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Motor Patrol

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HE Aleppo Motor Patrol has been very busy this year getting the cars ready for the parades and competition. The first parade was in Newton followed by Somerville Parade. We did the Wilmington Parade on Memorial Day. We did the Newburyport Parade in August and will do the Marlboro Parade on Labor Day.

The Circus was in April and we had the novelty stand inside as well as an outside cart. It was a very successful Circus for the Motor Patrol

Our trailer was decorated on the outside, which was completed in April, and looks excellent.

The Motor Patrol continued to drill on Tuesday evenings as well as keeping the cars in good running shape. On July 4, 2009, The Motor Patrol left for San Antonio, Texas for the Imperial Session. On Monday morning, July 6th we were ready for competition. The Air Force judge complemented the Motor Patrol on how sharp we looked and how sharp cars looked for their age. We performed an outstanding job on the computation field and we came home with a first place trophy. The Aleppo

Banquet was on Monday evening and the parade on Tuesday evening.

The Motor Patrol has been practicing drills all summer for the Northeast Competition in South Burlington, Vermont, this year.

On Saturday, July 25, 2009, the Motor Patrol hosted a cookout for the children from the Burn's Hospital. We hosted them at the Temple. Our Captain Emeritus **George (Red) Russell** and his lady **Doris** paid the Motor Patrol a visit at the cookout. They are here visiting from Clearwater, Florida.

Earl Elliott Jr. has paraded with us this year and keeps in touch with all the Motor Patrol. Bill Ball and Red Russell went to see Barry Johnson in the Framingham on July 27, 2009 and he is well.

On September 25, 2009, 12 Motor Patrol Members and their wives traveled to South Burlington, VT, for the Northeast Convention. On Saturday, the 26th, we competed in competition and came in first place. The Unit is happy to report that they have brought home their first place trophy and it will be housed with all the many others they have won over the years. On Saturday evening, the Temple boarded the Spirit of the Ethan Allen boat for an evening cruise with dinner. It was beautiful and the dinner was excellent.

The Motor Patrol had the pleasure of having **Jack Knight** and **Clarence Byler** from the International Association of Shrine Motor Corps join us for the weekend.

Happy Motoring!



THE ALEPPO Motor Patrol had a very good showing at the Northeast Shrine Association Field Days in Burlington, VT, and took part in the parade and competitions.

It's A Jungle of Beanie Babies



AFTER COLLECTING Beanie Babies for over ten years Noble Karl R. French and his Lady Geraldine, of Brockton, MA, decided to donate the massive amount of stuffed animals at the Aleppo Shrine Center in Wilmington so they can be delivered to the children at the Shriners Hospitals for Children – Springfield. The amount of animals is staggering, nine bags of them of all different sizes. Not only did they bring the stuffed animals, they also had 30 pounds of pull-tabs.

Don't Miss the Golfing Event of the Season

ELEBRITIES and Entertainment "I couldn't be more excited to be the celebrity host for the tournament and to be involved with Shriners Hospitals for Children," said **Timberlake**. "Last year's tournament was very successful, and we're working hard to make the 2009 event even better – and maybe add a few surprises."

In addition to the tournament, Timberlake will host a celebrity Pro-Am on Wednesday, Oct. 14. Motown great Smokey Robinson has already signed on, and more celebrities will be announced as the event draws near.

"I'm thrilled to be a part of the Pro-Am to support such an amazing organization," said Robinson. "The Shriners Hospitals for Children provide outstanding care for children every day, and this event is a great way to show support while partaking in a sport I enjoy."

Timberlake will host a special concert during tournament week. Last year's concert featured Rascal Flatts, Lionel Ritchie, Leona Lewis, Rihanna, the Jonas Brothers and more, and raised \$1 million for the hospital system.

Get Your Tournament Tickets

Shriners International members and Shriners Hospitals for Children employees can take advantage of a



special buy-one-get-one purchase on tournament tickets online. Just use the code "Shriners 09" when you purchase your tickets through the official tournament site at www.jtshrinersopen.com.

Sign Up to Volunteer

For those wanting to be part of the action, the tournament is actively seeking volunteers for a variety of positions during tournament week. There is a fee of \$40 that covers the cost of the volunteer uniform, which includes the tournament polo shirt, hat/visor, jacket, weeklong tournament badge, meals during the volunteer shift and one ticket to the volunteer appreciation party. For more information, visit the "Volunteers" section of www.jtshrinersopen.com.

Play with the Pros

If volunteering isn't enough action for you, why not take part in the Wednesday pro-am? Each foursome includes a PGA TOUR professional golfer and three amateur players. A full list of amenities and pricing are available at www.jtshrinersopen.com.

Play Like a Pro

And, don't forget to pack your clubs so you can participate in the Shriners International Golf Invitational on Monday, Oct. 19, at TPC Summerlin. This is the perfect opportunity to spend quality time with friends and family, or impress key clients and talk business while playing 18 challenging holes with the same pin placements as the PGA TOUR pros. Space is limited, so register today by calling (702) 589-4947.

Make your plans now – the event will be here before you know it. Let's Justin Timberlake see a lot of fezzes at TPC Summerlin!



SIX-TIME Grammy-winner Justin Timberlake and Shriners Hospitals for Children are pairing up again for the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, Oct.12-18, 2009, at TPC Summerlin in Las Vegas. The world's greatest golfers will vie for victory in this PGA TOUR Fall Series event.