



MAY MESSAGE FROM THE POTENTATE



Greetings Nobles & Ladies!

Going into May we are growing rapidly again! We have 5 more applications for membership and more coming in every week! Our Membership committee is doing an Amazing Job!

May 4th is our Cinco de Mayo Party at 6 PM. We will be having a Full Taco Bar featuring Carnitas, Carne Asada and Chicken with beans and rice and red or green salsa and Margarita bars all for \$20 per person!

Pote's Nobility Ball will be May 18th! It will be a Black Tie Event! We will be having Filet Mignon, Lobster Tail, sauteed asparagus, mashed potatoes, salad, a bun and dessert and all the libations you can drink for \$40 per person!

The Daughters of the Nile will be having their Pageantry's "Happy Hour" Fiesta on May 19th from 2:00-4:00 PM at the Shrine featuring Fabulous Margaritas & Delicious "Grande" Hors d'oeuvres for \$15.00! Let's show the Nile our love and support!

May 25th at 10 am will be our "Nobility Thank you Breakfast" which will feature eggs, sausage, Bacon & Biscuits & Gravy with our normal libations all for \$15.00!

Lady Amy and I are so proud to serve as your Potentate and First Lady! We look forward to seeing all of you at this month's events!

Illustrious Sir,
Christopher J. Guille



SHRINE CALENDAR

May

May 4th - Cinco De May Party- See enclosed flyer

May 18th - Potentate's Nobility Ball- See enclosed flyer

May 19th - Daughters of the Nile Pageantry's "Happy Hour" Fiesta
Shrine Center 2 – 4 PM

May 25th - Nobility "Thank you Breakfast"
Shrine Center



FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF RABBAN

Greeting Nobles, Ladies and Friends,

Lady Carol and I have been having a great time representing Tehran Shriners, both locally and out of town. Most recently we were in Tampa, Florida, attending Shrine Leaders Conference. It was a wonderful educational and fun experience for both Carol and me. We were there for three full days. After the opening session the first day. There were Leadership Training Breakouts for both the nobles and ladies. Many informative items were taught. For the men: Budget preparation, Shrine law and Temple Risk Management, just to name a few. For the ladies: 1st Lady project/Video, Communications / Team Building and Public Speaking were discussed. All classes were taught by Imperial Officers, their Ladies and many other devoted, qualified members of Shriners International. At the closing session, the keynote speaker was Colonel Brianna Perata, Keller Army Community Hospital and Director, West Point Market.

I encourage all members of the Divan to take advantage of this training, sooner, not later. It will provide you with the knowledge you need to successfully manage Tehran Temple. It also provides you the opportunity to associate with your counterparts and see what their Temples are doing and play off their ideas. A truly great experience.

More recently, I was invited by the secretary of Tulare Masonic Lodge, Steve Presant, to give a presentation on Shriners and Shrine Hospitals for Children. I shared a short YouTube video, Shriners: A History of Brotherhood and Compassion Documentary. I talked afterwards about happenings at Tehran Shrine and our Sacramento Hospital. The presentation was well received, several questions followed. Brochures were made available.

It is truly an honor for Carol and me to represent Tehran Shrine. We are proud of our Nobles and Ladies that are constantly working to make Tehran Shrine a better place now and for the future.

Fraternally,

Dave Pitts, Chief Rabban



FROM THE ASSISTANT RABBAN

Aloha from Hawaii. Pam and I have been on the beautiful island of Kauai. We have been there many times but our first visit to Hawaii was at a Shrine event in 1995. We had been married 25 years and had never been to Hawaii, so we attended a WSA convention in Honolulu. We had a great time and I had the pleasure of being a clown in the parade on the main street by Waikele beach. While we were in Hawaii last week they were having the "Merry Monarch" festival in Hilo, which is large hula festival. The Merry Monarch was the last King of Hawaii and also a Shriner, and the TV was full of commercials for our Shriner's Hospitals. Through the years Pam and I have had many wonderful Shrine adventures, made many Shrine friends, and the Shrine has been an important part of our

lives. We look at the present state of Tehran with sad optimism, because we have lost so many good and active Shriner friends, and our membership has not kept up with the losses. In the last several years we have taken in many new and energetic Shriner's, so I feel our future is looking up.

Pam and I, along with several others, will be going on the Imperial Potentate's Cruise the first part of May. In the next month there several fun events coming up at Tehran including the Clovis Rodeo Parade, Cinco de Mayo party and a hospital tour at our Sacramento Hospital. Also we will be having the Imperial Shrine meeting the first several days of July in Reno. We seldom get a chance to attend the yearly meeting this close to home, and this is a great chance to see how the Shrine works. Besides the legislative session there is an opportunity to meet other Shriner's and their Ladies, with parties, shopping and to meet and hear from our Patient Ambassadors. It is gratifying to see their appreciation for changes you have made in their lives and how special these young people are. There will be great entertainment and a chance to view and participate in a BIG Shrine Parade, as well as to make some of your own Shrine memories.

You only get our of life what you put into it, so participate and invite the people you know to our functions, to share the fun and make memories. Remember, our motto is FUN WITH A PURPOSE and our purpose is helping KIDS.

Fraternally,
Randy Forrester, PP
Assistant Rabban



Nobility "Thank You Breakfast May 25th



Featuring eggs, sausage, Bacon & Biscuits & Gravy
with all our normal libations

10:00 AM

**CALL THE SHRINE FOR
RESERVATIONS**

251-1991

Thank You!!!!

**Great Meal, plenty
of Libations and
Lots of Friends
and Family!!
All for only
\$15.00 ea**

**Shrine Center
Dress is
Casual Fun is
mandatory!!**



HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET:

We have the Cinco de Mayo party on the 4th of May at the Shrine center. This sounds like a super party, come on down and sip on a Margarita and have some salsa and chips (and other good food).

I would like to give some real big kudos to Sandy and Mark (PP) Dawson for the great job they have done and are doing at the Shrine Center. They have spent lots of time doing wonderful stuff for us. Give them a great big thanks the next time you see them.

We have a bunch of the “new” Shriners involved with the updating and maintaining the building, grounds and also getting involved with the management of our center. And joining the clubs and units. Belonging to a club or unit is really helping us get them up and moving again. It would be nice to see all of you out parading with our motorized units and uniformed marching units. Give it some thought and come visit our meetings, we would love to see you. Speaking of which, I understand there are several of you that are interested in getting the Legion of Honor up and running again. There are lots of uniforms in the LOH lockers at the Shrine Center. The LOH carries our Flags, leading the parades we enter and brings the flags into our meetings and hold their meetings as they desire. You must be a Veteran to belong, and it is the one unit whereby you can belong to another unit. Maybe you have forgotten or didn't know, but you can only belong to one unit (LOH exception). You can belong to as many clubs as you want and of course the one unit. Our Pote's nobility ball is coming up soon, so get out the tux and evening gowns (and dancing shoes) and look forward to the invitation/flyer.

If we did all the things we are capable of, we would literally astound ourselves."

Thomas Edison - Inventor (1847 – 1931)

As of this date we have 222 members, the Black Camel has taken 2 (recorded this year), 8 petitions in various stages, 43 of us in arrears of which 4 are listed as projected suspension, which means they are 2 years delinquent. If you are any of those whose dues card does not say 2024, give me a call so we can get you current.

Wayne Schwartz, 559-229-2458.



Coming up in May:

Cinco de Mayo day (see flyer)

Mothers day. May 12th. If your Mom is still with us, do something real nice for her.

Memorial day: May 27. Put flowers on a loved one's or a flag and flowers on a Veterans grave. Fly your flag and stand tall, face that flag, and pledge allegiance to our country.

Buy and wear a red poppy (see in Flanders field below).

Unofficial start of summer vacation time.



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.*



Canadian physician Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae

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.

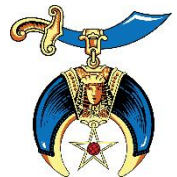
**Our May 8th meeting is at
Tehran Shrine Center**

5407 E Olive Ave, Fresno

Lunch will be by Hewitt's Catering - Menu still to be determined
12 Noon Social - Lunch at 12:30
\$20.00 per person

Reservations needed by Monday May 6

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



TEHRAN TEMPLE GUARD 2024 AND BEYOND

Show up at 6:00PM unless otherwise notified..

Tuesday, May 14

Wayne and Coleen will bring us back to George's.

Tuesday, June 11

Milt liked Ovidio's. We all did. We'll go there in June.

Tuesday, July 9

Pad Thai calls to me. Corner of Shaw & Minnewawa.

More suggestions are requested. As always, call Gary at 355-9571 so we can get a count.

Buenos Dias Amigo!!



Cinco de Mayo

Happy Cinco de Mayo



Fiesta



Saturday May 4th

Shrine Center Casa



A great reason to party!! Come on over to the Shrine,
And enjoy a great evening of fun and food and
Great friends!! The fun starts at **6:00 pm**



Full taco bar with Carnitas, Carne Asada & Chicken and all
the fixins. Mix that with fantastic cold Margaritas
And a full bar with all your favorite beverages.
Oh, and plenty of Rice, beans and salsa.



Email or Call the Potentate Chris for reservations.
christopher.quillen007@gmail.com or (559) 519-9678



Hey, let's go
watch our
Potentate dance
the flamenco.
Maybe Dave Pitts
will dance with
him.

All this, tacos, rice, beans,
salsa, excellent margaritas,
and our Potentate & Chief
Raban dancing the flamenco
for only -

\$20

Per person. That's a deal!!!

Too
much
tequila !!





Potentate's Nobility Ball



*Formal Black Tie Event
Sat. May 18th*

Tehran Shrine Center

Social 6 pm Dinner 7 pm

*Your Lady and you are
Cordially invite to attend
And enjoy a fantastic evening
Start with your favorite libations
Enjoy a wonderful dinner of
Filet Mignon, Lobster Tail,
sauteed asparagus, mashed potatoes, salad,
and dessert. Then dance the night away!*

*All this for only \$40.00 per person
Call the Office for reservations 559-251-1991*



Save The Date



Sharon Temple No. 92



Pageantry 'Happy Hour' Fiesta

COME AND JOIN US!

Fabulous Margaritas, Delicious Hors D'oeuvres, Great Company!

Only \$15.00 Per Person

Sunday, May 19, 2024
2-4 PM at Tehran Shrine Center
5407 E. Olive, Fresno CA

Pr. Nancy Campbell is General Chairman

Tickets may be purchased from any Pageantry member

Make check payable to Sharon Temple Pageantry. Mail this order form

To Pr. Nancy Campbell, 4575 E. Pico Ave., Fresno CA 93726

Ticket Order Form:

Name: _____

Number of Tickets _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____

Not coming, but here's my donation \$ _____

Proceeds go to Pageantry General Fund

