great big heart, he will be missed, but never forgotten.

Editors Note: In lieu of flowers to the Bissett family, donations can be made to the Children's Transportation Fund at: Aleppo Shriners, 99 Fordham Rd., Wilmington, MA 01887.

Thomas Friberg

The Darbys
A Great Family Team

JOHN Darby of the Aleppo Temple Guard and his wife **Nancy**, have been volunteering at the food markets to raise money for the Children's Transportation Fund for the past several years. They fundraise at various markets during the course of the year.

Recently, they arrived at the Market Basket in Wilmington, MA, at 7:30 in the morning, toting their red cans (and John in his Fez), and staying until 8:00 the very same evening. Their dedication is extraordinary.

This family supports the Aleppo Children's Transportation Fund to their fullest potential.

We thank you, John and Nancy, for your generous support on behalf of the many children that you have helped during your philanthropic duties.

–Aleppo Children's Transportation Fund Committee

Next Ceremonial
Sat., October 6, 2007
Sign Up Your Masonic Friends