

Noble presented with \$100 Million Club Certificate

By Noble Dave Gillies

NIAGARA SHRINE CLUB

Gord donated \$1,300 in lieu of the normal donation from his annual golf tournament and now Manulife Securities will be matching his donation dollar for dollar. This isn't the first time or hopefully the last we will see of Gord's generosity.

If you have any spare cash in your pocket, stay away from Rick, he will try to lighten your load, turn it over to the 100 Million Dollar Fund and even provide you with a certificate.

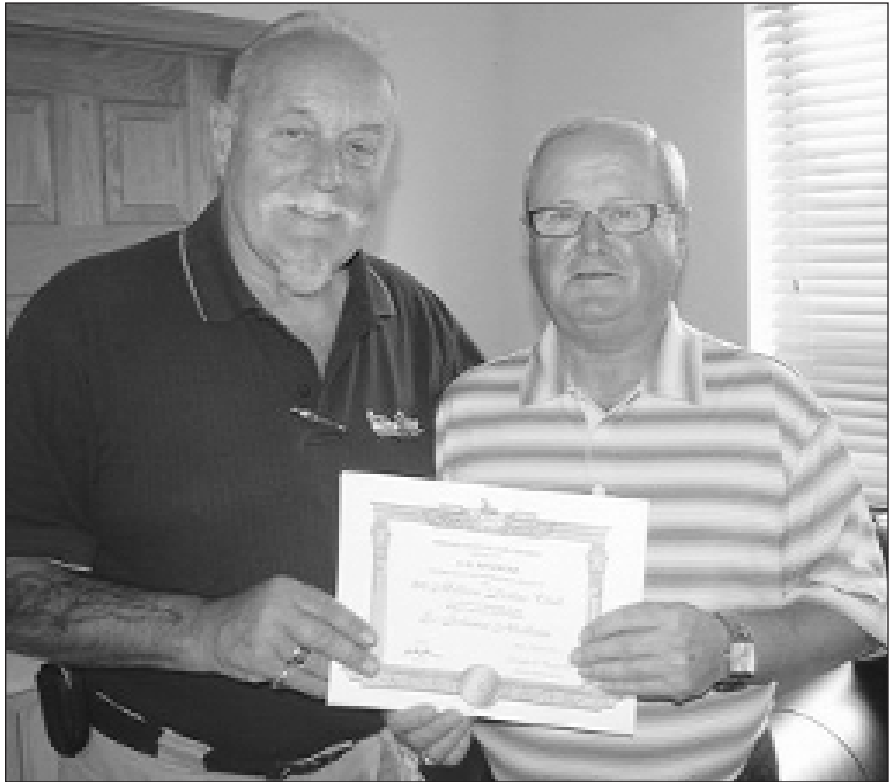
Got the urge for public service? Election fever is heating up around the Club; hopefully if the entire executive move up a 3rd VP needs to step up to the plate and new directors will be needed. Before your birth certificate expires, put your name forward to our President or other officer, take a shot at running the Club, it's a real satisfying experience!

Parades are in full swing for the Maid, the '41 clown truck and the recently out of retirement, orange crate truck now piloted by Nobel Mark Taylor.

Two outings planned in November and two more in December so get piped aboard to sail the Maid or put your best face on with our clowns. All three Units carried our flag in the annual Merriton Labour Day and St Catharines Grape and Wine parades, both support large turnouts of spectators to cheer us on. Remember, it's your Maid. Come out for some fun!

I know this will come back to haunt me and probably shouldn't mention it but, there are good looking ladies in the crowd which may help keep up your interest in re-signing for another voyage. Isn't it fun to be a Shriner!

Our Shrine cakes received a little extra baking when the Linkert Country Bakery experienced a fire delaying our pick-up date slightly. Fortunately there were no toasted nuts on our shipment! Yearly cake sales started at the Vineland Craft Show on Thanksgiving weekend, a good



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head start in completely selling-out our shipment. If every member makes an effort in selling to neighbours and friends, and signing up for in house sales at the Club, we will be out of cakes in no time. Don't think maybe the other guys will do it; "Procrastination is the greatest labour-saving invention of all time." The Shrine Club needs you super salesmen!

If you're looking for a fun degree check out the Vagabonds and enquire about joining.

The Niagara Club has been granted a charter from Jungle #1 in Grove City, PA. Noble Walter Brooks was appointed Chief Tramp for the inaugural year of our very own Jungle #2. Some 25 Canadian Nobles were installed including two from the Divan when the US tramps came up from Pennsylvania in August.

More fun meetings, if September's meeting was any indication, will be held monthly.

Our first dinner meeting after the summer recess had a slightly different format in that the meal was served buffet style by a new caterer. Apparently it was well received, I was late and missed dinner. Every single scrap of food disappeared off that buffet table

including the last dessert consumed well after dinner during our business meeting.

September's Car Show opened with sunny skies and warm weather with a good turn-out of hotrods and vintage cars. Even had a full-sized, privately owned fire truck as an entry. Our Club was the snack bar but more importantly the location of the washrooms so there was a constant flow (no pun intended) of visitors through the building. A good opportunity to show off our Shrine memorabilia and we even sold some cakes.

The Christmas Fantasy is scheduled for the 20th of this month, here's your opportunity to see all those happy kids, a great show and lend a hand as one of Santa's helpers. Stuffers for the candy cane and sugar plum goodie bags will be needed after our November dinner meeting so stick around and give us a hand.

Just seen on the internet: "Inside every older person is a younger person wondering what the heck happened."

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