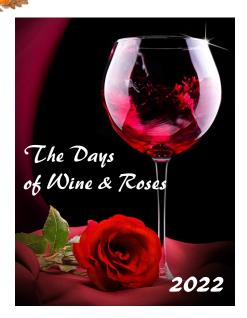


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What's happened at the Shrine Center?

Our All-Masonic Party on Saturday, 17 September, was great! We had a good turnout of non-Shriners who showed up with their kids, grandkids, and friends (as well as a great showing of our Nobles). The kids had a ball in the bounce-house and enjoyed dunking a couple of our Clowns in the dunk tank. There were plenty of hot dogs and hamburgers, cold drinks, chips and cookies and I don't think anyone went away hungry. Kudos to the Clowns for doing such a great job.



They included Chris Chris Guillen (chairman), Bryan (Shades) Kincade (cooking), Matt (Petals) Dawson (cooking and getting dunked), Skyler (Odd Ball) Summers (cooking and getting dunked), Tom Crossland (taking care of the bar), Gordon (Buster) Keeton (taking care of the bar), Mike (Oil Can) Nella (kitchen aide), Bob (Boardwalk) Murdoch, Clown Director and supervisor and a special thanks to Mark (Frownbuster) Dawson for handling all the publicity which involved many phone calls getting emails, etc. and then lots more time putting together the flyers, mailings and such. If I missed anyone it is not intentional. OK, other than everyone having a good time, what did we gain?? Well, I have 4 petitions for membership on my desk and believe there are at least 2 more that we will be getting soon.

How Bout That?

"There is nothing impossible to him who will try." Alexander the Great (356 - 323 BC

How is our membership doing

Per Web Fez we have 220 members, 1 restoration, 1 suspension, 16 nobles lost to the Black camel, 11 nobles delinquent with 3 in jeopardy of being suspended.

Why don't they play poker in the jungle? There're too many cheetahs around!

Speaking of Web Fez, there is an app (My Fez Card viewer) in the apple store and play store which you should look at. Imperial is going to stop sending the little year stickers you get to put on your dues card (soon). They want us to use this app and the Shrine Center just scans your phone when you show up to functions where we keep track of attendance. The Clowns are having a Halloween Party the last Saturday of October (see flyer). This is open to everyone (adult), so once again, talk it up at Lodge, Scottish Rite, family get togethers, etc. Let's show the community we are still open for business, supporting our hospitals and having fun doing it. And now onto what you always wanted to know about October.

"The truth is like a lion. You don't have to defend it. Let it loose. It will defend itself." St. Augustine (354 - 430 AD)

October is the tenth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars and the sixth of seven months to have a length of 31 days. The eighth month in the old calendar of Romulus c. 750 BC, October retained its name (from Latin and Greek *ôctō* meaning "eight") after January and February were inserted into the calendar that had originally been created by the Romans.

- · October's birthstones are the tourmaline and opal.
- · Its birth flower is the calendula.
- $\cdot\,$ The zodiac signs for this month are Libra (until October 22) and Scorpio (from October 23 onwards).
- · The French word **octobre** is shortened to **8bre**.

The last two to three weeks in October (and, occasionally, the first week of November) are normally the only time of the year during which all of the "Big Four" major professional sports leagues in the U.S. and Canada schedule games; the National Basketball Association begins its preseason, the National Hockey League is about one month into its regular season, the National Football League is about halfway through its regular season, and Major League Baseball is in its postseason with the League Championship Series and World Series. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, which necessitated changes to the sporting calendar and led to the four leagues' schedules coinciding earlier and more frequently than normal, there were 19 occasions in which all four leagues played games on the same day (an occurrence popularly termed a "sports equinox"), with the most recent of these taking place on October 27, 2019.

What is the difference between an 49ers fan and a baby? The baby will stop whining after a while.

Halloween, also spelled as Hallowe'en or Allhallowe'en, is a contraction of All Hallows' Eve, the eve of vigil before the Western Christian feast of All Hallows (or All Saints) which is observed on November 1. This day begins the triduum of Hallowtide, which culminates with All Souls' Day. In the Middle Ages, many Christians held a folk belief that All Hallows' Eve was the "night where the veil between the material world and the afterlife was at its most transparent".

Why did the monster go inside the bar? For the Boos

All Hallowe'en customs in the United States are borrowed directly or adapted from those of other countries. The taste in Hallowe'en festivities now is to study old traditions, and hold a Scotch party, using Burns' poem *Halloween* as a guide; or to go a-souling as the English used. In short, no custom that was once honored at Hallowe'en is out of fashion now." The main event for children of modern Halloween in the United States and Canada is trick-ortreating. Teenagers and adults will more frequently attend Halloween-themed costume parties typically hosted by friends or themed events at nightclubs either on Halloween itself or a weekend close to the holiday. *"Friendship improves happiness and abates misery, by the doubling of our joy and the dividing of our grief." Marcus Tullius Cicero - Orator and Statesman (106 - 43 BC)*

At the turn of the 20th century, Halloween had turned into a night of vandalism, with destruction of property and cruelty to animals and people. Around 1912, the Boy Scouts, Boys Clubs, and other neighborhood organizations came together to encourage a safe celebration that would end the destruction that had become so common on this night.

What happened to the cannibal who showed up late for dinner? They gave him the cold shoulder!

The commercialization of Halloween in the United States did not start until the 20th century. Halloween is now the United States' second most popular holiday (after Christmas) for decorating; the sale of candy and costumes is also extremely common during the holiday, which is marketed to children and adults alike. According to the National Retail Federation, the most popular Halloween costume themes for adults are, in order: witch, pirate, vampire, cat, and clown. Each year, popular costumes are dictated by various current events and pop culture icons. Total spending on Halloween is estimated to be \$8.4 billion.

And lastly: **Did you hear about the cowboy who got himself a dachshund? Everyone kept telling him to get a long, little doggie.**



Fresno Shrine Club You wanna be where everybody knows your name.



















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THE ANNUAL DAY AT THE RACES



BIG FRESNO FAIR HORSE RACES

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2022

Arrive any time after 12pm

\$35.00 per person

Includes Turf Club, VIP Parking, Adult Admission to Fair, Horseman's Section and \$2.00 towards the Shriners Hospital for Children Northern California Race (winnings go to SHCNC)

Separate Checks for Food/Drink – Order off Menu

Dress is casual

All monies are <u>due by September 14</u>. Please mail your check payable to Denise Crossland, 3669 W Persimmon Lane, Fresno 93711.







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
						1 Corcoran Cotton Festival Parade		
2	3 Pageantry Practice	4	5	6	7	8 Paso Robles Pioneer Day Parade Reedley Fiesta Parade		
9	10	11 Temple Guard/ Patrol	12 Fresno Shrine Club Daughters of the Nile	13 Legion of Honor/ Flying Shriners	14 Shrine Day at the Races *	15 Bulletin Deadline		
16	17 Scottish Rite	18 Clowns	19 Nile Sewing	20 Roustabout	21 Novkeps	22		
23	24 Temple Belles	25 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"	26	27	28	29 Selma Rotary Parade Halloween Party		
30	31 Halloween	Notes: BOD - Board of Directors; open to all Nobles * Denotes Temple/Shrine Event						

- Oct 3 Pageantry Practice
- Oct 11 Temple Guard/Patrol
- Oct 12 Fresno Shrine Club
- Oct 12 Daughters of the Nile
- Oct 13 Legion of Honor/Flying Shriners
- Oct 14 Shrine Day at the Races*
- Oct 15 Bulletin Deadline
- Oct 17 Scottish Rite
- Oct 18 Clowns
- Oct 19 Nile Sewing
- Oct 20 Roustabouts
- Oct 21 Novkeps
- Oct 24 Temple Belles
- Oct 25 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" 6:30 p.m.
- Oct 29 Halloween Party



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		1	2	3	4	5 Sanger Veterans Parade		
6	7 Pageantry Practice	8 Temple Guard/ Patrol	9 Fresno Shrine Club Daughters of the Nile	10 Legion of Honor / Flying Shriners	11 Veteran's Day Porterville Veterans Parade	12		
13	14 Scottish Rite	15 Clowns Bulletin Deadline	16 Nile Sewing	17 Roustabouts (DARK)	18 Novkeps	19		
20	21 Temple Belles (DARK)	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26		
27	28	29 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"	30					
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- Nov 7 Pageantry Practice
- Nov 8 Temple Guard/Patrol
- Nov 9 Fresno Shrine Club
- Nov 9 Daughters of the Nile
- Nov 10 Legion of Honor/Flying Shriners
- Nov 11 Veteran's Day
- Nov 14 Scottish Rite
- Nov 15 Clowns
- Nov 15 Bulletin Submission Deadline
- Nov 16 Nile Sewing
- Nov 18 Novkep
- Nov 24 Thanksgiving
- Nov 29 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" 6:30 p.m.





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Saturday - Oct. 29th, 2022 5:30pm - Spooky Social 6:30 pm - Frightful Dinner

Music, Dancing **Costume Party with Awards**



RSVP to Scare master Wayne Schwartz

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