

# TEHRAN SHRINERS BULLETIN

NOVEMBER 2018



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## A Note from your Potentate

October could be my favorite month of the entire year.

The weather gets cooler, the leaves begin to change and the holiday season with family and friends is just around the corner. For many it is a time of relaxation, but not for the Tehran Shriners!

October was kicked off by Evette Bailey and the Shrine Ladies who honored First Lady Sandy with a wonderful luncheon. How can one beat an atmosphere of good food and good company?

Next it was off to the Big Fresno Fair Races with Denise Crossland and Company. One of the races was for mules only. Funny thing about mules, they can hardly run fast enough to kick up dust. Then came the featured Shrine Race, where nearly every horse I bet on decided it was a steeple chase and jumped out of the starting gate into the land of disqualification. Even though most of us failed to make even a nickel, the fun was pure gold.

Then it was off to Paso Robles for the Pioneer Day Parade. The Roustabouts and their award-winning Calliope thrilled the crowd as our own Cactus Harris tickled the ivories with a number of Souza Marches. The day culminated at Harris Stage Lines where we were treated to a hay ride, a silent theater organ concert, a trip through their wagon museum, and a western luncheon. If you missed the event this year be sure to add it to your 2019 calendar, it's a hoot!



Lastly, who doesn't like Polka Music? John Techman, Don Blosser and the Roustabouts hosted the party of the year. We had live music, four types of beer, homemade sausage, Beer Rocks, sauerkraut with all the fixings, plus the best German Chocolate Cake I think I've every had. And if that wasn't enough, there was Lederhosen as far as the eyes could see. Two things of particular note; Yes, my legs and my white socks are the same color and No, I really can't yodel.




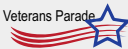


November holds just as much promise of fun and fraternity.



On Saturday, the 3rd, our own Chief Rabban, Tom Bailey, will thrill you with his plans for next year. On Sunday, the 11th, we will be assembling at Sunnyside Country Club to honor the hard work and dedication of our Past Potentates. Then on Monday, the 12th, you can join us as we thank our patriots by participating in the Fresno Veteran's Day Parade. And finally, on Friday, the 23rd, let's all go to the Hanford Christmas Parade.

Wishing you the happiness of good friends, the joy of a happy family, and the wonder of the holiday season. Have a memorable thanksgiving!




Why do we do it? ***Because we care!***


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NOVEMBER 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						3 Chief Rabban's Nite*
4 Daylight Saving Time Ends		6 Election Day		8 Flying Shriners & Legion of Honor		10
11 Veterans Day Past Potentate Recognition Dinner*	12 Veterans Parade  Honoring All Who Served	13 Temple Guard Patrol	14 Fresno Shrine Club Nile Stated	15 Roustabouts Merced/Mariposa Shrine Club	16 Novkeys	17
18	19 Scottish Rite	20 Clowns 6:30 pm Financial Mgt Board Property Mgt Board Insurance Advisory	21 Nile Sewing	22 Thanksgiving Day 	23 Hanford Christmas Parade 	24
25	26 Temple Belles (Dark) Knights of Mecca	27 BOD	28	29	30	
BOD - Board of Directors; open to all Nobles OV - Potentate's Official Visit * Denotes Temple/Shrine Event ** Lady's Event; all Nobles' Ladies are invited to attend. Parade(s): Fresno Veteran's, Lemoore Veteran's, Hanford Christmas						

- Nov 3** Chief Rabban's Night - Shrine Center, 5:00 p.m.
- Nov 8 Flying Shriners & Legion of Honor
- Nov 11** Past Potentate Dinner, Sunnyside Country Club, 4:30 p.m.
- Nov 12 Veteran's Parade 
- Nov 13 Temple Guard - Shrine Center
- Nov 14 Fresno Shrine Club
- Nov 14 Nile Stated - Las Palmas Masonic Center, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 15 Bulletin Deadline
- Nov 15 Roustabouts
- Nov 15 Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club, La Nita's Restaurant, 6:00 p.m.
- Nov 16 Novkeys
- Nov 20 Clowns - Shrine Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Nov 21 Nile Sewing - Shrine Center, 9:30 a.m. 
- Nov 23 Hanford Christmas Parade
- Nov 27 Board of Directors Meeting - Shrine Center, 6:30 p.m.



DECEMBER 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> Lemoore Christmas Parade 
<b>2</b> Scottish Rite Installation Hillbillies /Novkeys Christmas Party	<b>3</b> <b><u>Shrine Stated Mtg &amp; Elections 6:30 pm</u></b> Temple Belles Christmas Party	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b><u>Shrine Christmas &amp; Thank You Party</u></b> 
<b>9</b> Nile - Queen's Open House 2-5 pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Temple Guard Patrol	<b>12</b> Fresno Shrine Club Nile Stated	<b>13</b> Flying Shriners & Legion of Honor	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
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- Dec 1 Lemoore Christmas Parade 
- Dec 2 Novkeys Christmas Party - Shrine Center
- Dec 3 Temple Belles Christmas Party - Shrine Center
- Dec 3 Stated Meeting & Elections - Shrine Center, 6:30 p.m.**
- Dec 8 Shrine Christmas & Thank You Party - Shrine Center** 
- Dec 9 Nile Queen Open House - Shrine Center, 2:00 p.m.
- Dec 11 Temple Guard
- Dec 12 Fresno Shrine Club
- Dec 12 Nile Stated - Las Palmas Masonic Center, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec 13 Flying Shriners & Legion of Honor
- Dec 15 Bulletin Deadline
- Dec 18 Clowns - Shrine Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Dec 18 Board of Directors Meeting - Shrine Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Dec 20 Roustabouts
- Dec 27 Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club



# **NOTICE**

## **Tehran Shriners Stated Meeting & Election of Officers**



**Shrine Center  
Monday, December 3rd, 2018  
Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

**Nobles Only  
Attire: Business  
Jacket, Tie (Bolo), Fez  
Current Dues Card Required**

**Dinner \$15.00 per person**

**Please Call To RSVP For Dinner  
Orron Dougherty, Recorder  
559.251.1991**



# **Sheiks of the Desert Sands CHIEF RABBAN NITE**

**November 3, 2018**

**At the Shrine, starting at 5 PM**

Presentation of finished calendar, presentation of Divan Wear, custom shirt for 2019 and anniversary mementos and our First Lady's Project.

This is our 70th year since becoming a Shrine, there will be a short history of our Shrine and information on our Nobility Ball / Anniversary Celebration.

A BBQ dinner will be served. Menu will include brisket, ribs and chicken. Oasis will be open.

**Cost is \$30.00 per person.**

Please **RSVP** Recorder by **October 30, 2018**

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***Please join us in honoring our Veterans***

**Fresno Veterans Day Parade  
Monday, November 12, 2018  
Downtown Fresno  
11:00 a.m.**

All Clubs and Units  
are invited and encouraged  
to participate.

Please call the Recorder  
559-251-1991  
if you would like to join us.

*Note: We need to know how many vehicles/trailers will be needed. If you plan on driving a vehicle or pulling a trailer let us know.*

*We also would like to plan some refreshments; water/beverages and snacks/food. The parade is a long parade. Let us know if you are coming.*



# History of Veterans Day / Armistice Day

U.S. President Woodrow Wilson first proclaimed Armistice Day for November 11, 1919. In proclaiming the holiday, he said "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations."

The United States Congress passed a concurrent resolution seven years later on June 4, 1926, requesting that President Calvin Coolidge issue another proclamation to observe November 11 with appropriate ceremonies. A Congressional Act (52 Stat. 351; 5 U.S. Code, Sec. 87a) approved May 13, 1938, made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday: "a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day'."

In 1945, WWII veteran Raymond Weeks from Birmingham, Alabama had the idea to expand Armistice Day to celebrate all veterans, not just those who died in World War I. Weeks led a delegation to Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, who supported the idea of National Veterans Day. Weeks led the first national celebration in 1947 in Alabama and annually until his death in 1985. President Reagan honored Weeks at The White House with the Presidential Citizenship Medal in 1982 as the driving force for the national holiday. Elizabeth Dole, who prepared the briefing for President Reagan, determined Weeks as the "Father of Veterans Day."

U.S. Representative Ed Rees from Emporia, Kansas, presented a bill establishing the holiday through Congress. President Dwight Eisenhower, also from Kansas, signed the bill into law on May 26, 1954.

Congress amended this act on June 1, 1954, replacing "Armistice" with "Veterans," and it has been known as Veterans Day since.

The National Veterans Award, created in 1954, also started in Birmingham, Alabama. Congressman Rees of Kansas was honored in Alabama as the first recipient of the award for his support offering legislation to make Veterans Day a federal holiday, which marked nine years of effort by Raymond Weeks. Weeks conceived the idea in 1945, petitioned Gen. Eisenhower in 1946, led the first Veterans Day celebration in 1947 (keeping the official name Armistice Day until Veterans Day was legal in 1954).

Although originally scheduled for celebration on November 11 of every year, starting in 1971 in accordance with the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, Veterans Day was moved to the fourth Monday of October. In 1978, it was moved back to its original celebration on November 11.

(Found on Wikipedia)

# **FRESNO SHRINE CLUB**

## **“Have Lunch With Your Friends”**

DATE: Wednesday, November 14th  
TIME: 12 Noon Social (No Host) 12:30 Lunch  
DRESS: Men Casual Ladies Casual

PLACE: Yosemite Falls Cafe in Granite Park  
4020 N. Cedar Ave halfway between Dakota and Ashlan

Behind Me and Ed's Pizza Restaurant

PRICE: \$17.00 per person

**Please call Judy Hershey at 559-255-2672 to make your reservation.**

We will have 4 or 5 lunch choices set up by Yosemite Falls. The choices will be such that they all require about the same amount of preparation so all can be served at close to the same time. PLUS: Choice of soup or Salad, Choice of potato or rice. Beverage and dessert included.

We hope to see you there!  
Shrine Club Officers  
President: Orron Dougherty  
Vice President: John Techman  
Treasurer: Ralph Takakjian  
Secretary: Richard Hershey

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# MERCED-MARIPOSA SHRINE CLUB

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 15, 2018, 6 pm Social**

**(Order dinner from menu)**

**7 pm Meeting**

**(NOTE: Meeting 3rd Thursday due to Thanksgiving on 4th Thursday)**

**WHERE: LaNita's Restaurant, 2684 Shafer Rd., Atwater**

**WHO: Shriners & Ladies-Nobles, bring a Brother**

**Mason & His Lady**

**Have questions or need more information? Call:**

**Ray Baker 209-769-7917 or 209-358-2769**



**Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club members, the Club needs your support by attending and being active in meetings & events!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE SHRINE CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**MONDAY DECEMBER 10, 2018**

**Merced Elks Club, 1910 M St., Merced, CA 95340**



# Hanford

## CHRISTmas Parade

Friday, November 23, 2018  
Downtown Hanford  
6:00 p.m. Parade Step Off



Join us for a fun and bright  
Christmas Lights Parade.



Pre-Parade - Social 5:00 p.m.  
Food & Beverages Provided



Parade Route 1/2 block away  
Plenty of parking.  
216 West 8th Street, Hanford

Information Contact: Mark Dawson  
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# *Lemoore Christmas Parade*



Saturday, December 1st, 2018

Downtown Lemoore

6:00 p.m. Step Off



*More information to come.*



# HEY CUZINS!!

HEY CUZINS!! Circle December 2nd on your calendar so you don't miss all the fun when the Hillbillys and the Novkeps celebrate the start of the Christmas season. We will have great food, good moonshine and lots of fun. See you DECEMBER 2ND!!!



# *Save the Date*

## *Shrine Christmas Party*

Saturday, December 8th, 2018

Shrine Center

5407 E. Olive Ave, Fresno

Open House

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Food - Friends - Fun

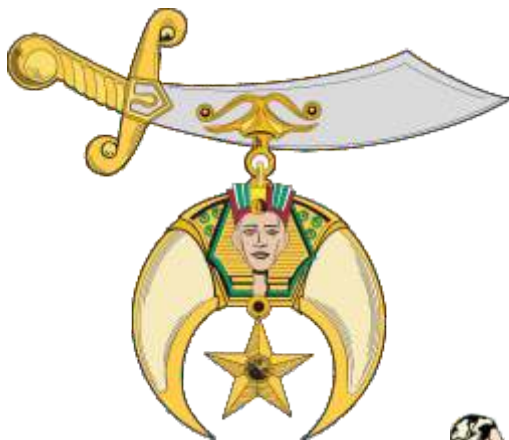
Music by Ed Burke



# TEHRAN SHRINERS

## PAST POTENTATES RECOGNITION DINNER

*In Honor of those Nobles and Ladies who have given  
so generously of their time and energy as Potentate and First Lady  
to the Tehran Shrine and its members.  
Please join us in thanking them for their service and devotion.*



Sunday, November 11, 2018  
Sunnyside Country Club  
5704 East Butler Avenue, Fresno

Social 4:30 p.m. Dinner 5:30 p.m.  
Piano Music by Len Heifetz

\$60.00 per person  
Appetizers, Salad, Dinner & Dessert  
Roasted Salmon or New York Steak  
Semi-Formal/Cocktail Attire

***R.S.V.P. by Friday, November 2nd  
559-251-1991***



*Never does a Shriner  
stand so tall as when he  
stoops to help a child.*