



# MIDNIGHT PATROL TENT

## Patrol Log

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### The Grand Sheik Speaks

(or writes, anyway)

Greetings All!

Well, the International Convention is imminent and (almost) right around the corner from us! Whether you are able to come for "The Whole Enchilada", or just a day and one of the evening banquets (hopefully the **Them Thar Hills Banquet**, at least!) I know you will have a grand time! The date for the reduced rate for attendance has been extended to 10 May. Those desiring to go may do so if they act soon.

**As Babe said in the film: 'You took an Oath!' ;-)**

**And Wotta Wonderful turn-out for our first meeting of 2010!** As always, Fellow Son Paul Mular and the

Edison Theater in Niles collaborated to present a wonderful program which was highlighted by the L&H classic, "Men o' War" followed by the **Our Gang** guffaw "Schools Out". An INCREDIBLE amount of drawing items were awarded by both the Theater and our Tent, and the many winners were a happy bunch! Many thanks to our Grand Peddler Duon Zeroun and her worthy minion, Past Grand Sheik Bob, as well as the one & only Rena Dein of the Niles Silent Film Museum/Edison Theater for their making the drawing so much fun! The rest of the film program was a hoot!

### Wizened & Wonderful Actor Jeffery Weissman Wows Wild Crowd With Witty Weminicences

Our April program and date was changed to afford members the opportunity to meet professional Stage, Screen and TV actor, consummate physical comedian and fellow Son **Jeffery Weissman**, who presented some great personal films and shared some of his many humorous personal and professional experiences in the entertainment field, prior to showing his locally-produced (and screened at Cannes) 'Mockumentary' "**Corked**" – a clever, funny and fascinating tongue-in-cheek (or glass) look at California winemaking. It was a great evening (which included some winetasting), with a most generous, gregarious and great actor, and a stalwart Son of the Desert whose heartfelt performances as "Stan" are legendary, along with his "Chaplin", Groucho and others.

*Laurel & Hardily yours;*

**David J. Allard**, Grand Sheik- Midnight Patrol

**SUNDAY, 9 MAY MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM - FILMS @ 4pm:**

Laurel & Hardy: One Good Thing ('31); Their First Mistake ('32)

Our Gang: Birthday Blues ('32); Night 'n Gales ('37)

### Next Tent Meetings

While we will be having an informal "Mother's Day" L&H & Our Gang program in Niles on **May 9<sup>th</sup>** (see below), we are looking to hold our second, quarterly meeting in Sacramento in the afternoon prior to our Tent's sponsoring the "THEM THAR HILLS BANQUET" during the 2010 Convention. We hope that our members who are at the conference as well as those that can only come for the day can come to enjoy the evening and/or see some of the convention 'up close & personal' and meet with their Tent members for a tour of the Convention and a Tent activity update. Recent ITJs will be available for pickup as well. Of course, helping fellow Sons with the Banquet set-up wouldn't be turned-down either! This meeting will be held:

**Thursday, June 17 at 5 PM**  
**in the Them Thar Hills Banquet Room**

#### **Midnight Patrol Banquet**

Theme: Them Thar Hills

17 June @ 7PM

(Tent meeting there @5PM)

**Attire:** Hillbilly Formal or Casual- wear watcha' want- who gives a gol'dern1?



#### **Hollywood Victory Caravan**

Banquet w/Orchestra

19 June @7PM

**Attire:** Costumes/1940's as appropriate

To obtain further info on the Convention, or sign-up for the fun, go to:

<http://afmoasis49.com/convention.html>

### **SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM**



#### **Barnaby Speaks:**

"Yes-s-s... 'Tis Best you treat your dear Mother well... with a great day in Niles with The Boys & Our Gang

### **LOOKING FOR A GREAT WAY TO SPEND MOTHER'S DAY???**

Look no further than the Historical District of Niles and it's Equally Historic Theater!

- Take a peaceful, **pleasant stroll** along the same streets that Charlie Chaplin and other great silent film stars trod.
- Peruse the plethora of **pretty shops and unique antique stores** that dot the district.
- Take a relaxing and **picturesque ride up Niles Canyon on a restored vintage train**
- Enjoy a **leisurely meal** at any of the districts many eateries, either before or after **checking-out the Silent Film Museum and enjoying a great film program** of "L&H" and "Our Gang" at The Edison Theater. & **Moms will get a special gift at the show!!**

for Edison Theater info & directions (and their complete program) go to [www.nilesfilmmuseum.org](http://www.nilesfilmmuseum.org)

For Niles Canyon Railway Info & Schedules, go to: [www.ncry.org](http://www.ncry.org)

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