



FIVE MEMBERS OF THE ALEPPO CYCLES rode their motorcycles to St. Louis for the 2008 Imperial Session this past summer. On their way they stopped at V-Force Customs owned by Vinnie DiMartino and Cody Connelly from the reality TV show Orange County Choppers. Pictured from left to right are: Noble Dave Aker, Noble Gerry Wentworth, Vinnie DiMartino, Noble Bob Baker, Noble Peter Simmons, and Noble Doug Dodge.

## Aleppo Motor Patrol: On the Road Again

By KENNETH HURRELL

WHEN we last left you we were headed to St. Louis with our new trailer and cars to compete in the IASMC competition and be part of Aleppo Shriners contingent in the parade. All the work and preparation we did on the new trailer certainly paid off. The trip to St. Louis went off without any problems. What a big sigh of relief we all had when we opened the doors in St. Louis and found that nothing had moved from where we had tied it down.

Our competition team did a great job and took 1st place in drill in antique car class. In August we traveled to Manchester, NH for the Northeast Shrine Association Field Days. In competition we took 2nd place in drill in the 2 plus wheel division of the NASMC.

In the months ahead we look forward to parades in East Boston and Revere and private parades in Malden and Boston's North End. It has been a very busy spring and summer for our

unit. The fall months look to be equally as busy. We are very fortunate to have a great group of members who are really dedicated to keeping our cars on the road and spit shined.

Congratulations to two of our members who recently became proud grandparents. Ted and Harriet Polonsky welcomed their 1st grandchild into the family. Hilt and Alcine Cormey welcomed their fifth and sixth grandchildren (twins) into their family.

As you can no doubt tell, a pinch hitter has written this article. Our regular correspondent, Ken Hurrell, recently underwent a successful knee replacement operation. By the time you receive this newspaper he will be home receiving additional therapy and in fact you might very well see him at the Shrine. If you want to send him a card his address is 31 Chamberlain Ave., East Hempstead, NH 03829.

As Ken would say "Well it's that time again to say 'Happy Motoring' "



THE MOTOR PATROL AT THE NESA IN MANCHESTER, NH.

## Motor Patrol Hosts Picnic With Patients

WHAT a beautiful day it was for a picnic! And that's just what the Aleppo Motor Patrol did on Saturday, July 26, for 6 children and their families from the Shriners Hospital for Children-Boston. When the children arrived not only were they greeted by members of the Motor Patrol but members of the Clown Unit, Fire Brigade and Mounted Patrol were there as well.

The members of the Clown Unit led by Boss Clown, Henry "Spike" Bradley, made all our guests feel welcome and comfortable in a new environment. The Fire Brigade under the direc-

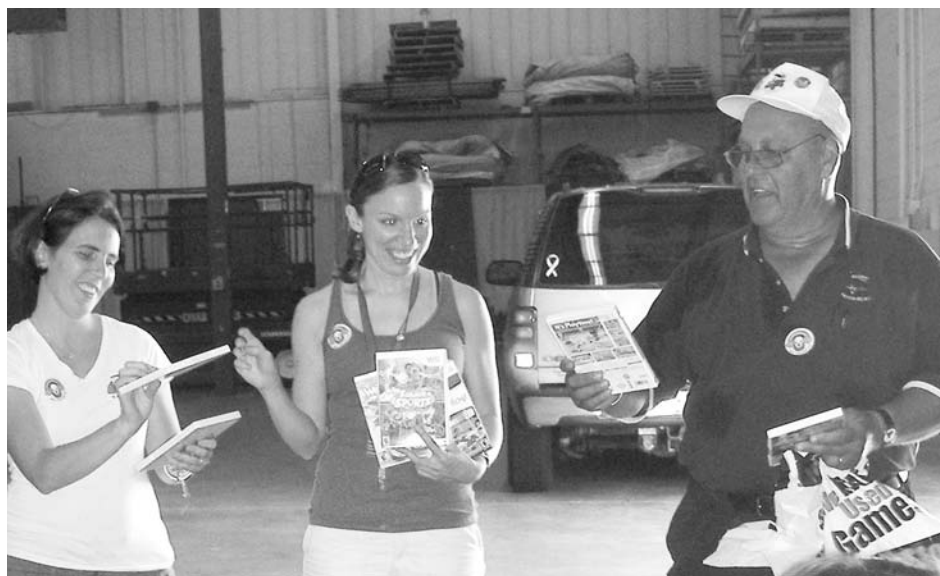
tion of Deputy Chief Bob Robinson not only gave them rides in their new vehicles but they could put out a fire in the windows of a burning house using a line from a retired pumper truck. Capt. Tom Cinelli and members of the Mounted Patrol set up a corral so all our guests could have a ride on their horses. They brought their buggy which was a big hit with everyone. In addition everyone had one or more rides in our replica 1901 Oldsmobile's.

A great picnic lunch was prepared by our members and their ladies. The extra deserts were given to our guests to take back to the hospital. We still are not sure if they made it back to Boston

or where eaten on the return trip.

Each year the Motor Patrol presents the hospital with a much needed item. This year we contributed a number of Nintendo Wii games and a remote. We learned that not only do these games give comfort and pleasure to the patients but are used in patient rehab. Playing these games requires the patient to do the motion of the game they are playing thereby doing rehab while they are playing.

At the end of the day everyone, guests, Shriners, their ladies and families all had big smiles on their faces. We are already getting ready for next year.



SHRINERS HOSPITAL-BOSTON staff receive Wii games and controls to bring back to the hospital to use as physical therapy aid for the children.



THE LINE IS FORMING quick as the burgers and hot dogs are flying off the grill to feed a lot of hungry people.



EVERYONE'S WAITING for the kids to arrive to start the festivities.