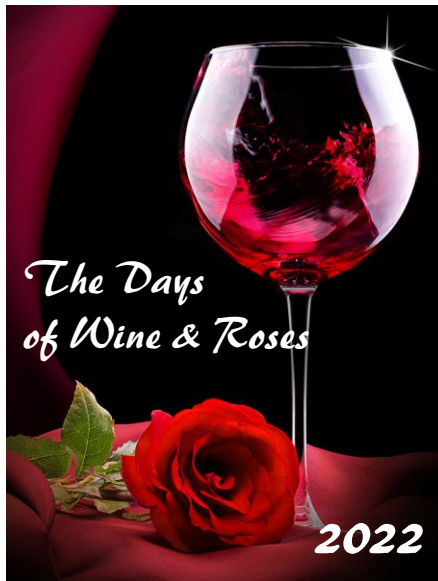


TEHRAN SHRINERS BULLETIN

June - July 2022



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I didn't pay attention at the month's to be covered in the last bulletin so missed telling you about May. I'll do it now, better late than never. 208 shopping days till Christmas.

What did one elevator say to another elevator?? I think I'm coming down with something!

May is the fifth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars and the third of seven months to have a length of 31 days. May is a month of spring in the Northern Hemisphere and autumn in the Southern Hemisphere. Late May typically marks the start of the summer vacation season in the United States (Memorial Day) and Canada (Victoria Day) that ends on Labor Day. May (in Latin, *Maius*) was named for the Greek goddess Maia, who was identified with the Roman era goddess of fertility, Bona Dea, whose festival was held in May. Conversely, the Roman poet Ovid provides a second etymology, in which he says that the month of May is named for the *maiores*, Latin for "elders," and that the following month (June) is named for the *iuniores*, or "young people" (*Fasti VI.88*).

May's birthstone is the emerald which is emblematic of love and success. The May birth flowers are the Lily of the Valley and the *Crataegus monogyna*. The zodiac signs for the month of May are Taurus (until May 19) and Gemini (May 20 onwards).

Important days in May, Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day (originally Decoration Day). The following was written by Canadian physician after he presided over the funeral of a good friend and fellow soldier (WWI) at which time he noted how poppies quickly grew around the graves of those who died at Ypres.

In Flanders Fields

In Flanders Fields, the poppies blow, Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago, We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie, In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields.

“Any man can make mistakes, but only an idiot persists in his error.” Marcus Tullius Cicero - Orator and Statesman (106 - 43 BC) *What did the shark say when he ate the clownfish? This tastes a little funny*

June is the sixth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars, the second of four months to have a length of 30 days. June contains the summer solstice in the Northern Hemisphere, the day with the most daylight hours, and the winter solstice in the Southern Hemisphere, the day with the fewest daylight hours (excluding polar regions in both cases). In the Northern Hemisphere, the beginning of the traditional astronomical summer is 21 June (meteorological summer begins on 1 June). At the start of June, the sun rises in the constellation of Taurus; at the end of June, the sun rises in the constellation of Gemini. However, due to the precession of the equinoxes, June begins with the sun in the astrological sign of Gemini, and ends with the sun in the astrological sign of Cancer.

What wash's up on very, verry small beaches?? Micro-waves!!

The Latin name for June is *Junius*. Ovid offers multiple etymologies for the name in the *Fasti*, a poem about the Roman calendar. The first is that the month is named after the Roman goddess Juno, the goddess of marriage and the wife of the supreme deity Jupiter; the second is that the name comes from the Latin word *iuniores*, meaning "younger ones", as opposed to *maiores* ("elders") for which the preceding month May (*Maius*) may be named. Another source claims June is named after Lucius Junius Brutus, founder of the Roman Republic and ancestor of the Roman gens Junia. In ancient Rome, the period from mid-May through mid-June was considered inauspicious for marriage. Ovid says that

he consulted the Flaminica Dialis, the high priestess of Jupiter, about setting a date for his daughter's wedding, and was advised to wait till after June 15. Plutarch, however, implies that the entire month of June was more favorable for weddings than May.

Certain meteor showers take place in June. The Arietids takes place May 22 to July 2 each year, and peaks on June 7. The Beta Taurids June 5 to July 18. The June Bootids take place roughly between 26 June and 2 July each year.

*A blonde went to city hall to register to vote. The clerk asked her, "When s your birthday?" She replied, 'June 10."The clerk asked, "What year?"
The blonde said, "Every year."*

June's birthstones are pearl, alexandrite and moonstone.
The birth flowers are rose and honeysuckle.

The zodiac signs for the month of June are Gemini (until June 20) and Cancer (from June 21 onwards). June 14th = Flag day, 3rd Sunday = Father's day, June 2nd = International Whores day (don't believe it? Look it up)

*A bear walks into a bar and says, "Give me a whiskey... and a cola."
"Why the big pause?" asks the bartender.
The bear shrugged. "I'm not sure. I was born with them."*

July is the seventh month of the year (between June and August) in the Julian and Gregorian calendars and the fourth of seven months to have a length of 31 days. It was named by the Roman Senate in honour of Roman general Julius Caesar in 44 B.C., it being the month of his birth. Before then it was called Quintilis, being the fifth month of the calendar that started with March. It is on average the warmest month in most of the Northern Hemisphere, where it is the second month of summer, and the coldest month in much of the Southern Hemisphere, where it is the second month of winter. The second half of the year commences in July. In the Southern Hemisphere, July is the seasonal equivalent of January in the Northern hemisphere. "Dog days" are considered to begin in early July in the Northern Hemisphere, when the hot sultry weather of summer usually starts. Spring lambs born in late winter or early spring are usually sold before 1 July.

July's birthstone is the ruby, which symbolizes contentment.

Its birth flowers are the Larkspur or the Water Lily.

The zodiac signs for the month of July are Cancer (until July 22) and Leo (July 23 onwards).

Independence Day (colloquially the **Fourth of July**) is a federal holiday (the national day of the United States) commemorating the Declaration of Independence of the United States, on July 4, 1776. The Continental Congress declared that the thirteen American colonies were no longer subject (and subordinate) to the monarch of Britain, King George III, and were now united, free, and independent states. The Congress had voted to declare independence two days earlier, on July 2, but it was not declared until July 4. During the American Revolution, the legal separation of the thirteen colonies from Great Britain in 1776 actually occurred on July 2, when the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence declaring the United States independent from Great Britain's rule. After voting for independence, Congress turned its attention to the Declaration of Independence, a statement explaining this decision, which had been prepared by a Committee of Five, with Thomas Jefferson as its principal author.

I visited my friend at his new house. He told me to make myself at home. So I threw him out. I hate having visitors.

Historians have long disputed whether members of Congress signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, even though Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin all later wrote that they had signed it on that day. Most historians have concluded that the Declaration was signed nearly a month after its adoption, on August 2, 1776, and not on July 4 as is commonly believed. By a remarkable coincidence, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, the only two signatories of the Declaration of Independence later to serve as presidents of the United States, both died on the same day: July 4, 1826, which was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration, Jefferson even mentioning the fact. Although not a signatory of the Declaration of Independence, James Monroe, another Founding Father who was elected president, also died on July 4, 1831, making him the third President who died on the anniversary of independence. The only

U.S. president to have been born on Independence Day was Calvin Coolidge, who was born on July 4, 1872.

Independence Day fireworks are often accompanied by patriotic songs such as "The Star-Spangled Banner" (the American national anthem); "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean"; "God Bless America"; "America the Beautiful"; "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"; "This Land Is Your Land"; "Stars and Stripes Forever"; "Yankee Doodle"; "Dixie" in southern states; "Lift Every Voice and Sing"; and occasionally, but has nominally fallen out of favor, Hail Columbia.

A salute of one gun for each state in the United States, called a "salute to the union," is fired on Independence Day at noon by any capable military base.

New York City has the largest fireworks display in the country sponsored by Macy's, with more than 22 tons of pyrotechnics exploded in 2009. It generally holds displays in the East River. During the annual Windsor–Detroit International Freedom Festival, Detroit, Michigan hosts one of the largest fireworks displays in North America, over the Detroit River, to celebrate Independence Day in conjunction with Windsor, Ontario's celebration of Canada Day.

"Nothing is more noble, nothing more venerable than fidelity. Faithfulness and truth are the most sacred excellences and endowments of the human mind." Marcus Tullius Cicero - Orator and Statesman (106 - 43 BC)

*What do you call a fish with two knees?
A two-knee fish!*

New! A Simple Guide to Freemasonry.

As members, you're encouraged to discuss your Masonic experience with people around you. It's how the tradition stays alive, from one person to the next. If you're interested in receiving print copies of the guide, please send a request to communications@freemason.org and we will ship them out free of charge.

Membership: We still have quite a few members who have not paid their dues. Check your dues card and see if you have a 2022 sticker! If you have questions or want to discuss your payment, give us a call at the office, if we are not in, we will return your call..



FRESNO SHRINE CLUB



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.

WHEN: Wednesday, June 8th
12 Noon Social (No Host); 12:30 Lunch

WHERE: Seven Café and Grill
25 Shaw Avenue, Clovis, CA



(North East corner of Shaw and Minnewawa)

\$20.00 per person

Please call Judy Hershey at (916) 717-0458 to make your reservation or respond via email to



Tehran Temple Guard



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| Tuesday, June 14 | Golden Chinese in the Tower District |
| Tuesday, July 12 | Hamburgers at Sequoia Brewing in the Tower District |
| Tuesday, August 9 | George's on Blackstone for Shish Kebab |
| Tuesday, Sept 13 | Cosmo downtown, just like in the old days |
| Tuesday, Oct 11 | Bella Pasta has treated Tehran well for years |

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May



**food,
friends &
fellowship**

JUNE 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Pageantry Practice (DARK)	7	8 Fresno Shrine Club Daughters of the Nile (DARK)	9 Legion of Honor/ Flying Shriners	10	11
12	13	14 Temple Guard/Patrol	15 Bulletin Deadline Nile Sewing (DARK)	16 Roustabouts	17 Novkeps	18
19 <i>Father's Day</i>	20 Scottish Rite	21 Clowns	22	23	24	25
26	27 Temple Belles Mtg (DARK)	28 <u>BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"</u>	29	30		
Notes: BOD - Board of Directors; open to all Nobles OV - Potentate's Official Visit * Denotes Temple/Shrine Event						

- Jun 8 Fresno Shrine Club
- Jun 9 Legion of Honor/Flying Shriners
- Jun 14 Temple Guard
- Jun 15 Bulletin Submission Deadline
- Jun 16 Roustabouts
- Jun 17 Novkeps
- Jun 20 Scottish Rite
- Jun 21 Clowns
- Jun 28 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" - 6:30 p.m.

Happy Father's Day



Many clubs and units go dark for the summer months and therefore have no functions or meetings. We will not print a July Bulletin but we will post any updates/posts submitted, to the website and by email via Constant Contact.

JULY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Imperial Session Minneapolis July 2-7
3 Imperial Session Minneapolis July 2-7	4 Independence Day Imperial Session Minneapolis July 2-7 Pageantry Practice (DARK)	5 Imperial Session Minneapolis July 2-7	6 Imperial Session Minneapolis July 2-7	7 Imperial Session Minneapolis July 2-7	8	9
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- Jul 2-7 Imperial Session
- Jul 13 Fresno Shrine Club
- Jul 15 Bulletin Submission Deadline
- Jul 18 Scottish Rite
- Jul 19 Clowns
- Jul 26 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" - 6:30 p.m.





Shriners International

IMPERIAL SESSION



Please join Imperial Sir Bill Bailey and Lady Debby Bailey in Minneapolis! They look forward to celebrating the 150th anniversary of Shriners International and the 100th anniversary of Shriners Hospitals for Children with you.

Minneapolis, Minnesota
When: July 2 – 7, 2022

