



December Message From The Potentate



Greetings Nobles & Ladies,



Lady Amy and I are humbled by all the support we have received this year. Thank you, Lady Carol Pitts, for your graciousness and all your help this year and for putting on an AMAZING First Lady's Luncheon!

We have The Chief Rabban's Dinner coming up this month! If you haven't reserved yet make sure to get a hold of David Pitts or Carol Pitts!

This year has taught us that if you truly believe in something, no matter the obstacles put in front of us, we will persevere.

I would like the opportunity to thank Gordan & Dolores Keeton for always helping out in the background and doing an amazing job as Purveyor this year! Also I would like to thank Nobel Rowland "Row Boat" Trent and his lovely Lady Ladonna Sanchez for their participation and willingness to serve and help at almost every event we've had this year!

Our last Temple Function of 2024 is the Tehran Shrine Christmas/Thank You Party on December 7th, 2024 at 5PM. We will be having Chicken Parm with Pasta and Alfredo Sauce. Mixed Veggies with a Garden Salad with dressing and Garlic bread and Dessert. Please call the Shrine or Potentate for Reservations. Also we will have Guests from ASIYA Temple that night! Price of Admission is **FREE!**

Also this night we will be Dedicating Jane's Corner in a Ceremony in the Oasis on this night!

I would also like to take this time to thank the Divan, Our Recorder Illustrious Sir P.P. Mike "Oil Can" Nella and our Treasurer Robert "Boardwalk" Murdoch for stepping in and making this year possible with the help of Oren "Leatherhead" Daughtery and Illustrious P.P. Mark "Frown Buster" Dawson.

Thank you to Jonathan "Sweet Pea" Higgins for doing an amazing job on the Bulletin this Year!

Last but not least, Thank you so so much to Lady Sandra Dawson for getting our books in order and keeping them up to date helping tremendously. This year was made possible by all the unsung Heroes of our Beloved Shrine. Thank you so much for making Our Year Happen

Illustrious Sir,
Christopher J. Guillen



**Naughty
OR
Nice**

SHRINE CALENDAR

November 28 *Thanksgiving*



December 2 **TEMPLE STATED MEETING**

December 7 **Christmas / Thank you Party**

See Flyer



January 4 **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

See Flyer



FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF RABBAN

Greeting Nobles, Ladies and Friends,



I will start this article by giving a huge thank you to everyone that was able to attend Chief Rabban night. And to all the folks that helped in many ways to make the evening fun and eventful. We had a good turn out and Carol and I were happy to see eight Past Potentates and twelve Past First Ladies in attendance. Thank you all for your support.

Please save the date for Tehran installation of officers on Saturday, January 4, 2025. It will be a fantastic evening with wonderful food and lively entertainment. You don't want to miss it. Invitations will be going out soon. Please RSVP early before we reach room capacity.

As 2024 ends, I would like to thank the nobles, their families and all our friends for your participation in 2024 and hope that it carries forward in 2025. Our Potentate, Chris Guillen, has done an outstanding job in leading Tehran and ensuring our future. I look forward to working with the elected Divan and let's "Help Kids Thrive in 2025".

Gratefully,

David Pitts, Chief Rabban



FROM THE ASSISTANT RABBAN

As 2024 is coming to a close I look forward to great things for Tehran in 2025. Chief Rabban's night was a great event and Dave and Carol Pitts have a great year planned for 2025. Potentate Chris has done a great job with 2024 and had many challenges to overcome. Thanks to our Treasurer Bob Murdoch, with the help of Mark and Sandy Dawson, our books are in good shape and we are well on our way to having our tax returns

for 2022 and 23 filed. In 2025 we are looking forward to having a full group of enthusiastic elected and appointed officers in our line, with new units forming and old units becoming more active. These are exciting times but we need everyone's help and support. Plan on starting by attending our Stated Meeting on Monday, December 2, the Christmas party on Saturday, December 7 and the Installation of Officers on Saturday, January 4th.

Christmas is just around the corner and with it comes the all the lights and decorations on Van Ness Avenue (Christmas Tree Lane). Our Past Potentate Jim Stahl and his lady Jennifer are again hosting a **All Masonic Night** for a ride down Christmas Tree Lane on Wednesday, December 18th. See the enclosed flyer and let Jim and Jennifer know you will be attending and what time you would like to go. Jim and Jennifer have hosted this event for several years and it is always an outstanding time. Plan on coming and bringing your friends.

Our motto is **FUN WITH A PURPOSE** and our purpose is helping **KIDS**.

Fraternally,

Randy Forrester, PP
Assistant Rabban



HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET

At Christmas

by Edgar A. Guest

A man is at his finest towards the finish of the year;
He is almost what he should be when the Christmas season is here;
Then he's thinking more of others than he's thought the months before,
And the laughter of his children is a joy worth toiling for.
He is less a selfish creature than at any other time;
When the Christmas spirit rules him he comes close to the sublime.

When it's Christmas man is bigger and is better in his part;
He is keener for the service that is prompted by the heart.
All the petty thoughts and narrow seem to vanish for awhile
And the true reward he's seeking is the glory of a smile.
Then for others he is toiling and somehow it seems to me
That at Christmas he is almost what God wanted him to be.

If I had to paint a picture of a man I think I'd wait
Till he'd fought his selfish battles and had put aside his hate.
I'd not catch him at his labors when his thoughts are all of self,



On the long days and the dreary when he's striving for himself.
I'd not take him when he's sneering, when he's scornful or depressed,
But I'd look for him at Christmas when he's shining at his best.

Man is ever in a struggle and he's oft misunderstood;
There are days the worst that's in him is the master of the good,
But at Christmas kindness rules him and he puts himself aside
And his petty hates are vanquished and his heart is opened wide.
Oh, I don't know how to say it, but somehow it seems to me
That at Christmas man is almost what God sent him here to be.



*We Are Wishing You And Yours A Very Merry Christmas And A
Happy New Year!*

Wayne & Coleen



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The year of 2024 is about over and the number that webfez now shows will probably be the year end numbers. We have 221 members, 12 creations and 12 expired. So we end the year with no losses (but no gain either). Hopefully, 2025 will be a big year for membership. We do have several Masonic brothers that have expressed interest in our Shrine and I'm sure they will become Shriners soon. Remember "we are all members of the membership committee"

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Membership chairman
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559-240-1232



TEHRAN SHRINE

STATED MEETING



Monday, December 2, 2024
Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00 pm
Shrine Center



Election of Officers

FRESNO SHRINE CLUB



*Come have lunch with your friends!
Sometimes you wanna go Where everybody knows your name
And they're always glad you came
You wanna be where you can see Our troubles are all the same
You wanna be where everybody knows your name.*



*Our December 11th meeting is at
Tehran Shrine Center
5407 E Olive Ave, Fresno*



*We're having a Christmas lunch prepared by Fresno Shrine Club 12 Noon Social - Lunch at 12:30
\$20.00 per person*



Reservations needed by Monday December 9th

Please call or text Terre at 559-458-9114 or email (me4pekes@yahoo.com) to make your reservations.

TEHRAN SHRINE WALL OF FAME



Wall of Fame, located on the outside of the Main Hall between the two sets of double doors.



**Order
Now!**

Nobles & Ladies;

You have an amazing opportunity to purchase one or more stone rectangles in recognition of Shriners, Friends or Family. Orders being taken now!

Thank you,

*Wayne Schwartz
Membership Committee*



Cost: \$125.00 each

Lines & Characters: 3 lines, 18 characters/spaces each

Order Contact: P.P. Mark Dawson - dmdawson@webdawsons.com

Questions: Contact Mark Dawson 559-643-1956

Tehran Shrine
POTENTATE'S
Christmas
& Thank You Party
Saturday, Dec 7th

Illustrious Sir, Chris would like to thank all the Nobles and Ladies for the support you have shown for Tehran Temple and our Potentate, by inviting all of you to come enjoy the holiday Season by having a delicious dinner and joyous Christmas cheer with your Friends and family.



And best of all, the entire evening is

Absolutely FREE

Chicken Parmesan, pasta alfredo, garden salad, garlic Bread and Desert With eggnog, and all your favorite refreshments.

Maybe Santa will even show up. Call the Shrine at 559 251 1991 or the Pote at 559 519 9678 for reservations. We will also be dedicating Jane's Corner in the Oasis room

Dress will be ugly Christmas sweaters or festive attire

PARTY STARTS AT 5:00 PM DINNER 6:00 PM

TEHRAN SHRINE



STATED MEETING

And

Installation of Officers

Monday, January 6, 2025

Shrine Center

*Bring your lady, your fez and dues card
and help us celebrate the beginning of a new year
And a new set of Temple Officers, and to thank
Our soon to be Junior Past Potentate Chris
For a wonderful year.*



*The festivities start with a short social at 5:30 pm
Then enjoy a delicious "Chef's Choice" dinner at 6:00 pm
Stated Meeting will begin at 7:0 pm.*

*Ladies are invited to enjoy the social and dinner and then
Will be invited into the Oasis Room*

*with the new First Lady Carol, for a presentation of their own
while the Nobles have the Stated meeting*

***Ladies are definitely invited
and are encouraged to attend.***



**COST IS ONLY
\$10.00 PER
PERSON.**

**DRESS IS
CASUAL WITH
FEZ**

Please RSVP to the Temple (559) 251-1991 or to dpitts01@icloud.com.
Office hours are Monday- Thursday 9 AM to 2:00PM. If you call before or after office
hours please leave a message and we will call you back to confirm.

CHRISTMAS TREE LANE

*Again this year Jim & Jennifer Stahl will host a terrific
Christmas Tree Lane party.*

*A great event with Shrine Trailer rides down
Christmas Tree Lane and a fantastic pot luck party.*

*When: Wednesday, December 18, 5:30PM.
Rides on the Shrine Trailer start at 6:00PM, 7:30PM,
and maybe at 9:00PM.*

Where: The Stahl home at 4222 N. Maroa.

Who: Shriners, Masons, Prospective Masons.

Dress: Yes, you should be dressed. (AND WARM)



*Please call Jim Stahl for reservations
559) 779-8079,*

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SHRINE

Clowns

Present

The 387th Annual

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Saturday, January 11, 2025

Medical Attention
will be available

Skyler "Oddball" Summers, Director

Come join the fun as we install a new set of
Dummies, (oops,) we mean officers,

Join our incoming Director, Oddball as
he take the Shrine back to the Stone Age



The evening starts at the Shrine Center

With a reception and dancing from 5:30 to
7:00 p.m. Then enjoy a delicious *Short Rib Dinner*, and

Of course, we have some special entertainment
as we initiate the new Director

Cost is only
\$40.00
per person

Now that's a
Refreshments Included
GREAT Deal

RESERVATIONS A MUST BY
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025

DRESS:
Like us!!
or whatever

Please call Wayne Schwartz
559- 229-2458, or
Mail Check to Wayne
2851 E San Gabriel.
Fresno, CA 93726.

All attendees will
receive a
Special gift valued
at 73 cents

Name: _____
Please reserve _____ for normal people
or _____ for Clowns
Total Enclosed \$ _____

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TEHRAN SHRINE CLOWNS



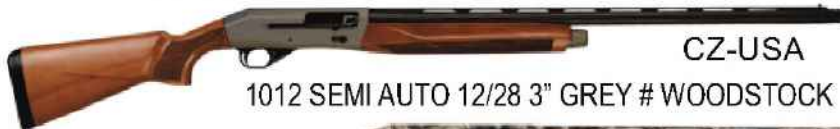
SPRINGFIELD ARMORY
HELLCAT PRO OSP
9MM BK10+1 CA

GUN RAFFLE



SIG SAUER
P365 9MM NIT 10+1
OR SFTY CA

WIN A BRAND NEW FIREARM!



CZ-USA
1012 SEMI AUTO 12/28 3" GREY # WOODSTOCK



CZ-USA
1012 G2 12/28 MOSGB 3" MOSSY OAK SHADOW GRASS BLADES



HENRY REPEATING ARMS
GOLDENBOY 22 LR LARGE LOOP
BLWD LARGE LOOP LEVER

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2025

**TICKETS AT \$20 EACH OR
6 FOR \$100**

To purchase ticket(s) Contact any Clown or call Wayne Schwartz at 559-240-1232

Drawing Limited To 400 Tickets

Do Not Need To Be Present To Win

Must Be 21 Years Old To Purchase Drawing Tickets

Winner Can Select The Gun Of Their Choice From Five (5) Options

Maximum Gun Value Not To Exceed \$800

Tehran Bulletin/Newsletter 2025 Information



To All Officers, Divan, Units & Clubs:

1. Please submit all articles, letters, flyers, etc., by the 15th of the month prior to publication. I.e. - to be in the January Bulletin submit by December 15th.
2. If you have an event the first week of the month, submit your item 2 months in advance. i.e. If your event is the first week of February submit your item by December 15th.
3. Send all items by email to Editor@tehranshriners.org, Please send all items as attachments to your email. Do Not embed it in the body of the email.
4. We accept all items in PDF format, Letters or articles may be sent as PDF or Doc files.
5. Photo may be submitted and will be included if space is available. Please include information of the club, event etc.
6. It is our intention to mail the monthly bulletin so that it arrives by the 1st or 2nd of the month.

Please Note:

1. The Bulletin will be published on the Tehran Shriners website every month by the 1st of the month..
2. The Bulletin will be sent out electronically by email on the 1st of the month using Constant Contact.
3. If you do not receive the Bulletin and event updates by Constant Contact and would like to subscribe; please send your contact information (name, telephone number and email address) to Editor@tehranshriners.org. You must have an active and valid email account.

All clubs and units are asked to provide a list of their Officers for 2025.

We look forward to a fun and active year. Please send your activities so that our new Shriners can get involved.

Thank you,

The Editor