



Aleppo Mini-Haulers

By ALAN B. G. ARCHIBALD

THE Mini-Haulers have started off this year with the St. Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston. This is always a great time with huge enthusiastic crowds and a wide variety of parade units. The Mini-Haulers have always been a hit with kids and adults alike, and this time even more so with the addition of a new truck and trailer as well as the alteration of another, converting it into a wrecker. Nobles **Matt Braccio** and **Tom Dickey** took our green truck and fabricated the steel and made the modifications needed to convert it to a wrecker! This was tested out and works perfectly!

"Here we Grow Again!" There will be another new Mini-Hauler on the street this year! It has been ordered and will be arriving very soon! This will increase the number of trucks to eight!

Watch for pictures of the "fleet" in the next issue!

If you see us in a parade and have some pictures of us in action, please take a minute to upload them to our FaceBook page, the "Aleppo Shriners Mini-Haulers."

The Mini-Haulers are growing in popularity, and interest in the group has been steadily increasing.

If you want to try driving one, get in touch with any of the members and they can make arrangements for a test drive; but I have to warn you, they can be addictive! One drive and you'll be hooked!

If you would like to be a part of the group or if you would like more information, please contact:

Noble **Lloyd Wentzell**
at 617-816-4791
Noble **Alan Archibald**
at 774-258-0444



REMEMBER THAT DUSTY OLD HORN?

Haven't seen anything of it yet, dig it out and dust it off, like you promised.

It'll play just as good as always!
Maybe even better after the break!

Rick Fardy (the Whiz) is still waiting to shake your hand. Remember: Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00 pm on the second floor of the Aleppo Shrine Center in the Brass Band Room.



ALEPPO PIPE BAND

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THE Pipes and Drums have had a busy season so far. On the weekend of February 22 and 23, we had the opportunity to once again participate in Julio's Liquors, Whisk(e)y Weekend 2014. **Ryan Maloney**, the owner of Julio's Liquors in Westborough, Massachusetts, has been hosting Whisk(e)y Weekend for the past 10 years, with each one being bigger and better than the previous ones—and this year was no exception! This year we were joined by Nobles **Bob Haley** and **Tom Childs**. See the article on page 20 for more details about Whisk(e)y Weekend.

The band has been busy learning some new tunes, brushing up on some old tunes and getting ready to hit the streets! It takes quite an effort to learn the new music on a practice chanter before attempting it on the pipes, but practice makes perfect!

As the winter looks like it has finally drawn to a close, the upcoming parade season is upon us and it's beginning to look like it will be a very active one this year! Be sure to watch for us and cheer us on; and yes, we do play requests!

To any and all Nobles who may have an interest in wearing a kilt, and having fun, and to learn how to play the pipes or drums, and march with pride and dignity, we meet every Tuesday at 7:00 PM up on the 2nd floor at the auditorium for practice or you can call any of the following numbers:

Recruitment Chairman, Noble **Andre H. Gibeau** at 617-794-6388,
Secretary Noble **Alan B. Archibald** at 508-393-3416,
P/Sgt. Noble **Walter D. Harmer, Sr.** at 978-387-8671,
Piper Noble **Albert S. Dodge, Sr.** at 978-667-7635.

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ALEPPO KUSTOM KARTS



– MISSION STATEMENT –

- Provide funds for the Shriner's Hospital for Children with funds for transportation of patients
- Develop brotherhood and comradeship in a politics free unit/club

– ACTIVITIES AND METHODS –

In order to provide funding for the hospital our membership will perform in Tour of Duty parades and private parades.

– REQUIREMENTS –

- Be an Aleppo Shriner in good standing
- Own your own 5 - 6.5 hp go kart
- Attend 90% of parades
- Attend 90% of practices
- Attend the NASMC field days in August/September of each year
- Be responsible for yourself and the safety of others
- Be responsible for your equipment and that of others

For more information see us on Facebook at "Aleppo Kustom Karts" or contact:
Assistant Director Brian Rushlow via Brian.Rushlow@gmail.com or
Director Dave Aker via DavidCAker@gmail.com