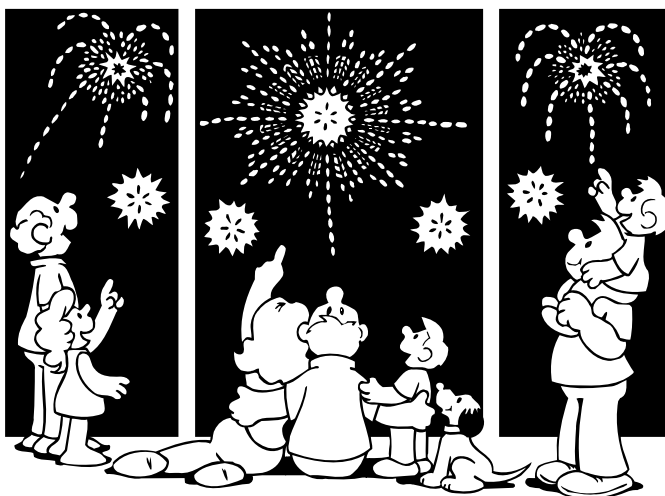


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## Glens Falls Shrine Club

WALT CUNIFF, Secretary

The last meeting of the GFSC was held at the Holiday Inn in Lake George on April 23, 2015. The meeting was opened at 7:02 PM with our Shriners Pledge to the Flag followed by an invocation by Chaplain and Past Potentate Bob Rabe.

Club President Gaylord Hawley introduced his Lady Patty, and welcomed all to the meeting. He introduced the officers and their ladies: VP Jeff Lindstrand and, Secretary Walt Cuniff and Lady Claudia, Treasurer Al West and Lady Cheryl, Chaplain Bob Rabe. He also noted that today was Al's birthday.

Under sickness and distress: Dan Saville had an operation on Monday and was having some issues. Ginny Lambert was STILL having some sort of lung/pneumonia issue that just seemed to hang on. Dick Sears is back in shape from his 3-way heart bypass surgery and doing pretty good. Peter Gray is doing good now.

Gaylord thanked Claudia and Patty for selling raffle tickets. The club made 90 dollars and the winners were: Jeff Lindstrand, Kaye Williams, Chuck Sommers, Truman Cox, and Al West. Many thanks to those who brought gifts for the raffle. Remember – if you won one – bring one when you come to another meeting.

The minutes from the last meeting were accepted as sent out by a motion from Truman and a second by Bob Rabe. The treasurer's report was read by Al (start with \$3586.61; took in \$480 from meals and raffles; spent \$418 on meals; paid out for the Oriental News ad, leaving a balance of \$3578.61), and with a motion by Tom Abraham seconded by Jeff Lindstrand, the report was accepted.

Gaylord introduced Jason La Point from Warrensburg Lodge and his Lady Jess. Glad to have them join us this evening.

Gaylord welcomed all of the "winter birds" that were back from Florida and other warm places while we were shivering and trying to stay warm back home.

Old Business – ONIONS, ONIONS, ONIONS – They should be shipped the week of April 27th.

Important dates to remember: May 4th will be the "Move Up night" for Warrensburg officers with Jason La Point doing the "walk-about," explaining the duties of the various officers. Sunday, May 3, will be a presentation day at Warrensburg Lodge where we will present 25, 50, and 65-year pins. This will be open to the public.

Gaylord introduced and turned the meeting over to Illustrious Tom Abraham who immediately introduced Lady Leslie. He then introduced all of his officers and "people" that were helping him this year. High Priest and Prophet Gaylord Hawley and Lady Patty, Personal Aide Walt Cuniff and Lady Claudia, Aide Hank Allen and Lady Marye, Circus Chairman Barry Trasacco and Lady Linda, 1991 Past Potentate Bob Rabe, and Protocol officer Ron Williams and Lady Kaye.

Tom had asked everyone to open their hearts and wallets. You all have exceeded – 4300 pounds of Vidalia onions last year and over 5300 pounds this year.

Important dates: May 2, Stated Meeting with Cold Sands will be starting at noon and food will be provided. We will have 1 to 3 new

## Uncle Sam's Clowns

PAUL "Fuddi-Duddy" KLEINBERGER

**Special Program offered by Uncle Sam's Clowns!** There is no doubt that Shriners know how to have fun! Of all the Shriners who work so hard on behalf of the hospitals and the families those hospitals serve, nobody has more fun than the clowns! Uncle Sam's Clowns are offering YOU a unique opportunity to learn about the FUN they have. "Clowning Around For Fun!" is a five-night program that is being offered at the Troy Shrine Center, 75 Water Plant Road, August 3-7. Classes will start each evening at 6 pm and conclude at 9 pm. The classes are FREE.

They will offer participants a unique view in to the art of clowning around and highlight such aspects as clown history, type of clowns, make-up application, public performance and general clowning around. These classes are open to any Oriental Shiner and their family members. There will be some materials costs for the class, probably no more than \$10.00 per student for make-up.

For more information and to register for the program, contact Fuddi-Duddy at 438-0775. You can e-mail him at fuddiduddy@aol.com.

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guys going through Cold Sands. The Divan ladies will be meeting to plan and discuss "stuff." June 6, Shriners second Basket Raffle will be held at the Ballston Spa Elks Club and there will also be a "Penny Auction" held by the Elks Club. Please get your advanced tickets and join in the fun. October 17, Sportsman Raffle will be held at the Shrine Center. We have 51 prizes and also a knife that was donated by Mark Bertche. The knife has a nice rosewood handle.

PARADES: 5/25 - Crown Point parade. Dick Wilson was able to procure the church parking lot for us again this year. Thanks Dick. September 27-29 - NYOSA will hold its fall session in Corning at the Raddison Hotel.

Illustrious Tom mentioned that he did a presentation recently and started out by asking the group "How many know what the Shriners do?" No one could give him an answer, so he got the opportunity to enlighten them and they were quite impressed.

He also told a story about a 6 year-old child in the Montreal Hospital that was helped after the parents went through a very confusing time trying to get the child helped through other medical avenues. Our hospital was able to work on this child's foot and he is now doing great.

The meeting was adjourned with a benediction by Past Potentate Bob Rabe.

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 Children!**

# THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



**Saratoga County Shrine Club**  
HAROLD GOODSSELL, Secretary

## Half way and still moving forward!

Nobles and Ladies:

As we reach the halfway point in 2015, Lady Leslie and I have reflected on the Oriental Shriners events thus far. We fully acknowledge that every event was a success because of the backing of so many wonderful and dedicated people. We thank all Nobles and Ladies for the generosity and support you have selflessly offered.

You have marched in the cold freezing temperatures of Saranac Lake, marched in the Malta Armed Forces Day Parade, and made the journey north to Crown Point to march and then partake in the wonderfully supplied tail gate party! Your efforts in several fundraising activities have been outstanding. All the slots for the Super Bowl Party were sold; the onion sales far exceeded our original goal; the necklace raffle was a wonderful success; and so many of you have actively supported the 2nd annual basket raffle making it, too, quite successful.

It meant a great deal to us that the Potentate's Ball was well attended. It was a good time to gather, dance, socialize and relax (Okay, so Lady Leslie finally relaxed Sunday afternoon). For this event as well so many of you stepped up, supported the hospitality room, and made each other and all of our guests feel welcome and comfortable ... and you did with class!

As we enter into the second half of 2015, it is clearly understood that it is not "downhill" from here. There are many things on the upcoming calendar we have yet to accomplish. There are more parades, which not only help us get Shriners in the public eye, but also allow us to enjoy each other's company in a comfortable, casual environment. The Imperial Session is in Houston this year, July 3-8. There are 29 folks signed up to go – a nice representation to be sure!

Mark your calendars for September 18-21 as the Circus is coming to town – actually to four of them – Plattsburgh, Lake George, Glens Falls, and Amsterdam. It is always fun to see children and adults alike enjoying the circus atmosphere and the entertainment of the performers' acts! October will be busy with the Sportsman's Raffle on October 17th – the raffle tickets are available right up until that date. The Fall Ceremonial, which is October 31st, will be at the Holiday Inn in Lake George. The details and registration form will be published in the July-August edition of the Oriental News.

The first six months have been great, and that is no exaggeration; the next six months will meet or beat that, I'm sure! Through hard work and much fun, it has been proven that together we are a strong unit. Our collective successes move the Oriental Shrine Temple forward. I encouraged all Nobles and Ladies to continue in that direction.

Yours in the Faith,  
THOMAS W. ABRAHAM  
Illustrious Potentate 2015

The May meeting of Saratoga Shrine Club was held at the Saratoga Holiday Inn on Monday, May 11th. P.P. Tom Nicholson gave the Invocation, followed by the Shriners' Pledge to the Flag. The meeting came to order with President Russ Lehr presiding. He introduced his Lady Annalore, the club officers and their ladies.

Sickness and Distress and Happiness: P.P. Dick Wilson is now in an assisted living center in Shelburn, Vermont. P.P. Lew Slocum has moved to the Home of Good Sheperd, in Clifton Park.

Secretary's Report: was received by all, a motion made by Noble Robert Harris to accept the report, seconded by Ill. Tom Abraham, all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: was given by P.P. Dan Murray, which found a balance of \$1,503.27, after expenses. A motion was made by P.P. Paul Marinello and seconded by P.P. Bill Fink to accept, all were in favor. Bboth reports will be placed on file.

Old Business: none reported

New Business: The President introduced our guest speaker, Laurel Gailor, from the Capital/Mohawk PRISM of the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County. She spoke of invasive species of plants in our communities. The nightly raffle was drawn, and found the following winners: P.P. Paul Marinello, P.P. Dan Murray, Noble Armand Marion, Ladies Annalore Lehr, Carol Slocum, Madeline Waller and Maria Addiss. The raffle took in \$80. The wait staff received a round of applause for the delicious meal choices.

Lady Leslie Abraham spoke of the upcoming basket auction. Baskets and door prizes are needed and may be dropped off at the Elks Lodge, in Ballston Spa on Saturday, June 6th after 3:00 p.m. or with any member of the Divan beforehand.

The Illustrious Potentate was introduced, and in turn introduced Lady Leslie. The Potentate spoke of his recent travels and he stressed that an explanation needs to be given to others about just what we as Shriners do. He reported that there were 5,380 pounds of onions sold, which is 1000 pounds over the contract order. The Saratoga Shrine Club sold the most onions with many thanks to Harold Goodsell for all of his efforts.

The upcoming parades were discussed, starting with the Malta Parade on Saturday, May 16th. The Annual Crown Point Parade is on May 25th, with lineup at 1:00 p.m. and step off at 2:00 p.m. A tailgate party will follow in the Catholic Church parking lot. The Saratoga Flag Day Parade is on Saturday, June 13th. Information on lineup and step off times will be announced. There will be a light lunch with liquid refreshments to follow at the Saratoga Masonic Lodge. The Flag Day in Troy on June 14th has been canceled. Ill. Tom also reminded everyone that the Oriental Shriners Sportsman's raffle tickets are available to sell.

With no further business, the meeting came to a close with the Benediction given by P.P. Tom Nicholson.



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## Do You Know?

BYRON MOAK, PP, Historian

— Answers to May Questions —

1a.) The Cabiri Past Potentates Association is a Shrine organization of over 3000 Past Potentates.

b.) In July 1949, several Past Potentates met a Medinah Temple during the Imperial Session in Chicago for the purpose of forming an association of Past Potentates. Michael L. Smith of Zembo Shriners is currently the President of the Cabiri Past Potentates Association.

c.) The Cabiri Past Potentates Association meets annually at the Imperial Session at a breakfast on the Wednesday morning. In addition to the Past Potentates, most Imperial officers are present. A Necrology report is given for Past Potentates who passed away over the previous year. Officers for the next year are elected and the Imperial Potentate is presented a check from the association for the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

d.) A Cabiri Club is found in most Shrine Centers. It is meant to help the current Potentate such as give advice on a budget and suggest possible future officers for the Shrine Center.

2a.) The photo is of Ill. Kenneth Stannard who was Potentate of Oriental Shriners in 1990.



b.) Lady Eleanor Stannard was Oriental's first lady in 1990.

c.) The Potentate's Ball was held on Saturday, April 7, 1990 at the Fort William Henry in Lake George.

d.) The Spring Ceremonial was held on Saturday, May 19, 1990 at the Ramada Inn in Lake George. The Fall Ceremonial was held on Saturday, November 10, 1990 at the Lake Placid Hilton. Those attending will remember the heavy snowfall that evening and the power outage the next morning.

e.) The Imperial Session was held from July 1-6, 1990 in Chicago.

f.) Imperial Sessions had been held in Chicago ten times before 1990. They were there: 1889, 1906, 1942, 1943, 1945, 1949, 1955, 1958, 1963 and 1968.

g.) In 1990 Oriental's nobles and ladies stayed at the Inn of Chicago at the Imperial Session.

**June Questions**

— Answers in next Issue —

1.) At the Imperial Session in Chicago, 25 years ago in 1990, there was a benefit baseball game to help the then called Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children?

a.) What two professional baseball teams played this benefit game?

b.) Why was this event considered part of history?

2.) We know membership is a priority for our organization.

a.) In 1984, what famous American who had been an active Free Mason, a Shriner, Grand Master and US President, was remembered by the Shrine organization?

b.) What was every Shrine Center directed to do in honoring this famous Free Mason, Shriner, Grand Master and US President on the 100th anniversary of his birth?

c.) In recognition of this anniversary, what gift would be given to every new Shriner and top line signer?

d.) What would every new Shriner receive?

# Flags

*Shriner's Pledge of Allegiance*

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3.) In 2015 Dr. John Burke, MD is to be inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame. As a member of the staff at the Shriners Hospital for Children in Boston, what substantial benefit for our young patients was developed by Dr. John Burke, MD?

4a.) According to the Oriental News, when was the earliest that Oriental Shriners participated in the annual Memorial Day parade at Crown Point?

b.) Who was the Potentate at the time?

c.) Can you name the Church whose facilities and grounds we use for preparing to march in the Crown Point Parade and the picnic afterwards?

d.) What former Ill. Potentate secures the arrangements with the Church for the Crown Point Parade?

## Local Boy Sets Example for Giving Back to Community

From The Mechanicville Express  
by Michael Bielawski

MELROSE – Kids are always told what to do and sometimes may not understand why, so when one takes the initiative for a great cause it is all the more impressive. Jake Buckley, 8, of Melrose has set an example for all as he donated about 50 to 75 pounds of aluminum can pull-tabs for recycling and all proceeds go to benefit children at Shriners Hospital in Springfield, MA.



"We've been collecting for about ten years," said Kathy Buckley, Jake's grandmother. "The twins (Jake and his brother Jack) are eight so they've been introduced to pulling the tabs off of cans, not knowing why but they just pull them off and Jake just decided he was going to run with it. Last year he was telling everybody at their campground and anybody his mom worked with, they've been going gung-ho and they figure it was close to 50 pounds. This was the first haul that he did and we've already got a few pounds for the next one."

Local couple Merrel and Dottie Allen helped Jake get the tabs to the recycling facilities. As volunteer work, they have been helping the region turn them in for several years now. "Around back in October, I'd say there was 75 pounds of them, said Merrel Allen of Jake's haul. "I bring them in my garage, go through them and make sure there is no metal in it. I use a magnet and go through all of them.



There cannot be any metal in them. They've got to be all aluminum. I take them right down to the junk yard, they weigh it up and see how much it is, and give me the check for Shriners."

Merrel said there are two places he goes, the port of Albany, and Kelman's in Troy. He said he collects them from all over the region, including about 80 pounds the other day from the Harley Davidson shop in Brunswick. His wife Dottie Allen noted donations can range from dozens of pounds to just a zip-lock bag full. Merrel cannot explain how some people get so many tabs. "I don't know, either they've been keeping them for a real long time or somebody's drinking a lot..." said Merrel Allen. Merrel spoke highly of Jake's effort. "He's a very good kid," he said. I was really surprised he had so many. He said he went around and collected from all his friends and neighbors and everybody. I gave him one of the Shriner's hats. "Dottie Allen noted all of the money goes for a good cause. They use the money for kid's transportation and other services over at the hospital in Springfield," she said. Jake's father, Paul Buckley is also proud of him. "Jake first started doing this work about a year ago," he said. "It's the most I have ever seen donated by a seven year old. Through all his friends and family, they collect them, bring them to me and once we get enough I put them in garbage bags and call up Shriner's and they come pick them up. This last time they gave him a hat for helping us out."

Even Jake himself gave a statement. "I enjoy collecting the tabs to help the children at the hospital," he said. About 1130 tabs make a pound. Normally a pound gets \$1 (The Allens got \$400 their first year). Today they had to settle for 60 cents a pound as the price of aluminum has come down a bit. "It's a great thing, and we just want everyone to keep on contributing," said Dottie Allen. Merrel can be reached at 518-753-4589 to contribute pull-tabs for this cause.



Noble Ed Pavlic, right, Ambassador for Oriental Shrine, is pictured here when the Imperial Potentate, Dale W. Strauss, made his visit to Sahib Temple in Florida.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!



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## Tabs, Tabs, and More Tabs!

As all of you know, Oriental Shrine collects tabs from drink containers. Those tabs are sorted and are then taken to recycling centers for redemption. Usually when tabs are given to us, they are in sandwich bags, coffee cans, or other similar containers.

The Girl Scouts annually collect tabs and in turn donates them to Oriental as one of their community activities. On May 4th, Lady Leslie and I were invited to South Glens Falls to attend a Girl Scout meeting, where we met up with Lady Sally Lebowich. This connection with the Girl Scouts was started about seven-teen years ago by Past Potentate Richard Lebowich and has been kindly coordinated by Lady Sally for the last several years.

When we left for the meeting, there was one question on Lady Leslie's and my mind:

Just how many tabs could girl scouts collect in a year? We found out that answer very quickly. As the three of us walked into the school cafeteria, we saw the result of their efforts: There were thousands and thousands of tabs. The containers required us to put the back seats down in the SUV and the collection still filled the entire back of the car.

All the tabs were then transported to Noble Merrill Allen who eagerly began the sorting process to insure all tabs were aluminum. Lady Dorothy expressed appreciation because the work would keep Noble Merrill "busy for days!"

A special thank you goes to the Girl Scouts of South Glens Falls for their donations and to our own Lady Sally for being the point person on this special project.



## Imperial Session 2015 Update

### Houston Flooding Update

The Imperial 2015 Team has received a number of inquiries regarding the recent flooding events in Texas and more specifically, in the Houston area. We deeply appreciate the concern, and our thoughts and prayers go out to all of those who suffered loss of loved ones or property during this historic event.

While the flooding was indeed significant in various parts of the greater Houston area, we are pleased to report that the George R. Brown Convention Center, Hilton Americas Headquarters Hotel, or any of the hotels, restaurants, etc., in the downtown area were not adversely impacted whatsoever. Additionally, although both Bush Intercontinental and Hobby Airports did experience some flight delays, neither facility was ever directly impacted by the flooding.

Oft referred to as the Bayou City, Houston utilizes a system of large bayous for rain water drainage. The system normally works extremely well; however this past week's storms dumped an overwhelming amount of rain in a very short span of hours onto ground that was already saturated due to a much wetter than normal month of May in the Houston area.

In closing, please rest assured that Houston is open for business and your Imperial 2015 Team is anxiously awaiting your arrival! See Y'all Soon !!!

## The 2015 Basket Party ~ ~ A Success!

The second annual Oriental Shriners Basket Party was held on Sunday, June 7, at the Ballston Spa Elks Lodge.

Lady Leslie and I are pleased to say this fundraising event was a complete success. With 89 beautifully done baskets given by many people and local shops and 14 gift cards from numerous businesses, 20 donated door prizes, two mystery money prizes, and six special items generously supplied by local businesses, there was something of interest for everyone who attended. We had 120 attendees who eagerly purchased extra tickets hoping to snatch up at least one of the many fine items offered.

There was also a 50/50 drawing which successfully brought in a nice amount – the winner netted \$300 – thanks to the efforts of

Barry Trasacco, Paul Marinello, and Tim Grogan.

The fresh water pearl and white bead necklace raffle finally came to a close at this event. There were 159 tickets sold over the course of several months. The net sales from this raffle earned \$1,359. Many of you sold tickets and many more of you bought tickets ... thanks to all of you. Selling the most tickets became a bit of a contest and the top seller was SueAnn Nicholson – nicely done. And congratulations to Harold Goodsell who purchased the winning ticket, sold by Andrea Garhart! You will look stunning in it, Gerry – assuming you will be the one wearing it!

In addition to the sundry of prizes, participants were treated to a very nice luncheon, organized by SueAnn Nicholson and served

by a number of Nobles. Many compliments were received on the delicious food, and in turn many more thanks go to all who were involved in donating, preparing, serving, and, of course, cleaning up! Great job!

Gross proceeds from the Basket Party (excluding the necklace raffle) exceeded \$3900. Our sincerest thank you goes to all who donated items and/or attended. Extended thanks go to those who gave of themselves and worked the event as well.

The formula for success is (1T + 4D = S) Talent + Desire, Dedication, Discipline, and Determination = **SUCCESS** (Carl Mays, *Winning Thoughts*).

This would not have been a success without you ~ ~ you made it possible!



## Spring = Parades = Oriental Shriners!

**Oriental Shriners have been actively marching in parades this spring!**

On May 16<sup>th</sup> representatives from our Shrine Temple marched in the Malta Armed Forces Day Parade. Here, the Rocking Chair Patrol made its first appearance kicking off the spring parade season. Special thanks to **Dan Murray** for storing the Patrol's Float and to **Harold Goodsell** for once again towing the Rocking Chair Patrol!

The **Kops Unit** also had a good showing and marched at the Hague parade.

On May 25<sup>th</sup> the Temple was well represented at Crown Point for the annual Memorial Day parade. The **Rocking Chair Patrol, Kops, motor cars, clowns, and Shriners** wearing their fezzes were proudly parading. The **Ladies** were also there and dutifully on the sidelines waving us on!



This parade also saw the return of **Past Potentate Dick Wilson**. It was great to see him marching again. He was not only happily greeted by us, but also by so many of the folks watching the parade!

The tailgate party consisted of a wide variety of great summer food prepared by so many! We also had a celebration of **Harold Goodsell's** birthday, which included members of his family.



*There are more parades coming up - - - see the back page for dates!*



***I'm the Member  
Who Never Came Back***



It amuses me now to think our organization spends so much time looking for new members, when I was here all the time. Do you remember me?

I'm the fellow who came to every luncheon meeting, but nobody paid any attention to me. I tried several times to be friendly, but everyone seemed to have his own friends to talk and sit with. I sat down several times at different spots, but no one paid much attention to me.

I hoped somebody would ask me to join one of the units or committees or to somehow participate and contribute, but no one did.

Finally, because of an illness, I missed a week. The next week, no one asked me where I had been or how I was. I guess it didn't matter very much, whether I was there or not. The next week, I decided to stay home and read or watch a television program. When I came back the next week, no one asked me where I was the previous week.

You might say that I'm a good guy, a good family man, that I have held responsible positions and love my community and country.

You know who else I am? I'm the member who never came back again!

**The Sportsmen's Raffle is underway!**

Tickets are available to be purchased and sold. Our initial goal is to sell a minimum of 1000 tickets. The ultimate goal is to sell between 1,500 - 2,000 tickets!

**There are 51 items to be raffled, including:**

Guns, ammo, gun cases, augers, tip-ups, game cameras, and much more!

(A complete list is on the back of each ticket)

**When: Saturday, October 17th**

**Where: Oriental Temple**

**Time: 1 – 4 p.m.**

**The Shrine needs your support for this major fundraising event to be successful!**

What can **you** do to help?

- **Purchase** and **sell** raffle tickets to everyone you know!
- **Encourage** other Nobles to **sell, attend, and support** the fundraiser
- **Bring** family and friends on October 17<sup>th</sup> for food, socializing, and a chance to win prizes!

Proceeds are for the benefit of the Oriental Shriners and are not deductible as charitable contributions



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On June 6, 2015, Illustrious Richard Gibbons, at age 90, took to the air once again. As part of a military celebration in Reading, Pennsylvania, Dick was invited to fly a World War II Model P-51 Fighter Plane.

While there was a pilot to assist in the flying, Dick indicated, "It all came back to me; I did loops and figure eights!"

While all of the in-air techniques came back to him, Dick was not overly enthusiastic about attempting the landing. When the assisting pilot asked him if he wanted to land the plane, Dick's comment was, "I thought you were an intelligent person. I now have my doubts."

Once back on the ground, Illustrious Gibbons was given a folder containing a certificate of accomplishment and a photo of him in the P-51.

Congratulations to a Past Potentate for taking to the air once again!



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- **Fort Edward** – Saturday, June 27. Lineup at 10 a.m., parade at 11 (Kops)
- **Argyle** – Saturday, July 4 (Kops)
- **Castleton, VT.** – Sugar Bowl Parade, Saturday, August 1 (TBA)
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