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Special points of interest:

- Arlington Wreath Laying.
10 November 2007
- CSSA LOH Midwinter Meeting; St. Joseph, MO Feb 29—1 March 2008
- IALOH 77 Annual Convention
Colorado Springs, Colorado
April 23 -227 2008
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- If you would like your LOH Unit event listed here, Please pass the information to the EDITOR

Thank you!! To those of you who attended the CSSA LOH Convention in Kansas City and who also voted for me to be your Commander, Thank you.

There are 22 LOH Units in CSSA and 2 Temples that don't have a unit. We all need to help them get started to organize a unit. That comes down to the math of visiting and helping at least two units each month.

I will first go where I am invited and next invite myself to the smaller units. Your CSSA LOH Officers are here to help you. Send us an e-mail, letter or phone call to the information on page 4 of this Newsletter.

I have been doing quite a bit of traveling already. My first travel was to Kaaba LOH with your newly elected 2nd Lt. Commander Jeff Carter. We were greeted by Commander Fidler at 1st Lt. Cmdr Watkins's home with the Ladies for a Steak Fry and a nice afternoon under their apple trees.

Next was the Annual CSSA LOH Picnic at Bybee Cabin south of Topeka, KS on the 22 of September. There was the usual Central States hospitality and fried chicken. The Ladies brought cake and your Commander made his usual brown bread ice cream.

In October both of CSSA LOH Lts., with IA-LOH Lt. Arnold and I were at Abou Ben Adhem LOH where Past Cmdr Morrow presented Trophies to their drill team that won 1st place at the Convention in Kansas City. Next I visited Za-Ga-Zig LOH Unit in Altoona, IA. Traveling now has taken me on to Midian LOH Unit in Wichita, the home unit of CSSA LOH Finance Officer Rodman. Cmdr Wilson hosted us to lunch and later dinner with the Ladies. Also attending was 1st Lt. Siecgrist, Adjutant Buchanan and my Aide Al Gonzalez from Arab LOH.

Past CSSA LOH Commander Morrow presented the Ararat LOH Trophy to Commander Collins and participants, on the 24th October with the following CSSA LOH Officer's present Cmdr Sykes, 2nd Lt. Carter and Adjutant Buchanan. This evening program consisted of dinner with the Ladies and a singer who sang songs of WWII era.

We have two more travels scheduled for the first of November. They are Isis LOH on Friday the 2nd and Tehama LOH Veteran's Day Parade on the 3rd.

On 11th November Hasting Blue Lodge Fraternity will hold a Vacant Chair Ceremony. I would like to attend but have already made Hotel arrangement for the Arlington Wreath Ceremony.

Arlington Wreath Ceremony; November 10 at 12:45 PM / 1445 Hours

CSSA LOH Midwinter Meeting; St. Joseph, Missouri

February 29 and March 1, 2008; Contact your Adjutant.

1st Lt. Commander Charlie Siecgrist, Message

As we conclude the last quarter of 2007 the CSSA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri was very successful. The drill team competition was the opening event on Friday, August 31st, with noon luncheon following. Dr. Gerald Henderson, P.P., International Commander, his wife Marilyn and many other IALOH Officers and wives were in attendance at this years CSSA Convention. It is always an honor to have our International Officers and wives in attendance.

As Commander Morrow became Past commander and the newly elected Commander Sykes, 1st Lt. Commander Siecgrist, the newly elected 2nd Lt. Commander Jeff Carter and re-election of Jerry Rodman as Finance Officer and Ron Buchanan remaining Adjutant on August 31st, we welcomed our officers for 2007-2008. Commander Sykes gave a summary of his plans for the upcoming year and provided everyone an agenda for his convention in 2008 to be held at Oklahoma City.

On October 2, 2007 Commander Sykes, Past Commander Morrow, myself and 2nd Lt. Commander Jeff Carter attended Abou Ben Adhem meeting at Ryan's Steakhouse in Springfield where PC Morrow presented their Trophies from CSSA competition. This is 2nd Lt. Commander Jeff Carter's home Shrine. Virginia was a guest at their ladies meeting that is held in a room next to the men.

On October 10th, Adjutant Ron Buchanan and Arab's 2nd Lt. Commander Gonzalez and myself, along with Commander Sykes had lunch and also attended the evening meeting of Midian Shrine LOH in Wichita.

October 13th Abdallah Shrine had their Fall Ceremonial and the LOH recruited two new members for their Legion of Honor.

While traveling with the Grand Master as his Grand Pursuivant it is always an honor to visit with members in our Masonic Lodges and urge them to support our Veterans.

In closing I wish everyone "Happy Holidays" and a Prosperous New Year for 2008.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie "Smokie" Siecgrist
1st. Lt. Commander CSSA LOH

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This Newsletter and all the future ones are for the information of the 22 LOH Unit Commanders and their Adjutants in the CSSA area, for their use in conveying the events and programs that they have. Send information to me about your programs and events and we will put them in the Quarterly Newsletter and on the CSSA-LOH.ORG website for all to have the information.

Please inform me of all errors and omissions. I know there are some in here and if you don't find them then you are not reading these Newsletters.

Gilbert Medina of Al Amin Legion of Honor is a candidate for IALOH as Lt. Commander. Noble Medina is Past Commander of his home LOH and TALOH.

Do we have any candidates for CSSA LOH line at the CSSA LOH Convention this August in Oklahoma City?

2nd Lt. Commander Jeff Carter, Message

Hope this letter finds you all in good health. This is my 1st letter as your 2nd Lt. Cmdr. I thank you for the opportunity to serve in this CSSA LOH line.

On the 15th of September I had the honor to go to Kaaba LOH stated meeting with Commander Sykes. They put on a great feed and had a good meeting. Then on the 22nd my lady and I went to Topeka, Kansas to our 1st CSSA LOH meeting and it was also Commander Sykes birthday party. If you ever get the chance to have some of the Commander's homemade ice cream, don't pass it up. You will want seconds.

I have been assigned Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, also Midian and Mirza in Kansas as my area. So if you have anything going on, please let me know as soon as possible. I will do my best to be there. My e-mail is loh121@sbcglobal.net and my home phone is 417-732-4749.

Yours in Faith,
Jeff Carter
CSSA LOH 2nd Lt. Commander

Treasurer Jerry Rodman, Message

CSSA 2007 will be coming to an end as we conclude the last quarter of 2007. What a year, I would like to take this time to thank each and every Noble for the support you gave me during this year. It was an honor to be re-elected as your Finance Officer again.

Congratulation to Commander Morris Sykes, 1st Lt. Cmdr Charles (Smokie) Siecgrist, 2nd Lt. Cmdr Jeff Carter and Adjutant Ron Buchanan. It will be a great year with our new CSSA Officers. However, we all need to support our CSSA Officers throughout this year It will only be as great as we make it.

The 2007 Convention was great because of your support and Cooperation. Again, I appreciate your support and cooperation.

Now to close the finance books for this year and start the coming year.

In closing I wish everyone "Happy Holidays" and a Prosperous New Year for 2008.

Adjutant Ron Buchanan, Message

Welcome to a New CSSA Year.

September 1, 2007 Morris Sykes was elected Commander. Charlie (Smokie) Siecgrist is First Lt. Commander and Second Lt. Commander is Jeff Carter. Jetty Rodman was returned as Finance Officer. Now all of the units are changing Officers and we need one of you to send me a list of the new Officers and Jerry needs you to send in your dues for 2008. I know this is a lot of trouble but we need this information so

we can effectively communicate with your unit.

During the CSSA LOH Friday night party someone lost a camera. I have it so contact me and I will see you get it back.

Yours in the Faith;
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2007 Abdallah Shriners; Overland Park, KS

2007 Abou Ben Adhem Shriners; Springfield, MO

.....Abu Bekr Shriners; Sioux City, --**No LOH**

2007 Akdar Shriners; Tulsa, OK

2007 Al Kaly Shriners; Pueblo, CO

2007 Arab Shriners; Topeka, KS

2007 Ararat Shriners; Kansas City, MO

2006 Bedouin Shriners; Muskogee, OK

2007 El Jebel Shriner; Denver, CO

.....El Kahir Shriners, Cedar Rapids, **NO LOH**

2007 Hella Shriners; Garland, TX

2007 India Shriners; Oklahoma City, OK

○ 2007 Isis Shriners; Salina, KS

2007 Kaaba Shriners; Davenport, IA

2007 Midian Shriners; Wichita, KS

2007 Mirza Shriners; Pittsburg, KS

2007 Moila Shriners; St. Joseph, MO

2007 Moolah Shriners; St. Louis, MO

2007 Sahara Shriners Pine Bluff, AR

2004 Scimitar Shriners; Little Rock, AR

2007 Sesostris Shriners; Lincoln, NE

2007 Tangier Shriners; Omaha, NE

2007 Tehama Shriners; Hastings, NE

2007 Za-Ga-Zig Shriners; Altoona, IA

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TO: