



Now Hear This...



VOLUME 84, ISSUE 2

OCTOBER 2014

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

From the Commander's Desk...

Well, here it is, time for another article for the newsletter. Where does the time go?

I truly enjoy travelling and visiting with all of you at your meetings and conventions, and this past quarter I had several opportunities. In July, I travelled to Ashland Kentucky for the annual One Stone meeting. This was my first trip and it turned out to be a great time. If you don't know what the One Stone degree is, ask your Legion brothers and I'm sure you'll soon find one who has received it. The nice thing about One Stone is it's dedicated to fun and more fun. On the same trip I got to attend the El Hasa Legion Of Honor Military Ball. Again, this was my first trip, and again it was a great time. All in all, it was a terrific weekend in Kentucky.

Next trip was a short one for me, over to Jacksonville, Florida for the annual South-eastern Shrine Association Legion Of Honor convention. I have been attending SESA LOH functions and events almost as long as I have been in the Legion of Honor, and I always have a good time with them. During this convention, I was given two honors. First, together with my Chief of Staff Tracy Coughlin, we were asked to serve as the judges for their inspection competition. They had a excellent turn out of unit teams and even a couple of Divan teams. The competition was tight, but the enthusiasm (and fun) was high. Later, I was honored to serve as the Installing Officer for the new SESA LOH officers. Congratulations to Hector Rodriguez for his election as their new Commander, and to Junior Past Commander Dan Kitchens for a great (second) year in command.

The next week it was off to Milwaukee for the annual Great Lakes Shrine Association Legion Of Honor convention. Once again, a



Ted Henderson

great time with great friends. The GLSA LOH put on a wonderful weekend including a tour of the beautiful Tripoli Shrine Temple (most impressive), a slightly early "Oktoberfest" style party, and a grand installation banquet. Congratulations to Paul Baker, Jr. for his election as their new Commander, and to Junior Past Commander Ronald Hurst for a great year in command.

After that, it was off to the Central States Shrine Association Legion Of Honor convention in Tulsa, Oklahoma. This is

actually my own unit's (Tehama) association, so you know I felt right at home with this bunch. It was another terrific time including a first-rate lunch, an impressive colors presentation demonstration, and an outstanding installation banquet. Congratulations to Jerry Rodman for his election as their new Commander, and to Junior Past Commander James "BJ" Benton for a great year in command.

I also found out that at their regular September meeting the Egypt Shrine LOH was going to tour the Yuengling brewery in Tampa. So, having no pride I shamelessly invited myself to attend and had a wonderful time with the unit. For those of you who drink Yuengling beer, you'll be happy to know that for that night I also appointed myself to the brewery's quality control team at the end of the tour; and, I can report that the quality was good, very good.

Finally, I travelled to Las Vegas, Nevada for the Western Shrine Association Legion Of Honor Mid-winter meeting. I believe the WSA LOH is one of our newest association LOH units, and they are off to a fine start. This was a low-key meeting, but that didn't stop the business they accomplished or the

Intl. Commander	1
1st Intl. LCDR	2
3rd Intl. LCDR	3
4th Intl. LCDR	4
5th Intl. LCDR	5
6th Intl. LCDR	8
7th Intl. LCDR	5
8th Intl. LCDR	9
Intl. Adjutant	2
Contact Them	11
Taps	4

The Crystal Ball

Looking at the Future...

IALOH Wreath Laying
Arlington, VA
30 Oct-02 Nov 2014

FSA LOH Mid-Winter
Sarasota, FL
01 November 2014

TALOH Mid-Winter
Arlington, TX
05-08 March 2015

MASA Spring Meeting
Reading, PA
26-29 March 2015

IALOH 84th Convention
Tampa, FL
22-26 April 2015

WSA LOH Spring Meeting
Las Vegas, NV
23 April 2015

SASA Spring Meeting
Lexington, KY
14-17 May 2015

Check the IALOH web site for details and registration forms in addition to information on other upcoming events

If you would like your Association meeting listed here, please pass the information to the Adjutant.

(Continued on page 9)

1st Lieutenant Commander's Message

Hi, Legion of Honor Nobles and Ladies!

Well, another three months have passed, and it was a busy three months.

During the third week in July, I attended the One Stone convention and Military Ball at El Hasa. It was a somewhat somber affair because our beloved friend, Woody Mitchell's lady, Judy passed away during that time. Our thoughts and prayers continue to go out to Woody and the family. Following the wake on Thursday, we held the One Stone on Friday at the Jones' farm. A big thank you goes to Marion Jones for his hard work setting it up. Our new One Stone Chief is Kenny Miller. Thank you El Hasa for a great military ball on Saturday. The meal was excellent, the program was great and the grog bowl was a lot of fun. Thanks again to El Hasa for a wonderful weekend.

Then Lady Deb and I were off to the GLSALOH convention in Milwaukee,



Jim Pulley

Wisconsin, 13-16 August. What a great time we all had. Thanks to Past Commander Ron Hurst and his team for a wonderful weekend, good food and great hospitality. I want to congratulate Commander Paul Barker and the GLSALOH officers. Thank you for stepping forward to serve on the line. We are looking forward to a great convention next year in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Then I traveled to CSSA, 28-30 August, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I always have a great time at this convention. I have many friends there since it is the association closest to my home association (GLSA). I want to thank Past Commander B.J. Benson and his staff for a wonderful convention. Congratulations to Commander Jerry Rodman and his officers. I have known Jerry for a long time.

Then I went back home to attend the GLSA convention. It was hosted by Ainad this year. Our Legion of Honor participated in the parade. I was privi-

Division One

leged to represent the IALOH at the convention. A big thank you to Director General Kurt Gross, P.P. and all the nobles and ladies involved in putting on a great convention. You did an outstanding job. Congratulations to Past President Steve Kibler, P.P.

Membership is key for the survival of our Legions of Honor. Please get out there and recruit new members. I look forward to seeing everyone at Arlington.

Take care until next time.

"Precious moments and precious friends—they are the treasures to hoard and cherish. We find ourselves wealthy in both and are thankful that you are part of that treasure."

It's an honor to be a member of the Legion of Honor.

Yours in the faith,

Jim Pulley

From the Adjutant/Editor

What a difference a year makes! Of the 300+ yearbooks sent out this year, only one was returned – a big change from last year's problems. I hope everyone is pleased with their copy. And by the way – I haven't heard from many of you about errors in the yearbook (which is good) but there is one that is a bit embarrassing. In the list of elected officers on page 13 I managed a typo in my e-mail address. There is an unwanted "!" in front of the "@". It should be just plain adjutant@ialoh.org.

Next month I will be sending out the annual data call which consists of the forms that need to be returned to me in



Ron Lee

preparation for the 84th Annual Convention and next year's yearbook. If you received this copy of the newsletter as a representative for your unit, then you will be receiving the data call documents. If you are the person responsible for completing the forms and submitting the dues, wonderful. If you are not, please forward all of the forms to your Commander or Adjutant for submission.

As CDR Ted mentioned in his column, the Annual Convention is in Tampa, Florida, next year and all of the related registration forms are available on our web site. The forms will also be printed in the next newsletter.

No one has yet announced their intent to run for the position of 8th International Lt. Commander but we have two candidates for International Adjutant: PC Kevin Fox of Rajah Legion of Honor and PC Larry Sneider of Acca Legion of Honor. Their resumes will be published in the January 2015 newsletter.

We are rapidly approaching the annual gathering in Arlington and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone. Timing again this year makes it appropriate to have a Halloween themed evening similar to last year's. Here's hoping you will all take part in the fun.

'Til then,

Ron

3rd Lieutenant Commander's Message

Division Three

Sometimes getting news into the quarterly newsletter is like figuring which came first, the chicken or the egg! The Imperial session at Indianapolis was some time ago, and it has been thoroughly reported by other Lieutenant Commanders. About all that is left to say is that we were allowed to present flags for outgoing John Cinotto and incoming Imperial potentate Dale Stauss. And, we all really enjoyed Commander Ted Henderson's mascot, "Freddy," whose squawking kept everyone on their toes!

The five Shrines in Kansas always hold their Annual East West Shrine Bowl in the heat of July, at one the State's five land colleges. This year it was held at Pittsburg State University. It has been said that the Kansas game is the largest money maker for the twenty-two Shrine Children's Hospital. Maybe that's because it offers such a terrific experience for players, band members, and cheerleaders who come from many small schools in largely rural Kansas. Families, friends, and communities turn out en masse to enjoy the day. Lady Suzette and I sat on the shady West side of the stadium but rooted for the our home team among good natured West fans.

I went up to El Riad Shrine in Sioux Falls to personally deliver two IALOH Yearbooks; however I wasn't able to leave them because no one answered my emails and phone calls. After traveling to the Sioux Falls, SD area I traveled on to Coeur d'Alene, ID and got the education of a life time! Motel rates were double and triple the usual rates all across South Dakota because it was the week of Sturgis' motorcycle event. The newspaper said 400,000 had registered but my barber said half of the guys that rode with him did not register. A lot of these riders are Vietnam service men. I think we should set up a Masonic, Shrine and Legion of Honor booth there next year.

Next, Lady Suzette and I headed for the high cool mountain country for the



Morris Sykes

PNSA Convention in Boise, ID. There we met with 4th Lt. Ray and Lady Pat Combs, 5th Lt. Eddie and Lady Shari Daffern' and 6th Lt. Al and Lady Laurie Gonzalez. I had suggested to Director General Chuck Turner last year at Lethbridge that the International Officers lead the parade and he invited us to do it this year. We had a team of eight flag carriers: the four International Offic-

ers attending and Stan Grenda, Don Hettervik, and two from Algeria Legion of Honor were Gene Hawes, CDR and Don Slaybaugh, PC. We won First Place in Color Guard and received a trophy. I also want to thank the PNSA for allowing me to use their podium to present my selection of the International Distinguished Service award from DIVISION SIX to Stan Grenda.

This was Lady Suzette's and my first trip to the Northeast Shrine Field Days and I sure want to thank Donald and Gerry Mathews for being our host, hostess and cab driver for the weekend. I also got to ride in the LOH trailer this time for a long parade. I was the only IALOH Officer at this event.

For the Labor Day Weekend Lady Suzette and I traveled to Tulsa, OK for the CSSA LOH Convention and the election and installation of officers. Jerry Rodman was installed Commander and Fezed by his wife Lady Rita, followed by David Kinzie 1st Lt., Darold Farless 2nd Lt., and with the reelection of Ronald Buchanan Adjutant and Smokie Siecgrist as Finance Officer. The annual parade was on Saturday with my Chief of Staff Steve Suchsland and I carrying the Colors for Arab Shriners. The only other walking Color guard

was Tangier Shrine. Tangier has a 94 year old PC and PP who always marches with them.

The last trip of this quarter Lady Suzette and I flew out to Las Vegas to celebrate my 81st birthday and attend the Western Shrine Association Legion of Honor mid-winter meeting. Commander Philips and Lady Sandie Thulander had a well-stocked hospitality room at the West Gate Hotel. We International Officers (Commander Ted Henderson, Morris Sykes, Al Gonzalez and John Robert Smith) were thanked for attending. There was a short meeting where the main topic was how to resolve the scheduling conflict between their annual meeting and the IALOH Convention in Tampa Florida. This LOH Association is only a couple of years old and doing well. Don Hettervik PC from El Zaribah Shrine will be the next Commander come April. He is a very active LOH member and was one of the flag carriers in the Parade at Boise with the IALOH members.

In October I will take a little time off and check on the Colorado elk herd.

Then in November it's off for my annual trip to the Arlington Wreath Laying ceremony. If you have never made this trip there is still time to do it, whether it is for this year and next or both. It should be on the bucket list of every military veteran.

Yours in the Faith,

Morris Sykes



3rd Intl. LCDR Morris Sykes presents the Division Six Distinguished Service Award to Noble Stan Grenda, Past Commander of Gizeh Legion of Honour (Victoria).

4th Lieutenant Commander's Message

Well it is that time again for the newsletter and my, has time really passed by this quarter. Lady Pat and I started off the month of July at the Imperial Session. I was busy being the ROJ representative again this year and also doing Imperial Marshal Duty's. Sunday at the IALOH annual meeting, I was proud to announce my Illustrious Potentate, Scott Lipps being in attendance. Along with the Pote, was our Chief Rabban, Assistance Rabban and the High Priest and Prophet, and all of their lovely Ladies. I am so proud of the Divan and Ladies for being present at our meeting. My good buddy from Antioch, Noble Larry Rike, first Imperial Shriner of the Month, and Lady Betty were there as well. Larry is a twin as I am and we both enjoy each other a lot. It was nice to see the Ladies at the parade this year. They are always there to support us in all of our endeavors. A big thank you Ladies for all that you do for us.

19 July took us to the El HASA LOH Military Ball honoring James H. Smith. What a great time we had and this was the 4th time for me and Lady Pat to attend. We also took time to attend the Funeral of our Commanders Lady, Judith Rebecca Mitchell. A lot of our Legion of Honor members, and their Ladies as well, supported Commander Woody Mitchell in this the hour of his grief. It was so sad to

have lost such a beautiful Lady. Our prayers are with Woody and his family.

We had fun attending 3 local parades for Antioch this month and the ladies got to ride with us in the parades as well.

August took us to Boise, Idaho for the Pacific Northwest Shrine Association convention. Pat and I drove out to Idaho and what a trip that was. What a majestic country we are privileged to live in. Commander Stan Grenda made us very welcomed with great degree works and great hospitality. Commander Stan asked the International Officers to assist in carrying the colors for the Parade and we jumped all over it (Ray, Ed, Morris, and Al). What a great time we all had. We even placed first in our arena. Love It!!!!

On our return we stopped over in Brookfield, Wisconsin for the Great Lakes Shrine Association, Legions of Honor annual meeting. In both Associations we made new friends in our visits, as well talking to a lot of our old friends. Congratulations to Commander Ron Hurst for a great year.

We visited the Utah Hospital as well as the Chicago Hospital on this trip. We



Ray Combs

Division Four

have attended 18 Shrine Hospitals thus far in our travels.

September took us on vacation with the family, a much needed time for all of us. We spent a week at Nags Head just having family fun. We all need to do more of this and enjoy life to the fullest. We are home now and getting ready for more parades for Antioch and attending the

Board meetings for Lexington Hospital.

27 September takes us to Rizpah Potentates Ball at Barkley Lake State Park. We are so looking forward to attending.

Later part of September takes us to Canada for our annual get together of our counterparts of 2008. We are going to "Parlour Inn" in Stratford On, Canada. While in Canada we will be attending the Mocha LOH Change of Command ceremony and spending some time with my Chief of Staff John "Popeye" Smith.

Update on Lexington Shrine Hospital; February 2015 is the scheduled time frame now for the ground breaking ceremony.

More to follow.

Ray Combs

TAPS

Johnson, Charlie R. 10 September 2014
Khedive

Stein, James March 2014
Ainad

Trefrey, James T. "Woody" 15 Sept. 2014
Sahib

**IN MEMORY OF
OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS**

**Come Join us in Arlington and let's have a party.
Dress for the occasion in your best Halloween attire!
Or, just come and have fun if you wish.
Let's make it happen on Friday Evening 8 P.M.**



Top three win prizes for competition. Who knows, you might win—all you have to do is dress up and give it a try.

5th Lieutenant Commander's Message

Division Five

Hope everyone had a great summer! And, I hope those that need it, have gotten rain.

We are still in a drought situation in Texas, but have had some much needed rain in late September.

Shari and I left home July 26, to go to PNSA. We turned it into a mini-vacation by going to Washington and Oregon before landing in Boise, Idaho on August 6th for the convention. Since we had not been to that area before, we toured Yellowstone National Park and the Grand Tetons. Met some really nice people and had a lot of fun. The PNSA Convention was great fun and well arranged by Commander Stan Grenda. He and his Lady, Maria, were great hosts! In addition to the LOH meeting, all the Legionnaires who wanted to participate, carried flags and led the convention parade. International Officers Morris Sykes, Ray Combs, Al Gonzales and myself were given the honor of carrying the National Flags and we most-



Eddie Daffern

ly stayed in step! After the convention, Shari and I travelled back home through Utah to see Monument Valley. Although we were gone nearly three weeks, we had a very good time.

On August 26th, Lady Shari and I attended CSSA in Tulsa, OK. Going with us were some of my officers, Chief of Staff Jim Hollis and Lady Barbara, Assistant

Chief of Staff Al Scholin and Lady Brenda and Assistant chief of Staff Bill Chicky and Lady Jeanniett. These are great people to be with and are extremely fun-loving. The convention was well attended and all the officers of CSSA LOH are to be commended for the great job. Commander B.J. Benton held a professional meeting and literally took care of everything. Congratulation to Jerry Rodman and Lady Rita for being elevated to Commander!

Western States Shrine Association LOH Mid-Winter meeting was held in Las

Vegas on September 25-28. Unfortunately, Shari and I were unable to attend due to other obligations. We do want to wish Commander Phil Thulander and Lady Sandy congratulations on a good year and thank them for furthering the interest of the Legion of Honor in the Western States. We also wish the best for the new Commander Don Hettervik. Hope you have a great year!

As a reminder from my last message, I would urge all Commanders and Adjutants, of units and associations, to make sure your events are posted on the IALOH website. All you need to do is submit them to the IALOH Adjutant, Ron Lee at adjutant@ialoh.org. This information really helps the International Officers plan their itineraries. Also, submit pictures and articles concerning your units to Adjutant Ron Lee and he will use as many as he can. Remember, the *Newsletter* is published quarterly, so your articles need to be submitted by January 1st, April 1st, July 1st and October 1st.

Semper Fi,
Eddie Daffern, PP

7th Lieutenant Commander's Message

Division Seven

Greetings from Evansville, Indiana. It's great to be a Shriner!

In July I travelled to Ashland, Kentucky and attended the El Hasa Legion of Honor Military Ball. This a first class event and it is open to Legionnaires regardless of which Association you belong. The weekend includes a visit to a Kentucky farm where a super steak lunch is provided.

Past International Commander Woody Mitchell did a superb job as Master of Ceremonies for the Military Ball. Several veterans were commended for their service including some World War II veterans. I recommend you work this event into your schedule in the future. The Legionnaires who attend from all over the country bring a diverse setting for the event.



Mike Murray

In August we were together for the GLSA-LOH Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Congratulations on a job well done by Past Commander Ron Hurst. Best wishes to Commander Paul Barker and we look forward to next year's convention in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Congratulations are also in order to Past Commander Ken Morey who was an excellent Master of Ceremonies at the banquet.

Also in August, I travelled closer to home. I finally had time to accept invitation for membership to Hillbilly Clan No. 52 at Hadi Shriners. It was an event that I will never forget nor will Lady Bridget. I have a new black hillbilly hat with a corn cobb pipe stuck through it in my hat rack now. A very fun afternoon, the fellowship and food was fantastic.

In September I travelled to the CSSA-LOH Convention in Tulsa, Oklahoma along with Chief of Staff Curran Wilkinson and his Lady Linda. Although we were burdened with a fire alarm and evacuation of the hotel, the event was still a success. The area tour proved interesting as we got to observe the livestock business. At times, you did need to watch where you were stepping.

We are now preparing for our next trip to the Arlington Wreath Laying ceremony. Other trips in planning include unit visits to Ainad, Ansar and Mohammed Shriners. Thank you Nobles for all you do for Children's Hospitals and Masonry.

Army Strong
Mike Murray



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION LEGIONS OF HONOR



Remembrance Luncheon Arlington, Virginia November 1, 2014

Please join us in Arlington for the Remembrance Luncheon immediately following the laying of the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns. The cost will be **\$25.00** per person. We look forward to sharing this very special "Thanksgiving meal" with everyone. We will dine on turkey, dressing, and all the fixings with some delicious desserts. We hope you will be able to join the Nobles and Ladies who attend this very special event.

Deadline for Reservations is October 15, 2014

Please mail your reservation with your check made payable to:

IALOH Arlington Luncheon

to:

David Smith, Luncheon Chairman

1018 SW Walter Ave

Lake City, FL 32024

Please Note: The Hospitality Room will not be open during the meal.

(cut here)

Registration Form

Remembrance Luncheon, Arlington, VA, November 1, 2014

Please Print

Name: _____

Shrine Center: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Province: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Number of persons: _____

@ \$25.00 each = _____

Lady/Guest Name: _____



REGISTRATION & ROOM RESERVATION FORM

Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony

Oct 30 – Nov 2, 2014

Thursday - Sunday

Head Quarters Hotel

Holiday Inn Rosslyn, Key Bridge

1900 North Fort Myer Drive

Arlington, VA 22209

Hotel Check in Time: 3:00PM



The guest room rate is \$89.00 + \$11.57 tax = \$100.57 per night. A ONE NIGHT NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED.
The Housing Coordinator must receive this completed registration form, NO LATER THAN AUGUST 20, 2014. Forms received
after AUGUST 20, 2014, are subject to availability.

Priority will be given to guests staying longer than one day.

A registration check for \$10 per person must accompany this form in U.S. currency \$ _____; # of
People _____;

(NON REFUNDABLE)

RETURN COMPLETED ROOM FORM TO:

Raymond E. Coffey
6014 Temple Star Road Ext.
Kingsport, TN 37660

Phone: 423-349-7084
Cell Ph: 423-817-2316
e-mail: recoffey@chartertn.net

If you are arriving by bus, other than through a tour group, and will need parking permit, inform the Housing Chairman as soon
as possible.

Reservations are guaranteed by Credit Card or your Group Coordinator's collective form of guarantee
A Cashiers Check or Money Order is to be made out To: IALOH, Raymond E. Coffey.

***** TO CHARGE INCIDENTALS TO YOUR ROOM & TO HAVE THE PHONE TURNED ON. A CREDIT CARD OR \$50.00 CASH MUST BE GIVEN TO
FRONT DESK CLERK UPON ARRIVAL *****

ALL ROOM RESERVATIONS, CANCELLATIONS OR CHANGES IN RESERVATIONS

MUST GO THROUGH THE HOUSING CHAIRMAN, RAYMOND COFFEY

Cut along line

THE HOLIDAY INN IS A NON SMOKING HOTEL.

Please Print

Name: _____ Lady: _____ Shrine Center: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Number of Rooms needed large groups only: _____

Requests for certain rooms or room types are requests only. They are not guaranteed.

Guests will be charged from \$250-\$500 for smoking in non-smoking areas, including rooms.

You may smoke on the balcony if necessary, please close the door so smoke will not come into the room.

Please indicate the type of room preferred by circling your choice below.

(KING BED EXECUTIVE)

(TWO DOUBLE BED TRADITIONAL)

(ONE DOUBLE BED, WHEEL CHAIR ACCESABLE)

Date of Arrival: _____ Date of Departure: _____

Group Coordinators Name: _____ Arrival Time: _____

Credit Card: _____ Cashiers Check: _____ Money Order: _____

Credit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Please note your expiration date on your credit card. Hotels will not accept card if expiration date is passed.

These are a must to help with Registration and Transportation

Do you require bus transportation to the ceremony? YES: _____ NO: _____

Are you a first time attendee? YES: _____ NO: _____

6th Lieutenant Commander's Message

We have truly been across the USA this year. Travels started in January when Amtrak took us to San Diego CA to attend WSA LOH Mid Winter hosted by PC and Past WSA LOH CDR Denny Strole of Anezeh, Mexico City, Mexico.

In February, we attended Gilbert Medina's Potentate Ball in Corpus Christi TX and then on to McAllen TX where we hung out with the snowbirds and enjoyed the mild weather. South Padre Island was the site for TALOH hosted by PC Richard Russell. It was a wonderful time. On to NC by way of Atlanta GA to meet with my Chief of Staff and his Lady Anita. Had a great Cracker Barrel Breakfast.

After a couple of days in NC we went to SASA Mid Winter in Raleigh with PC David Conly and Lady Karen hosting. They were gracious hosts and we had a great time. 1st LCDR Barry McCaslin was elected to Commander and will be installed at Myrtle Beach SC in September.

Sudan's Ceremonial was next in Carolina Beach NC. It was a beautiful setting and we were able to see a part of NC that we had not seen yet. The South Brunswick Island Shrine Club which supports the Hillbilly and Daredevil Units invited us to hang with them while there.

The IALOH Convention in Lexington KY was next. It was busy but a great time.

Then Pigeon Forge TN for "Fun Fest Days". This is a multi shrine annual event. We had a wonderful time there. Breakfast every morning was with a cardboard cutout of Dolly Parton. I paraded with Jericho LOH and we won a 1st Place Trophy. The fellows gave me a bottle of Moonshine to take to PNSA in August for the Hospitality Room as a gift from them. It was much appreciated.

We returned to KS to be able to travel to Minneapolis MN for Imperial Session a little bit easier. While at home, I attended the Annual Wreath Laying Ceremony



Al Gonzalez

in KC MO with the Abdullah Shrine for Memorial Day. Smokie Siecrist helps organize it each year. It is well attended.

Interesting fact: Guy Ferelli of Ismalia Shrine, Buffalo NY has a double. While at Imperial Session, I kept introducing this guy to people and he finally turned to me and said "I hate to disappoint you, and while I really

appreciate the attention, I am not Guy Ferelli" You can imagine my surprise and that of the whole group I was with.

I also caught up with my friend from Puerto Rico, Osvaldo Rodriguez. He introduced me to his travel party.

Overall, the highlight of Imperial Session was the IALOH Officers having the honor of Posting Colors for Imperial Sir John Cinotto...the best friend the IALOH ever had.

A quick trip to Ashland KY for the El Hasa Military Ball, One Stone, and Runoff was next. We all tried our best to support PIC Woody Mitchell during this difficult time.

Back to KS and repack for the trip to Boise ID for PNSA. This event was hosted by our Canadian friend PC Stan Grenada of Vancouver Gizeh in Vancouver, BC, Canada and his Chief of Staff Ted Graff of Calam Shrine. Our LOH Color Guard won a 1st Place Trophy in the Parade. The Officers are on board for next year. They are doing a great job.

It has been my pleasure for several years to attend a dinner to honor new inductees to DeMolay LOH. One of my fellow brothers of Arab Shrine, Tom Rigg was one of them. The meeting took place at the Scottish Rite Bldg. in downtown Wichita KS.

In the middle of everything, a good friend and my Advisor, Bill Glenn had a Birthday...Happy Birthday Bill.

We left for NC SASA bound again for the Installation of SASA Officers. PC & Past SASA CDR Randy Lawrence of Sudan

Division Six

LOH acted as my Installing Marshall. Congratulations to SASA Commander Barry McCaslin and all of his Officers. Also, congratulations to 1st Lady Sandy.

I need to give a Thank You to Past Cdr. Conley's Personal Chief Aide, Jim Cone and his Lady Carman. We were able to break bread with them while celebrating Lady Carman's Birthday.

I would also like to congratulate Jericho LOH Cdr. Chuck Blair on becoming Cdr. Barry's Chief of Staff.

I've been attending SASA for about 6 years now. The first time was with IALOH 3rd. LCDR Morris Sykes. We were walking down the Grand Strand checking out the Parade line up when Jericho Officers approached and invited us to Parade with them. We accepted, and I have been parading with them ever since. This year Jericho LOH won a 1st Place Trophy. They kidded saying it was because they had an International Officer with them. I say it was because Sarge dropped a \$20 bill off the back of the trailer...needless to say, I had a great time..as always.

At this time we are preparing to fly to Las Vegas for WSA LOH. I am anxious to see my "California Connection" WSA LOH CDR Phil Thulander. Because of my friendship with Phil, I have been fortunate to meet many nobles out West that I now consider my friends.

I have truly been from the West, to the South, to the East, to the North, and back again to the East and the year is not over yet. We still have Ocala FL and Kingsport TN to go before the end of 2014.

Faternally,
Al Gonzalez

**Deadline
For the
January 2015
Newsletter
Is
31 December 2014**

8th Lieutenant Commander's Message

What fun it was to join the rest of the International Association of Legions of Honor Officers at the Imperial Session in Minneapolis, and bring in the flags to the opening session. With my German background, I was sure honored to be carrying the German flag. I attended the South-eastern Shrine Association Meeting during August in Jacksonville, Florida. I was happy to meet as many of the Legion of Honor members from that part of the world, as well all the other Shriners who attended. Not only did we have a terrific in-line inspection of LOH units, but even one of the Divans entered as a group. It's always fun to see the different Shrine Center units in the parade, as each one has some unique parade



Wayne Heimsoth

"vehicles". Their parade was no exception. Everyone needs to see the Pirate Ship float! It was a great trip, but a little hard for a person from California to handle the humidity.

My local unit, the Asiya Legion of Honor, has been participating in the Asiya Shrine Center parades, and spent a weekend up in Nevada City with the Ben Ali Shrine Center from Sacramento, celebrating with the local lodge, Constitution Day, with a parade in that city.

As it is a bit difficult to visit in person, I have contacted each Legion of Honor unit in the eight division to introduce myself and send greetings. So far I have been able to connect with fifteen unit

Division Eight

Legion of Honor officers. As I have Panama, Puerto Rico, and Germany in my territory, I have been after our International Commander to give me our new Shrine Center in Brazil, and to budget some money to visit.

And last, the deadline for getting in nominations to an International Lt Commander is October 2, 2014 for the Distinguished Service Award. These must be received 30 days prior to our Arlington pilgrimage, which this year is November 2, 2014. Please let's honor those veterans that have distinguished themselves as particularly outstanding in service to the IALOH, his association, or his Shrine Center unit. An individual should have distinguished contributions over an extended period of time.

Wayne Heimsoth

(Continued from page 1)

fun we all had. I also very much enjoyed being in the Pahrump, NV Harvest Festival parade with fellow LOH members from many of the WSA LOH units.

As I write this we are less than one month away from our pilgrimage to Arlington National Cemetery for the annual wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns on 1 November. I hope you are planning on attending, and are getting as excited as I am. I have spoken with our Housing Coordinator Ray Coffey who tells me this could be one of our biggest years for number of attendees. In keeping with one of my goals for this year, to put some fun back in the Legion, 4th Lieutenant Commander Ray Combs has announced that on Friday night we will have a Halloween party, complete with costumes, I'm sure some treats, and maybe a few tricks. I hope you all will join in the "spirit" of the evening and come prepared to have fun.

Also, I can't end without mentioning the convention coming up in Tampa, Florida on 22-26 April 2015. Please do yourselves a favor and plan to attend. We

continue to prepare to show you all some good old fun in the Florida sun. While you're there, make sure you visit "Ted's Tiki Bar" (hospitality room) for a little tropical good times and refreshments. Registrations for the convention should be sent directly to me; and your hotel reservations should be made directly with the DoubleTree Hotel in Tampa. Registration forms and contact information are available on the IALOH.org website. I hope you will be joining us.

Finally, I want to let you know about a new initiative that I have undertaken. In Lexington, I announce that one of my objectives this year was to improve communications between the IALOH and its member units and their members. As part of this project, I have recently created an "International Association Legions Of Honor" page on Facebook. I intend to use this much like an electronic newsletter, not to put out official or sensitive information, but rather as a means to let you all know about things that I hope the Legion Of Honor family and friends will find interesting and informative. From time to time, I will post these items on the page

for your information and enjoyment. Everyone will be able to view the page whether they are a member of Facebook or not; but, if you are on Facebook, you will be able to "like" the page. If you "like" the page, items that I post on it should automatically show up in your own personal Facebook timeline. I am also looking for materials and items from the LOH family to post on the page. So, if you have anything from your unit or association that you would like to submit to me, especially if you have pictures, please do so and I'll see what I can do.

Well, that's about it for now. I always enjoy seeing and hearing from all of you. You can reach me at my home address: 2916 Cross Creek Court, Tallahassee, FL 32301; my email address: tedhenderson@juno.com; or, my cell phone: 850-321-3472. I hope to hear from you soon, and hope to see you all somewhere down the road. Until then, I am,

Yours in the faith,

Ted Henderson

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION LEGIONS OF HONOR

32nd Annual Wreath Laying

Arlington, Virginia

28 Oct-2 November 2014

Tentative Schedule of Events

Wednesday, 29 Oct 14

Hospitality Room Set-up-Room will be open 1700-2100
Food and Beverages will not be served

Thursday, 30 Oct 14

1300-2300

Hospitality Room Open

1300-2100

Registration open, sign-in for attendance credit

1900-2200

Board of Directors meeting

Friday, 31 Nov 14

0700-0930

Hospitality Room open, coffee, juice, pastries only

0800-0845

Committee meeting

0845-0900

Finance Committee meeting

0900-1100

Board of Directors meeting (if needed)

1130-1300

Lunch in Hospitality Room

1300-1700

Registration open, sign-in for attendance credit

1300-1700

Hospitality Room open

1700-1900

Dinner on your own

1900-2100

Registration open, sign-in for attendance credit

1900-2300

Hospitality Room open

Saturday, 01 Nov 14

0700-0830

Hospitality Room open, coffee, juice, pastries only

0700-0745

Registration open, sign-in for attendance credit

1000-1130

Meeting and Memorial Service in Hotel Ballroom

1210

Buses begin leaving for Cemetery

1230-1300

Formation of Honor Guard

1315

**Wreath Laying – International Commander Henderson and
Invited Dignitaries**

1330-1400

Canadian Honor Service (Following Wreath Laying)

1430-1600

Commander's Luncheon - in Hotel Ballroom
(\$25.00 per person - Advance reservations required)

1600-1730

Hospitality Room open

1730-1900

Dinner on your own

1900-2300

Hospitality Room open

Sunday, 02 Nov 14

0700-0900

Hospitality Room open, coffee, juice, and pastries only

Thanks for Attending – Have a Safe Trip Home

Contact Them

International Commander

Theodore M. "Ted" Henderson
2916 Cross Creek Court
Tallahassee, FL 32301
Ph:
Cell: 850-321-3472
Email: tedhenderson@juno.com

5th Lieutenant Commander

Eddie Daffern, PP
P.O. Box 185
Staples, TX 78670
Ph: 512-357-9981
Cell: 512-656-5691
Email: edaffern@austin.rr.com

Finance Officer

Peter F. Phillips, PIC
1902 Parkwood Drive
Forest Hills, MD 21050-2005
Ph: 410-557-8281
Fax: 410-557-8291
Email: finance@ialoh.org

1st Lieutenant Commander

James A. "Jim" Pulley
10 Woodbine Court
Collinsville, IL 62234-1464
Ph:
Cell: 618-604-9650
Email: collinsvillefan@att.net

6th Lieutenant Commander

Albert Gonzalez
5951 SW 30th Terrace
Topeka, KS 66614
Cell:
Cell: 785-383-2313
Email: algonza100@yahoo.com

Judge Advocate

Cyrus Kloner, PP
20 Paige Street
Rochester, NY 14619-1920
Ph: 585-436-8216
Cell:
Email: cylegalrx@hotmail.com

2nd Lieutenant Commander

Gilbert G. Medina
413 Tanglewood Drive
Mission, Texas 78574
Ph: 956-781-5623
Cell: 956-607-3640
Email: medina502@aol.com

7th Lieutenant Commander

Dr. Michael D. Murray
6608 Newburgh Road
Evansville, IN 47715-4463
Ph:
Cell: 812-449-2537
Email: dr_mikemurray@hotmail.com

Quartermaster

Michael L. Kimbrell, PC
704 Lee Avenue
Belleville, IL 62221
Ph:
Cell: 618-447-0460
Email: quartermaster@ialoh.org

3rd Lieutenant Commander

Morris W. Sykes
3925 N. Briarcliff Road
Kansas City, MO 64116
Ph:
Cell: 816-260-9072
Email: mwsykes@kc.rr.com

8th Lieutenant Commander

Wayne B. Heimsoth, PP
24095 Summit Woods Drive
Los Gatos, CA 95033-9292
Ph: 408-353-3298
Cell: 408-806-1804
Email: wheimsoth@aol.com

International Chaplain

Howard E. Wynia, PC
811 S. Delfino Lane
Spokane, WA 99224
Ph: 509-242-3207
Cell: 509-990-5371
Email: hkwynia@aol.com

4th Lieutenant Commander

Ray Combs, PP
5242 Preble County Line Road
Lewisburg, OH 45338-9602
Ph: 937-833-2582
Cell: 937-689-2393
Email: pote.combs08@gmail.com

Adjutant

Ronald A. "Ron" Lee
5271 Club Head Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23455-6857
Ph: 757-473-9817
Cell: 757-639-4227
Email: adjutant@ialoh.org

Arlington Registration Chairman

Raymond E. Coffey, PC
6014 Temple Star Road Ext.
Kingsport, TN 37660
Ph: 423-349-7084
Fax: 423-349-0301
Email: recoffey@chartertn.net

Disclaimers and Odds and Ends

Opinions expressed in individual articles are the opinions of the authors and not necessarily those of the Editor or Officers of the International Association Legions of Honor. Articles may be edited for size constraints but editorial content will be maintained.

The IALOH newsletter is to be published periodically as a way to "pass the word" and get applications/forms to the membership. Distribution is to all Legion of Honor Units and to individual subscribers at the rate of \$10.00 per year. A free, on-line version is available for download from the IALOH web site, <http://www.ialoh.org>. If you would like to receive a printed edition of the newsletter, please contact the International Adjutant.

Yearbook advertising rates are as follows:

Full Page	\$110.00
Three Quarter (3/4) Page	\$85.00
Half (1/2) Page	\$60.00
Quarter (1/4) Page and Business Card Size	\$30.00
Four 1/4 Page Ads	\$110.00

Ad submission forms are available online at www.ialoh.org or from the International Adjutant. Yearbooks are also available to the general membership for \$20.00 per copy plus postage.

Remember, your support is deeply appreciated.

**We're on the Web
at www.ialoh.org**

Phone: 757-473-9817

Cell: 757-639-4227

Email: adjutant@ialoh.org

*It's an honor to belong
to the
Legion of Honor!*

International Association Legions of Honor
5271 Club Head Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23455-6857

PRSRT STD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
NORFOLK, VA
PERMIT #508

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

*The objectives of the
International Association*

Legions of Honor are:

To foster a Spirit of Patriotism and

Love of Country and Flag;

To perpetuate the memory

of our Comrades in Arms

who made the Supreme Sacrifice

by giving their lives for their country

while members of the Armed Forces;

To devote our efforts

as individuals and

Legion of Honor Units

to strive for an increase in

Friendship and Cooperation

between our Legion of Honor Units

and other Units

of Shriners International

To all Unit Heads and Officers receiving this newsletter –

This quarterly International Association newsletter is a big part of the official correspondence between the International Association office and your Unit. The information presented should be passed to all of your members as soon as possible after receipt of the newsletter. There are a couple of reasons for this, 1) So your membership knows that there is an International Association and 2) So they are aware of any upcoming events that might be of interest to them.

Further, copies of the included forms should be made available to all of your members early enough that they can participate in any upcoming event in which they might be interested. It would also be a great help if you could include these forms in any communication with your members

We know that regular mail is becoming increasingly expensive and electronic communication is becoming the norm but many of our/your members have no desire to join the computer world and prefer to receive their information on paper. To that end, we must make every effort to ensure that these members “get the word” so they are aware of and included in your specific Unit and Association events.